

# Saint Patrick's Church

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## The Octave of Christmas

Wednesday, December 31, 2025

5:30 p.m. Mary, the Holy Mother of God (*Sung Mass in English*)

Thursday, January 1, 2026

*Holy Day of Obligation*

8:00 a.m. Mary, Mother of God (*English*)

9:15 a.m. Octave of Christmas (*Latin*)



## Epiphany of Our Lord

Tuesday, January 6, 2026

Solemn Mass at 6:30 p.m. (Traditional Latin Mass)

*There will be no 7:15 a.m. Mass this day.*

### WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

Please make St. Patrick's your spiritual home whenever you are in New Orleans.

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# PARISH NEWS

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**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON  
DECEMBER 31 AND JANUARY 1 FOR  
THE SOLEMNITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

## MASS PROPERS

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

Sunday within the Octave of Christmas

**ENGLISH—ALL OTHER MASSES**

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The shepherds went in haste, and found Mary and Joseph and the Infant lying in a manger.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Our God has appeared on the earth, and lived among us.

## UPCOMING SPECIAL MASSES (LATIN)

☞ **Octave of Christmas** Thursday, January 1 at 9:15 a.m.

*(There will be no 7:15 a.m. or 11:30 a.m. Mass on this day)*

☞ **External Solemnity of Epiphany** Sunday, January 4 at 9:15 a.m.

☞ **Epiphany** Tuesday, January 6 at 6:30 p.m.

☞ **Our Lady of Prompt Succor** Thursday, January 15 at 7:15 a.m.

☞ **Sung Vespers w/ Benediction** Sunday, January 18 at 4:00 p.m.

☞ **Requiem (Low Mass)** Monday, January 19 at 7:15 a.m.

## ST. PATRICK'S MASSES

Saturday 8 a.m. (Latin)  
5:30 p.m. (Anticipated Mass)

Sunday 8 a.m., 9:15 a.m. (Latin),  
11 a.m., & 5:30 p.m.

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

Holy Days *Please check the bulletin and online calendar for Holy Day schedules.*

### 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

### BAPTISMS

Please call the office to schedule your Baptism.

### WEDDINGS

Please call the Parish Office at 504-525-4413 for wedding inquiries at least 6 – 8 months prior to the wedding date.



## ST. PATRICK'S MEN'S CLUB

Our Parish Men's Club will meet on  
**Saturday, January 3, 2026**  
directly following the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

## ST. MICHAEL'S NEW HOME

The winner of the St. Michael print from this year's Advent Market is **Krista Emerick**.

May St. Michael make his presence known in your home, Krista!

## HOLY FACE DEVOTION

**Sunday, December 28, 2025**

Please join us in observance of the "Holy Face Devotion" to offer prayers of reparation to God. The prayers will be recited on the **4th Sunday of each month** following the **9:15 a.m. Mass**.



## FIRESTONE PARKING LOT

The management at Firestone Auto Care has once again reported to our office that difficulties are being encountered on Sunday mornings due to our use of their parking lot. Please remember, they permit St. Patrick's permits to use their lot at no cost to us; therefore we do not have a right to expect a parking place there.

Also, since they are now open on Sundays, we need to take extra measures to be courteous toward their customers and employees. Saving places for others, or double parking may threaten our privilege to park there. Let us do all we can to show our gratitude for their generosity to us!

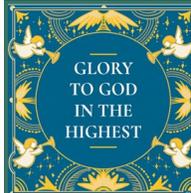


## The Blessing of EPIPHANY WATER

Please have your containers of water brought to the Parish Office by Friday, January 2, 2026.



## STEWARDSHIP



You can support the Lord's work in our beautiful, historic churches through our safe, convenient online giving program.



Credit cards or ACH accepted.

