

YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST

and honoring St. Joseph

2021

Beginning on the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord, January 10, 2021, the local Catholic Church has entered into the Year of the Eucharist, a time of renewal, healing, and communion. This year is dedicated to helping all of us, clergy, religious, and laity, grow in our relationship with Christ.

We begin this important year on this feast because baptism marks the beginning of our initiation into Jesus Christ, a lifelong journey toward union with Christ and one another. The Eucharist is communion with God. Christ nourishes us with his very Body and Blood so that we can be joined more closely to him and to all humanity.

Throughout this year, we will join with Catholics around the world to call upon the prayers and patronage of St. Joseph to help us more fully understand the meaning of the parts of the Mass, the theology of the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, and the obligation we have as Catholics to participate in Mass on Sunday.

As the universal church observes a special Year of St. Joseph as proclaimed by the Holy Father, we in the Archdiocese of New Orleans call upon St. Joseph's powerful intercession to bring us closer to Jesus in the Eucharist.



SPECIAL INITIATIVES

The Vigil Project Partnership

The Archdiocese of New Orleans is partnering with The Vigil Project (thevigilproject.com) to bring exciting opportunities for parish evangelization and events as well as planning for a large youth gathering in the late fall of 2021.

Twelve Part Explanation of the Mass

Throughout the year, clergy will preach on the various parts of the Mass once a month to help Catholics enter more deeply into the mystery of the Mass.

Archdiocesan Nights of Exposition, Adoration, and Reconciliation

All church parishes in the Archdiocese of New Orleans will offer Nights of Eucharistic Exposition, Adoration, and Reconciliation on March 24 and September 15, 2021.

Year of the Eucharist Art Contest

Adults and youth will be encouraged to participate in a special art contest on "The Power of the Eucharist". More information is available at nolacatholic.org/artcontest.

Notre Dame Seminary Eucharistic Lecture Series

Notre Dame Seminary will host monthly lectures and conversations around Eucharistic topics. More information is available at nds.edu/ELS.

Learn more at <https://nolacatholic.org/eucharist>

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TWELVE PART EXPLANATION OF THE MASS

(given throughout the year during the homily)

January 10 (Baptism of the Lord): *Who we are and why we Celebrate Mass*

February 7: *The Church Gathered in the Presence of God*

March 14: *The Penitential Act and the Gloria*

April 18: *The Presence of Christ in the Word*

May 2: *The Creed*

June 13: *The Presentation of the Gifts and Preparation of the Altar*

July 25: *The Eucharistic Prayer*

August 29: *The Lord's Prayer and Rite of Peace*

September 12: *The Lamb of God*

October 24: *Real Presence and Reception of the Eucharist*

November 21 (Christ the King): *Blessing and Dismissal*

December 12: *The Meaning and Importance of the Obligation to Sunday Mass*

A PRAYER FOR THE INTERCESSION OF ST. JOSEPH

To you, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our afflictions, and having implored the help of your most holy Spouse, we confidently invoke your patronage also.

Through that charity which bound you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities.

O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ; O most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence; O our most mighty protector, be kind to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness.

As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid, we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven.

Amen.

January 10, 2021 — FEAST of the BAPTISM of the LORD

St. Mary of the Angels



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MISSION STATEMENT

We are a welcoming community of believers who worship God and serve others."

OUR CORE VALUES

- We are Catholic. ■ We are caring Christians. ■ We give time, talent, treasure and witness.
- We share good news in word and deed. ■ We reach out to the local community.
- We serve through social ministry by works of charity and justice.

PARISH STAFF

Fr. Joseph Hund, OFM.....Pastor
Br. Daniel Barrett, OFM.....Pastoral Associate
Br. Juniper Crouch, OFM.....in Residence
Sister Judy Zynda, O.P.....Prayer & Scripture Ministry
Vanessa Matthews.....Director of Religious Ed
Jeoffre Duplessis.....Director of Music Ministry
Paulette Duplessis.....Secretary
Marlene Robinson.....Financial Manager
Saundra Washington.....Housekeeping

PARISH COUNCIL

Peggy Williams.....Chairperson
Edwin Shorty.....Vice Chairperson
Gail Winsey.....Secretary
Gale Arnant.....Finance
Eric Bennett.....Administration & Leadership
Darrin Duroncelet.....Community Life
Vaughn Valeary.....Evangelization
Marlene Robinson.....Justice & Charity
Embra Bridges.....Respect Life
Lynn Duroncelet.....Religious Education
Debra Theard.....Worship
Paula Arceneaux.....Stewardship
Lynn Evans.....Pastoral Care

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass.....4:00 p.m.
Sunday Gospel Mass.....10:00 a.m.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

BAPTISMS: Baptisms are celebrated on the 3rd Sunday of the month. Parents are expected to call the parish office three months prior to the anticipated Baptism of the child.

