

**May 15, 2022 – Fifth Sunday of Easter**

## *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  
Fr. Michael Haney, OFM.....Parochial Vicar  
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  
Lisa Alexander.....Financial Manager  
Saundria Washington.....Housekeeper

#### 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 May 8, 2022

What we need each week.....	\$3,600.00
What we received this week.....	\$2,827.00
Online Giving.....	\$145.00
What we are <b>under</b> this week.....	<b>\$628.00</b>
Envelopes used.....	86
Weekend Mass attendance.....	126

### May 15, 2022 — Fifth Sunday of Easter



Today's Gospel again comes from the Gospel of John. Like last week, today we hear words spoken by Jesus before his death and Resurrection. Jesus is teaching at the Last Supper.

John's Gospel does not include an institution of the Eucharist narrative; instead, Jesus washes his disciples' feet. Immediately after, Jesus predicts his betrayal by Judas. Today's Gospel follows that prediction. It can be read as a continuing explanation of Jesus' act of washing his disciples' feet. It begins with the announcement that this is the moment when the Son of Man will be glorified. This theme continues throughout John's Passion. Jesus will be glorified in his death on the cross and in his Resurrection, and the disciples will glorify Jesus in the love they show.

John's Gospel does not present a sentimental view of love. This is a type of love that is shown in service and sacrifice. It is difficult to choose to love when faced with hatred and anger. Jesus tells the disciples that all will know that they are his disciples because of the love they show for one another. This description of the early Christian community will be repeated in the Acts of the Apostles: "See how they love one another." Christian love is the hallmark of Christianity. We see it lived in the witness of the martyrs. We see it in the example of the lives of the saints. We see it in the holy women and men who live and love daily, making small and large sacrifices for others.

**Joseph Armant** (brother of Gale Armant)  
**Raymond Armant** (brother-in-law of Gale & Rosalie Armant)  
**Toni Armant** (sister-in-law 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)  
**George Crouch** (brother of Br. Juniper Crouch)  
**Earl Daniels** (brother-in-law of Melvin Bierria)  
**Sonya DiBartolo** (parishioner, daughter of Crystal Rondeno)  
**Maggie Dumas** (parishioner)  
**Herman Falls** (parishioner, husband of Almena 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)  
**Donald Michael Jones, Sr.** (parishioner, husband of Sylvénie Carrière Jones)  
**John Legier** (husband of Helen Legier)  
**Louis Legier** (brother of John Legier)  
**Gloria Lewis** (sister of Lorraine Jackson)  
**Jules Lewis** (husband of Joanne Lewis)  
**Bertha Moore** (mother-in-law of Emma Moore)  
**Corale Moore** (nephew of Peggy Williams)  
**Sharon Norah** (sister of Lisa Shropshire & Ann Evans)  
**Ulysses Norah** (brother of Ann Evans)  
**Cheryl Patterson** (sister of Gale Armant)  
**George Phillips** (husband of Marva & father of Tara)  
**Sylvia Gaspard Pierre** (cousin of Paulette Duplessis)  
**Leo Prevost, Sr.** (parishioner)  
**Oliver Price** (parishioner)  
**Adrian Robinson** (cousin of Constance Varnado & niece of Leah Blazio)  
**Deane Marie Scott** (parishioner & wife of Henry Scott)  
**Josephine Smith** (cousin of Connie Varnado)  
**Mathilde Smith** (parishioner)  
**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)

### 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>Bonito J. Manego</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>Dana Roy</i>	<i>Mary Nadlier</i>	<i>Kent Landry</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>Jacquelyn Buggage</i>	<i>Thelma Hall</i>
<i>Deneen Schexneider</i>	<i>Audrey County</i>	<i>Albert Evans, Jr.</i>
<i>Claude Wiltz</i>		

### WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

May 15, 2022 – May 21, 2022

Sunday.....	<i>Parishioners of SMA</i>
Monday.....	<i>Larson Family</i>
Tuesday.....	<i>Lorraine Cavanaugh †</i>
Wednesday.....	<i>Leo Gravois †</i>
Thursday.....	<i>Special Intentions †</i>
Friday.....	<i>Delbert Larson †</i>
Saturday.....	<i>Jules Joseph Lewis †</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

### Grief Ministry Support Group

Grief comes in all forms and everyone of us handle it differently. If you have lost a loved one, a child, a spouse, a parent, a sibling or a friend, please join us. Contact Embra Bridges or Beverly Bierria. 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: [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.

