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CONFIRMATION

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SICK AND SHUT-INS

Please notify office.

MARRIAGE

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

Email: stjosephgretna@arch-no.org



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Msgr. Lanaux Rareshide, In Residence
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Deacon Len Enger
Deacon David Kalil
Benita Plaisance, School Principal
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Saint Anthony

924 Monroe Street
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OFFICE HOURS

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

Tuesday & Thursday 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

WEEKEND MASSES

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

DAILY MASSES

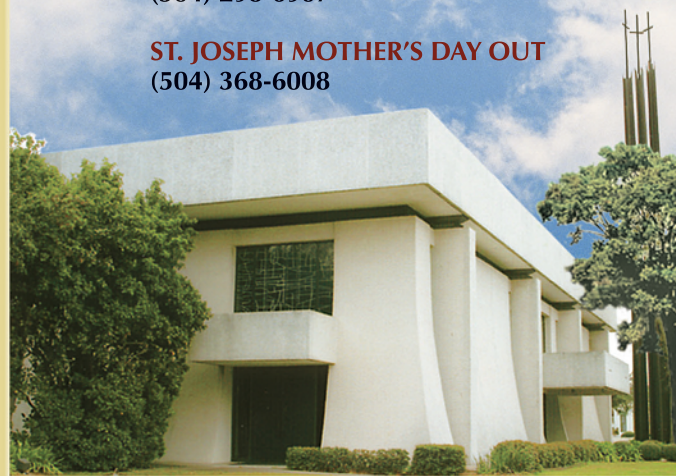
Monday 8:30 a.m. & Novena
Tuesday-Saturday 8:30 a.m.
First Friday 8:30 a.m.
Mass Holy Hour & Novena

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:30 p.m.
and anytime by appointment

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THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Week of Sunday, October 26, 2025

Sunday, October 26, 2025 30th Sunday, in Ordinary Time
Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23; 2 Tm
4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14

Monday, October 27, 2025

Rm 8:12-17; Ps 68:2&4, 6-7ab, 20-21; Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday, October 28, 2025 Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles
Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Lk 6:12-16

Wednesday, October 29, 2025

Rm 8:26-30; Ps 13:4-5, 6; Lk 13:22-30

Thursday, October 30, 2025

Rm 8:31b-39; Ps 109:21-22, 26-27, 30-31; Lk 13:31-35

Friday, October 31, 2025

Rm 9:1-5; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Lk 14:1-6

Saturday, November 1, 2025 All Saints

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt
5:1-12a

Sunday, November 2, 2025 The Commemoration of All the
Faithful Departed

Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Rm 5:5-11 or 6:3-9;
Jn 6:37-40



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.



Daylight Saving Time ends
Sunday, November 2, 2025
Set clocks back 1 hour



COLLECTIONS FOR OCTOBER 18-19, 2025

ST. JOSEPH

Envelopes, Loose, Checks	\$5,139.00
Online (10/13-19/25)	\$1,430.00
Total Collected	\$6,569.00
Budgeted Weekly Expense	\$9,224.51
Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense]	–\$2,655.51

World Mission \$1,359.00

ST. ANTHONY

Envelopes, Loose, Checks	\$6,550.00
Online (10-13/19/25)	\$ 310.00
Total Collected	\$6,860.00
Budgeted Weekly Expense	\$5,342.00
Net Income [+ or – budgeted expense]	=\$1,518.00

World Mission \$ 247.00



Maintenance Fund November 1-2, 2025

A second collection for the Maintenance Fund will be taken up at all masses next weekend. This monthly collection will be dedicated solely for the maintenance, repairs, or upgrades to our church complexes.

All Saints Day, Saturday, November 1, 2025 Not a Holy Day of Obligation

8:30am Mass ONLY at St. Anthony Church

Blessing of Graves – Saturday, November 1

Hook & Ladder Cemetery – 10:00am

Westlawn Cemetery – 12:00 Noon

McDonoughville Cemetery – 2:00pm

Restlawn Cemetery (Avondale) – 2:00pm

All Soul's Day – Sunday, November 2 Regular Sunday Mass Schedule

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.