Baptisms are not celebrated during the Season of Lent.

CONFIRMATION: Classes are held for High School students grades 9th –11th following the guidelines of the Archdiocese of New Orleans. These classes are usually held on Wednesday nights.

VISITATION OF THE SICK: Please inform the parish office when someone is sick, shut-in, or in the hospital, and are unable to attend mass.

RECONCILIATION: Offered Saturday at 3:15 p.m. & Sunday at 9:15 a.m.

FUNERALS: Please inform the parish office as soon as possible when someone in the family dies, preferably before contacting the funeral home.

MARRIAGE: Engaged couples must call the parish office at least six months prior to the planned date of the wedding.

RCIA: Interested in knowing more about the Catholic Church, with or without the intention of becoming a member, please call the parish office.

SMA WEBSITE: smaneworleans.org

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

(Enter church through side entrance of Friars parking area)

Mon., Wed., Thur., Fri.....8:00 a.m.

Tues.,8:00 a.m.

St. Anthony Devotion...Follows Tuesday Morning Mass

Stewardship January 3, 2020

What we need each week.....	\$3,600.00
What we received this week.....	\$4,195.00
What we are <i>over</i> this week.....	\$595.00
Envelopes used.....	99
Weekend Mass attendance.....	85

How your support assisted the parish?

Our Sunday Visitor.....	\$1,131.05
White Clock & Carillon Inc.....	\$350.00
Archdiocese of N.O. Accounting.....	\$321.50
Orkin	\$86.72
ACS Technologies.....	\$70.50
St. Clare Monastery Altar Bread Dept.....	\$34.98
Total.....	\$1,994.75

Thank you for your support

January 10, 2021 — Feast of the Baptism of the Lord



Today we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. In most years, this feast is celebrated on the Sunday after Epiphany. When Epiphany falls on either January 7 or 8, the Baptism of the Lord is celebrated on the Monday after Epiphany.

In today's Gospel we hear John the Baptist contrast his baptism of repentance with the baptism that Jesus will inaugurate. John the Baptist says that he has baptized with water, but that the one who is to come will baptize with the Holy Spirit. John's baptism was not yet a Christian baptism; it was a preparation for the Christian Baptism we celebrate today, and through which sins are forgiven and the gift of the Holy Spirit is received. In accepting John's baptism, Jesus, though sinless, united himself with all sinners.

The baptism of Jesus is reported in each of the three Synoptic Gospels—Matthew, Mark, and Luke. Clearly, Jesus' baptism was an event of great significance for Jesus and for the early Christian community. Mark and Luke report the story from Jesus' perspective; the voice from heaven is addressed to Jesus. In Matthew's Gospel, the voice from heaven speaks to all who are present. The descent of the Holy Spirit on Jesus at his baptism shows that something new is beginning through the baptism and ministry of Jesus.

The baptism of Jesus is considered an important manifestation of God in the person of Jesus, another epiphany. Jesus' baptism inaugurates his mission. Mark's Gospel moves quickly from the report of Jesus' baptism to Jesus' temptations in the desert to his ministry in Galilee after John's arrest. The end of the ministry of John the Baptist is the beginning of Jesus' ministry. In an analogous way, our Baptism inaugurates our mission as Christians.

Surprisingly, on this the last day of the Christmas season the Gospel does not tell a story from Jesus' childhood. Instead the Gospel reveals Jesus' relationship to God: the Son of Mary and Joseph is also God's own Son. We believe that through Baptism we are also made children of God.

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Joseph Armant (brother of Gale Armant)
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Jaylyn Castaneda (granddaughter of Gale Armant)
Earl Daniels (brother-in-law of Melvin Bierria)
Irene Griffin (parishioner)
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Veronica Guidry (parishioner)
Evelyn Joffrion (sister-in-law of Connie Varnado)
John Legier (husband of Helen Legier)
Louis Legier (brother of John Legier)
Gloria Lewis (sister of Lorraine Jackson)
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Corale Moore (nephew of Peggy Williams)
Sharon Norah (sister of Lisa Shropshire & Ann Evans)
Cheryl Patterson (sister of Gale Armant)
George Phillips (husband of Marva & father of Tara)
Sylvia Gaspard Pierre (cousin of Paulette Duplessis)
Oliver Price (parishioner)
Adrian Robinson (cousin of Constance Varnado & niece of Leah Blazio)
Josephine Smith (cousin of Connie Varnado)
Joseph Stevenson (husband of Alison Stevenson)
Freddy Thomas (son of deceased Melvina Kepp)
Fr. Anthony Walters, OFM (Franciscan Priest)
Oliver White (parishioner)
Frederick Woods (parishioner)

Parishioners/relatives who passed away during the outbreak of the Pandemic

PRAYER LINE

If you know any parishioners who may be sick or in the hospital, please notify the Church office at 945-3186. The name(s) will be published in the bulletin and at the Masses so that the congregation can pray for them.

