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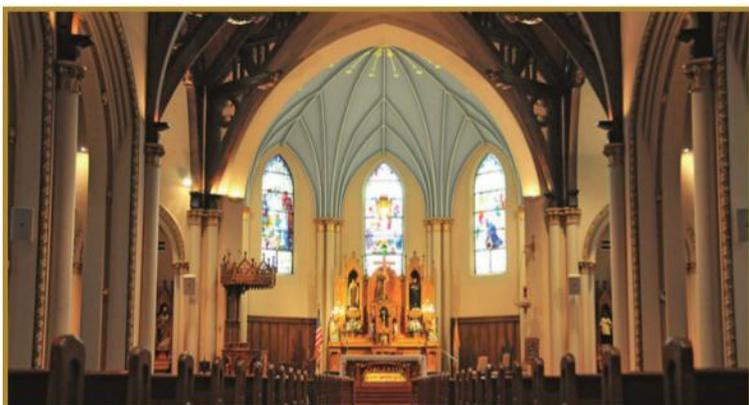
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PARISH PRAYER

Loving Father, You gather us together as a Roman Catholic family, to thank and praise You in shared faith and lived love. May we be drawn more completely into the life of Your Holy Spirit and hear Your personal call for each of us, helping us to reveal Your presence in this world. Inspired by Your love and moved by the example of our patron, St. Francis, let us be instruments of peace, to sow love where there is hatred, pardon where injury, faith where doubt, hope where despair, light where darkness, joy where sadness. Knowing that it is only in giving that we receive, in pardoning that we are pardoned, in dying that we are born to eternal life, we make this prayer through Your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*



PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We are a welcoming Christian community in New Orleans that is centered in the Eucharist. We are committed to the teachings of Jesus Christ, the traditions of the Roman Catholic Church and the dignity of human life. We are a family that strives to learn and share our faith by living the Beatitudes and by reconciling ourselves with God and one another.

PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Very Rev. Michael J. Schneller, V.F.

Deacon - Dr. Tim Kettenring

Coordinator of Religious Education - Shelly Chiappetta

Director of Family Life Ministries - Melisa Rey

Administrative Assistant - Caroline Toso

Director of Music/Organist - Thomas D. Wright

Cantors - Julia Ernst, Garrin Mesa, Emma Kay Staunton

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil	4:00 p.m.
Sunday	9:30 & 11:30 a.m.
Holy Days	To Be Announced
Monday	8:30 a.m.
Tuesday	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday-Friday	8:30 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday	3:00 to 3:45 p.m.
Tuesday	5:30 p.m.

At other times by appointment

NOVENA

In honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help on Tuesday following the 6:00 p.m. Mass.

ADORATION

Friday 9:00-10:00 am - In the Church

INFANT BAPTISMS

Celebrated on the 4th Sunday of each month after the 11:30 a.m. Mass excluding the season of Lent. First time parents and godparents are expected to participate in a bimonthly Baptism preparation seminar which may take place during pregnancy. Please contact the Parish Center for more information.

MARRIAGE ARRANGEMENTS

The policy of the Archdiocese requires a minimum six-month preparation period for marriage, during which the couple meets with the priest or deacon and participates in the Archdiocesan marriage preparation program. Engaged couples should telephone the Parish Center no less than six months prior to the anticipated date of marriage for an appointment with the priest or deacon.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

The parish priest is to be contacted before the family makes any arrangements with the funeral director. Family members are also asked to meet with the priest to prepare for the Funeral liturgy.

Uptown Canticle by Father Michael



THE SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

The term "Communion of Saints" refers also to the communion of "Holy Persons" (Sancti) in Christ who "died for all," so that what each one does or suffers in and for Christ bears fruit for all.

(Catechism of the Catholic Church, 961)

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One of my favorite activities as a child growing up in old Metairie was building a tree house. We had this great tree house in a neighbor's back yard. It was a place to get away.

Unless you hunt, most of us aren't used to climbing a tree to secure a vantagepoint. But we are used to going up high to see something. Maybe we've been to the top of the World Trade Center before its destruction, or the Sears Tower in Chicago, the Washington Monument in the nation's capitol, the Space Needle in Seattle, or just some revolving restaurant on top of a hotel. Most of us have either stood on or sat on a Mardi Gras ladder. We like to get up high to see.

