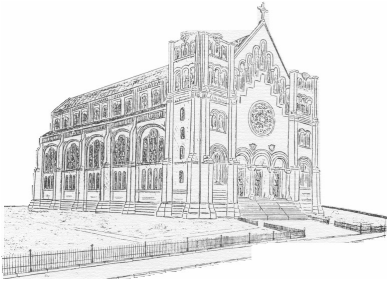


December 10, 2023

St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church

1802 Tulane Ave New Orleans, LA 70112-2246



**A New Orleans Historic Landmark
Founded in 1844**

**Entrusted to the pastoral care of
the Congregation of the Mission
(Vincentians) since 1858.**



PARISH STAFF

Fr. Ed Murphy, C.M., *Pastor*
Sr. Claire Edwards, D.C., *Pastoral Associate*
Gina Fulton, *Receptionist, Wedding Director*
Tasheena Butler, *Mission and Service Coordinator*
Rose Mary McDonald, Jane Tonglet, *Housekeeping*

MASS SCHEDULE

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



CHURCH OPEN

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

The Rebuild Center 1803 Gravier St., NO, 70112

Lantern Light/Feed Jesus
504-273-5573

Birth Certificate Assist. Mon.
Mail, M-F 9-10 am
ID Assist. Tues. 8am
Lunch—Daily M-F 12:45 pm
Resume Typing: Thurs.

Health, Hygiene Kits,
Emergency groceries
& financial assistance
for area residents

Harry Tompson Center
504-273-5547

Showers, Restroom Facilities
Legal Aid Mon/Wed 8am
Phones; Notary T, W, Th 12:15
Computer Wed. 9:30-11:30
Medical Services, Mental

DePaul USA
504-273-5561
Housing w/ case mgt.

CONTACT US

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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.

The Second Sunday of Advent

December 10, 2023



10:00am *Daughters of Charity, Ken Kussman (+), Burt Wallace (+), Rosalie Blady (+), Vilma Drewitz (+), Matthew Irimpen Sr (+), Peter Phieu (+)*

8:30 pm *Parishioners of St. Joseph Church living and deceased*

Monday, December 11, 2023—*St. Damasus*
12:15 pm Lynn Ebeyer (+), Lela Ferbos (L)

Tuesday, December 12, 2023—*Our Lady of Guadalupe*
12:15 pm Joey Karam (+), Leland Veal (L)

Wednesday, December 13, 2023—*St Lucy*
12:15 pm George Martin (+), Lela Ferbos (L)

Thursday, December 14, 2023—*St. John of the Cross*
12:15 pm Bette Kussman (+)

Friday, December 15, 2023—
12:15 pm Joseph Morales Jr. (+), Genie Hasemann (+)

Sunday, Dec 10 One in Faith #958 READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon.: Is 35:1-10, Ps 85, Lk. 5:17-26

Tues.: Zec 2:14-17, Judith 13;18BCDE, 19, Lk 1:26-38

Wed.: Is 40:25-31, Ps103, Mt 11:28-30

Thurs.: Is 41:13-20, Ps 145, Mt 11:11-15

Fri.: Is 48:17-19, Ps 1, Mt 11:16-19

Sat.: Sir 48:1-4,9-11,Ps 80, Mt 17: 9a, 10-13

Sunday: Is 6:1-2A, 10-11, Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54, I Thes 5:16-24, Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

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

Mason Abbott, Siena Acker, Beatrice Augustin, Anthony Blaise, Clarke Bordelon, Carol Slye, Donald & Gail Canatella, Ray Brown, Ellen Carty, John & Cindy Caron, Joseph Delay, Jeff & Mary Duet, Terry Eggleston, June & Mark Eiserloh, Linda Elwood, Heather Faircloth, Frances Fiegler, Shirley Gaither, Kathleen Gebbia, Deborah Graciana, Roselyn Hansen, John Hakanson, Shervonda Johnson, Bill Krotz, Bette Kussman, Nowell Lacking, Landy Lanza, James Leung, Ingrid Hernandez, Michael Maher, Troy Martinez, Karen McCoy, Donna Moore, Sr. Maura O'Donovan, Mark Owen; Bobbie Swayze, Audrey Lupiba, John & Sylvia Powell, Joyce Randolph, Cindy Reynolds, Tina Roderfeld, Bernie Saul; Pippy Sanders, Anthony, Donnie and Jennie Satcher, Louise Sonnier, Mel Schiro; Fr. Tom & Virginia Stehlik, Diedra Steibing, Yolanda Steptore, Tom Stokes, Jane Tonglet, Fritz Tripkovich, Corliss Truhill, Georgiana Prevost, Martha A. Treen, Marion Vaughn, Bill Habeny, Gerard Vallet, Yolanda Webster, Warren Webster, Ozzie Welch, Chris Williams, Lynn Williams, Rachael Washington, Tyrone Webster, Warren Webster Jr.