W. Anthony Williams	Danielle Davis	Deane Scott
Inez Burton	Kay Vincent	Taylor Brown
Shirley Hawkins	Lester Butler	Beverly Bierria
Althea Augustine	Leroy Scott	Bruce Pierre
Darril Frick	Geraldine Aguiard	Victor Jackson
Gary Medley	Ronald Cavalier	Gerald Cavalier
Patrick Maheia	Eric Traub	Janice Nadlier
Mathilde Smith	Dana Roy	Sonya DiBartolo
Shirley Ellsworth	Helen Legier	Harry Harland
Robin Jackson	Corey Lee	Maggie Dumas
Willie Caliste	Thelma Griffith	Leslie Duplessis
Lynn Evans	Deneen Schexneider	Bonito J. Manego

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

January 10, 2020 – January 16, 2021

Sunday.....	Parishioners of SMA
Monday.....	Richard Kleczynski †
Tuesday.....	George A. Phillips†
Wednesday.....	Cordelia Figg†
Thursday.....	George A. Phillips†
Friday.....	Richard Kleczynski†
Saturday.....	Richard Kleczynski†

Interested in Joining A Ministry?

Altar Servers

Altar servers are students from grades 3rd to 12th and have made their First Holy Communion. For more information on the Alter Servers, please call the church office: 504.945.3186.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

The Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion help distribute the Sacred Body and Blood during the masses celebrated in the church and also take communion to persons who are either hospitalized or homebound. The ministers must attend a workshop provided by the Archdioceses of New Orleans in order to be certified as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. For more information, please call the church office: 504.945.3186.

Ministers of Hospitality (Ushers)

There are ministers who help welcome and assist those attending all liturgical function of the parish, especially during the different masses celebrated. The ministers of hospitality are directed by Mr. Gale Armant, for more information, please contact him at the church office: 504.945.3186.

Ministers of the Word (Lectors)

The Ministers of the Word proclaim the Holy Scripture readings during the different liturgical celebrations of the church. The ministers must attend a workshop provided by the Archdioceses of New Orleans in order to be certified as Ministers of the Word (Lectors). For more information, please call the church office: 504.945.3186.

Ministers of Music and Worship (Choir)

The Ministers of Music and Worship helps lead the congregation in song for the liturgy. They are committed to the values of spirituality, evangelistic leadership, fellowship and liturgical awareness for the SMA community.

Catechesis and Religious Education for Children (CCD)

Catechesis and Religious education: 504.945.3186.

Altar Society

works for the benefit of the church such as: maintain the priest vestments, upkeep of altar vessels and altar linens in preparing for Mass.

Mrs. Debra Theard - contact the parish 504.945.3186

Bereavement

provides care for individuals and families especially when losing a loved one. Mrs. Geraldine Aguillard, Chairperson - contact the parish 504.945.3186

Mighty Men's Ministry

faithful leaders working together to fill the gap where things are needed in the church: role models for the youth and support others ministries when needed. Mr. Vaughn Valeary, President - contact the parish 504.945.3186

Advocate for Persons with Disabilities

welcomes persons with disabilities into full participation in the life of the parish and offer them practical assistance, promotes awareness of the existence, concerns and gifts of parishioners and potential parishioners with disabilities. Contact Linda Minor and Vera Landry 504.945.3186

Catholic Charities

St. Mary of the Angels Head Start Program.....504.227.3470
Catholic Charities Care Line.....866.891.2210

ANNOUNCEMENTS

"Pray for Vocations" to Religious Life and the Priesthood and encourage our youth to think and pray about such a "vocation of life."

Franciscan Friars: sibvocations@franciscan.org;
website: www.franciscan.org

Archdiocese of New Orleans: vocations@archdiocese-no.org;
nolapriest.com

Adrian Dominican Sisters: vocations@adriandominicans.org

Suspension of Chalice...effective immediately, receiving the Precious Blood from the chalice is suspended. It is required that the sign of peace should be offered by making a simple bow.

Frank Richard...Music Ministry, 4:00 pm Mass January 16, 2021.

Parish Office...closed January 18, 2021 in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. birthday.