Maybe striving for higher things is what we are all about. Evolutionary scientists tell us that creatures climbed out of the ocean into the muck. From the mud they made it into the trees. And for humans 110 stories aren't even enough. We want to go higher still. Is climbing up, like Zacchaeus, what we're about? Or should we be climbing down from the tree to engage in discipleship?

When Zacchaeus heard that Jesus was going to enter town, he closed the drawers of his desk and locked them. He closed the door of his safe and locked it. He closed the door of his office and locked it. He closed the door of his house and locked it. He closed the gate in front of his house and locked it. Zacchaeus had used almost a dozen keys before he left his house. He was a moneyman. All he thought of was money. He dreamed about money. His money made him so security conscious.

He wanted to see "Jesus," that was all. He wanted to "observe" him. He did not want to be touched by him. He did not want to be pulled, pushed, admonished or converted by him. He wanted to "observe" only. He did not even want to be seen. He definitely did not want to get involved. And, therefore, before the street filled up, he climbed a tree. And there he sat on a branch, waiting and thinking about his favorite subject: money.

All of us often resemble Zacchaeus on this tree branch. Do we only observe? The church should have done this. The theologians should have said that. The bishops should have written a letter. The pastor should have done that. Others, Others, Others...!!!

Jesus entered the street. Jesus called him down. Zacchaeus almost fell out of the tree, and he joyfully received Jesus. He became so enthusiastic that even before Jesus had said anything, he started to respond to him, spontaneously, but of course only in terms he knew, in terms of money.

As the story of Jesus and Zacchaeus unfolds, the tension is resolved when Zacchaeus models the perfect response to Jesus: "*Behold, half of my possessions, Lord, I shall give to the poor, and if I have extorted anything from anyone I shall repay it four times over.*" Jesus could not have asked for a better response. Zacchaeus embodies the essence of discipleship, essence of stewardship that Jesus has been defining as he journeys to Jerusalem.

Zacchaeus gets saved because of his revised business plan, but Jesus makes the first move. Always on the prowl for a good meal, the Lord invites himself to the little guy's house – and that's salvation. When Jesus comes into the heart predisposed to receive him, a transformation takes place. The riches of the world no longer matter. The only thing that matters to the one who is saved is that he becomes a new creation.

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... *Uptown Canticle Continued*

Monday is Halloween! Children of all ages have their costumes ready for partying or going out to “trick or treat.” Is anyone costuming as a Saint or maybe even as Zacchaeus? What would that costume look like? The clothing would be rich; all fingers would be decked with rings. Perhaps the turban would have strands of real gold woven in. The beard and moustache would be perfumed and oiled. Oh, he would cut a handsome figure. He would probably carry a bulging moneybag, opening it frequently just to run his fingers over the coins. Zacchaeus wasn’t just a tax collector. He was the chief collector. He not only collected taxes for Rome including a tidy commission for himself. He also charged the other tax collectors because he was the chief.

Moving away from the externals, though, there was a hunger within the heart of Zacchaeus, a thorn of discontentment. The riches didn’t satisfy him. Something within him yearned for more. He had heard rumors of someone moving about the countryside who was giving more. His name was Jesus and he was coming to town. He wanted to see if there was something that he might have that would satisfy the hollow hunger in his heart.

At this time of Halloween, let’s consider putting on more than a Zacchaeus costume. Let’s consider putting on his persona. Can we be like Zacchaeus and climb down from our branch and be more than an observer? It could be shouting for joy and announcing to all the good things that God has done for us! Would we climb a tree to see Jesus? Would we give away half of our belongings? What does it mean to put on the persona of Zacchaeus?

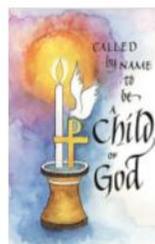
Come along with Zacchaeus and Jesus. Come to the table and break bread together asking for forgiveness for our hardness of heart and blindness of eye. Come with joy to the table of the Lord! We are not playing “Let’s pretend!” It’s more than “Trick or Treat!”



