JULY 4, 2021 — 14th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

2021 Year of the Eucharist St. Mary of the Angels & St. Joseph



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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

Vanessa Matthews......Director of Religious Ed Jeoffre Duplessis......Director of Music Ministry Paulette Duplessis.....Secretary Lisa Alexander.....Financial Manager Saundra Washington......Housekeeping

PARISH COUNCIL

Peggy Williams	Chairperson
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Marlene Robinson	Justice & Charity
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Lynn Duroncelet	
Debra Theard	Worship
Paula Arceneaux	Stewardship
Lynn Evans	

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

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 in form the parish office when someone is sick, shut-in, or in the hospital, and are unable to attend mass.

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

FUNERALS: Please in form 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.

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

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

Community Center Coordinator Marlene Robinson - 504.943.1045

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

(Enter church through side entrance of Friars parking area) St. Anthony Devotion...Follows Tuesday Morning Mass

SMA WEBSITE: smaneworleans.org

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oday's Gospel describes what many believe to have been the typical pattern of Jesus' ministry: teaching in the synagogue followed by acts of healing. In his hometown of Nazareth, the people are amazed by what they hear, but they also cannot comprehend how someone they know so well might move them so powerfully.

In this Gospel, we learn some interesting details about Jesus and his early life. Jesus' kinfolk know him to be a carpenter, an artisan who works in wood, stone, and metal. He probably learned this trade from his father. Family members of Jesus are also named. Mark describes Jesus as the son of Mary, which is an unusual designation. Adult males were more typically identified with the name of their fathers. It is unclear why Mark deviates from this custom.

Brothers and sisters of Jesus are also named. Scholars are divided on how to interpret this. As Catholics, we believe that Mary was and remained always a virgin, thus we do not believe that this Gospel refers to other children of Mary. Some have suggested that these family members might be Joseph's children from a previous marriage, but there is little evidence to support this. Others explain this reference by noting that the words brother brother and sister were often used to refer to other types of relatives, including cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Mark is foreshadowing Jesus' rejection by his own people, the people of Israel. He is also reflecting on and trying to explain the situation of the community for which he wrote. While many of the first Christians were Jewish, Christianity took hold and flourished in the Gentile community. Mark's community was mostly a Gentile community, who may have been experiencing persecution. By showing that Jesus himself was rejected, Mark consoles and reassures his first readers. He also prepares us to accept this possible consequence of Christian discipleship.

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Joseph Armant (brother of Gale Armant) Shirley Battiste (wife of James Battiste) Melvin Bierria (husband of Beverly Bierria) Cheryl Casborne (sister of Eric Bennett) Jonathan Casbome (nephew of Eric Bennett) Jaylyn Castaneda (granddaughter of Gale Armant) Georgiana Taylor Chapman (sister of Saundria Washington) Walter County, Jr. (son of Audrey County) Earl Daniels (brother in-law of Melvin Bierria) Maggie Dumas (parishioner) Irene Griffin (parishioner) Thelma Hall Griffith (parishioner; mother of Tammy Roubion) Br. Martin Humphreys, OFM (Franciscan Brother) Veronica Guidry (parishioner) Evelyn Joffrion (sister-in-law of Connie Vamado John Legier (husband of Helen Legier) Louis Legier (brother of John Legier) Gloria Lewis (sister of Lorraine Jackson) Bertha Moore (mother in-law of Emma Moore) 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 & Inice of Lean Blazin Joseph Stevenson (husband of Alison Stevenson)
Freddy Thomas (son of deceased Melvina Kepp)
Fr. Anthony Walters, OFM (Franciscan Priest)
Oliver White (parishioner)

Tyrone Williams (parishioner & brother of Barbara Williams)
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 Aguillard	Victor Jackson
Gary Medley	Ronald Cavalier	Gerald Cavalier
Patrick Maĥeia	Eric Traub	Janice Nadlier
Mathilde Smith	Dana Roy	Sonya DiBartolo
Shirley Ellsworth	Helen Legier	Robin Jack-
sonCorey Lee	Lynn Evans	Willie Cal-
iste		
Leslie Duplessis	Bonito J. Manego	
Deneen Schexneider	Jacquelyn Buggage	

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS July 4, 2021 – July 10, 2021

Sunday	Parishioners of SMA
Monday	Fr. Scott Underwood, OSB
	Clem & Catherine Kamphaust
Tuesday	Evelyn Johnson†
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Wednesday	Special Intentions
Thursday	Fr. Scott Underwood, OSB
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Friday	Fr. Scott Underwood, OSB
	Bob & Rosemary Freemant
Saturday	Charlene Schernidert

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. Ms. Deirdre Landry, 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

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;

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.

Parish Office... closed Monday, July 5, 2021.

2nd Collection...Black and Indian Home Mission, July 17-18, 2021.

Br. Joshua Richter, OFM... we welcome Br. Joshua to SMA. He is a professed friar of St. John the Baptist Province studying at CTU in Chicago. He will be with us for a couple of months and is looking forward to experiencing something *new* in his ministry. Please take a minute to welcome him to the parish.