MASSES AND INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

ST. JOSEPH

Saturday, October 25, 2025

4:00 p.m. – Trina Frisch, Ehret Fly., G.T. LaBorde Fly., Terrio Fly., Falterman Fly., Bonnie P. Parker, Rivet Fly., Maty Ann Capdeville, Aaron Lemoine, Peggy Palmer, Ellen O'Brien, Robert Doria, Jr., Beverly M. LeBlanc

Sunday, October 26, 2025

7:30 a.m. – Amy Loup

9:30 a.m. – Paul C. Cambre, Samuel Tague, Joseph Thomas Kish, Bruce Matthews, Beverly Mayo LeBlanc, Mary Brazeal

11:30 a.m. – For All Parishioners

6:30 p.m. – For the Haitian Community

Monday, October 27, 2025

12:10 – Peggy Palmer

Tuesday, October 28, 2025

6:30 p.m. – Terry Keegan

Wednesday, October 29, 2025

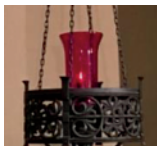
12:10 – Jorge Cowes, Sr.

Thursday, October 30, 2025

12:10 – Lucille Fonseca Brunet Fly.

Friday, October 31, 2025

12:10 – Boyce's Anniversary



The Sanctuary Light at **St. Joseph** this week will burn in memory of
Peggy Palmer

The St. Joseph Women's Club will hold their quarterly meeting on Monday, November 10th at 1:00 p.m. in the Social Room of the Family Life Center. All women, 18 years of age or older, are invited to attend.



ST. ANTHONY

Saturday, October 25, 2025

5:00 p.m. – Jordan Deen, Lloyd R. Leaber, Jr.

Sunday, October 26, 2025

10:30 a.m. – Barbara Herzog Kass

Monday, October 27, 2025

8:30 a.m. – Dee Dee Gautreaux

Tuesday, October 28, 2025

8:30 a.m. – Maurice Korndorffer

Wednesday, October 29, 2025

8:30 a.m. – Hazel Gauthreaux

Thursday, October 30, 2025

8:30 a.m. – Michael C. Arnold, Jr.

Friday, October 31, 2025

8:30 a.m. – Cox Family

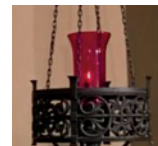
Saturday, November 1, 2025 (All Saints Day)

8:30 a.m. – Joe Fasullo

5:00 p.m. – Arnold & Doris Lirette, Mary & Henry Strohmeyer, Phan Nguyen, Lloyd R. Leaber, Jr., Herman Baum

Sunday, November 2, 2025 (All Souls Day)

10:30 a.m. – Cox Family, Cannon Family, Phan Nguyen, Balbuena Family, Laso Family, Clay Leon, IV, Clay Leon, III, Patsy Grefer



The Sanctuary Light this week at **St. Anthony** will burn in memory of
Dee Dee Gautreaux



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.



**SUNDAY AND MONDAY
BINGO'S AT GRETN
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.



Throughout the month of November, we will be praying for our deceased loved ones. You may write the names of your loved ones in the "*Book of Life*" which has been placed on a pedestal in front of the Baptismal Font in St. Joseph Church and inside the main entrance to St. Anthony Church.

After all masses next weekend (November 1-2) at St. Joseph, the Catholic Daughters of America will be selling tickets for their Fall Raffle. Why not take a chance at winning!!



Rev. Toribio "Ives" Aniban, a Filipino-American priest who served in the Archdiocese of New Orleans, passed away last November 10, 2024 in his native province of Samar in the Philippines. Fr. Ives was Parochial Vicar at St. Anthony back in the late 1980s. **The memorial for the late Rev. Toribio "Ives" Aniban will be November 10 at 6:30pm at St Anthony Church.** There will be a simple repast after the mass in St Anthony's Cafeteria. Fr. Edsil Ortiz, the nephew of Fr Ives, will be the presider for the memorial mass of the late Rev. Toribio "Ives" Aniban. **All are welcome to attend and pray for the repose of Fr Aniban and to share stories of his stay at St Anthony.**

The St. Vincent de Paul Society St. Joseph Conference is collecting food items for Thanksgiving baskets. **The food drive will be held November 16.** There will be boxes in the back of St. Joseph Church marked as St. Vincent de Paul Food Drive.



