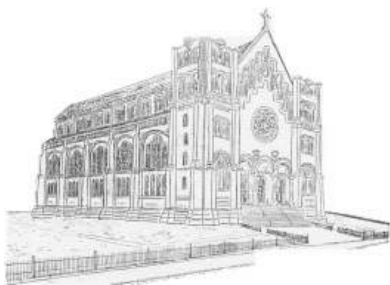


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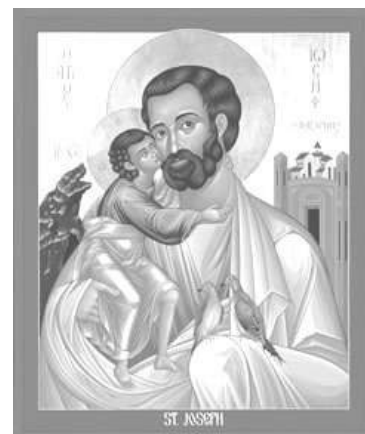
St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church

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*
Kelly Kethman, *Receptionist*
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

Church: 504-522-3186;
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Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions): Wed. & Fri. 11:50am—12:10pm ; Sundays 7:45pm—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 Fourth Sunday of Advent

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10:00am All Parishioners Living & Deceased

8:30 pm Leslie M St Cyr (+), Deceased Daughters of Charity (+)

Monday, December 22, 2025—

12:15 pm Morris Family (+)

Tuesday, December 23, 2025—

12:15 pm Maria Morris & Family (L), Brenda Costanza Collins (+)

Wednesday, December 24, 2025— *Christmas Eve*

12:15 pm Mass at 4pm (no 12:15 mass)

Thursday, December 25, 2025— *Nativity of the Lord*

12:15 pm –Mass at 12am & 10am (no 12:15 mass)

Friday, December 26, 2025 — *St Stephen*

12:15pm Church and office closed (no 12:15 mass)

Sunday, December 21st #963 One in Faith

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon.: 1Sam 1:24-28, 1Sam 2, Lk 1:46-56

Tues.: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24 Ps 25, Lk 1:57-66

Wed.: 2Sam 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16, Ps 89, Lk 1:67-79

Thurs.: Is 52:7-10, Ps 98, Heb 1:1-6, Jn 1:1-18

Fri.: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59, Ps 31, Mt 10:17-22

Sat.: 1Jn 1:1-4, Ps 97, Jn 20:1a-2-8

Sun.: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14, Ps 128, Col 3:12-21, Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

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

Mason Abbott, Siena Acker, Beatrice Augustin, Kira Bickham, Anthony Blaise, Clarke Bordelon, Lucy Slye, Donald Canatella, Ray Brown, Ellen Carty, John & Cindy Caron, Beverly Cook, Joseph Delay, Jeff & Mary Duet, JoAnn Dunn, Ed Dupuy, Terry Eggleston, Gaynell Elmer, June & Mark Eiserloh, Linda Elwood, Brenda Espinoza, Heather Faircloth, Michael Faircloth, Frances Fiegler, Sr. Beth Fitzpatrick, Shirley Gaither, Deborah Graciana, Roselyn Hansen, John Hakanson, Victoria R. Hornsby, Mary Anne P. Hulse, Shervonda Johnson, Jimi Keller, Bill Krotz, Bette Kussman, Nowell Lacking, James Leung, Ingrid Hernandez, Michael Maher, Allan Maldonado Sr, Joey Marino, Karen McCoy, Donna Moore, Sr. Maura O'Donovan, Mark Owen, Bobbie Swayze, Audrey Lupiba, John & Sylvia Powell, Joyce Randolph, Cindy Reynolds, Karen Ridgeway, Tina Roderfeld, Bernie Saul, Pippy Sanders, Anthony, Donnie and Jennie Satcher, Louise Sonnier, Mel Schiro; Fr. Tom & Virginia Stehlik, Diedra Steibing, Yolanda Steptore, Jennifer Style, Jane Tonglet, Fritz Tripkovich, Corliss Truhill, Georgiana Prevost, Martha A. Treen, Marion Vaughn, Bill Habeney, Gerard Vallet, Yolanda Webster, Warren Webster, Ozzie Welch, Chris Williams, Lynn Williams, Rachael Washington, Tyrone Webster, Warren Webster Jr.

Christmas Decorating- Please join us on Monday December 22nd at 5pm to decorate our beautiful sanctuary for Christmas. We will decorate first and then enjoy a potluck dinner once the decorating is complete. Please sign up in the lobby to decorate and bring a dish.

Christmas Mass Schedule— St. Joseph Christmas masses will be celebrated as follows: Christmas Vigil, 4pm Wednesday December 24th. Midnight Mass, 12am Thursday December 25th with caroling beginning at 11:30pm. Christmas Day Mass, 10am Thursday December 25th. We look forward to seeing you as we celebrate the coming of our Savior to the world.

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God— Mass for the solemnity of Mary, Mother of God will take place on Wednesday December 31st at 4pm. There will be no mass on Thursday, January 1st. The church and office will be closed.

Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory

Psalm 24

Parish Calendar

Dec 21 Noon Saints Game morning mass starts 9:30am
Dec 21 Children's Liturgy of the Word (both masses)
Dec 22 Christmas decorating and Potluck
Dec 24 Christmas Vigil Mass- 4pm
Dec 25 Midnight mass 12am, (Caroling 11:30pm), Christmas Day 10am

TREASURE & STEWARDSHIP

Dec 7th Parish.....\$4,176.00
Capital Campaign.....\$858.00

Thank you for your generosity!

The End of the Jubilee Year— St. Louis Cathedral will host a mass for the closing of the Jubilee year on Sunday, December 28th at 11am. For additional details, please see the website here [Closing Mass for the Jubilee Year - Archdiocese of New Orleans - New Orleans, LA](#)

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)— Confessions are heard on Wednesdays & Fridays from 11:50am-12:10pm and on Sunday evenings from 7:45pm-8:15pm.

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.



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — “Therefore the Lord himself will give you this sign: the virgin shall conceive, and bear a son and shall call him Emmanuel.” (Is 7:10-14)

Psalm — “He shall receive a blessing from the Lord, a reward from God his savior.” (Ps 24:1-6)

Second Reading — “Through him we have received the grace of apostleship, to bring about the obedience of faith for the sake of his name..” (Rom 1:1-7)

Gospel — “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home.” (Mt 1:18-24)

The Rebuild Center— Situated behind St Joseph Church at 1803 Gravier St. is a day shelter serving the needs of unhoused citizens in our area. Three distinct agencies work to meet the needs of homeless individuals by providing services like meals, basic medical care, showers, case management and placement into permanent housing. The Harry Thompson Center, DePaul USA, and Lantern Light work cooperatively to address these needs and can always use assistance with goods and supplies. Please see the Amazon Wish List for each agency and contribute as you are able.



LANTERN LIGHT



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The Pope's December Intention

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

SANCTUARY CANDLE AND MASS INTENTIONS

The Sanctuary Candle this week is for the eternal rest of Byron “BJ” Stewart. 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.