## WEEKEND OFFERINGS

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST	DEC. 17
First Collection (Operating Costs)	\$ 2,063
Restoration & Maintenance	\$ 2,350
Retirement Fund for Religious	\$ 746
Online Giving	\$ 712
Annual Appeal	\$ 1,925
ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH	
First Collection (Operating Costs)	\$ 5,815
Restoration & Maintenance	\$ 3,938
Retirement Fund for Religious	\$ 2,056
Online Giving	\$ 1,615
Advent Appeal	\$ 18,952

If you would like to receive future electronic communications, please send your email address to: [ctoy@arch-no.org](mailto:ctoy@arch-no.org)



# IN MEMORY 2025

Ahmed Family  
 Robert Andras Sr.  
 Freddie Andras  
 Lucille Totina Andras  
 Ronald P. Barreca  
 Roland D. Belew  
 Corinne "Coco" Bendernagel  
 Dr. Walter Birdsall  
 Louis Breecher Sr.  
 Leonora Goodyear Breecher  
 Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Britio  
 Margaret Browne  
 James J. Buras  
 John D. Burckell  
 Mr. & Mrs. Peter Butler  
 Emily Cercena  
 Fr. Wilfredo T. Comellas  
 Mary Wentz Courts  
 Malachi Crain  
 Robert & Elizabeth Crosby  
 James & Laura Cuicchi  
 G. P. & Sarah Dalton  
 Mrs. Irma V. Dalton  
 Maurice & Helen Dance  
 Brigid Messina Dufrene  
 Ernest Duhe  
 Mr. & Mrs. Theophile A. Duroncelet Jr.  
 Michael Fay  
 Capt. Joseph & Condalaura Fletchas  
 Katherine Foster  
 Odis & Imogene Fowler  
 Gary Glynn & Mary Streckfus Families

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Valsin Guillotte  
 Simon Hoa—Nguyen Hoang Hai  
 Alexandra Alford Healy  
 Frank Casper Hemelt  
 Patricia Hepler  
 Hoorman, Fischer & Clement Families  
 Mr. & Mrs. Allen Jeansonne  
 Mary Scanlan Jeansonne  
 Thomas Kenny  
 Anne Ponseti King  
 Wendy Kirkland  
 James S. Klazynski Sr.  
 Lagarde Family  
 Lapeyre Family  
 Belinda Christine Lazaro  
 William & Delta Lazaro Sr.  
 Bill C. Lewis Jr. SJB  
 Luccioni Family  
 John & Renée Lulich Jr. & Family  
 Mackie-Ramirez Families  
 Mary Manning  
 Masson & Paulin Families  
 Mathes, Molyneux & Sacco Families  
 Leonora V. Maurice  
 Bob & Lilly Maurin  
 Carla McClelland  
 Fr. William McGough  
 Albert George Messina  
 Cecilia McNamara Messina  
 Nassau & Foster Families  
 McCrossen & Neely Families  
 Dianne C. Montalbano

Daniel F. Sr. & Martha D. Nolan  
 Beverly B. Orillion & Family  
 Brian O'Sullivan  
 Dr. & Mrs. Alfred E. Ramirez, Jr.  
 Redmann-Rapier Families  
 Jeremy Reed  
 Jack Markem Riley Jr.  
 Bob & Lilly Maurin  
 Mr. & Mrs. Howard Scanlan  
 Gladys & Louis Schwartz  
 Roussel & Sherman Families  
 Carl & Marjorie Sklamba  
 Smith, Salles & Barkerding Families  
 Leonardo Spalluto  
 John D. Sparck SJB  
 Graugnar-St. Pierre Families  
 Anna & Joseph Szabo  
 Patrick F. Taylor  
 Hilton & Mary Toups  
 Mark Anthony Toups  
 Salvator Trentacosta  
 Carey Turner & R. Dale Mackie  
 Versie & Leona Wallace  
 Ettie Wentz  
 Rev. Anthony J. White  
 Walter Mitchell Whiteside  
 Robert & Lillian Wilson  
 Jonathan Philip Wilson  
 Calvin "Bill" Woolford  
 Jack H. & Cynthia Young

## ST. PATRICK'S PASCHAL CANDLE

*Please pray for Ramirez-Mackie Families*

## ST. PATRICK'S SANCTUARY CANDLE

*Please pray for Ella Hoormann*

## CANDLES AT THE ALTAR OF THE SACRED HEART

*Please pray for Thomas Miller*

## CANDLES AT THE ALTAR OF OUR LADY

*Please pray for Ella Hoormann*

## CANDLE AT THE STATUE OF ST. PATRICK

*Please pray for Ben Bragg & Patrick Lynch, Jr.*

## CANDLE AT THE STATUE OF ST. JOSEPH

*Please pray for Fr. David Brown SJ*

## ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST SANCTUARY CANDLE

*Please pray for Fr. Charles Esuaiko*

## ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PASCHAL CANDLE

*Please pray for Benefactors of St. John the Baptist*

## 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.

*Alma Redemptoris Mater*, quæ pèrvia cæli Porta manes, et stella maris, succurre cadènti, Sùrgere qui curat pópulo: tu quæ genuísti, Natúra miránte, tuum sanctum Genitórem Virgo prius ac postérius, Gabriélis ab ore Sumens illud Ave, peccatórum miserére.