SMA Parishioners (only)...are invited to walk laps in the gym on Wednesdays at 4:00pm.

Check the Parish Bulletin Board for further information and announcements.

A PERSON of INTEREST

Anyone who may remember or have any information regarding a parishioner baptized here at SMA named John Lahare, bom in 1941, son of Louis J. Lahare and Dorothy Kelly, please contact Nancy Lahare at nlahare40@gmail.com or nancylahare@hotmail.com

Parishioners and friends of St. Mary of the Angels Church can now make one-time or recurring gifts directly on our parish website. Stop worrying about weekly envelopes or mailing in special donations or ministry program fees. Instead, give a gift at any time (from any device that connects to the internet) using a current email and checking account/credit card. It's simple and secure. You can even tum your tithe into an automatic gift that gives when and how often you'd like with your own online donor account. Visit <smaneworleans.org/give> to see how easy it is!

Remember to support our Outreach Food Pantry by placing your food items in the little red wagon. Thank You



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 spiritually 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 **June**:

Yvonne Dukes, 11 Clyde Jackson, 19 Joycelyn Dabon, 5 Wilhemina Herring, 5 Barbara Edmondson, 9 Belinda Francis, 10 Jasmine Eugene, 27 Jalil Jones, 21 Lorraine Grant, 25
Gale Armant, 30
James Cordier, 25
Mervin Smith, 25
Deirdre Pendleton, 4
Victor Augustine, 14
Anthony Williams, 7
Fr. Joseph Hund, ofm, 9

Almena Falls, 27 Stella Doby, 24 Barbara Williams, 27 Emma Moore, 26 Lisa Shropshire, 16 Chelsea Gary, 9 Asia Roubion, 27

PARISH CALENDAR

Religious Education Class, contact Vanessa Matthews for more information.
Choir Rehearsal, Tuesdays, 6:00 pm.
Bible Study, Mondays, Cancelled until further notice.
Senior Bingo/Luncheon, Cancelled until further notice.
Food for Seniors, July 27, 10:00am until 12:00 noon

The Sanctuary Lamp light will continue to burn throughout the month of July for Walter County, Jr. requested by Audrey County; and for George Coleman, Ill as requested by his sister Marlene Robinson.

REFLECTIONS FOR NEXT WEEK'S READINGS - JULY 11, 2021 - FIFTHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE FIRST READING

<u>Amos 7:12-15</u>

I was no prophet, nor have I belonged to a company of prophets; I was a shepherd and a dresser of sycamores.

God told Amos, shepherd and dresser of sycamores, "Go to my people."

God told Ignatius Loyola, vain soldier, "teach my people the manner to pray."

To Dorothy Day, doubting journalist, "Shelter my homeless." To Mother Theresa, "Care of my poor."

Father of us all, teach us please. Then let us teach your beloved people how to pray, and how to shelter your homeless, and how to care for your poor.

THE SECOND READING
Ephesians 1:3-14 or 1:3-10
In him you...were sealed with the promise Holy
Spirit, which is the first installation of our inheritance.

Forgiven. Redeemed.
Grace upon
grace heaped upon us.
The first "installment of our legacy."
What is to follow?
Holy Spirit,
bottomless treasure,
open us to your good self
now and for all
eternity.

THE GOSPEL

<u>Mark 6:7-13</u>

Jesus summoned the twelve and began to send them out two by two.

Sent on a mission.

This is why we are here.
Lord, help us.
Let us take your healing love
to all our neighbors, down all our back-streets,
to the boarders and the ends
of this earth and beyond, to the environment
you lovingly give to us.
No money in our belts,
no clean socks, no backpack no food.
Give to us this day,
complete and
total trust in you.

http://liturgy.slu.edu/

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ:

The True Meaning of Independence Day

(The Mining Journal: June 29, 2021)

"Independence Day, better known as the Fourth of July, is a federal holiday that commemorates the signing of the Declaration of Independence of United States on 4 July 1776.

However, Americans have been celebrating Independence Day for years, and, like Christmas, sometimes the true meaning gets lost in all the hoopla. That hoopla, such as fireworks, parades and cookouts, represents a good time for families and communities. That's fine. They are a fun way for people to get together and have fun, hopefully in a safe manner.

So, although Independence Day celebrates the signing of the Declaration of Independence, the Americans' quest for freedom went way beyond that act. Simple signatures don't always do the trick.

But Independence Day means more than sparklers, just as Christmas means more than presents under the tree. It represents people's efforts to earn and keep freedom, and that's a struggle that continues to this day.

Sometimes the struggles are big, such as the ongoing civil rights movement. Others are smaller and more personal in nature, and just about everybody probably has a story to tell on that front. The **quest for freedom** is also noted on the new federal holiday Juneteenth Day commemorating the signing of the Emancipation Proclamation."

We pray that this holiday weekend will be a joy filled time with good weather and safe travel with family and friends. We also need to remember that all the sacrifices in some way or another continue the pursuit of life, liberty and holiness for all God's children.

Saint Mary of the Angels and St. Francis of Assisi, pray for us, Friar Joe Hund, ofm