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WEEKEND MASSES

4:00 p.m. Vigil Saturday

Sunday 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 a.m.

6:30 p.m. (Haitian/Creole)

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Mon; Wed-Fri 12:10 p.m.

6:30 p.m. Mass & Novena Tuesday

First Friday 8:00 a.m. Mass

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3:00-3:45 p.m. Saturday

8:30 a.m. (upon request) Sunday

6:00-6:30 p.m. Anytime by appointment. Tuesday

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DAILY MASSES

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Mass Holy Hour & Novena

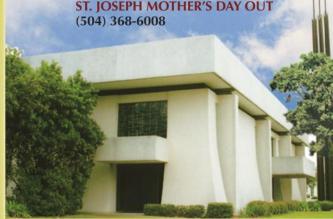
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TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY



Week of Sunday, October 5, 2025 Sunday, October 5, 2025 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10

Monday, October 6, 2025 St. Bruno, Priest; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin

Jon 1:1-2, 11; Jon 2:3, 4, 5, 8; Lk 10:25-37 Tuesday, October 7, 2025 Our Lady of the Rosary Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8; Lk 10:38-42 Wednesday, October 8, 2025

Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-4, 5-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4 Thursday, October 9, 2025 St. Denis, Bishop & Companions, Martyrs; St. John Leonardi, Priest

Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4&6; Lk 11:5-13 Friday, October 10, 2025

JI 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3, 6&16, 8-9; Lk 11:15-26 Saturday, October 11, 2025 St. John XXIII, Pope JI 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lk 11:27-28 Sunday, October 12, 2025 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, October 12, 2025 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 Kgs 5:14-17; Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4; 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19



Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help is held each Monday at 8:30 a.m. at St. Anthony Church and each Tuesday at St. Joseph Church during Mass at 6:30 p.m.

Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction with Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be held at St. Anthony Church on First Friday following the 8:30 a.m. Mass. All are welcome.



Prayer for the Hurricane Season

Through the intercession of *Our Lady of Prompt Succor*, may we be protected from all loss of life and property during this hurricane season.



COLLECTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 27-28, 2025

ST. JOSEPH

Envelopes, Loose, Checks	\$6,096.00
Online (9/22-28/25)	
Total Collected	
Budgeted Weekly Expense	. ,
Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense]	

ST. ANTHONY

Envelopes, Loose, Checks	. \$1,344.00
Online (9/22-28/25)	. \$ 160.00
Total Collected	. \$1,504.00
Budgeted Weekly Expense	. \$5,342.00
Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense]	-\$3,838.00

Second Collection October 11-12, 2025 St. Joseph Restoration Fund



Monies collected have been earmarked for this fund and will be used for major repairs to the interior & exterior of the church, auditorium, cafeteria building, and other major projects to restore the beauty of St. Joseph Church. This collection will not replace the monthly Maintenance Fund collection but will be an additional collection.



Today is Respect Life Sunday!
Join Catholics nationwide in celebrating Respect Life Month!
Please visit:
respectlife.org/celebrate for more information.

Parking for the **Gretna Heritage Festival** will be available in the St. Joseph parking lots on **October 3-5.** Parking fees will be \$10.00 per vehicle per day. No in/out parking allowed. Lots will open as follows:

Friday, October 3 - 1:00 p.m. Saturday, October 4 - 5:00 p.m. Sunday, October 5 - 12:30 p.m.

MASSES AND INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

ST. JOSEPH

Saturday, October 4, 2025

4:00 p.m. – Amy Loup, Ehret Fly., Falterman Fly., Seal Fly., Uzee Fly., Cannon Fly., Blanchard Fly., Sue An Abbey Guillermo, Robert Mire, Bonnie P. Parker, Jackson Pixley

Sunday, October 5, 2025 7:30 a.m. – For All Parishioners

9:30 a.m. – John Lanier, Paul Walther, Sr., Allen J. Roussel, John & Leonore Charles, Roland Herbert, Charles Lyons, Theresa DiPascal, W. Richard & Helen White, Jeff Reiser, Samuel Tague, Susan Landry, Ellen Rosalie O'Brien, Sheron Mamolo Templet, George H. White, Albert W. Linden, Barbara Lee Herzog Kass, Debra Mae LaFrance Duncan, Alfred Clark, Barbara J. Scott Stamos, Owen Everett Roussell, Bennie Johnson, Jr., Carole Lombard Schrieffer, Al James Landry, Tabitha Kirin, Anne Pogue, Roy LeBlanc, Bruce Matthews, Joseph Kish, Kevin & Kim Guidry

11:30 a.m. – Wiley J. Breaux, Sr.

6:30 p.m. – For the Haitian Community

Monday, October 6, 2025 12:10 – Babson "BJ" LeBlanc

Tuesday, October 7, 2025 6:30 p.m. – Helena de Cowes

Wednesday, October 8, 2025 12:10 – Norma Donohue

Thursday, October 9, 2025 12:10 – William "Billy" Sherman, Jr.

