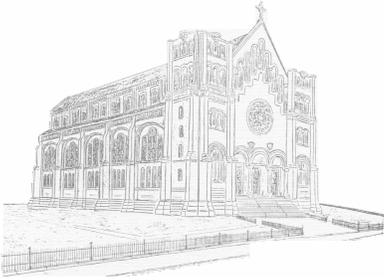


December 11, 2022

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses: 10 a.m. & 8:30 p.m.
Weekday Masses: 12:15 p.m.
Holy Day Masses: 12:15 p.m.



CHURCH OPEN

Mondays thru Fridays: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
One hour before Sunday Masses

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Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions): Wed. & Fri. 11:50—12:10 ; Sundays 7:45—8:15 p.m.

Baptisms Call the Parish Office for Information. Parents and Godparents need to attend instruction for sacrament prior to date being established, presented by Sr. Claire, DC.

Weddings Contact priest at least six months prior to planned wedding date. After contacting priest, contact the wedding director, (x141) to reserve the time and date for your wedding.

Ministry to Sick Please call the church office if your loved one is hospitalized or shut-in and unable to attend Mass for *the Anointing of the Sick* for healing and to receive communion.

New Parishioners Welcome to St. Joseph Church. If you wish to become a member of our parish family, please complete one of the registration forms on the table in the rear of the church. You can turn in the completed form to the receptionist in the church office.

Third Sunday of Advent

December 11, 2022



10:00 am *Parishioners of St. Joseph Church living and deceased*

Marian Baker

8:30 am **Joseph Morales, Jr. +; Gwen Sincere +; Ramon Lloren +**

Monday, December 12, 2022—Our Lady of Guadalupe

12:15 pm **Blaise Misse; Lily Illickal**

Tuesday, December 13, 2022—St. Lucy

12:15 pm **Pippy Sanders; Alice Irimpen**

Wednesday, December 14, 2022—St. John of the Cross

12:15 pm **Carmel Fitzpatrick +; Timothy Wagespack**

Thursday, December 8, 2022—

12:15 pm **Bert Wallace +; Nick Ford; James Butler +; Sr. Joan +**
Sullivan

Friday, December 9, 2022—

12:15 pm **Souls in Pergtory; Hogan Fam.; Carl E Plaisance & Fam.**

Sunday, Dec 11, One in Faith #960

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: *One in Faith*—1153

Tuesday: Zep 3:1-13; Ps 34:2- 23; Mt 21:28-32

Wed.: Is 45: 6-8, 18-25; Ps 85:9-14; Lk 7:18-23

Thurs: Is 54:1-10; Ps 30:2-13; Lk 7:24-30

Friday: Is 56:1-8; Ps 67:2-8; Jn 5:33-36

Saturday: Gn 49:2-10; Ps 72:1-17; Mt 1:1-17

Sunday Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6;
Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR THE FOLLOWING PARISHIONERS , WHO ARE IN NEED OF HEALING:

Mason Abbott, Anthony Blaise, Clarke Bordelon, Lawrence & Mamie Brown, Donald & Gail Canatella, Steve Orkus, John & Cindy Caron, Ellen Carty, Sue Dakote, Joseph Delay, Jeff & Mary Duet, Albert Evens, Terry Eggleston, Linda Elwood, Heather Faircloth, June & Mark Eiserloh, Frances Fiegler, Shirley Gaither, John & Kathleen Gebbia, Roselyn Hansen, John Hakanson, Jim Karam, Bill Kroetz, Nowell Lacking, Ken & Bette Kussman, Landy Lanza, James Leung, Gerard Vallet, Troy Martinez, Karen McCoy, Donna Moore, Frank Morales, Sr. Maura O'Donovan, Mark Owen; John & Sylvia Powell, Audrey Lupiba, Joyce Randolph, Cindy Reynolds, Tina Roderfeld, Bernie Saul; Pippy Sanders, Niru Santos, Anthony, Donnie and Jennie Satcher, Louise Sonnier, Mel Schiro; Fr. Tom & Virginia Stehlik, Diedra Steibing, Yolanda Steptoire, Ingrid Hernandez, Jane Tonglet, Fritz Tripkovich, Corliss Truhill, Georgiana Prevost, Martha A. Treen, Marion Vaughn, Siena Acker, Gerard Vallet, Warren Webster, Ozzie Welch, Mary Willis, Lynn Williams, Deborah Graciana.

