

**OCTOBER 3, 2021 — TWENTY-SEVENTH 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

Fr. Joseph Hund, OFM.....Pastor  
Fr. Michael Haney, OFM.....Pastoral Associate  
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  
Jeoffie Duplessis.....Director of Music Ministry  
Paulette Duplessis.....Secretary  
Lisa Alexander.....Financial Manager  
Saundria Washington.....Housekeeping

#### PARISH COUNCIL

Peggy Williams.....Chairperson  
Edwin Shorty.....Vice Chairperson  
Gail Winsey.....Secretary  
Gale Armant.....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.

#### Community Center Coordinator

Marlene Robinson - 504.943.1045

#### 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.

#### 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

SMA WEBSITE: [smaneworleans.org](http://smaneworleans.org)

**Stewardship**  
**September 26, 2021**

What we need each week.....	\$3,600.00
What we received this week.....	\$2,977.00
What we are <i>under</i> this week.....	\$623.00
Envelopes used.....	100
Weekend Mass attendance.....	115

How your support assisted the parish?

Total.....\$

Thank you for your support

October 3, 2021 — 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



**T**he Pharisees question Jesus about the lawfulness of divorce. Under specific conditions, divorce was an accepted practice among the Jewish people during the time of Jesus. This law only permits that a husband may divorce his wife if he finds her to be indecent. This is the justification that the Pharisees reference when Jesus inquires about the commandment of Moses. In reply, Jesus quotes from the Book of Genesis and counters that God's original intention was that men and women would become one flesh in marriage. Jesus describes the teaching of Moses as a concession made to God's original intention because of human stubbornness.

In private, Jesus' disciples question him further about this teaching on divorce. It is to his disciples that Jesus lays out the implications of his teaching by explaining that remarriage after divorce is adultery. Jesus' teaching was more restrictive than the teaching of the Pharisees, which permitted remarriage. Jesus further distinguished his teaching from the cultural norms of his time by applying his words equally to men and women. Jewish culture permitted only that a husband may divorce his wife. Wives were not permitted to divorce their husband for any reason, including adultery.

God intended for women and men to be joined together in marriage. Among the purposes of marriage is the raising of children. By welcoming children and fostering their relationship with God, parents and families bear witness to the Kingdom of God.

At the end of today's Gospel, the people were bringing their children to Jesus, and again Jesus' disciples show that they just don't get it. Recall that in the Gospel for each of the past two Sundays, Jesus has taught his disciples the value and importance of these "little ones" in the Kingdom of God. Yet in today's Gospel, the disciples try to prevent people from bringing their children to Jesus. Jesus reprimands his disciples and welcomes these children. Again Jesus offers these children as an example of the kind of complete trust and dependence upon God that ought to be the attitude of all believers.

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**Joseph Armant** (brother of Gale Armant)  
**Shirley Battiste** (wife of James Battiste)  
**Josephine Baptiste** (parishioner, mother of Joanne Lewis)  
**Melvin Bierria** (husband of Beverly Bierria)  
**Willie Hue Brinston, Jr.** (parishioner)  
**Cheryl Casborne** (sister of Eric Bennett)  
**Jonathan Casborne** (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)  
**Herman Falls** (parishioner, husband of Almerna Falls)  
**Irene Griffin** (parishioner)  
**Infant Benji Oran Griffith** (son of Allison Hawkins)  
**Thelma Hall Griffith** (parishioner; mother of Tammy Roubion)  
**Br. Martin Humphreys, OFM** (Franciscan Brother)  
**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)  
**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)  
**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, Sr.** (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.

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

**WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS**

October 3, 2021 – October 9, 2021

Sunday.....	<i>Parishioners of SMA</i>
Monday.....	<i>Fr. Scott Underwood, OSB</i>
	<i>Ray Hession</i>
Tuesday.....	<i>Fr. Scott Underwood, OSB</i>
	<i>Barbara Hession</i>
Wednesday.....	Special Intentions
Thursday.....	<i>Mary Larson</i>
	<i>LeRoy Gravois</i>
Friday.....	<i>Fr. Scott Underwood, OSB</i>
	<i>Bill Hession</i>
Saturday.....	<i>Rodney Hession</i>
	<i>Velma Hession</i>
	<i>Bienville Ancar</i>



## 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

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](mailto:sibvocations@franciscan.org);  
website: [www.franciscan.org](http://www.franciscan.org)

Archdiocese of New Orleans: [vocations@archdiocese-no.org](mailto:vocations@archdiocese-no.org);  
[nolapriest.com](http://nolapriest.com)

Adrian Dominican Sisters: [vocations@adriandominicans.org](mailto: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.

