

St. John of the Cross

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A Parish of the Archdiocese of New Orleans, Deanery X



August 9, 2026

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND DEVOTIONS

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:30 am & 10:30 am

WEEKDAYS

Monday, Communion Service 8:00 am
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8:00 am
Wednesday 6:00 pm (Novena)

Adoration Wednesdays

8:00 am to 6:00pm

Holy Day of Obligation Masses

Vigil 5:00 pm and Holy Day 8am & 6pm

NEW PARISHIONERS

The Pastor and people of St. John of the Cross welcome you. Please sign the red registration book if you are new to the parish. Those who are eighteen (18) years and older are to be registered in their own name. We ask all parishioners and visitors to register in order to help better serve you.

St. John of the Cross is totally dependent on the generosity of its parishioners for support. The use of envelopes, regardless of the amount of the contribution makes possible our parish activities and services. Support envelopes are mailed to your home upon request or sign-up for online giving on our website, www.stjohnofthecrosslacombe.org

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Both parents of children and Godparents are required to attend the Seminar. Please call the parish office to set up an appointment.

CONFESSIONS

One half hour prior to all Masses and by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples should be attending mass regularly. Contact with the parish priest or deacon within 8 months of anticipated wedding date is mandatory.

FUNERALS

Date, day and time must be agreed upon with the priest or deacon who will perform the ceremony before plans are finalized with the funeral director.

Come Lord Jesus Bible Study - Meet weekly exploring the message that God has for us in weekly readings; a true blessing! You can even start your own group. Contact Andy Norton at 788-2977, meets Thursdays at 7:00 pm; David Cook at 504-812-9630, meets Wednesdays at 9:00 am; Bonnie Cannon 707-8238, meets Thursdays at 9:15 am.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

The Parish Office requires the information no later than noon, Friday, 8 days prior to the weekend when announcement is to appear. Holidays or other issues may require earlier deadlines.

www.stjohnofthecrosslacombe.org

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



**Come see Him
during visiting
hours:**

**Wednesdays,
8 a.m. – 5:45 p.m.**

**We need an adorer for the
3 pm to 4 pm time.**



Isaiah Bradley	Beverly Bordelon	Tony Jurich	Peggy & Rayborn
Fowler	David Duhon	Silvia Perez	Clawson
Al Kurtz	Elijah Baumbusch	The Blair Family	Thom Pham
Tracy Morgan	Mikayla Touchet	Kenny Pommier	Michael Brandt
Debbie Saladino	Sophie Finch	Collin Williams	Robert Baker
Dorothy Troulliet	Angelina Armato	Mike Bardin	Sharon Zehner
Jeanette Herbez	Taylor Morgan	Joseph P Giaise	Ricca Family
Paula Powell	Ronald Grice	Madison Moore	Annette Miller
Debbie Bolnar	and Family	Kerrie	Tommy Trapp
	Travis Meyers	Quatrevingt	Jeffery Abney
	Cooper Person	Harry Bigham	Doug Cross
	Gwen Parfait		

If you wish to have your name included, please call 882-3779.

Names will remain on list for 6 weeks.

You may also call if you would like to receive Holy Communion.

	EMHC	Lectors
5:00 pm Aug 8	Charlotte Grant, Paulette Laurent, Butch & Mary O'Neal	Mary O'Neal
8:30 am Aug 9	Elton Aucoin, Charlene & Tony Jurich, Richard Roberts	Sue Gibbs
10:30 am Aug 9	Reagan Abney, Andrew Norton, Dave Stoehr, Brian Yochim	Mike Maurin
5:00 pm Aug 15	Judi Camhout, Linda Giaise, Ester Smith, Lynn Suprean	Judi Camhout
8:30 am Aug 16	Karen Gibbs, Richard Roberts, Cecil & Lori Vidrine	Lori Vidrine
10:30 am Aug 16	Angela Johnsen, Mario Lopreore Erin Songy, Gary Songy	Kathy Mikovich