MESSAGE FROM OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE TO JUAN DIEGO

“Let not your heart be disturbed. Do not fear that sickness, nor any other sickness or anguish. Am I not here, who is your Mother? Are you not under my protection? Am I not your health? Are you not happily within my fold? What else do you wish? Do not grieve nor be disturbed by anything.”

The Season of Advent

What are we really waiting for during Advent?

The longstanding tradition of the Church is that the Advent season really marks not one but three comings of Christ: his coming into history two thousand years ago, his coming in glory at the end of time, and his coming into our hearts here and now. Advent starts with a focus on the future coming of Christ so that we might see the big picture. If Christmas is to make any sense at all, we have to ask the question, “What are you doing to get ready for the (final) coming of Christ?” This perspective opens us up to the sense of anticipation experienced by the Jewish people on the eve of the first coming of Christ.

This Advent, we will hear John the Baptist tell them (and us) how best to prepare. He urges repentance and an examination and reform of our way of life. Then on the Fourth Sunday, we are drawn in to the history of Jesus’ arrival as the child of Joseph and Mary. Our work of spiritual preparation brings us to the point of the whole season. What good is it that Christ comes into my heart if I don’t then carry that presence out into the world, just as Mary did?

Young adults between the ages of 18 – 39 are invited to the next **Christ in the City** on Tuesday, December 6th at 7:00 PM which will be a special night held at the Archdiocese of New Orleans Retreat Center (5500 St. Mary Street, Metairie.) Christ in the City is a monthly Holy Hour of Eucharistic adoration, praise & worship, and the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. A social hour will follow, thanks to the generosity of the Retreat Center.

Maranatha: Come Lord Jesus!

This Sunday is the appeal for assistance in **caring for our aging religious**. The funds raised provide essential care for members of religious congregations in dire need. Thank you for your generosity.

Pray for **Vocations** to the Vincentians and Daughters of Charity and for the Vincentian Family who assists those in great need. St. Vincent de Paul, St. Louise de Marillac, and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Pray for Us.

TREASURE & STEWARDSHIP

December 4, Parish.....\$ 6,400.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Christmas Decorating and Dinner, All are invited to sign up next Sunday December 11 or December 18 to meet, decorate, and share a meal on Friday, December 23, as we prepare for the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Decorating begins at 5pm with dinner at 7:30 pm.

Christmas Caroling in Jackson Square will take place on Sunday, December 18, 2022, on the Cathedral steps at 6:45 P.M.



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The barren deserts will rejoice and flower. Tired bodies will receive strength. Aching hearts will be made glad (Isaiah 35:1-6, 10).

Psalm — The Lord saves us when he comes (Ps. 146).

Second Reading — Be patient, for the coming of the Lord is as sure as the rain (James 5:7-10).

Gospel — The blind regain their vision, the crippled their movement, the deaf their hearing (Mt. 11:2-11).

THE ONE FOR WHOM OUR HEARTS LONG

Put yourself in the scene of today's Gospel passage. John the Baptist is in prison. He has heard stories of what Jesus is doing, and wants reassurance that Jesus is the long-awaited Messiah. John's disciples and those who surrounded Jesus were faithful Jews who would have known Isaiah's prophecies by heart. God would send One who would bring sight to the blind, healing to those who were ill, salvation to all who longed to know God's mercy and peace. Jesus' response to the disciples' question rings as powerfully in our ears today as it surely did for the people who were with him that day. His actions are precisely those that the people had been told to expect. Jesus is the One for whom the people have been patiently yet anxiously waiting, like the farmer who waits for the fruits of his labor. Jesus is the One for whom our hearts long.

Pope Francis' December Intention

We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

SANCTUARY CANDLE AND MASS INTENTIONS

The Sanctuary Candle this week is lit to pray for the eternal rest of **Eva Guillory**. To reserve the Sanctuary Candle in memory of someone or for a special intention, call the church office at (504-522-3186). The offering is \$15 for one week. The offering for Mass intentions is \$5.00.

CHARTER FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

In response to the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, the Archdiocese of New Orleans continues to make the Hot Line available for anyone who has been hurt or sexually abused by anyone who works for the Church. The Hot Line continues to be available; the number is (504) 522-5019. In continuing our commitment to support and to heal, we invite and encourage individuals who have been hurt or sexually abused recently or in the past by clergy, religious or other employees of the Archdiocese to call our Hot Line and your message will be received confidentially by a mental health professional. Anyone can make a direct call during regular business hours to the Victims' Assistance Coordinator at (504) 861-6253.

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