Concerts at St. Louis Cathedral - Cathedral-Basilica of St. Louis King of France located in Jackson Square take place at 6pm on December 3, 4, 6, 10, 11, 13, 17, 18 and 20, and include Irma Thomas Sings for the Holidays, Benny Grunch and the Bunch, Josh Kagler and Harmonistic Praise Crusade, a special Christmas Concert at 5:30pm on December 17, and more.

Church Christmas Decorating— The annual social event of decorating the church for the Christmas holiday season will take place on Friday December 22nd at 5pm. Sign-up sheets for decorating and the pot-luck will be available starting December 10th. Please join in the merriment of preparing the sanctuary for our Savior's birth.

Advent Wreath- Many people know the popular symbols and customs of Advent, such as the Advent wreath, but do you know their meanings and why we have them? Below is a list of some well known Advent symbols and the meanings behind them.

Traditionally advent wreaths are made of evergreen branches formed into a circle with 4 candles held within. The evergreen circle is a symbol of eternal life. Green from the evergreen is considered a symbol of hope. The wreath started as a domestic tradition that entered into churches in the twentieth century.

Advent Candles are usually comprised of three purple candles with one rose or pink. The candles recall the weeks that pass until Christmas. Purple candles symbolize waiting, also penitential but not in the same way as Lent. Rose or Pink is used on the third Sunday of Advent to symbolize rejoicing, since the Third Sunday of Advent is referred to as Gaudete (Rejoice) Sunday. The candles are lit to symbolize Christ being the light of the World coming through the darkness. Sometimes a white candle is placed in the middle, people use when lit as the representation of Christ entering the world.

Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation Ps. 85

Parish Calendar

Dec 10 Morning mass begins at 9:30am (Saints Game)
Dec 10 Children's Liturgy of the Word
Dec 10 Angel tree gifts due
Dec 17 Morning mass begins 9:30am (Saints Game)
Dec 22 Church decorating and potluck 5pm

TREASURE & STEWARDSHIP

November 26, Parish.....\$3,593.00
Capital Campaign.....\$1,279.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament- Every Wednesday after the 12:15 pm Mass we have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 1:30, with devotional prayer to St. Joseph and prayers for the members of our faith community on the prayer list. All are welcome!

Advent Resources- The Archdiocese of New Orleans has several resources available to make this season of preparation prayerful and fruitful. Included are prayers for the blessing of Advent wreaths, Christmas trees, nativity scenes as well as the antiphons of Advent and an interactive advent calendar. You can find these resources here at <https://nolacatholic.org/advent>



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — “Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.” (Is 40:1-5, 9-11)

Psalm — “Kindness and truth shall meet; justice and peace shall kiss” (Psalm 85:9-10-11-12, 13-14)

Second Reading — “But according to his promise we await new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.” (2Pt 3:8-14)

Gospel — “I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit (Mark 1:1-8)

St. Lucy-Saint Lucy was born to rich and noble parents in the year 283 AD. Her father was of Roman origin, but died when she was five years old leaving Lucy and her mother without a protective guardian. Lucy had consecrated her virginity to God, and she hoped to distribute her dowry to the poor. However, her mother, not knowing of Lucy's promise, and suffering from a bleeding disorder, feared for Lucy's future. She arranged Lucy's marriage to a young man of a wealthy pagan family. Through the intercession of St. Agatha, Lucy's mother was healed of her bleeding disorder and Lucy took the opportunity to persuade her mother to allow her to distribute a great part of her riches among the poor. Lucy was ultimately rejected by her suitor and was sentenced to be defiled in a brothel. Lucy was martyred is the patron saint of blindness and eye disorders. Her feast day December 13th.

Pope Francis' December Intention

We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

SANCTUARY CANDLE AND MASS INTENTIONS

The Sanctuary Candle this week is lit for the eternal rest of Eva Guillory. To reserve the Sanctuary Candle in memory of some-one or for a special intention, call the church office at (504-522-3186). The offering is \$15 for one week. For Mass intentions, please stop by the office or call: 504.522.3186.

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.