As a reminder, the St. Joseph Women's Club sponsors a year-round Food Drive. Let us assist others in need at this time by donating non-perishable food items. The food will be donated to the Gretna Food Bank. Please bring your non-perishable food items and place them in the box provided in the rear of St. Joseph Church.

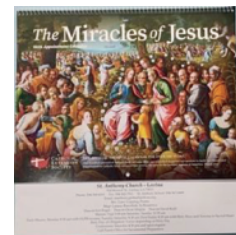
**Young Catholic Professionals
Executive Speaker Series
Tuesday, November 11, 2025
7:00 – 9:00pm
St. Joseph Social Room
Speaker: John Vukovics**

Food and drink will be provided
All are invited!
For more information, visit:
youngcatholicprofessionals.org



Come join the Young Adult Ministry for "Friendsgiving" at 6:30pm on Monday, November 10th in the St. Joseph Auditorium. Please bring a covered dish. All are invited.

The 2026 St Anthony calendars have arrived. Please make sure to pick up a calendar at St Anthony when you are there for Mass and Worship.



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.NOLChurchclaims.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.



**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
St. Charles Borromeo – Destrehan
St. John the Baptist – Edgard
St. Joseph Church & Shrine – Gretna
St. Ann Church & Shrine – Metairie

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

<https://nolacatholic.org/jubilee2025>

In each issue of the Clarion Herald, they are featuring a specific Jubilee 2025: Pilgrimage of Hope site. In the October 18, 2025 issue (Pg. 23), our own St. Joseph Church & Shrine is the featured site. Please be sure to pick up a copy when you come to church.

You Choose

In Luke's Gospel reading today, Jesus tells us about two different men who appear to look at their lives in different ways. The first was a high-ranking Pharisee who prays to his established position in Jewish society. The other is a humble tax collector who prays with the humility of a true believer and follower of his commitment to the person with whom he calls upon. The Pharisee, because of his possessions and his heritage, sees his part of life is self-created and has ownership therefore all things belong to him. His prayers are commendations to himself and pity on others. The other gentleman is a simple man who is thankful for what he has and grateful for the presence of God in his life he prays in silence to show the humility that lives in his heart. In our lives, we have probably met one or both of these people, and maybe become one or the other. Jesus as a human being has used this as an indication of what he expects from us by the journey he is living out to prove it by his humility. Some of us will become very successful and others not so much, but the journey that we take is meant if for us to end up with Jesus forever and only one choice will lead to that. We must remember that the choice that the Pharisee made, power, pride, and passion, only last for a very short period of time. On the other side the tax collector chose a path that included caring, humility, and love of others which carried an eternal reward. Even today these unique choices grow with us as we grow.

It is up to us to choose!



Congratulations to Eric Hunn, winner of our 50/50 raffle! We collected a grand total of \$14,240 of which the winner received \$7,120!

Sponsor of the Week

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Memory of
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& Morvant
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...and the **WORD**
became **FLESH**...

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DECEMBER 15TH
6:30-7:30pm

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Presenter:
Brian Butler
*Speaker, Author,
& Executive
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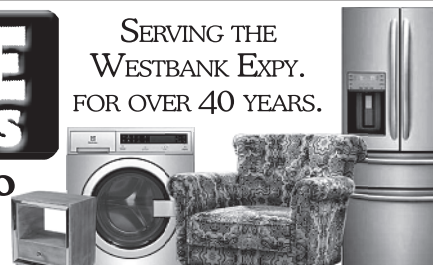
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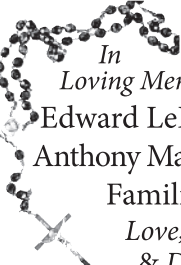
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