

ASCENSION OF OUR LORD CATHOLIC CHURCH

-- ALL FOR THE GLORY OF GOD --

SEPTEMBER 5, 2021
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS SCHEDULE

MASS TIMES

DAILY MASS

CONFESSIONS

One half hour before each Mass daily and Sundays.

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL - Open 24 hours daily.



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LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Life can be challenging and frightening. Sometimes, it really hurts to be a human being. We face brokenness of all kinds: physical, emotional, and spiritual. For no apparent reason, life can quickly fall apart. What we knew to be familiar is gone and something we relied upon is taken away. We are left sitting with our incompleteness and swimming in the pools of our sadness. Be strong! Fear not! These admonitions flow from the mouths of prophets and are echoed by Jesus. It is difficult to trust that restoration, healing, and rejuvenation will one day come, and remain steadfast in our faith. But we are here because of a God who loves us, not as the result of a random occurrence. When we reach for that truth about who we are and who God is, life changes for us. We are healed from our old distorted way of seeing things. Our eyes, heart, and soul are opened to the beauty and magnificence of life. The pulse of our loving Creator is felt in all things and we can't wait for God to come and touch us again. God made us, God loves us, and God keeps us. He has done all things well. ©LPi

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 6

8:30 am Steve Navarre, Tom & Teresa Bautsch

Tuesday, September 7

8:30 am Jeffrey & Patrick Cupit

Wednesday, September 8 • The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin

Mary

6:00 pm Melvin Powell, Dolores Fajardo, Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, September 9 • St. Peter Claver

8:30 am George Scofield

Friday, September 10

8:30 am Armand J. Brinkhaus, Jr.

Saturday, September 11 • Patriot Day

4:00 pm Anthony Valure, Louis & Georgina Andry, Melancon & Fisher

Families, E.J. & Edna Guidry, Conrad & Betty Hymel, Grady Duff, Jr. Scott Duff, Deacon Paul & Philip Dupuy, Edith Layton, Living & deceased members of the Larousse & Brock Families, Glen Keating, Healing of America & return to God, Rubena & Joseph Borden, All Souls, Sundy Gendron Fitch, Art Bodenheimer, Pat Sellars, Living & deceased members of the

Carmen & Ronald Perilloux Family, Special Intentions

Sunday, September 12 • 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Grandparents Day

8:30 am Frank & Merlene St. Pierre, All Souls in Purgatory, Lidia

Espinal, Gwen Booth, Shirley Soleto, Diana P. Cureaux, John Snyder, Sr., Souls of Babies, Pat Sellars, Lester Savoie, Gail

Ryder, Elly Langley, Francis Xavier Kim Nguyen

10:30 am Kim Cox

3:00 pm (en espanol) Our Parishioners

7:00 pm Deceased members of KC Council 9623

VIGIL LIGHT FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

In memory of Norman & Verna Millet, Rosalind M. Hutson, Deborah Acosta, Jessica Fournet

CHAPEL CANDLES BURN THIS WEEK FOR

In memory of John Snyder, Sr.



NEW PARISHIONERS

CESAR & GABRIELA LAINEZ

ELANA MARRERO-SAVOIE

KENNETH & NIA SANDERS-BOWDEN

JAYNE & RYAN STREET

DENA WEMPREN



Our Lady is calling us to prayer! St. John - St. Charles Deanery Traveling Rosary Congress October 2nd - 8th

Opening Mass: October 2nd at 4:00 pm St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

Followed by continuous Adoration with Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet prayed aloud every hour.

Ascension of Our Lord will host the Congress beginning at 3:00 pm October 3rd through 3:00 pm October 5th in Church (Adoration Chapel will be closed during this time)

Watch future bulletins for information on how to sign up for hours.

Closing Benediction: October 8th at 4:00pm St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

AROUND OUR CHURCH & OUR COMMUNITY



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September, 2021

To Clergy, Religious, and Laity of the Archdiocese of New Orleans

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

It is our archdiocesan tradition to offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation, better known as confession, on a weekday evening near the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross. I am pleased to inform you that many people in the Archdiocese of New Orleans have taken advantage of this opportunity.

This year confessions will be available on Wednesday, September 15, 2021 from 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM. Please consider inviting the healing Christ into your heart with his promise of mercy.

Pope Francis reminds us: "Do not be afraid of Confession! One who is in line to confess feels all these things - even shame - but then, when we finish confessing, we leave free, great, beautiful, forgiven... And this is the beauty of Confession... Jesus is there... and He receives you with so much love."

Please consider having your family come to church together for Confession on Wednesday, September 15.

Wishing you God's blessings, I am

Sincerely in Christ.

Most Reverend Gregory M. Aymond Archbishop of New Orleans





Is God calling you to serve as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion?

Liturgical Ministry Workshop for new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Saturday, September 11th

9:00am - 1:00pm St. Joan of Arc Church

Call the Parish Office to register.



If you or someone you know would like to become Catholic, or if you are Catholic and would like to be confirmed, we will begin our RCIA program in September. Classes are held weekly in the Parish Office. Please contact the Parish Office for information.



