

THE HOLY FAMILY, JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

DECEMBER 28, 2025



St. Mary Mother of the Church

419 Doucet Road, Lafayette, Louisiana 70503

Pastor	Reverend Cedric Sonnier	Baptism	Expectant parents should register for Baptism Class four to six months before the child's birth. Baptismal classes are held once every month. The deacon celebrates baptisms once per month on Saturday at 10:00 AM.
Deacons	Deacon Michael Crain, Deacon Michael Thompson, Deacon Nelson Schexnayder	Marriages	Anyone interested in getting married at St. Mary Church should contact the church 6-12 months prior to any marriage planning. For further information, see our Website Video.
Phone	337-981-3379	Funerals	To arrange a funeral at St. Mary Church, please call the Parish Office.
Office Hours	Monday-Thursday: 9:00 AM-12:00 PM, 1:00-4:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM-12:00 PM		
Masses	All Masses are Live Streamed (watch all day) Monday-Friday: 7:00 AM in Church 1 ST Fri & 1 ST Sat Masses with devotions: 7:00 AM Saturday: 4:30 PM in Church Sunday: 8:00 & 10:30 AM & 5:00 PM in Church		
Reconciliation	Saturday: 3:00-4:00 PM Sunday: 9:45 — 10:15 AM, 4:30 — 4:50 PM Monday - Friday: 6:35 - 6:55 AM		

THIS WEEK

Morning Prayers Monday thru Friday 6:25 – 6:45 AM
Reconciliation Monday thru Friday 6:35 – 6:55 AM

Sun Dec 28 8:00, 10:30 AM & 5:00 PM Masses
 Wed **Dec 31** 7:00 AM NO Mass
 Parish Office Closed
4:30 PM Mass
 Thu **Jan 1** 7:00 AM NO Mass
No Day of Adoration
9:00 AM Mass
 No Other Masses Today
 Parish Office Closed
 Fri Jan 2 7:00 AM First Friday Mass & Devotions
 Sat Jan 3 7:00 AM First Saturday Mass & Devotions
 3:00 PM Confessions
 4:30 PM Mass
 Sun Jan 4 8:00, 10:30 AM & 5:00 PM Masses
 2nd Collection St. Mary Capital Improvement
 9:00 AM Epiphany Lessons (Founders Hall)



OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY NOVEMBER	\$ 83,792.50
Capital Improvement	\$ 11,081.50
St. Mary Charities	\$ 2,630.00
CC for Human Development	\$ 1,341.00
Archdiocese Military Services	\$ 2,095.50
B.S.A.	\$ 791.50
NOVEMBER TOTAL	\$ 101,732.00



MASS INTENTIONS

Mon Dec 29 7:00 AM
 Seminarians
Tue Dec 30 7:00 AM
 Fr. Raymond Ssebina (living); Tim McCoy (living);
 William Gillette
Wed Dec 31 7:00 AM NO Mass
Wed Dec 31 4:30 PM
 Red Lerille; Volice Neck; Douglas Domingue; David Horaist
Thu Jan 1 7:00 AM NO Mass
Thu Jan 1 9:00 AM
 Tillie Ayo; Ron Gauthier; William Gillette;
 Jim Gesser Family (living)
Fri Jan 2 7:00 AM
 Fr. Cedric Sonnier (living); Revera Joseph
Sat Jan 3 7:00 AM Raymond Hargroder
Sat Jan 3 4:30 PM
 James "Mickey" Marceaux; Tiger Bech; Red Lerille;
 Thomas Foard; JonTerez Broussard; George Latiolais;
 Revera Joseph; Pauly Azar; Ned & Shirley Guilbeau;
 David Horaist; Genevieve Meaux; Ben Pooler;
 William Gillette; William J. Young; Ray J. Boudreaux
Sun Jan 4 8:00 AM
 Diana Gesser; Mary Pat Keeley (living); Dr. Dean Keeley;
 Herman & Stillman Gesser
Sun Jan 4 10:30 AM
 Donald & Leah Buller; Revera Joseph; Bergeron Family;
 Mary Margaret Camalo; Donald J. Breaux; Tim Rushing;
 Campbell Shepard Family (living); Jim Guilbeau; Greg Long;
 William "Bill" Adams; Ann Knight; Harold & Lilia Hebert Family;
 Allen & Rita Angers Family; Ray J. Boudreaux
Sun Jan 4 5:00 PM St. Mary Parishioners

DECEMBER 29 – JANUARY 4 HAPPY BIRTHDAY ST. MARY PARISHIONERS

Mon Dec 29 None	LeeAnna McCauley	Benjamin Mader
Tue Dec 30	Douglas Perret	Caroline McMillan
Margaret Daly	Rebecca Sebastian	Georgia Miller
Debra Degeyter	Thu Jan 1	Isaac Miller
Madeiline Deshotels	Melodie Andrus	Emmy Robison
Ellen Domengeaux	Dr. Troy Antill	Armando Rosales
Caleb Guillory	Suzanne Boutte	William Sack
William Hollier	Betty Bozeman	Fri Jan 2
Timothy McCoy	Monique Bozeman	Julian Broussard
Evelyn Savoy	Ricky Bozeman	Liam Broussard
Sydney Stover	Peyton Breaux	Frances Chauvin
Jim Venable	Houston Buck	Ann Derise
Emma West	Dr Kenneth Christrup	Melinda Hebert
Wed Dec 31	Linda Doherty	Andrew McFarlain
David Alexander	Virginia Elmore	Isabella Paval
Chloe Charpentier	Oliver Garcia	Sat Jan 3
Julie Christman	Margaret Giglio	Blake David, Sr.
Joshua Crook	James Heinen	Merritt Davis
Robert Foard	Dr Francis Horaist	Avery Geoffroy
Erin Furby	Riley Hutchison	Don Romero
Collin Grant	Robert John	Emma Saloom
Michelle Guidry	Andrew Lawton	Felix Soileau
Thomas Hightower	Tillie LeBlanc	Sun Jan 4 None
Christian Lane	Angelle Lege	

