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SICK AND SHUT-INS

Please notify office.

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Please call at least nine-six months in advance.

NEWCOMERS

Welcome! Please introduce yourself and register in church or at the parish center.

Saint Joseph

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Friday: Office Closed

Church is open for prayer until 2:00 p.m. daily.

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 4:00 p.m. Vigil
Sunday 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 a.m.
6:30 p.m. (Haitian/Creole)

DAILY MASSES

Mon; Wed-Fri 12:10 p.m.
Tuesday 6:30 p.m. Mass & Novena
First Friday 8:00 a.m. Mass
Adoration until 12:10 p.m. Mass

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:00-3:45 p.m.
Sunday 8:30 a.m. (upon request)
Tuesday 6:00-6:30 p.m. Anytime by appointment.

Website: www.stjosephgretna.com

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Monday 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Vigil
Sunday 10:30 a.m.

DAILY MASSES

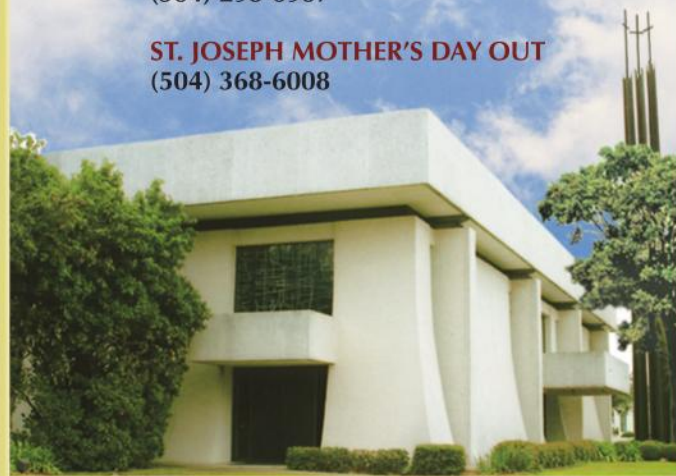
Monday 8:30 a.m. & Novena
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Saturday 4:30 p.m.
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TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Week of Sunday, October 12, 2025

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

Monday, October 13, 2025

Rm 1:1-7; Ps 98:1bcde, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday, October 14, 2025 St. Callistus I, Pope & Martyr

Rm 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday, October 15, 2025 St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church

Rm 2:1-11, Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9; Lk 11:42-46

Thursday, October 16, 2025 St. Hedwig, Religious; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin

Rm 3:21-30; Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab; Lk 11:47-54

Friday, October 17, 2025 St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr

Rm 4:1-8; Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11; Lk 12:1-7

Saturday, October 18, 2025 St. Luke, Evangelist

2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; Lk 10:1-9

Sunday, October 19, 2025 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 17:8-13; Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; 2 Tm 3:14-4:2;
Lk 18:1-8



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.



COLLECTIONS FOR OCTOBER 4-5, 2025

ST. JOSEPH

Envelopes, Loose, Checks	\$6,521.00
Online (9/29-10/5/25)	<u>\$ 880.00</u>
Total Collected	\$7,401.00
Budgeted Weekly Expense	\$9,224.51
Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense] ...	-\$1,823.51

Maintenance Fund \$1,571.00

ST. ANTHONY

Will be reported in next week's bulletin



Second Collection

World Mission

October 18-19, 2025

See attached letter from
Archbishop Gregory Aymond

Wedding Banns

Saturday, October 18, 2025

Brok D'Angelo

Lauren Dickson



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.

Baptismal Seminar



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

In Memoriam

Let us remember to pray for the repose of the soul of *Jan Tate*. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. *Amen*.

MASSES AND INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

ST. JOSEPH

Saturday, October 11, 2025

4:00 p.m. – Roxanne Richard, Michael Danjean, Katherine Rodrigue, Priscilla Cosse', Ehret Fly., David L. Pitre, Falterman Fly., Bonnie P. Parker, Healing Mass for Pat Randazzo, Blessed Mother for Favors Granted, Capdeville Fly., Favolora Fly.

