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# St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

NEW ORLEANS HISTORIC LANDMARK ESTABLISHED 1851

St. John the Baptist Masses Saturday 4 p.m., Sunday 9:15 a.m.

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# Hespers for Gaudete Sunday



Please join us

### Sunday, 17 December at 4:00 p.m.

for Sung Vespers of Gaudete Sunday according to the Breviarium Romanum with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

#### WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS



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#### MASS PROPERS

#### TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS—SUNDAY AT 9:15 A.M.

Third Sunday of Advent Gaudete Sunday ENGLISH—ALL OTHER MASSES

Third Sunday of Advent

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is

#### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear. Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.

## **UPCOMING SPECIAL MASSES (LATIN)**

Christmas Midnight Mass, Monday, December 25, 2023 12a.m. C3 Low Mass with carols, Monday, December 25, 2023 9:15 a.m. ©Epiphany Saturday, January 6, 2024 8:00 a.m. (low Mass) SExt. Sol. of the Epiphany, Sunday, January 7, 2024 9:15 a.m.

C3Our Lady of Prompt Succor, Monday,

January 15, 2024 7:15 a.m. (low Mass)

#### St. Patrick's Masses

8 a.m. (Latin) Saturday

5:30 p.m. (Anticipated Mass)

8 a.m., 9:15 a.m. (Latin) Sunday

11 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

Monday-Friday 7:15 a.m. (Latin) & 11:30 a.m.

Please check the bulletin and online calendar for Holy Days

Holy Day schedules and any Mass schedule changes.

#### Confessions

30 minutes prior to Masses and by appointment.

#### **DEVOTIONS**

Novena after the 11:30 a.m. Mass Wednesdays. Adoration and Rosary after the 11:30 a.m. Mass Daily

#### BANNS OF MATRIMONY

Please pray for those preparing for the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony!



#### December 16, 2023 Corey Moll & Elizabeth Lagarde Nicholas Charles Ravry & Jane Ashley Raborn December 30, 2023

Evan Leonard O'Keefe & Mary Katherine Fernandez Bennet Charles Miller III & Catherine Adele Jacobi

#### St. Patrick's Church Advent Market

Last Weekend in Advent

Held in the Church Narthex before & after each Mass All proceeds go to the 2023 Advent Appeal

#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome the newest members of the Catholic Church. Please pray for the newly baptized and their families!

St. Patrick's Church

**DECEMBER 16, 2023** 

GIOVANNA AVE MARIA DEI CICERO





## ANNUAL DECORATING OF THE **PARISH**

#### **CHRISTMAS TREE**

Gaudete Sunday, December 17, 2023 following the 9:15 a.m. Mass. Please join us in the rectory for the annual Christmas tree trimming party.

Refreshments will be served. All are invited!

Please bring a cash donation to help the homeless of our area.

#### **CONFIRMATION CLASSES**

Next class will be on Thursday January 18, 2024 6p.m. This is held in the rectory. Please contact Marti Luke in the office for an application at 504-525-4413 or mluke@arch-no.org

#### FIRST SACRAMENTS

First Holy Communion class will be Sunday, January 14, 2024 at 11 a.m. Class will be in the rectory. Please contact Marti Luke for an application at 504-525-4413 or mluke@arch-no.org.

#### TERCE ON SUNDAY MORNINGS

All are welcome to recite Terce from the Roman Breviary at the altar of the Sacred Heart. We will begin each Sunday at 9 a.m.

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2023 THROUGH TUESDAY DECEMBER 26, 2023. WE WILL REOPEN Wednesday, December 27, 2023.



## **STEWARDSHIP**

DUE TO EARLY SUBMISSION, COLLECTION TOTALS WILL BE REPORTED IN NEXT WEEK'S BULLETIN

#### THANK YOU FOR GIVING

We are incredibly grateful for your financial support. It is through your generosity that we are able to celebrate the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and to provide for our various ministries and restoration needs.

Online giving is a way to make donations even if you are out of town or attending

Mass elsewhere. Scan this QR code to set up one time or recurring online donations.

## IN MEMORY OF 2023

**Ahmed Families** Robert A. Andras, Sr. Frederic Andras Lucille Totina Andras Ronald P. Barreca Walt & James Birdsall Liguori & Elsie Birrcher Louis Breecher, Sr. Leanora Goodyear Breecher

Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence C. Britto Mr. & Mrs. Peter Butler

**Emily Cercena** 

Fr. Wilfredo T. Comellas Robert & Elizabeth Crosby

Mary W. Courts G.P. & Sarah Dalton Mrs. Irma V. Dalton Maurice & Helen Dance

Elizabeth Reeks Deriax & Family

George O. DeMilia **Ernest Duhe** 

Mr. & Mrs. Theophile A. Duroncelet, Jr. Leonora V. Maurice

Capt. Joseph & Condalaura Fletchas Bob & Lillie Maurin **Katherine Foster** 

Odis & Imogene Fowler

Joseph & Yvonne Fritscher **Aaron Arthur Frost** 

Judge H. Charles Gaudin

Graugnard-St. Pierre Families

Mr. & Mrs. Joesph Valsin Guillotte Dominic Mai Nguyen

Alexandra Alford Healy Frank Casper Hemelt Patricia Hepler

Allen & Bessie Jeansonne Mary Scanlon Jeansonne Allen Kauffman Family

Wendy Kirkland

James S. Klazynski, Sr. Belinda Christine Lazaro

William & Delta Lazaro, Sr.