**Effective immediately**...due to the pandemic, the Archdiocese of New Orleans will return to social distancing, mask wearing and hand sanitizing. The Holy Water is also suspended.

**Community Center**...all gym rentals has been suspended due to the out-break of the Delta variant of COVID 2019 until further notice.

**Praying the Rosary**...11:00 am every Friday in the church chapel in October, 2021.

**Second Collection**...World Mission, October 23-24.

**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.**

**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.

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 turn 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](http://smaneworleans.org/give) to see how easy it is!



### PRAY FOR OUR ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY

Quentin Green	Kenneth Cuneo
Edjunique Francois	Christina Valeary
Tyler J. McCormick	

### 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 **October**:

Mable Hawkins, 16	Claude Wiltz, 3	Dorothy Grant, 13
Maria Johnson, 12	Dennis Batiste, 15	Patsy LaBranch, 8
Gail Stewart, 12	Shirley Marshall, 13	Claudette Polet, 18
Lisa Alexander, 31	Gwendolyn Hawkins, 6	Debra Theard, 5
Wendell Blazio, 10	Cherita Provost, 7	Ann Evans, 6
Gabrielle Jones, 8	Laurnae Mallet, 30	Zachary Frick, 16
Kathy Ellis-McCarty, 16		

## 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**, October 26, 10:00am until 12:00 noon

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

## REFLECTIONS FOR NEXT WEEK'S READINGS - OCTOBER 10, 2021 – Twenty-Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time

### THE FIRST READING

**WISDOM 7:7-11**

*I prayed, and prudence was given to me; I pleaded, and the spirit of wisdom came to me.*

Everything we treasure and hold dear  
we will gladly hand over to you for  
just one ounce, one tiny inch,  
one nanosecond's worth  
of your precious wisdom.

Has there ever been a time when  
we needed it more?

Please bless our doing  
and our being

in the spirit of your Wisdom.

So that

all things work together  
for those who love you.

### THE SECOND READING

**HEBREW 4:12-13**

*Indeed the word of God is able to discern reflections and thoughts of the heart.*

Who is this Word that cuts through our  
clutter, knows when we sit and when we  
stand, reads our moods and motives,  
bares the secrets of  
our hearts?

Lord, at times it does seem that

you know us better

than we know ourselves.

Therefore, we ask,

mend all that needs mending,

and fill our hearts with your love and light.

### THE GOSPEL

**MARK 10:17-30 or 10:17-27**

*Jesus looking at him, loved him, and said to him, "...Go sell what you have and give to the poor then come, follow me."*

Lord, please look upon us and love us.

And grant to us the grace to

give freely to the needy

everything you

have poured

upon

us.

In our giving, Lord

let us receive

a hundred

fold:

you,

Lord of All

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## *My dear brothers and sisters in Christ:*

The month of October brings with it our annual observance of Respect Life Month. As part of the Year of St. Joseph declared by Pope Francis, this year's celebration highlights the example of that great saint.

As the faithful protector of both Jesus and Mary, we find in St. Joseph a profound reminder of our own call to welcome, safeguard, and defend God's precious gift of human life.

Despite the mysterious circumstances surrounding Mary's pregnancy, St. Joseph took her into his home at the word of the angel. He guided their journey to Bethlehem, found shelter, and welcomed the infant Jesus as his son. When Herod threatened the life of the Christ Child, St. Joseph left his homeland behind and fled with Jesus and Mary to Egypt.

Like St. Joseph, we are also called to care for those God has entrusted to us—especially vulnerable mothers and children. We can follow in the footsteps of St. Joseph as protector by advocating against taxpayer-funded abortion, which targets the lives of millions of poor children and their mothers here in the United States.

We can imitate his care by supporting the Women's New Life Center on Claiborne Avenue. It is a source of hope for women in unplanned pregnancies especially low-income mothers in our communities.

May we imitate St. Joseph's faithful trust and courage as we work to uphold the dignity of every human life. St. Joseph, defender of life, pray for us!

Statement of Respect for Life Month from Most Reverend Joseph F. Naumann, Chairman U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on Pro-Life Activities.

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

*Friar Joe Hund, ofm*