All Saints Day
Tuesday, November 1st
Mass - 8:30 am & 6:00pm
Holy Day of Obligation

All Souls Day
Wed, November 2nd
Mass - 8:30 am

*Please note... In observance of All Saints Day,
the Parish Office will be closed
Tuesday, November 1st.*



Baptisms

St. Francis of Assisi Church Welcomes
William Land & Juliette Harkness
into the family of the Catholic Church



**BLACK SAINTS
CELEBRATION 2022**
**"ANSWERING THE CALL TO BE
A SERVANT LEADER"**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2022

*Times: Parade - Lineup 9:30am, Start 11:00am
Prayer Service - 12:30pm*

*Locations: Parade - Bunny Friend Playground,
1903 Desire Street
Prayer Service - St. Mary of the Angels Church,
3501 N. Miro Street
Reception - St. Mary of the Angels School Gym,
2225 Congress Street*



Guest Preacher:
Fr. Anthony Bozeman, SSJ

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#iGIVECATHOLIC
November 29, 2022

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This year during iGiveCatholic we seek to raise funds for a stained glass window to go between the statues of St. Francis of Assisi & St. Clare near the side front door. *Please prayerfully consider supporting this fundraiser.*

Excess funds will benefit our Matthew 25 Ministry to the Poor, which provides groceries to approximately 30-50 families per month and provides sandwiches for the homeless twice per month.



THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CHURCH SUPPORT

YOUR STEWARDSHIP IS THE SOURCE OF OUR GROWTH

October 22-23, 2022

Envelopes (31):	\$ 1,665.00
Loose (21 Checks + Cash):	\$ 1,921.00
E-Giving (29 Deposits):	\$ 1,088.00
Total:	\$ 4,674.00

Special Collection

World Mission:	\$ 1,952.42
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY AND SUPPORT

Second Collection Schedule

November 6th - Parish Improvement & Maintenance
November 20th - Catholic Campaign for Human Development

A Stewardship Moment

The Gospel story of Jesus' encounter with Zacchaeus makes for an ideal stewardship reflection. So does today's first reading from the Book of Wisdom. Good Stewards have faith in, and give thanks for, an almighty and powerful God who transcends the universe, but who gives personal attention to every human being.

God loves his creation, his people. He lives in them, and through his Holy Spirit, instills a fundamental goodness in them. Good stewards recognize this movement of the Spirit as a gift, and make efforts to cultivated this gift and grow in their faith. Take time this week to stop and look around you, be aware of God's awe-inspiring creation, and give thanks for God's loving care and concern for each of us.



Church Sanctuary Lamp
Our Church Sanctuary Lamp
burns this week for
Deceased Clergy & Religious



Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29 4:00pm Lucille Mire McCann, Margaret "Butsy" Ross, Rita T. Aucoin, Michael Rapiere, Henry Schorr, Pat McIntyre, Karen Hock Lee, Mimi Landry

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30 9:30am Parishioners
11:30am Betsie Melancon, Rita T. Aucoin, May Beach, Madison Bradley, Joseph Sciortino Sr., Fay H. Schultz

MONDAY, October 31
For the Intentions of the Very Rev. Michael Schneller

TUESDAY, November 1
8:30am Lionel T. & Catherine P. Hammock
6:00pm Ellen Beach Ruiz

WEDNESDAY, November 2 All Souls Book of Remembrance

THURSDAY, November 3 Gideon P. Serpas, Jr

FRIDAY, November 4 James Williams, Jr.

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sunday Wis 11:22-12:2; Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13, 14; 2 Thes 1:11-2:2; Lk 19:1-10

Monday Phil 2:1-4; Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3; Lk 14:12-14

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

Wednesday Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Rom 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40

Thursday Phil 3:3-8a; Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 15:1-10

Friday Phil 3:17-4:1; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Lk 16:1-8