## PRAYERS FOR THE FAITHFUL

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

Pat Andras; Bill Andre; Fr. Walter Austin; Baby Sophie; Celeste Bertaut; Peyton Brown; Billie Butler; Geraldine Cheramie; Gary Carbo & Family; Ali, Lily & Lydia Cooper; Cynthia Dominguez; Lane Fulwiler; Kathleen Gaudin; Cynthia Hemelt; Cy Hoormann; Ella Hoormann; Anna & Roquey Jobs; Ron Johnson; Patricia Kelly; Fr. Stanley Klores; Rev. Philip Landry; Teresa Luzzza; Francis Marin; Arthur Maurice; Darlene Melendez; Matteo Mencos; Erena Messina; Vilma Cervantes Moll; Dr. Kenneth P. Moritsugu; Kevin J. O'Connor; David M. O'Keefe; Rachel Pedeaux; Shelly Presley; Stephen Drexel Ridley; Patricia Russo; Toby Russo; Justo Rene Rivera; Jude Augustine Rivera; Carolyn Ann Centanni Stevens; Fr. Randy Roux; Nicole Smith; Tammy's Daughter; Fr. Andrew Taormina; Simon Templet; Marlene Thomas; Susan Todd; Rev. Wilmer Todd; Ernest Thomas Trejo Jr.; Mary Trentacoste; Edward Turncliff; Jennifer Shipley Vitagliano; Ray Waguespack; Darlene Walk; Norris Williams; John Zar

To add a name to this list, please call the parish office at 504-525-4413

## PRAYER

### Saturday, December 27

#### ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH

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

#### ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

8:00 a.m. William L. Andre II; Madilyn Lock Wheeley

5:30 p.m. Whit Edmund Cornick

### Sunday, December 28

#### ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH

9:15 a.m. Fr. Michael Luxbacher

#### ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

8:00 a.m. Michelle Zehnder†

9:15 a.m. Family & Friends of Elaine Andre; Bill Andre; Valeria Jean Butler; Cassara Family; Norma & Alan Cheramie; Fr. Van Constant; Adelaide Donohue†; Andrew Fourcade; Alexandra Alford Healy†; Grace Hofer; Fr. Reginald Hofer OP; Holy Souls in Purgatory†; Ella Hoormann; "In Memory" List; Mary Scanlan Jeansonnet†; Patricia Hardouin Johnson†; Patricia Kelly & Laura Kelly Storms; Fr. Stanley Klores; Pauline Lulich Lee & Family Living & Deceased; Janet Dugas Leonard†; Mary Iris Manning†; Janet Martello†; Jackie, Julie, Joseph, Dominic, Maria, Therese, Jude, Margaret, John Martello, Luke Corona, Andrew Mayer, Emma Polozola, Ross, Emma & John Lotspeich; Mr. & Mrs. James R. McClellan†; McCloskey Family; Albert G. Messina†; Cecilia McNamara Messina†; Mary Helen Wentz Courts†; Ettie Wentz†; Thomas Miller; Elisabetta & Marc Molyneux†; Jacques L.Z. Nemeth; Danny Nemeth; Andrew Newell; Simon Hoa Hai Hoang Nguyen†; Carol Ann Plizga; Earl & Mary Richard†; Louis Robinette Sr.; Joseph Rychlak†; Peggy Anne Ryland†; Ann Maucele Saia†; Joseph & Una Songy†; Susan Spalutto†; Lauren Stidham; Margerita Suarez†; Matthew, Maximilian, Michael, Anne-Marie, Bernadette, Rose and Marc Theriot; Joe Maggio Family; Hanh & Phan Vuong; Lee Vaccari Family; Marian Vaccari Walker†

