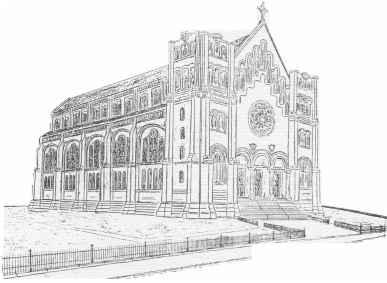


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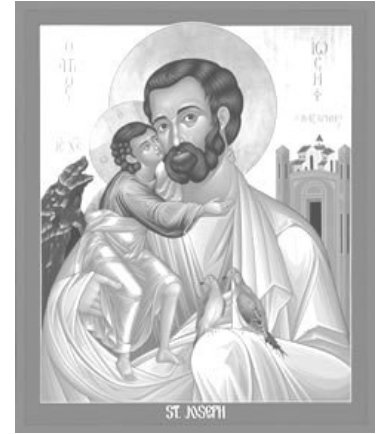
St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church

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.

Feast of the Most Holy Family

December 31, 2023



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

4:00 pm **Bernardine Dupre (L), Vincent Chien (+)**

Monday, January 1, 2024—*Blessed Virgin Mary Mother of God*
12:15 pm **New Year's Day— Church & office closed**

Tuesday, January 2, 2024— *Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen*
12:15 pm **Church & office closed**

Wednesday, January 3, 2024—
12:15 pm **Sr. Mary John Code D.C. (L), Gioan Baotixita Haon (+)**

Thursday, January 4, 2024— *St. Elizabeth Ann Seton*
12:15 pm **Lynn Ebeyer (+), Vincente Hoq (+)**

Friday, January 5, 2024— *St. John Neumann*
12:15 pm **Henry St. Paul (+), Family Peace (L)**

Sunday, Dec 31 One in Faith # 970

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon.: Nm 6:22-27, Ps 67, Gal 4:4-7, Lk 2:16-21

Tues.: 1 Jn 2:22-28, Ps 98, Jn 1:19-28

Wed.: 1Jn 2:29-3:6, Ps 98, Jn 1:29-34

Thurs.: 1 Jn 3:7-10, Ps 98, Jn 1:35-42

Fri.: 1 Jn 3:11-21, Ps 100, Jn 1:43-51

Sat.: 1 Jn 5:5-13, Ps 147, Mk 1:7-11

Sun.: Is 60:1-6, Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13, Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6, Mt 2:1-12

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.

St Joseph Church Closure - The church will be open Sunday December 31st for 10am mass for the Feast of the Most Holy Family. The Mary Mother of God Vigil mass will be a 4pm on Sunday. There will be no 8:30pm mass. The Church will be open for 10am mass for the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God on Monday January 1st. There will be no 12:15 mass. The church and office will be closed on Tuesday January 2nd. There will be no 12:15 mass.

MLK Day On not Off-All are invited to participate in the upcoming, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day on Not Off Service Day. This day is co-sponsored by the Office of Black Catholic Ministries, the CYO Youth & Young Adult Ministries Office, the Department of Catholic Education and Faith Formation, and Catholic Charities. This annual event is a service day which invites parishes, schools, families, groups, and individuals to give time at various service sites around the city New Orleans metro area on 1/15/2024. The day will begin at 8am with a prayer service led by Archbishop Emeritus, Alfred Hughes, at the CYO Youth and Young Adult Ministry Office. All can sign up at the following link: <https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Form/b28a515a-d1e9-465d-bb0a-2ee496b6285f> (Registrations are due by 1/5/2024)

2024 GO! Gulf Coast Faith Formation Conference: Encounter Jesus, GO with Joy!-Join us for the 40th annual GO! Gulf Coast Faith Formation Conference, January 12-13 at the Pontchartrain Center in Kenner. Our theme is Encounter Jesus, GO with Joy! Come, be renewed, nourished, and converted anew by Christ through beautiful conference liturgies with Archbishop Aymond, through dynamic speakers, and through collaboration with others excited about their faith. One and two day registration passes are still available. To register, visit the [Conference Website \(https://go4th.faith\)](https://go4th.faith), where you can also see the full schedule and list of speakers. We hope to see you in January!

Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways Ps. 128

Parish Calendar

Dec 31 Feast of the Most Holy Family mass 10am
Dec 31 Solemnity of Mary Mother of God Vigil 4pm
Jan 1 Solemnity of Mary Mother of God Vigil 10am, no 12:15 mass
Jan 2 Church & Office closed, no 12:15 mass
Jan 7 Children's liturgy of the word

TREASURE & STEWARDSHIP

December 17\$4,980.00
December 24.....\$2,899.00
Christmas masses.....\$4,285.00

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!

RedBird Ministry for Grieving Parents- If you have lost a child from miscarriage, stillborn, infancy, young child or adult child please join us at Our Lady of the Lake Church, Mandeville, La at 6:30pm on the second Thursday of every month in the cafeteria. Grandparents are also welcome. For more information contact Jewell Bayhi at 504-330-5975.



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — “Whoever honors his father is gladdened by children, and , when he prays, is heard.” (Sir 3:2-6, 12-14)

Psalm — “Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine in the recesses of your home; your children like olive plants around your table” (Psalm 128: 1-2, 3, 4-5)

Second Reading — “And whatever you do in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.” (Col 3:12-21)

Gospel — “Now Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation” (Lk 2:22-40)

The Feast of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton— St. Elizabeth was born on August 28, 1774, the second child of a socially prominent couple, a surgeon, Richard Bayley and Catherine Charlton of New York City . Seton was received into the Catholic Church on March 14, 1805, by Father Matthew O'Brien after being widowed. To support herself and her children, Seton had started an academy for young ladies, as was common for widows of social standing in that period. On July 31 1810, Seton established a religious community in Emmitsburg dedicated to the care of the children of the poor. This was the first congregation of religious sisters founded in the United States, and its school was the first free Catholic school in America. This modest beginning marked the start of the Catholic parochial school system in the United States. The congregation was initially called the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph's. From that point on, she became known as "Mother Seton." She died January 4, 1821.

Pope Francis' January Intention

Let us pray that the Spirit help us recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.

SANCTUARY CANDLE AND MASS INTENTIONS

The Sanctuary Candle this week is lit for the eternal rest of B.J. Stewart Jr. 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. 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.