Saturday Phil 4:10-19; Ps 112:1b -2, 5-6, 8a & 9; Lk 16:9-15

Prayer Intentions

Please remember the following parishioners and friends in your prayers: Jerry Abdo, Anne Atkinson, Ann Babington, Barbara Barrosse, Savannah Becnel, Simone M. Becnel, Jennifer Siegrest Bondio, Christopher Brewster, Ben Capshaw, Mary Chamberland, Antoinette Clark, Marvette Clark, Cathy Dermady, David Doll, Sr., Guella Dragon, Rosita Duplantier, Mildred Flynn, Cynthia Gilmore, Tamberly Gray, Ryan Hartley, Sherry Heller, Sandra Hill, Pat Jones, Gerry Keller, Leona Labat, Meredith Landry, William Robert Little, Robert Maddox, Cheryl Ann McDonald, Craig Melancon, Darnell Menasco, Veronica Merritt, Lynn Middleton, Jeff Mitchener, Joy Morton, Jay Occhipinti, Johnny Parker, Paige Peterson, Melissa Phelps, Steven Philburn, Nedine Rende, Betty Richburg, Nell Ricker, Fred Riggle, Patricia Riggle, Justin Roy, Emma Ryan, Robert Schwab, Louis Scott, Sr., Samantha Smith, Harriet Suarez, Sara Surgi, Deacon Wil Troups, Nancy Williams, Residents of Audubon Retirement Village (Hainkel), Covenant & Poydras Homes & Lambeth House and patients of Children's Hospital.

O heavenly Father, You sent Your only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, to heal every infirmity and to deliver us from death. We pray that You heal Your servants from our parish family, friends, and relatives of every spiritual and bodily ill which afflicts them. Amen.



ALL SAINTS' DAY FLOWERS



Requested by:

In Memory/Honor of:

Mr. & Mrs. Jobe Boucvalt.....Francis & Bernice Fulton
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Castle.....Beverly Castle
Mr. & Mrs. Charlie Cassreino.....The Lombardo and Cassreino Families
Mr. & Mrs. Shannon CeasarAnthony Alappat & Linda Ceasar
Mr. & Mrs David DollRobin Satterfield
Ms. Sandra Hartley.....Jack & Valerie Hartley
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Mr. & Mrs. Allen Petuit.....The Petuit Family
Mrs. Margaret Rosenfeld.....The Rosenfeld Family
Mr. & Mrs. Scott Smith.....Nancy & Frank Nezzio and Paule Kulas
Mr. James ThompsonThe Thompson Family
Mr. Paul Vetter.....Norman H. Vetter & Family
Mr. Norton Wisdom.....The Wisdom Family
Dr. Thomas Wright My Grandparents and Deceased Members of the Choir
Mrs. Norman Woods & Jose Vicente Escobar.....Jose Luis Escobar & Norman Woods Sr.

Pregnant and parenting moms in need are IN our parishes. As Pope Francis reminds us, parishes need to be “islands of mercy in the midst of a sea of indifference.” Everyone in the parish community should know where to refer a pregnant or parenting woman in need.

Resources for Moms in need:

Catholic Charities Pregnancy Services — (formerly “ACCESS” Pregnancy Centers) offers free pregnancy support services and resources at three locations in Metairie, Kenner, and Gretna. Provides Free Ultrasounds! Has a diaper bank and gives out baby items/clothes. accesspregnancy.com 504-885-1141 4200 S. I-10 Service Rd. W. Ste 124, Metairie

Women’s New Life Clinic Provides an array of professional and medical services including pregnancy support, abortion pill reversal and women’s healthcare. 4612 S. Claiborne Ave. New Orleans 504-831-3117 womensnew-life.com Provides Free Ultrasounds!

Daughters of Charity Health Centers Several locations across archdiocese. dchcno.org

Northlake Crisis Pregnancy Center 19348 N. 4th St. Covington, LA 70433 985.893.4281 Provides Free Ultrasounds!

Community Center for Life 539 Lafayette St. Gretna, LA 70053 504-227-9090 Provides Free Ultrasounds!

Restoration House 101 S. Spruce St. Hammond, LA 70403 985-542-0492 Provides Free Ultrasounds!

Celebrate Life Ministries 2225 Pleasure St. New Orleans, LA 70122 504-281-4624

Crisis Pregnancy Help Center 550 Gause Blvd Ste B Slidell, LA 985-643-4357 Provides Free Ultrasounds!

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