SICK IN THE PARISH

Please pray for: Thad Doucet; Denise Lemoine; Bea Domingue;
 Douglas Cochrane; Pat Sibille; Krieg Sibille; Susan Schwing;
 Carolyn & Keath Perron; Nathaniel Gabish; Mary Pat Keeley;
 Yvonne Bienvenu; Phil Mayers; Carolyn Levy; Bo Domingue;
 Eleanor Hebert; Michael Viator; Arlene Koffskey; Larry Diaz;
 Emile Conciennne; Anne Bourgeois; Belinda LeBlanc; Cile Martin;
 Brian Banquer; Thomas Henry; Ashley Blanchard; Kevin LeBlanc;
 Charles Domingue; Wagner Pfeffer, Barbara Arceneaux;
 Sue Munchrath; James & Cynthia Trahan; Cal Domingue;
 Burnell Savant.

GOD'S HOUSEKEEPERS

Purificator for January: Darlene LeBlanc
Jan 2 Gerry Horaist & Becky Latiolais
Jan 8-9 Shirley LeBreton & Peggy Camalo
Jan 15-16 Linda Alesi & Bonnie Brown
Jan 22-23 Danielle Doucet & Mariela German

LITURGY

1st FRIDAY MASS & DEVOTIONS

All are welcome to attend St. Mary First Friday Mass, **January 2**, 7:00 AM, followed with a short exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Sacred Heart Devotions.

1st SATURDAY MASS & DEVOTIONS

All are welcome to attend St. Mary First Saturday Mass, **January 3**, 7:00 AM, followed with Immaculate Heart of Mary Devotions.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

The Liturgical Minister's Schedule for January and February has been mailed. You are reminded to find your own replacements. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIALS AND DONATIONS

Christmas Flower Memorials for deceased loved ones and donations can be made by calling the church office during regular business hours.

TRAVELING CATHOLICS

There are several resources available to help Catholics find a home away from home anywhere in the world. For more information log on to:

<http://www.massimes.org>.

DAY OF ADORATION

There will be **NO Day of Adoration** January 1, 2026. St. Mary's next Day of Adoration is scheduled for **Feb 5**, 7:00 AM – 6:00 PM. All are welcome.

ST. MARY EARLY LEARNING CENTER

Come and see the excellent faith-based curriculum and loving environment offered by Lafayette's premier early childhood school. SMELC is offering school tours for new families interested in enrolling their child for the 2026-2027 school year.

Application/registration will be held in **January, 2026**. Tours may be scheduled through the school office at 337-984-3750. For more information visit stmaryelc.org or Ms. Castille at dicastille@diolaf.org.

PASTOR'S DESK

Merry Christmas!

On behalf of the staff, our deacons and myself, I want to wish all of you a Blessed Celebration of the Birth of Christ who came to save us and return us to the beauty of our holy innocence. The first commandment tells us that we are to LOVE GOD ABOVE ALL ELSE and we do this because before we ever loved, we were loved first. Christmas re-presents to us the magnificent truth that God loves us above all else and that He willingly sacrifices Himself for us so that we might have life and have it fully. This Christmas let us glory in the Lord and this truth, that our God loves us above all else and when so many other things crowd our life with distractions, may we be able to refocus and rejoice in the love that has always sustained us.

*God's Blessings are upon each of you.
Fr. Cedric*



Mass Schedule for New Year's

Wednesday, December 31

4:30 PM ONLY

(NO 7:00 AM)

Thursday, January 1

9:00 AM ONLY

(NO 7:00 AM MASS)

MEN'S FAITH FORMATION

The St. Mary Men's Faith Formation will reconvene, Wednesday, **January 7**. Meetings are on Wed. at 6:15 PM, in the Early Learning Center Assembly Room. For more information, contact Deacon Crain at 337-789-3351.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

2ND COLLECTION

The 2nd collection next weekend is for St. Mary Capital Improvement. Thank you for your continued generosity.

THANK YOU

Thank you to those who contributed so generously to the Lafayette Parish Homeless Education Services. More information can be found in the Vestibule of the Church.

SEASONS OF HOPE

(Finding Comfort in Your Grief)

Journal Three, will begin on **January 5**, 5:15 PM in our Conference Room. All are welcome to attend. The fee for all six sessions is \$10 and covers the cost of your journal. To register and receive updates, please call the parish office or email:

stmaryparishoutreach@gmail.com.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

EPIPHANY LESSONS

Families with young children are invited to our Epiphany Lessons, **Sunday, January 4**, 9:00 AM, in Founders Hall.

CONFIRMATION

January 11, 6 PM: Session

January 26, 6 PM: Session

February 1, 6 PM: Session

February 2, 6 PM: Confessions

February 7, 9 AM: Morning of Reflection

February 11, 6 PM: Mass

FIRST COMMUNION

January 12, 6 PM: Session

February 9, 6 PM: Session

March 9, 6 PM: Session

April 18, 9 AM: Practice

April 25, 10 AM: Mass

BAPTISMAL SEMINAR

St. Mary Baptismal Seminar is scheduled for **Monday January 26 and Monday February 23**, 6:30 PM. Please call Denise to register, 337-703-3045.

STM

St. Thomas More Catholic High School 2026 – 2027 online application will be available **January 9 at 3 PM**. Scan QR code for important dates and times.



STM Admissions