

Our Lady of Grace Roman Catholic Church



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Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Our purpose, at Our Lady of Grace Roman Catholic Church, is to provide a place of spiritual worship and growth for our members, our children, and all visitors. We wish to instill a spirit of prayer, integrity and generosity in each other, with a special concern for the poor, sick, elderly, disabled, the unborn and the weak. We especially encourage our parish members and organizations in their practice of the spiritual and corporal works of mercy with the poor and infirmed.



PARISH STAFF

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RCIA CLASSES

Any adult interested in joining the Catholic Faith or knowing more about the Catholic Religion should contact the Parish Office to sign up for RCIA faith classes.

Announcements for the bulletin can be brought to the parish office, faxed or sent via email to olgchurch@arch-no.org. The deadline to submit announcements to be placed in the bulletin is on **Mondays by 12 noon.**

MASS SCHEDULE SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME FEBRUARY 23, 2020

VIGIL MASSES

Saturday 4:00 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM & 11:00 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday **NO MASS**
Tuesday 6:00 PM
Wednesday 5:00 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
6:00 PM Sick of the Parish
Thursday 8:30 AM Special Intentions
Friday 8:30 AM Parish Mass
Saturday 8:00 AM (1ST SATURDAY ONLY)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Begins 1 Hour before each Mass and ends 15 minutes before Mass or by appointment anytime.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents and god-parents preparation is held on the 3rd Sunday of each month after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Baptism will take place on the 4th Sunday of each month. **Baptismal registration takes place ONLY at the Parish Office prior to baptism preparation class.**

MARRIAGES

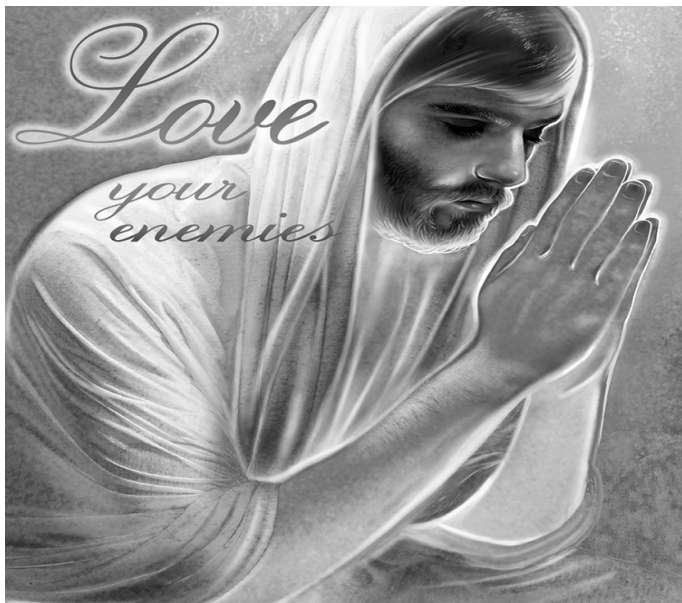
Please notify the Priest at least six to eight months prior to planning the wedding.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office if someone is sick or hospitalized.

FUNERALS

Please call the Parish Office before making



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I wonder how many people read today's Gospel and said, "You expect me to do that?" Aren't we supposed to resist evil? Yes, and we do it as Jesus did—we conquer it with love.

When Jesus died on the cross, this was the victory over sin and death because he gave his life for us out of love. This love was for everyone, especially those sinners who need it. All he asks of us is to show love to everyone, even our enemies.

Now when we read the examples in the Gospel (Matthew 5:39–42), we may be tempted to say that the way to stop evil is to make people suffer for doing evil. But Jesus didn't say to let people run over us. Instead of a weak passivism, we actively offer the other cheek, hand over the cloak, or go the extra mile. And that's just for the ones who occasionally annoy us. Later in the same Gospel, Jesus tells us to love and pray for our enemies.

But notice what he doesn't say. He never promises that we will change these people, that our actions will eventually cause them to repent or become our friends. No, he only asks his disciples to change, to become "perfect" as the Father is perfect. That kind of holiness comes only from God, just as changing evil-doers or enemies is up to God. Perhaps the love we show to our enemies will at least open their hearts to the possibility of receiving the love of God, who can help them to become holy, too.

SCRIPTURE VERSE: *Be holy, for I, the Lord, your God, am holy.—Leviticus 19:2b*

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 22, 2020

4:00 PM Mary Ann Parquet, Shirley Ann Johnson, Donnie Johnson, Willi Hall, Cecile Ogretta Wilson-Hall, Melvin Charles Hall, Joseph Bert Hall, Carl Michael Hall, Ted Edwards (L), Albertha & Harold Wilson, Shelton Clark, Jr., Shelton Clark III, Dardnella Clark, Karen Clark Tassin, Hilton Francois

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 23, 2020

8:00 AM Our Lady of Grace Parishioners

11:00 AM Our Lady of Grace Parishioners

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 25, 2020

6:00 PM NO MASS

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 26, 2020 ASH WEDNESDAY

8:00 AM Our Lady of Grace Parishioners

5:00 PM HOLY HOUR

6:00 PM Our Lady of Grace Parishioners

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 27, 2020

8:30 AM Eulice Garrett, Carolyn Garrett, Gaynelle Marie Perrilloux

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 28, 2020

8:30 AM Walter Gerard, Jr.