Second Collection...January 31, 2021 for Catholic Schools.

All are welcome to pray with us at the Memorial Service for the Unborn in the Holy Innocents Prayer Garden (St. Patrick #1 Cemetery, 5000 Canal St., NOLA) on Friday January 22, 2021, at noon. We will be praying for those lost to miscarriage, stillbirth, or abortion and those who mourn them.

Safe Environment...if you or a family member have been abused or victimized by a member of the Catholic clergy, please believe in the possibility of hope, help and healing. We encourage you to come forward and speak out. Please call the hotline at (504) 522-5019.

Check the Parish Bulletin Board for further information and announcements.

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2020 Christmas fund raiser raffle results:

Final Raffle Drawing results:

1 \$100 cash Prize winner

Vaughn Valeary

1 Crochet Throw blanket

Debra Sparrow

Grand Total \$10,500.00

Net Income \$10,000.00

Thank you parishioners in reaching our goal!

St. Alphonsus Liguori's Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament.
I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since
I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritu-
ally into my heart. As though You have already come, I
embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me
to be separated from You.

Amen.

BIRTHDAYS

We wish to congratulate all of our brothers and sisters who are celebrating birthdays or an anniversary in **January**:

Althea Augustine, 15	Rudolph McCormick, 3	Miriam Morgan, 6
Helen Legier, 12	Patrick Maheia, 9	Saundra Washington, 2
Naomi Farve, 19	Rosalie Horn, 22	Sheryl Batiste, 2
Darren Hagan, 11	Vaughn Valeary, 13	Dwayne Mallet, 25
Michael Turner, 4	LaCherie Williams, 30	Rachel Ratcliff, 28
Candice Ebbs, 11	Sierra L'Herisse, 18	Jordan Johnson, 6
Tyler Brown, 15	Kaydence Mercadet, 3	Landon Davis, 18

PARISH CALENDAR

Religious Education Class, contact *Vanessa Matthews* for more information.

Choir Rehearsal, Tuesdays, 7:00 pm.

Bible Study, Mondays, **Cancelled until further notice.**

Senior Bingo/Luncheon, **Cancelled until further notice.**

Food for Seniors, January 26, 10:00am until 12:00 noon

The Sanctuary Lamp light will continue to burn throughout the month of January for **George Coleman, III** requested by *Marlene Robinson*

REFLECTIONS FOR NEXT WEEK'S READINGS - JANUARY 17, 2021 – *Second Sunday in Ordinary Time year B*

THE FIRST READING

1 Samuel 3:3B-10

The Lord called Samuel again..

The Lord called Samuel.

And
he thought
the voice was Eli's.

It was the Lord.

When you call us out of sleep, or
pandemic,
or in the midst of our turmoil,
let us know you well
and help us
to
reply,

"Here I am, Lord!"

THE SECOND READING

1 CORINTHIANS 6:13C-15A, 17-20

Do you know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you?

Christ was not leaving us;
he made a home within our hearts.

O Holy Spirit,
thank you.

Please
allow us to see the light
that you shine
upon
us
in others.

THE GOSPEL

JOHN 1:35-42

So they went and saw where Jesus was staying, and they stayed with him that day.

Jesus asked,
"What are you looking for?"

Uh, something.
They weren't sure what.
So they answered with a question:
"Where are you staying?"

"Come and see."

They came and stayed with him
in his ordinary place.

And they found what they had been seeking.

Christ, take us too to your space.
We want to spend our time with you.
Let us find your radiance,
right here, right now,
always, in our everyday lives.

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My dear brothers and sisters in Christ:

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord and it is the final celebration of the Christmas season. Today we also celebrate the beginning of the Year of the Eucharist and St. Joseph: a time of renewal, healing and communion.

During this year of the Eucharist, we will focus on three primary areas: Explanation of the Mass, the Real Presence of Christ, and the Meaning and Importance of our Obligation to Sunday Mass.

Now having begun this important Year of the Eucharist, let us pray that the risen Jesus will draw us deeper into communion with him and one another so that we can witness his love in the world.

Last January 5th, we held the final drawing of our Christmas Fund Raiser Raffle. It is with great joy that the SMA Finance Council and Stewardship Committee announce that our fund raiser reached our goal and beyond. A BIG THANK YOU to all who contributed in one way or another to the success of our fund raiser.

We are truly blessed with a SMA Church family that generously supports the needs of our church and its ministries. Our SMA Liturgy and Environment Committee are grateful for all who participated in the church cleaning, Christmas decorations, music and liturgical ministers.

Saint Mary of the Angels and St. Francis of Assisi, pray for us,

Friar Joe Hund, OFM