Friday, October 10, 2025 12:10 – Bonnie Pitre Parker



The Sanctuary Light this week at **St. Joseph** will burn in memory of *Curtis "CJ" Hebert*

ST. ANTHONY

Saturday, October 4, 2025 5:00 p.m. – Lloyd R. Leaber, Jr.

Sunday, October 5, 2025 10:30 a.m. – Doris Lirette, Khanh Nguyen

Monday, October 6, 2025 8:30 a.m. – Clay Leon, IV

Tuesday, October 7, 2025 8:30 a.m. – Kass Family

Wednesday, October 8, 2025 8:30 a.m. – Clay Leon, III

Thursday, October 9, 2025

8:30 a.m. – For the Victims of the Michigan & North Carolina Tragedies

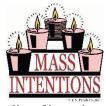
Friday, October 10, 2025 8:30 a.m. – Charlie Fazende

Saturday, October 11, 2025 8:30 a.m. – Michael C. Arnold, Jr. Family

5:00 p.m. – Lloyd R. Leaber, Jr., Herman Baum

Sunday, October 12, 2025 10:30 a.m. – Charles Gautreaux, Charlie Baldwin, Margaret Lindquist, Barbara Herzog Kass

Beginning on Tuesday, October 14th, the Mass Intention books for St. Joseph and St. Anthony will be opened for 2026. The cost is \$5.00 per mass intention. You may also purchase the Sanctuary Light (\$20) or Flowers on the Altar (\$60)



for one week. You may drop off your written list of intentions & payment to the St. Joseph Parish Office between the hours of 9am-Noon, Monday-Thursday, place in "drop box" to the right of the office door, or place in the collection basket at a weekend mass. Please make sure to include your name and contact phone number. Note: if date requested is not available, your mass will be moved to the next available date.



SUNDAY AND MONDAY BINGO'S AT GRETNA BINGO PALACE BENEFIT ST. JOSEPH RESTORATION

St. Joseph Church as the 3:00pm slots on Sundays and Mondays at the Gretna Bingo Palace. Please come out to play BINGO and support our Church.

Baptismal Seminar

For information regarding Baptismal Seminars, please call the St. Joseph Parish Office or send an email to stjosephgretna@arch-no.org.





Our Lady of Fatima Rosary Rally Saturday, Oct 11-Noon St. Anthony Church

There will be a Rosary Rally at St Anthony Church on October 11, 2025 at Noon in the Church asking for the intercession of our Blessed Mother in regards to solving America's problems. This is an Annual Rosary Rally that will be celebrated throughout the United States at the same time so that we will all be in prayer together asking for God's help through Mary's intercession and the intercession of all our brothers and sisters.

On Sunday, October 12th, near the Feast Day of St. Gerard Majella (the Patron Saint of Expectant Mothers), Fr. Gary Copping will celebrate the Rite for the Blessing of a Child in the Womb at the 9:30am Sunday Mass. St Gerard Majella is the patron saints of expectant mothers, unborn babies, women in labor and mothers. His Feast



Day is October 16. He prayed for expectant mothers that they carry their children to full term and that they be born healthy and the mothers remain healthy also. After his death, a woman was on the verge of losing her baby in childbirth. A handkerchief that belonged to Gerard was applied to the area of her womb and she was able to give birth with no further complications. All expectant mothers, fathers, families, and friends are invited to celebrate Human Life and the Human Person in the Womb. Please save the date and let everyone know about this special blessing. Hope to see you all there.



A Communal Celebration of the Anointing of the Sick Saturday, October 18

On Saturday October 18, 2025, there will be a Communal Celebration of the Anointing of

the Sick at the 8:30am Mass at St Anthony in honor of St Luke, Patron Saint of Physicians. The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is both "a liturgical and a communal celebration." In the family home, hospital, or church, members of the Body of Christ gather for the sacramental rite led by a priest. The Penitential Rite followed by the Liturgy of the Word and sacramental anointing of the sick can inspire and comfort both those who are ill and their family and friends who are gathered. Many parishes have communal celebrations at which many persons receive the sacrament. These sacramental celebrations are a "source of strength amid pain and weakness, hope amid despair" and a "joyful encounter" for the entire community.

There will be a "Living Rosary" on Tuesday October 21 at 5:45pm in the Holy Family Garden at St Joseph Church. Each person will be a "Bead" on the Rosary and will pray the prayer associated with that bead (Our Father, Hail Mary, or Glory



Be). Novena and Mass will follow in church. <u>Please note</u> the change in this year's date and time.



