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Candlemas:
The Purification of Our Lady



Traditional Latin Mass
Monday, February 2 at 6:00 p.m.
*Blessing of Candles, Procession
& Solemn Mass*
There will be no 7:15 a.m. Mass on 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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MASS PROPS

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

Second Sunday after Epiphany

ENGLISH—ALL OTHER MASSES

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIphon

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!

COMMUNION ANTIphon

You have prepared a table before me, and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.

UPCOMING SPECIAL MASSES (LATIN)

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.

Candlemas Monday, February 2 at 6:00 p.m.

ONLINE CHANT COURSE

An exciting opportunity awaits which will help to increase your appreciation for Gregorian chant! Search for the **Catholic Institute of Sacred Music** and scroll down their homepage for the **February 6 & 7** online conference called “*Deus in Adjutorium Meum Intende*.” The conference has assembled truly notable scholars that are sure to impart great wisdom!

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.

HOLY FACE DEVOTION

Sunday, January 25, 2026

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.



BANNS OF MATRIMONY

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

St. Patrick's Church

January 24, 2026
Alexander Warnke Stern & Alexandra Elizabeth Steele

PRAYERS NEEDED!

It has come to our attention that a young parishioner at St. Patrick's is in desperate need of a kidney transplant. Since dialysis is not a viable treatment option, a kidney donor must be found as soon as possible. We ask for your prayers that a suitable donor can be found quickly.

If you are a willing donor please contact Fr. O'Brien or visit

www.OchsnerLivingDonor.org

Saint Marina of Antioch, pray for us.

"IN MEMORY" BULLETIN LIST

The **"In Memory"** List has renewed 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.

STEWARSHIP

PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE IF YOU NEED A DONOR LETTER FOR TAX PURPOSES.

Call or e-mail Mrs. Jennifer Suarez at 504-525-4413 x1002
or jsuarez@arch-no.org

We are very grateful for your generosity. Our online giving program is set up to make it easy for you to achieve your stewardship goals. Visit our websites to support St. Patrick's and/or St. John the Baptist.



WEEKEND OFFERINGS

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

JAN. 5

First Collection (Operating Costs)	\$	590
Restoration & Maintenance	\$	412
Online Giving	\$	150
Annual Appeal	\$	3,000

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

First Collection (Operating Costs)	\$	11,675
Restoration & Maintenance	\$	3,824
Online Giving	\$	4,958
Advent Appeal	\$	950



IN MEMORY 2026

Ahmed Family	Alexandra Alford Healy	Jeremy Reed
Ronald P. Barreca	Frank Casper Hemelt	Beverly B. Orillion & Family
Roland D. Belew	Patricia Hepler	Petrolia Family
Baby McCune Anne Breazeale	Hoormann, Fischer & Clement Families	Redmann & Rapier Families
Leanora Goodyear Breecher	Bettina Hurley	Ellia Reitmeier
Louis Breecher, Sr.	Thomas Kenny	Jack Markem Riley, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence C. Britto	Wendy Ann Kirkland	Gladys & Louis Schwartz
James J. Buras	Belinda Christine Lazaro	Carl & Marjorie Sklamba
John D. Burckell	William & Delta Lazaro, Sr.	Anna & Joseph Szabo
Mr. & Mrs. Peter Butler	William C. Lewis	Smith, Salles & Barkerding Families
Emily Cercena	The Luccioni Family	Leonardo Spalluto
Fr. Wilfredo T. Comellas	Frank Major	Susan Spalluto
Mary Helen Wentz Courts	Mary Iris Manning	John D. Sparck
Robert & Elizabeth Crosby	Leonor V. Maurice	Patrick F. Taylor
G.P. & Sarah Dalton	Bob & Lilly Maurin	Hilton & Mary Toups
Mrs. Irma V. Dalton	Carla McClelland	Mark Anthony Toups
Maurice & Helen Dance	Albert George Messina	Versie & Leona Wallace
Mr. & Mrs. Theophile A. Duronclet, Jr	Cecilia McNamara Messina	Ettie Wentz
Michael Fay	Dianne C. Montalbano	Rev. Anthony J. White
Capt. Joseph & Condalaura Fletchas	Massau & Foster Families	Walter Mitchell Whiteside
Fontenot Family	Simon Hoa Hai Hoang Nguyen	Jonathan Philip Wilson
Katherine Foster	Martha D. & Daniel F. Nolan	Robert & Lillian Wilson
Odyssey & Imogene Fowler	Ramirez-Mackie Families	Jack H. & Cynthia Young
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Valsin Guillotte	Masson & Paulin Families	

ST. PATRICK'S PASCHAL CANDLE

Please pray for Ramirez-Mackie Families

ST. PATRICK'S SANCTUARY CANDLE

Please pray for Anne-Marie Theriot

CANDLES AT THE ALTAR OF THE SACRED HEART

Please pray for Thomas Miller

CANDLES AT THE ALTAR OF OUR LADY

Please pray for Mr. & Mrs. Gary O'Brien

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 Clifford Emerick

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST SANCTUARY CANDLE

Please pray for Leighton & Lisa Ciravolo

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.