	Mass Intentions
Saturday 5:00 pm	<i>August 8, 2026</i> St. Dominic Rosemary Barrios; Mary T. Sanger; Cary Eleser Family; Katie Hattier; Simone Boell; Marie VonBehren; Michael Sullenberger; Alvarez LaBostrie, Sr.
Sunday 8:30 am	<i>Aug 9, 2026</i> Our Parish Family
10:30 am	Susan Lancon; Roger Bouche, Jr.; Gretchen Schmitt; Joe Ford; Mathews Family; Yvonne Birdsall; Iris Ricca; Chris Waguespack, Sr.
Monday 8:00 am	<i>August 10, 2026</i> St. Lawrence Communion Service
Tuesday 8:00 am	<i>August 11, 2026</i> St. Clare Larry Hilderbrand
Wednesday 6:00 pm	<i>August 12, 2026</i> St. Jane Frances de Chantal Emanuel & Katherine Broyard
Thursday 8:00 am	<i>August 13, 2026</i> Sts. Pontian & Hippolytus Suprean Families
Friday 8:00 am	<i>August 14, 2026</i> St. Maximillian Kolbe Al Jirovec Jr.
Saturday 5:00 pm	<i>August 15, 2026</i> Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mary T. Sanger; Boell & Wootan Families; Cary Eleser Family; Katie Hattier; Michael Wehrin; Marie VonBehren; Audrey Lex; Frank Leslie; Robert Pugh; Josie Pugh; Marie Bulot
Sunday 8:30 am	<i>Aug 16, 2026</i> Mary & Michael Wagner; Borchgrevink Family; Janie Glover; Gayle Faulk; Edward Hoffman II; Evelyn & Lawrence Miller; Foster Family; Holy Souls in Purgatory; Jimmy R. Williams; Emanuel & Katherine Broyard
10:30 am	

Mondays

9 am Faith Formation
"Gumbo Group"

Tuesdays

9 am Rosary
6-7 pm Line Dancing
6-7:30 pm OCIA/Faith
Formation

Wednesdays

6:30-8 pm CYO
8 am - 6 pm Eucharistic
Adoration

Thursdays

8:30 am Cleaning Church
9:15 am "Come Lord Jesus"
Scripture Study
6-7pm Exercise

Fridays

9:15 am Walking with the
Saints (Book Club)

Sundays

9:30 am "Kingdom Class"
Scripture Study

Altar Society Cleaning Crew

The 2nd team will clean the Church
at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday 8/13/26

Please contact Julie Bacon if you can help. (985) 630-7017.

Christian Giving



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Weekly Collections	July 25 & 26	\$ 5,283.00
Online		\$ 1,210.00
Total		\$ 6,493.00
Weekly Goal		\$ 7,000.00
Ahead/ Behind	July 25 & 26	507.00

Poor Box	July 25 & 26	\$ 557.00
Special Collection /Other Income		78.00

Loan Balance	July 14, 2026	\$ 355,000.00
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Thank you for sharing your treasure, time, and talent generously with our community of faith.

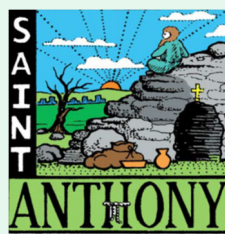
August 12th at 9:00 am
Cleaning of
Community Center
windows



The Singles Ministry will be cleaning the windows at the Community Center in preparation for the Aug 15th Anniversary Dinner.

Anyone wishing to help, please show-up at 9:00 with your window washing supplies.

Any and all help is appreciated.

**Friends of St. Anthony**

uses money from the Poor Box to help parishioners of St. John of the Cross and others living in our boundaries who are in need.

Anyone needing assistance should call the "Friends of St. Anthony" duty phone, 328-1107.

Anyone who is sick & homebound & wishes to receive Holy Communion should contact the Church Office. At this time, all donations will go to Thanksgiving baskets.

The new school year is coming soon.

Please plan to register children for Parish School of Religion (PSR)

August 16 9:30-noon

In Education Building, room 1A (next to DRE office)

If the child is new to the program, please bring a copy of their baptismal certificate.

Also, we are in need of teacher assistants, substitutes, and office helpers for our PSR program. Please call for details if you think God may be calling you to this most important ministry.

It is a minimal commitment with a maximum benefit.

Ginger Bruce
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OCIA If you know of anyone who is interested in becoming Catholic or just learning more about the Catholic Church and her teachings, please contact the parish office at 882-3779.

Saint John of the Cross Church 42nd Anniversary

We can hardly believe it has
been 42 years!

Join us to celebrate and honor the
2026 recipients of the JC Awards.

Saturday, August 15th
After 5 pm Mass
In the Community Center

Let us know you will attend by
returning the sign-up to the office or
drop in the church collection.

42nd Anniversary Awards and Potluck

Name _____

No. Attending _____ Phone _____

Circle one:

Salad

Vegetable

Casserole

Pasta



This weekend's second collection will support the missionary work of the Diocese of Livingstone in Zambia, Africa. The Diocese serves a vast, predominantly rural area with many mission chapels scattered across great distances. Although the people face significant economic challenges, they are rich in faith and are deeply committed to building vibrant Christian communities. Priests travel many miles to celebrate the sacraments and minister to these mission communities.