**Bill Lewis** 

Luccioni Family Renée & John Lulich, Jr. & Family W.G. & Sadie Stroud

Elvera & Sidney Martin Antoinette Maselli

Masson & Paulin Families

Mathes, Molyneaux

**Families** 

Carla McClelland

McCrossen & Neely Families

Albert G. Messina

Cecelia McNamara Messina Dianne C. Montalbano Nassau & Foster Families

Daniel F., Sr. & Martha D. Nolan Beverly Beter Orillion & Family Redmann & Rapier Families

Hoormann, Fischer & Clement Families Jeremy Reed

Jack Markem Riley, Jr. Howard and Lucy Scanlon Roussel & Sherman Families Schaetz & Steim Families Gladys & Louis Schwartz Carl & Marjorie Sklamba

Smith, Salles & Barkerding Families

Leonardo Spalluto John D. Sparck Mackie, Turner & Ramirez Families W. Gilbert Stroud, Jr. Anna & Joseph Szabo Patrick F. Taylor

Charles "Red" & Sadie Thomas

SaccoJoseph J. Torre, Jr. Hilton & Mary Toups

> Mark Anthony Toups Salvador Trentacoste Versie & Leona Wallace

**Ettie Wentz** 

Rev. Anthony J. White Walter Mitchell Whiteside Jonathan Philip Wilson Robert & Lillian Wilson

#### ST. PATRICK'S PASCHAL CANDLE

Please pray for Howard & Lucy Scanlon, Allen & Bessie Jeansonne

ST. PATRICK'S SANCTUARY CANDLE Please pray for Fr. Stanley Klores

CANDLES AT THE ALTAR OF THE SACRED HEART Please pray for Vocations to the Priesthood

CANDLES AT THE ALTAR OF OUR LADY

Please pray for Tammy O'Brien

CANDLE AT THE STATUE OF ST. PATRICK Please pray for Ben Bragg

CANDLE AT THE STATUE OF ST. JOSEPH

Please pray for The Members of St. Joseph's Guild ST. IOHN THE BAPTIST SANCTUARY CANDLE

Please pray for Louis Lauland Walk

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH PASCHAL CANDLE

Please pray for Mrs. Antoinette Cammarata Maselli

## PRAYERS AFTER SUNDAY MASS

Please join in!

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into Hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

#### Sub Tuum Praesidium

We fly to thy patronage, O holy Mother of God; despise not our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.



#### PRAYERS FOR THE FAITHFUL

#### For the sick of our parish and those who have asked for our prayers, especially:

Roland Belew; Fr. Anthony Aloysius Birkel, III; Dominique Bozant; Fr. Ian Bozant; Marilyn Bourgeois; Fr. Van Constant; Gina Collier; Peggy Gaskamp; Edna Guillory; Dennis Giuratano; Anna & Roquey Jobes; Cy Hoormann; Ella Hoormann; Judy Hoormann; Ann Johnston; Rev. Stanley Klores; Stewart Lagarde; Julie Lamkin; Gary Luccioni; Rosemary Lyons; Ann Macaluso; Carey T. Mackie; Dominic Martello; Joseph Martello; Margaret Martello; Fr. Jeffrey Montz; Mary & Michael Park; Courtney Pellegrino; Loren Nicolas Ramos; Karen Rivera Avila; Fr. Randy Roux; Patricia Russo; Toby Russo; Ainsley Saleun; Andre' Saleun; Antoine Saleun; William Schehr; Melsey Saunders; Gene Schaetz; Orabelle Faucheux Simon; Jose Spencer, Templet Family; Mary Trentacoste; Edward Turncliff; Ellen Wall; Lynda Walgamotte; Manuel Walters; Sharon L. Wiseman.