5:30 PM NO MASS

6:15 PM Stations of the Cross

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READING (FEBRUARY 23, 2020 TO FEBRUARY 29, 2020)

Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

Monday: Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10; Ps 55:7-11a, 23; Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32



PRAY FOR . . .

Agnes Hall, Joshua J. Morgan, Joseph Dupas, Olga Leblanc, Alethea Bardell, Kenisha Anderson, Leroy Houston, Joann Gray, Victoria Dominique, Ernest Morgan Jr., Catherine Twine Simon, Craig Watson, Michelle Marcadel, Cornel Jones, Montrelle Dennis, Romond Taylor, Devon Walker, Rosalee Sylvas, Donald Lipps, Donna C. Jackson, Sandra Simoneaux, Elizabeth Hebert, Sr. John Mary Jackson, Tierney Smith, Torriel Charde Smith, Karen Duhe-Wilson, James Jackson, Travis Thomas, Ceola Gerard, Gary Sylve, Arthur D. Parquet, Felton Parquet, Lorita Savoie, Shelia P. Melancon, Gloria Ferrygood, Chandra Johnson, Lindsay Marts, John Sylve, Sr., Sharon Parquet, Jennifer Sylve Banks, Hilton Farlough, Monique Joseph, Theresa Fleming, Beverly Harris, Lois Gray, Wilhelmina Armour, Emile Rousseve, Amanda Cole, Johnny Bee Griffin, Thomas Parquet, Jr., Melvin Parquet, Tiana Roussel, Marjorie Schnyder Noble, Edward Scioneaux, Sr., Joseph & McCloud Family, Mark Mitchell, Wallace Bourgeois

OUR LADY OF GRACE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH RESERVE, LA

FIRST LENTEN FISH FRY DINNER

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2020

OLG CAFETERIA

11:00 AM TO 2:00 PM—DONATION \$10.00

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Ash Wednesday is *Wednesday, February 26, 2020, a day of fasting and abstinence*. Mass will be held at **8:00 AM** and **6:00 PM**. There will be a distribution of ashes during and after each Mass.

OFFICE CLOSURE

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2020 AND TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2020 FOR THE MARDI GRAS HOLIDAYS.

LENTEN MASS SCHEDULE

Mass will be held **DAILY** during Lent including Monday's and Saturday's. Mass will be held at 6:00 PM on Monday's and 8:00 AM on Saturday's. Mass will also be held at 6:00 PM on Thursday's and 5:30 PM on Friday's.

PLEASE COME OUT AND JOIN THE COMMUNITY FOR STATIONS OF THE CROSS EVERY FRIDAY AT 6:15 PM BEGINNING FEBRUARY 28, 2020. ALL ARE WELCOME.

THE WORD AMONG US

The WORD Among Us is now available in the foyer of the Church. The book is for daily readings and meditation throughout the period of Lent from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday. Please pick up your copy in the foyer of the church.

SOLIDARITY FUND FOR THE CHURCH IN AFRICA

Thank you for your generous support of the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa. Your contributions will provide pastoral care and support to the people of Africa as they face many challenges that come from poverty and unemployment, high rates of diseases, and migration. Your donations will fund workshops, retreats, catechesis, and other projects that build faith of African communities. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give. Visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections.

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE

Our Lady of Grace Lenten Revival will be held on **March 30, 2020 To April 1, 2020**. More information will be provided at a later date.

THANK YOU

The Knights of Peter Claver Court #73 Junior Daughters would like to thank everyone for their generous coat donations towards the Knights of Peter Claver District One Junior Division Community Service Project. Because of your kind hearts, we collected over 20 coats. Thank you all again, and may God continue to bless you all.

DYNAMIC CATHOLIC

Dynamic Catholic and Allen Hunt will be coming to Ascension of Our Lord Catholic Church in Laplace with the event "Find Your Greatness!" Together with St. Joan of Arc, Our Lady of Grace, St. Peter and Sacred Heart Church, we are excited to bring this life-long event to our community on Saturday, **March 7, 2020 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 AM**. Tickets are now available for sale at a cost of \$25.00 and can be purchased from the parish office.

VOCATION WEEKEND FOR HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE AGE MEN

Come and See Vocation Discernment Weekend for high school juniors and seniors, and college-age men will be held **April 3-5, 2020**, at St. Joseph Seminary College, Covington, Louisiana. This is an opportunity for men who are interested in the priesthood and who would like to find out more about seminary life. There is no cost for the weekend. For more information call the Archdiocesan Vocation Office at 504-861-6298 or e-mail vocations@archdiocese-no.org



BIBLE STUDY: Tuesday's at 6:30 PM in the Fr. Joseph C. Rodney Parish Hall. All are invited and welcome to attend.

Weekly Collections

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FEBRUARY 15-16, 2020

SUNDAY COLLECTION	\$3498.00
SOLIDARITY FUND	\$ 525.00
TOTAL	\$4023.00



SANCTUARY LIGHT IN THE CHURCH

The Sanctuary Light will be lit for:

Eddie Creecy, Sr.

Requested By: Myron & Martha Creecy & family
From: February 1, 2020 to February 29, 2020



SANCTUARY LIGHT IN THE CHAPEL

The Sanctuary Light will be lit for:

In Memory of Chesney Jones, Jr.

Requested By: Jordon Dorsey
From: February 16, 2020 to February 29, 2020



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