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; Billie Butler; Geraldine Cheramie; Gary Carbo & Family; Cynthia Dominguez; Fernando Estevez; Kathleen Gaudin; Cynthia Hemelt; Cy Hoormann; Ella Hoormann; Anna & Roquey Jobes; Ron Johnson; Patricia Kdly; Fr. Stanley Klores; Francis Marin; Arthur Maurice; Darlene Melendez; Erena Messina; David M. O'Keefe; Rachel Pedeaux, Shelly Presley; Stephen Drexel Ridley; Mari Ridley; Patricia Russo; Tobi Russo; Jude Augustine Rivera; Carolyn Ann Centanni Stevens; Simon Templet; Anne Marie Theriot; Ernest Thomas Trejo Jr.; Mary Trentacoste; Edward Turncliff; Darlene Walk; John Zar

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

Saturday, January 17
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH

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

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

8:00 a.m. Holly & Mark Hecker

5:30 p.m. Courtney Carmadelle

Sunday, January 18
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH

9:15 a.m. Fr. Minh Cong Phan

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

8:00 a.m. Fr. Joseph Martello

9:15 a.m. Family & Friends of Elaine Andre; Cassara Family; Vincent dePaul Brouillette, Jr†; Patrick DeRouen; Beverly Emerick; Andrew Fourcade; GLB; Alexandra Alford Healy†; Madelene Hebert; Fr. Reginald Hoefer OP; Ella Hoormann; Holy Souls in Purgatory†; "In Memory" List; Mary Scanlan Jeansonnet†; Patricia Kelly & Laura Kelly Storms; Fr. Stanley Klores; Mary Iris Manning†; Janet Martello†; Jackie, Julie, Joseph, Dominic, Therese, Jude, Margaret, John Martello, Luke & Maria 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; Jacques L.Z. Nemeth; Martha D. & Daniel F. Nolan†; Nancy Pennington†; Carol Ann Plizga; Ann Maucelle Sait†; Joseph & Una Songy†; Lauren Stidham; Anne-Marie Theriot; Gregory Torore†; Joe Maggio Family; Lee Vaccari Family; Marian Vaccari Walker†; Christine Viada; Jack H. & Cynthia Young†

11:00 a.m. Dr. Carmelo Vincent Scime†

5:30 p.m. Pro Populo

Monday, January 19

7:15 a.m. Requiem Enrollment

11:30 a.m. Anne-Marie Theriot

Tuesday, January 20

7:15 a.m. Robert Edward Lee†

11:30 a.m. Michelle Bouve

Wednesday, January 21

7:15 a.m. Louis-Auguste de Bourbon†

11:30 a.m. Matthew Schnur

Thursday, January 22

7:15 a.m. Fr. Reginald Hoefer, OP

11:30 a.m. Alan & Norma Cheramie

Friday, January 23

7:15 a.m. Fr. Reginald Hoefer, OP

11:30 a.m. Matthew Schnur


SERVITE DOMINUM IN TIMORE

Now that the Church returns to the time through the year, usually called "Ordinary Time," it may seem that we have a reprieve from the celebrations of the Feasts of the Lord's life. To be sure, the 40th day from Christmas awaits us, the Feast of the Presentation. I hope you all can join in our solemn Mass and procession for that occasion, February 2nd at 6pm. Be sure to bring candles from home to be blessed! At the same, even though we return to green vestments and see the church décor return to normal, we cannot forget the graces of these past sacred celebrations of Christmas and Epiphany. In fact these "green Sundays" ought to be lived out in light of the solemnities we just celebrated! For this reason, the older missal refers to these Sundays as a "Sunday after the Epiphany." This sets the context and serves to connect the whole year as one flowing cycle rather than a series of unconnected seasons.

The first display of that connection comes with the choice of Gospel reading. The Novus Ordo recalls the Baptism of the Lord (Year A and B) or the Miracle at the Wedding in Cana (Year C). Likewise the lectionary of the older form presents us with the Miracle at the Wedding in Cana. These passages have long been understood at significant moments of epiphany, where God reveals himself in Christ. Thus, our current Ordinary Time is experienced as a thematic continuity with the time of Christmas and Epiphany.

What we experience liturgically has the power to influence our lives of devotion, family and work. God continues to reveal Himself and to unpack the insights of the great feasts which mark the year. Dom Pius Parsch (†1954) makes the connection for us between the revealing of God at the Epiphany, the Lord's Baptism, and the Miracle in Cana. He notes that the account of John at the end of the wedding in Cana makes the goal of the miracle explicit, to make known Christ's divinity and to arouse the response of faith.

Following Parsch, the wedding feast of Cana makes obvious what was present at the visit of the Magi: Christ comes among us as a bridegroom, and His gifts to us can be understood under the title of Grace. Grace is the intimacy of God with us (Christ present among the revelers at the Wedding in Cana); grace is sustained in us through our participation in the Eucharist (transubstantiation is prefigured in the water becoming wine); grace never reaches its apex in this life (the steward says, "you have kept the good wine until now.")

The mystical marriage between God and His people is the content of our meditation through the year and it has its origin in Christmas and Epiphany. This marriage is begun with the gift of His presence among us, it is sustained by our union in the Eucharist, and it leads us to ever increasing benefits in this life and in the next. In a way, Parsch points out, this is an encapsulation of the whole Gospel—the undeserved, superabundant gift of God to us: in a word, GRACE.

Grace begins in the soul at Baptism where we die to this world and its law of futility and live in the Spirit we received from Christ. The movement is from law to love. This is our first taste of the "good wine" which He has "kept until now." To grow in this understanding of the life of Grace, Parsch recommends us to reread Paul's letter to the Galatians and to the Romans. In these letters Paul demonstrates that Grace has liberated us from the law, made us sons of God and equipped us to respond in deeds of righteousness.

The marriage of God and His people is the gift of grace, and the effect of that gift is summarized by St. Peter. Just as a human marriage results in the unity of the spouses, our divine marriage permits us to, "share the divine nature." (2 Pet. 1:4) This supernatural fellowship fulfills the desire of our first parents who were enticed by the enemy, "you will be like God." Rather than grasped for unjustly, it is now offered freely to us: we may know Him, imitate Him, become heirs to His rewards. Truly, He has, "Saved the good wine 'till now!"

~Fr. O'Brien



Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left forsaken. Inspired with this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy clemency hear and answer me. Amen.