Come join us on Thursday, October 23 for a 6:00 Rosary and 6:30 Mass in honor of the Silver Rose – A Higher Purpose – Share the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe and promote respect for life by participating in this meaningful pilgrimage. The Silver Rose program demonstrates the unity between Knights of Columbus in Canada, the United States and Mexico, through a series of prayer

services promoting the dignity of all human life and honoring Our Lady. Each year, from early March through mid-December, Silver Roses are stewarded by Knights of Columbus councils along routes from Canada to Mexico. Every stop the Silver Rose makes throughout the pilgrimage is a rosary-centered occasion for Knights, parishioners and community members to pray for respect for life, for the spiritual renewal of each nation, and for the advancement of the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

The Roman Catholic Church of the Archdiocese of New Orleans ("Archdiocese") and 157 affiliated Catholic organizations including Catholic parishes, schools, organizations, and ministries announced a multi-million dollar proposed settlement to compensate individuals who claim they were sexually abused by clergy or church personnel. Individuals who experienced sexual abuse, involving the Archdiocese, or any of the Catholic Entities may be eligible for compensation from the Settlement Trust. Those who have not previously filed an Abuse Proof of Claim in this bankruptcy case or filed and served a lawsuit against the Archdiocese or any of the Catholic Entities by August 14, 2025, must file a claim so it is received by December 2, 2025 at 11:59pm Central Time. Claims can be filed online at www.NOLAchurchclaims.com, by downloading a claim form from the website, or by calling 877-476-4389 to request a form by mail. All information submitted will be kept confidential.

> Gretna Cemetery Tour Saturday, October 25 5:00 – 8:00pm

The Gretna Historical Society presents for the 11th time, a unique tour of the Hook & Ladder Cemetery.



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The St. Anthony Ladies Club will be raffling 2 tickets to the Saints vs. Falcons football game on Sunday, November 23, 2025. Tickets are \$5 a ticket or 6 for \$20 and will be available



after all Masses at St. Anthony. The winning ticket will be pulled on Sunday, November 16. Winner need not be present.



Jubilee 2025: Pilgrims Of Hope

January 1-December 28, 2025

For the **2025 Jubilee Year**, Pope Francis has selected the theme, *Pilgrims of Hope*. It is his desire that

this Jubilee year may contribute to restoring a climate of hope and trust around the world and allow for each of us to experience an encounter with Christ through pilgrimage to sacred spaces and in meeting the poor, sick, and vulnerable that we are called to serve.

Designated pilgrimage sites:

St. Louis Cathedral

St. Stephen's Basilica

National Shrine of Our Lady of Prompt Succor National Shrine of Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos Shrine of the Vietnamese Holy Martyrs

St. Jude Shrine

St. Augustine Church

St. Joseph Abbey – Covington

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For more information regarding Jubilee Year 2025, plenary indulgence, etc., visit:

https://nolacatholic.org/jubilee2025



50/50 Split Raffle! \$20 per ticket

Must be 18 or older to participate in Raffle

Will be drawn at 3:00pm on October 18 at conclusion of Rummage Sale

<u>Tickets are now being sold after all weekend masses</u> at St. Joseph Church.

Rummage Sale!!

Saturday, October 18 - 8:00am - 3:00pm Gym (corner of 7th & Newton Sts.) Sneak Peek - Thursday, October 16 - 5-8pm \$5 fee to bargain shop early!

Action & Love

Today's reading by Luke can be a little difficult to put in perspective. It appears that if you do what is asked of you then your status should change from a servant to a person with receives rewards of the action. Well, this has a very different meaning. When the servant does what he is supposed to do then Jesus' asked the disciples if because of this should the roles change. Should he sit at the table instead of serving the table?

He has called them, and us, to be his disciples and to go forth and spread His word and teach people about the Father and His Father's will for us. His question is, "because we do what He wants does this entitle us to be served by Him?" You see heaven is a gift, God's grace is a gift, and our creation was a gift. All we can do is accept these gifts. God's greatest gift to us is his love and He gives it to us freely. It is up to us to decide if we want to accept this love. If you choose to we will show our love for Him by doing what he asks of us. Think about someone whom you love. When you love someone, you do the best you can for that person. But because you love them, it is not a task, it is a joy. And that joy brings happiness to both of you.

You can't put conditions on your love. For instance, "If I love you, it is your responsibility to keep the house clean and raise the children or I will not love you any longer." Or "if you buy me a big house and make plenty money so I can have anything I want I will love you."

That is not love, that is extortion. But love does have a structure, and in that structure, there are things that we abide by. When you love someone, you stay within that structure. You would never do something to someone you love that would intentionally hurt them or do anything that will bring harm to them. God loves us unconditionally within that structure and our love for him and for one another needs to be the same.

Today as we go about our daily tasks, we can remember that we were created by love for love. When during the day we begin a task think about how unconditional God's love is for us and try to accept it and then reflect that love to the people we encounter.

Pet Blessing Sunday, September 28, 2025









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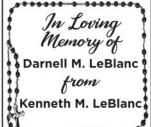
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