**Parish phone landlines are out of order.** Please use cell phone 269-539-7074 to contact the office.

**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.**



## PRAY FOR OUR ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY

Quentin Green

Kenneth Cuneo

Edjunique Francois

Christina Valeary

Tyler J. McCormick



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 **May**:

Jay Orman, 6	Wesley Ruffin, 11	Edwin Walker, 28
Sedric Stewart, 9	Gloria Gillard, 16	Carolyn Jackson, 22
Cynthia Jones, 17	Victor Augustine, 27	Joanne Lewis, 28
David Eugene, 9	Katherine Guccione, 11	Shelly Jones, 31
Paulette Duplessis, 11	Clementine Soniat, 9	Mervin Brochard, 18
Kentral Hagan, 19	Roxanne L'Herisse, 9	Ahyana Polete, 15
Tiayana Marshall, 2	Bryce Eastwood, 8	Brian England, 26
Breyanne Johnson, 8	Angel Washington, 19	Fr. Robert Seay, ofm, 17

## 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**, May 24, 10:00am until 12:00 noon

**Grief Ministry Group**, Wednesday, May 25, 10:00 am -11:30am

The Sanctuary Lamp light will continue to burn throughout the month of **May** for the souls of **Deceased Members of SMA Altar Society** as requested by **Joanne Lewis** and for **Walter County, Jr.** as requested by his mother **Audrey County**

## REFLECTIONS FOR NEXT WEEK'S READINGS - MAY 22, 2022 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

### THE FIRST READING

**ACTS 15:1-2, 22-29**

*It is the decision of the Holy Spirit and of us not to place on you any burden.*

Come, O Holy Spirit.  
Lead us to your home, the one within us.  
Decern for each of us, as you did for each apostle, untold truths.

Be the fire that never dies,  
the wind that lifts us up—raising us high,  
on wings that set us free.

### THE SECOND READING

**Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23**

*The city had no need of sun or moon to shine on it.*

O  
Christ,  
you are the temple.  
God's glory lights your altar.  
Make us merely candles, please;  
let us glow in this world,  
right here, right now,  
in the dimness  
of our  
day.

### THE GOSPEL

**JOHN 14:23-29**

*And we will come to him and make our dwelling with him.*

He was so sad.

The Risen, Lord had to  
go away from earth.

Yet he loved them so much  
that he could not lose them from his life.  
He would place his Spirit deep within them.

And within us.

O Holy Spirit, teacher of all good, remind us  
of what Jesus said and did, and who he is.  
Let our hearts be untroubled and fearless as we  
take your compassion everywhere it's needed in  
our world today: death row, the unhoused, the  
climate crisis, Ukraine, and to everyone  
suffering from bias.

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

We have just received a **Call to Prayer and Fasting Message** from Archbishop Aymond.

In the past week we have heard that some abortion advocates are calling for nationwide demonstrations, disruptions of church services, and the personal intimidation of specific Supreme Court justices in response to the leak of a draft opinion in the U.S. Supreme Court case of *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*.

In response to this, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) invited the faithful to unite in fasting and prayer on Friday, May 13. Please see below for their complete statement.

"In the midst of current tensions, we invite Catholics around the country to join us in fasting and praying the Rosary on Friday, May 13, the Memorial of Our Lady of Fatima.

Let us offer our prayers and fasting for these intentions:

- For our nation, for the integrity of our judicial system, and that all branches of government be dedicated to seeking the common good and protecting the dignity and rights of the human person, from conception to natural death.
- For the overturning of *Roe v. Wade* and *Planned Parenthood v. Casey* in the Supreme Court's final decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson*.
- For the conversion of the hearts and minds of those who advocate for abortion.
- For a new commitment to building an America where children are welcomed, cherished, and cared for; where mothers and fathers are encouraged and strengthened; and where marriage and the family are recognized and supported as the true foundations of a healthy and flourishing society.
- For Our Blessed Mother's intercession and guidance as the Church continues to walk with mothers and families in need, and continues to promote alternatives to abortion, and seeks to create a culture of life.

As Catholics, let us witness to the beautiful gift of life with civility and love, and with our peaceful prayers and our compassionate service to all those in need."

My brothers and sisters, since this message arrived so late it is difficult to make a Day of Prayer and fasting on May 13<sup>th</sup>. However, we are all encouraged to choose another day for this important intention.

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

***Friar Joe Hund, ofm***