11:00 a.m. Michael L. Thiele II†

5:30 p.m. Pro Populo

### Monday, December 29

7:15 a.m. Grace Hofer; Rev. Reginald Hofer, OP

11:30 a.m. Alexandra Alford Healy†

### Tuesday, December 30

7:15 a.m. Jay Noodell†

11:30 a.m. Gary R. Glynn

### Wednesday, December 31

7:15 a.m. Alexandra Alford Healy†

11:30 a.m. Thomas Miller

5:30 p.m. Fr. Reginald Hofer, OP

### Thursday, January 1

#### ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

8:00 a.m. Deceased members of the Ennis Family†

9:15 a.m. Mrs. Phyllis Taylor; Mr. Patrick Taylor†

### Friday, January 2

7:15 a.m. Hanh Vuong

11:30 a.m. Peggy Van Matre

## SERVITE DOMINUM IN TIMORE

An excerpt from Dom Pius Parsch, Season of Grace reflecting on the Epistle for the Mass of Christmas at Dawn:

At this second Mass we stand once again at Our Lord's crib. It is very early in the morning, and all is still. But she, His Mother, is awake silently watching over her child. Suddenly we hear footsteps, hurried footsteps. An angel has told some shepherds of the birth of Christ. Turning to each other in the gray light of dawn, they said: "Come, let us make our way to Bethlehem and see for ourselves this happening which the Lord has made known to us." They come; and they find the Divine Child in the crib. With simple hearts and child-like faith they worship the world's Redeemer.

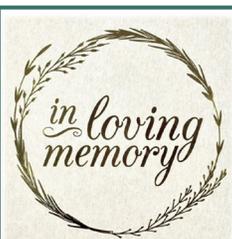
We too have come here like the shepherds, but not to find the Infant in the crib, but the grace of God that has dawned for us. Again it is the epistle that speaks to us of grace. It takes us on a long pilgrimage, in which there are four stages - for *stations* - the Crib, Baptism, the Holy Spirit, and Heaven.

(a) In Christ there appeared to us the grace of God, which the epistle calls: "God's kindness, his great love for man." Indeed, how could God have planned redemption in a kinder way, in a way more expressive of His great love for man, than by sending His Son into the world and letting Him become a little Child "The kindness of God: His great love for man" - these are words which might well be inscribed over every crib.

(b) From the crib the Epistle leads on to Baptism. "He saved us ... with the cleansing power which gives us new birth." It is a happy thought to connect Baptism with Christmas. At Christmas it was the Divine Child that was born; in Baptism it is we who are born again and become children of God. Baptism is our souls' Christmas. At baptism the grace of God is drawn into our souls, and Christ is born for us - born into our souls.

(c) In the same breath the Epistle speaks of the Holy Spirit, calling Baptism "the cleansing power which gives us new birth and restores our nature through the Holy Spirit, shed on us and abundant measure". How unusual! - to speak about the Holy Spirit at Christmas time yet there is no mistaking the sureness of tone: "The Holy Spirit, shed on us in abundant measure through our Saviour, Jesus Christ." The Holy Spirit is the great Master of grace. He weaves our life-long robe of grace. He pours out upon us in abundant measure the grace which Christ has brought us. He brings to completion in our souls that work which Christ began in Bethlehem. Christmas is the beginning; Pentecost the fulfillment; both are in the service of Grace.

(d) The fourth station of this pilgrimage of grace is Heaven. The final words of the Epistle are: "We were to be heirs, with the hope of eternal life set before us, in Christ Jesus our Lord." Thus the Epistle itself leads us on our way to Heaven, uniting these two thoughts: Christmas and Heaven. It is there that we will have our eternal Christmas, our heavenly birth. There grace will be transformed into glory, the light of Christmas into the shining sun of transfiguration. There Christ, who appeared this day as a tender Child, will appear as a mighty King in the glory of all the saints, to give - us even - us a share and His glory.



### IN-MEMORY OF BULLETIN LIST

The **In-Memory of List** will re-new beginning January 1st, 2026. Please call Cheryl or Monty in the Parish office at 504-525-4413 to add a name, or pick up an **envelope in the Narthex** and place in a collection basket. It will run the full year, January 1 through December 31, 2026.



### VOCATIO: A DISCERNMENT GROUP FOR MEN

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