Sunday, October 12, 2025

7:30 a.m. – Amy Loup

9:30 a.m. – Fonseca, Brunet, Cambre & Boudreaux Flys., Frank Maness, Sadie Plaisance, Jeff Reiser, Samuel Tague, Earl J. Oubre, Jr., Bruce Matthews, Joseph Kish, In Thanksgiving, Beverly Mayo LeBlanc, Michael McGee, Mary Brazeal, Sandra Duplantis

11:30 a.m. – For All Parishioners

6:30 p.m. – For the Haitian Community

Monday, October 13, 2025

12:10 – Bonnie Pitre Parker

Tuesday, October 14, 2025

6:30 p.m. – Sean Baldwin

Wednesday, October 15, 2025

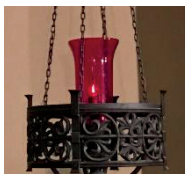
12:10 – Louis J. Guccione, Jr.

Thursday, October 16, 2025

12:10 – Stacy A. Link

Friday, October 17, 2025

12:10 – Ruth Casler



The Sanctuary Light this week at **St. Joseph** will burn in memory of
Michael Danjean

ST. ANTHONY

Saturday, October 11, 2025

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

Monday, October 13, 2025

8:30 a.m. – Arthur Schexnayder

Tuesday, October 14, 2025

8:30 a.m. – Clay Leon, IV

Wednesday, October 15, 2025

8:30 a.m. – The Harris Family

Thursday, October 16, 2025

8:30 a.m. – Clay Leon, III

Friday, October 17, 2025

8:30 a.m. – Margaret D. Arnold

Saturday, October 18, 2025

8:30 a.m. – Loretta Gros

5:00 p.m. – Tre' Walker, Desmond Walker, Sr., Lloyd R. Leaber, Jr.

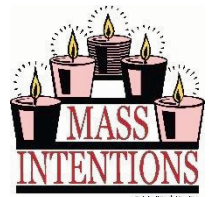
Sunday, October 19, 2025

10:30 a.m. – Sheila Ann Newton

The Mass Intention books for St. Joseph and St. Anthony for 2026 are now open.

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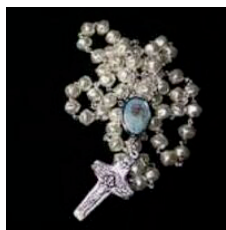
St. Joseph Church as the 3:00pm slots on Sundays and Mondays at the Gretna Bingo Palace. Please come out to play BINGO and support our Church.



**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. **Please note the change in this year's date and time.**



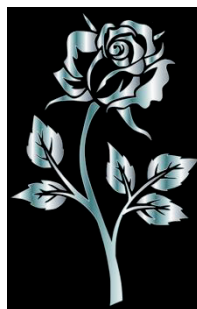
**50/50 Split Raffle!
\$20 per ticket**

Must be 18 or older to participate in Raffle
Will be drawn at 3:00pm on October 18 at conclusion of Rummage Sale
Tickets are now being sold after all weekend masses 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!**



**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.

**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.

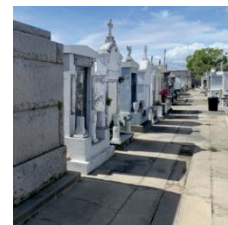
Come see a LIVE performance depicting Ancestors from BEYOND THE GRAVE!

Walk into the past and carry with you memories into the future.

Refreshments by The Red Maple

Cost: \$30.00

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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.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society St. Joseph Conference is seeking help with collecting food items for Thanksgiving baskets. **The food drive will be held October 18/19 through Nov. 16.** There will be boxes in the back of St. Joseph Church marked as St. Vincent de Paul Food Drive.



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.