23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, September 6 · Labor Day

Parish Office Closed No School; No PSR

6:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet - Adoration Chapel



7:00 pm Baptismal Seminar - Parish Office

7:30 pm Spanish Choir Practice - Church cry room

Wednesday, September 8

Thursday, September 9

12:30 pm Hearty Meal - DBH 7:00 pm Spanish Bible Study - PPH

Friday, September 10

Saturday, September 11 • Team 2

Sunday, September 12 • Team 2

7:00 pm Youth Mass - Church



The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 6th in observance of Labor Day.



SHARING THE GOSPEL

You can hear God talk to you. He speaks to you through the Bible. He speaks to you through your parents, teachers, and friends. When you hear him, you obey his commandments. You stop pouting and stomping. You obey your parents. You put your toys away. You share your food, clothing, and blankets. You say the right words to make a friend feel better. When you listen, God helps you stay on the path to heaven.

PRAYER

Open my ears to hear you clearly, Lord.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

I will listen and follow my Mom and Dad's directions right away.

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GALILEE

DEAF

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

SPIT

TONGUE

TOUCH

FINGERS

EARS AMAZED TALK 0 A D HMA N G U E В A N L MDE Т S L V Z E D E 0 U



PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL



Adorers Needed: Sundays:

1pm, 2pm, 4pm, 6pm Mondays: 1am, 4pm Thursdays: 12am Fridays: 12am, 10am Saturdays: 4pm, 7pm

Come back and pray!

"Ask Him to remind you that in order to really know someone, you must spend time with them....God is no different."

Jane Trufant Harvey - "Ask Him"



SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS: Baptismal seminars are held on the first Tuesday of each month in the Parish Office at 7:00pm. Please call the Parish Office to pre-register.

WEDDINGS: Couples must contact the priest at least six months prior to the preferred date of the wedding.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call the Parish Office at 985-652-2615.

HOLY COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: To be added to the list, please call the Parish Office.

FUNERALS: Family must make arrangements with the priest prior to making final arrangements with the funeral home.

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WHY DO WE DO THAT?

CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Question: As we celebrate Labor Day, can you tell me about Catholic teaching regarding labor?

Answer: One of the most important principles of Catholic social teaching is the dignity of work and the rights of workers. Four encyclicals address this foundational social teaching: Rerum Novarum (1891) by Leo XIII, Quadragesimo Anno (1931) by Pius XI, Laborem Exercens (1981), and Centesimus Annus (1991) by John Paul II. They address both the theology and dignity of work. In Genesis, God takes the initiative in creating the world, calling forth human beings to be faithful stewards of creation. We are thus formed to share in God's continuing creative activity by partnering with God in finishing the world and helping bring it to completion and fulfillment. From this perspective, work can be spiritually understood in terms of sharing in God's ongoing activity to build, create, and transform the world. Human beings are co-creators with God. This vocation demands selfdiscipline.

Besides an exercise in self-discipline, work is also the means by which we develop and fulfill ourselves. In work, we shape the world and our environment. Through work, we also shape ourselves. Pope John Paul II summarized this point in *Laborem Exercens* #6, "the value of work is not primarily the kind of work being done, but the fact that the one who is doing it is a person."

Labor Day offers an excellent opportunity to reflect on how we view work in light of our Catholic social teaching.

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REFLECT - QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading

The prophet Isaiah spoke of the importance of being strong of heart when it comes to the ways of God. Why do you think this is such an important virtue?

Second Reading

James encouraged believers to view the rich and poor from God's perspective. Why do you think people struggle with this divine point of view?

Gospel Reading

In today's reading, we hear how Jesus healed the deaf man with a speech impediment at the request of the "people" close to this man. Who do you know in your life who needs healing from Jesus? ©LPi



"He has done all things well.

He makes the deaf hear and
the mute speak."

Mk 7:37

RESPONDING TO THE CALL

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP
Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

Choosing Deafness

If you're a parent, you know that hearing evaluations are usually done at a child's annual physical exam starting around age four. The little person gets hoisted up onto the exam table, fitted with a pair of special headphones, and then they need raise their hand when they hear a sound.

I bet all of us parents who have sat through one of these tests with a preschooler — especially a particularly strong-willed one — have experienced a moment where we ask ourselves: I wonder if there's something wrong with her hearing. Is that why she doesn't listen to me? 'Come here, put on your shoes, pick up your toys, finish your carrots, don't touch that' — she isn't being naughty, she just can't hear it!

And then that moment, for those of us whose kids passed the hearing test with flying colors, comes crashing down into a realization that, yep, they can hear just find. They're just choosing deafness.

But how can we really get mad when we remember that we do the same thing to God day in and day out? I often wonder if God, sitting in His Heaven, tires of calling to us in



the same way young parents tire of calling out unheeded directions to their small children. Help that person. Hear My voice. Open your heart. Give of yourself here. Talk to Me.

What is the call He wishes you to hear today? Can you hear it? Are you listening?

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Jas 2:1-5/Mk

7:31-37

Monday: Col 1:24—2:3/Ps 62:6-7, 9 [8]/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: Col 2:6-15/Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11 [9]/Lk 6:12-

19

Wednesday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c [Is

61:10]/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Thursday: Col 3:12-17/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 [6]/Lk 6:27-38 Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11

[cf. 5]/Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: 1 Tm 1:15-17/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7 [2]/

Lk 6:43-49

Next Sunday: Is 50:5-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/Jas 2:14-

18/Mk 8:27-35

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