If you would like to add a name to this list, please call the parish office at 504-525-4413



#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### Saturday, December 16

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH

4:00 p.m. St. Lucy Society Living and Deceased.; Howard Comeaux†; Lois Lauland Walk†

St. Patrick's Church

6: 00a.m. Claire Wingfield

5:30 p.m. Robert A. Andras†; Henry McCloskey†; Ashley Counce† Sunday, December 17

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH

9:15 a.m. Harold Berringan†

St. Patrick's Church

8:00 a.m. Mary Scanlon Jeansonne†

9:15 a.m. Robert A. Andras†; Mr. & Mrs. William Andre†; Karen R. Avila; Marilyn Bourgeois; Bruce Boyer; Raymond Cardinal Burke; Richard & Carria Butler; Sarah Calls; Cassara Family; Noah Ceasor; Tatyana R. Ceasor; Harry P. Chevalier; Priscilla Cosse†; Mary W. Courts†; Fr. Karl Davis; Alexandra A. Healy†; Maria V. Hefte; Frank C. Hemelt†; Jobes Family; Alex Katicich; Marilyn Kelly†; Carey T. Mackie; Maria Marchand; Jackie, Joseph, Emma, Dominic, Marie, Therese, Jude, Margaret, Luke Corona, & John Martello; Mr. & Mrs. James R. McClellan†; McCloskey Family; Albert G. Messina†; Cecelia McNamara Messina†; Elisabetta, Marc, & Robert Molyneux†; Eric Parsons† Jennifer O'Sullivan; David V. Russell†; Michael Toups; Michael L. Thiele†; Victims of the Holocaust; Ettie Wentz†

11 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of the Richard/Suarez Family

5:30 p.m. Pro Populo—For the People of the Parish

#### Monday, December 18

7:15 a.m. Robert Bradley Ramirez

11:30 a.m. Elena Grilletta

#### Tuesday, December 19

7:15 a.m. Jon Schnur

11:30 a.m. Jennifer Casev

#### Wednesday, December 20

7:15 a.m. Frank Casper Hemelt†

11:30 a.m. Lucien LeSage†

#### Thursday, December 21

7:15 a.m. Matthew Schnur

11:30 a.m. Pope St. John the II†; Jeff Kent†; Edwin Oscar Isentrout†; Bishop Fernand Cheri

#### Friday, December 22

7:15 a.m. Kim Zimber

11:30 p.m. Megan Coote



## YEAR 2024 MASS BOOK OF INTENTIONS & CANDLE MEMORIALS



Mass Intentions for 2024 are being accepted.

Turn in your Mass Intention requests by mail, email, collection basket or in the rectory

Mass Intention envelopes are in the Narthex.

#### Mass Intention suggested donation is \$5.00 each.

**Memorial Candles** burn weekly in the memory or honor of a loved one. We have Single Statue Candles, the Sanctuary Candle of bees wax and altar memorials at the Blessed Virgin Mother and the Sacred Heart of Jesus with 6 candles at each altar.

Please call to schedule 504-525-4413



## Christmas Mass Schedule

## St. Patrick's

Sunday, December 24th

4 p.m. Vigil Mass 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass

Monday, December 25th

12 Midnight Traditional Latin Mass Preceded by Sacred Music Missa Sancti Alberti, HV 6 by Joseph Leopold Eybler (†1846) 9:15 a.m. Latin Low Mass with Carols 11 a.m. Sung Mass

## St. John the Baptist

Sunday, December 24th

4 p.m. Vigil Mass, Preceded by Sacred Music

Monday, December 25th

9:15 a.m. Mass



I continue to be amazed and humbled by the many ways parishioners give of their time and financial resources to aid in the continued operations and growth of St. Patrick's and St. John the Baptist. It couldn't be clearer that this generosity flows from the fact that the Lord is using our churches to touch hearts, inform minds with divine truths, and strengthen souls for the good work of building God's kingdom on earth. My sincerest gratitude to all of those who have already contributed to this year's Advent Appeal for St. Patrick's and Annual Appeal for St. John the Baptist. As I stated in my letter at the start of Advent, many financial changes both at the national and parish levels are affecting how we operate and I humbly encourage all of the faithful to bring to prayer your own financial giving.

Here are some statistics from fiscal year 22-23 regarding our donor base: 80% of our donations come through envelopes/ recurring checks. The remaining 20% are from loose cash/checks in the basket. This tells me that while we benefit from many visitors and tourists who come to Mass, the vast majority of support is given by our regular attendees. In total, 507 parishioners donated in a way that can be traced (donation envelope/recurring check) in the amount of \$808,000 for FY 22-23. This means that the average donation was \$1,593 yearly per regular donor.

Those who gave this average amount (\$1,593 yearly) or more number only 131 donors, or 26% of all donors. This means that 74% of our regular donors give less than average. Of all the traceable income, 20% of it was received from the top 5 donors. Moreover, 50% of total traceable income was received from a total of 31 donors. Perhaps this fact suggests that the Lord has called some parishioners to extraordinary generosity. Just as the Lord entrusts to each one of us blessings according to our ability (Mt 25:15), let us each strive to make a generous return to Him for all He has done for us (Ps 116:12). Please join me in praying for our benefactors and asking for an increase in His divine providence! ~Fr. O'Brien