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In Luke’s Gospel today only one person with leprosy returned to say “thank you” in what was a heartfelt appreciation of a gift that saved his life and eliminated his banishment from society. When we look at the culture in the time of Christ the words “thank you” were rarely used. In that period when one would do a service for another, they would not thank the doer because there was an unspoken expectation of a favor in return. In the case of the returning person with leprosy, because of the gravity of the healing, which could never be repaid, it was appropriate then to say, “Thank You.” Why do you think the other nine people with leprosy did not return to Jesus and give him thanks? Could it have been that they were angry that they had gotten sick in the first place? Maybe they were upset that their life had been so difficult. Or maybe it was because they were so self-centered and never learned to say thank you in the first place. It is difficult to believe that people can be so angry or so self-absorbed that they do not appreciate the healing of God. People then and now tend to see the negative side to life and fail to see the presence of God in their world. Being negative about life can cause difficulty in personal relationships and depression. Each of us has the choice to see things in life as a trial or an opportunity. This is a decision that we have to make for ourselves, to be happy or not to be happy. Thank you, why do we say it? Is it an automatic reply that we have

been conditioned to respond... or is it a sincere appreciation of a service that was rendered to us?

I believe that the reason we say it is simple, because at any moment an action, a word, a gesture or simply someone’s presence has made your life easier, less stressful, more understandable, or just plain happier. Why should you do something that would have an effect on someone’s life? Maybe because you can make someone’s life a little easier, a little less stressful, a little more understandable or just a little happier? Why? Because that is what God wants from us. He wants us to show gratitude to our brothers and sisters. He wants us to love them as He loves us. Action speaks loudly to God and by treating others with gratitude we are giving thanks to God for His love for us. Both the action of giving and the gift of receiving come from the grace of God. Love is an action that has to be given. Love cannot be inactive it cannot exist without movement. So, we strive to become a giving people who are always doing for others. We must also allow people to do things for us so that they too can receive the grace of giving. Now what about us, do we give and receive? Do we thank people when they try to help make our lives a little easier? Do we try to do things that make people’s lives a little easier? Most importantly do we thank God for our creation and for all the times we were in a jam and went to Him for help? Are we positive or negative people? Do we see God in our lives and in our world? Always keeping God in our lives, can sometimes be difficult, but it will lead us to Him and bring us peace and composure even in the hardest times in our lives. Without God we are left with no outlet for the annoyances that life can cause,

Without God, this is as good as it gets.

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October 2025

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

On October 19th we will celebrate World Mission Sunday, a powerful reminder of our shared responsibility to proclaim the Gospel to all nations. It is a day when Catholics around the world unite in prayer and solidarity to support the missionary work of the Church. This year's theme, "Missionaries of Hope Among the Peoples," is particularly moving because, even though it was chosen by Pope Francis, it reflects both the heart of our faith and the vision of our new Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV.

We are called to support the missionaries, priests, religious sisters and brothers, and lay leaders who serve in the 1,124 mission territories where the Church is still young, vibrant, and often facing persecution or poverty. These areas, spanning Asia, Africa, Latin America, Oceania, and the Middle East, depend on our prayers and financial support to sustain and expand their efforts to share Christ and his saving words and work.

The World Mission Sunday collection supports the work of The Pontifical Mission Societies, the Pope's official means of assisting Catholic communities in the world's poorest regions. Our contributions provide essential resources for the Church's mission: the formation of seminarians and religious sisters, the training of lay catechists, education for children in Catholic schools, medical care in Church-run hospitals and clinics, and construction and maintenance of churches and parish centers.

Your prayers and sacrifices ensure that the light of Christ reaches the ends of the earth. The Church's mission is not the responsibility only of those who serve in distant lands; it belongs to all of us by baptism. Each time we support the missions, we affirm that we are one Church, one family in Christ, united in bringing hope and love to all people.

May this World Mission Sunday deepen our commitment to the missionary dimension of our faith. Let us go forth as Missionaries of Hope, bringing God's love and mercy to all people.

Wishing you God's blessings, I am
Gratefully in the Lord,

Most Reverend Gregory M. Aymond
Archbishop of New Orleans





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