One of the most urgent needs is access to clean water. Many families still rely on rivers and other natural water sources for their daily needs. As part of its pastoral mission, the Diocese is drilling boreholes to provide clean, safe water for mission communities and nearby villages. This essential resource will improve daily life and support the continued growth of these faith communities.

Your generous support will help bring both the love of Christ and the gift of clean water to our brothers and sisters in Zambia.

Thank you for your prayerful generosity.

Fr. Emmanuel Mulenga



THINGS PSR KIDS WANT TO KNOW ABOUT:

When the Mass begins and ends, why do some people bow, genuflect or make the sign of the cross when the Crucifix passes?

Reverence is our expression of respect, awe and love of God! When we see the Crucifix, this reminds us of His Sacrifice for us. We show reverence by bowing or making the Sign of the Cross as the Crucifix passes us.

Did you know that whenever the name of Jesus is said, we are to bow our heads in reverence to Our Lord? Next week, pay attention to how many times Fr. Tuan bows his head during mass and follow along!



MADE FOR MORE
EPHESIANS 2:10
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2026 NOLA CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE

SEPTEMBER 26, 2026 9AM-5PM JESUIT HIGH SCHOOL

THIS ONE-DAY CONFERENCE IS A TIME FOR CELEBRATION, LEARNING, AND PRAYER AS WE CONTINUE TO LIVE OUT OUR CONSECRATION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS. OPEN TO ALL 7TH-12TH GRADE STUDENTS.

Most Rev. James Checchio
MASS CELEBRANT

Paul J. Kim
KEYNOTE & WORKSHOP SPEAKER

Sr. Maria Caeli Parmeter, O.P.
EMCEE

Aimee Maciver
Workshop Speaker

John Finch
Music Ministry

REGISTER TODAY!
CONTACT YOUR PARISH/SCHOOL GROUP LEADER TO REGISTER

NEW ORLEANS

Contact Amelia Jeanmarie: amelia.benfatti@gmail.com with any questions. Sign ups are due by August 24, 2026. Packets are available in the church office or can be emailed to you

St. John of the Cross Catholic Church
Summary Financial Statements
For Year Ending 6/30/2026

INCOME STATEMENT

Revenue:		Expenses:	
Ordinary Income	\$ 345,836	Personnel Costs	\$ (121,495)
Extraordinary Income	\$ 40,428	Parish Operational Expenses	\$ (171,269)
Ministry Income	\$ 54,740	Ministry Expenses	\$ (44,511)
		Diocesan Assessmnets	\$ (43,795)
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 441,004	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ (381,070)
		NET INCOME from Operations	\$ 59,934

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

	FY 2025	FY 2026	TOTAL
Funds Raised	\$166,660	\$11,790	\$178,450
Expenditures	<u>(\$39,104)</u>	<u>(\$137,091)</u>	<u>(\$176,195)</u>
Net	\$127,556	(\$125,301)	\$2,255

BALANCE SHEET

Cash Accounts	\$ 147,021	Loan - Archdioces of NO	\$ 361,369
		Equity	\$ (214,348)
TOTAL ASSETTS	\$ 147,021	TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	\$ 147,021

2026	Mark Your Calendar
Aug 8/9	Mission Appeal: Fr. Emmanuel Mulenga
Aug 12	9:00 am Cleaning Community Center windows led by Singles Ministry
Aug 14	11:00 am Singles Group Meeting (2nd Friday each month)
Aug 15	Blessed Beyond Belief Healing Ministry by appointment (Christian S. 985-605-3118). After 5pm Mass Anniversary Potluck Dinner and JC Awards
Aug 15/16	Second Collection—Catholic Relief Services
Aug 16	9:30-noon PSR registration
Aug 19	7:00 pm Pastoral Council Meeting
Aug 26	6:00 pm KC Meeting 6:30 pm CYO Pizza & Penance
Aug 30	8:00 am Rosary with Knights of Columbus (5th Sunday)
Sep 2	6:30 CYO Kickoff Party for New School Year
Sep 7	Office Closed—Labor Day Holiday
Sep 13	9:30-10:25 PSR classes start After 10:30 Mass Donuts, Coffee and Milk in Community Center sponsored by Ladies Guild
Sep 20	Second Collection—Catholic Communications Campaign

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of the Week**

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Fresh Seafood from our Boat Daily
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 Crawfish • Alligator / Fresh & Boiled

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