

Saint Patrick's Church

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**St. John the Baptist
Catholic Church**

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

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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.

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 PROPERs

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

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

ENGLISH—ALL OTHER MASSES

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.

UPCOMING SPECIAL MASSES (LATIN)

✠ **Transfiguration of Our Lord** Thursday, August 6 at 6:30 p.m.

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

✠ **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary** (no obligation)

Saturday, August 15 at 9:15 a.m.

There will be no 8:00 a.m. Mass on this day.

✠ **Sung Vespers** Sunday, August 23 at 4:00 p.m.

✠ **Requiem** (low Mass) Wednesday, August 26 at 7:15 a.m.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Though we've only just reached mid-summer, it will soon be time to enroll in our **catholic education programs** here at St. Patrick's! As always, we will be offering the following programs:

✠ **First Sacraments** for children approaching their first reconciliation and first Holy Communion.

✠ **Youth Confirmation** for young people who are preparing for the sacrament of confirmation.

✠ **Catholic Fundamentals** for those seeking to become Catholic and for Catholics wishing to learn more about their faith.

✠ **Adult Confirmation** for baptized Catholic adults pursuing the sacrament of confirmation.

To register, visit oldstpatricks.org and click on the **Catechesis** tab, or contact Cheryl Toy in the parish office by telephone or email.



ST. PATRICK'S MEN'S CLUB



St. Patrick's Men's Club will meet on
Saturday, August 1, 2026 at 8:30 a.m.
Immediately following the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

BANNS OF MATRIMONY

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



St. Patrick's Church

JULY 31, 2026

Tomas Alberto Finol & Hilda Vanessa Guzman-Platt

AUGUST 8, 2026

Paul Hector Aguilar & Hannah Catherine Simpson

HOLY FACE DEVOTION

Sunday, July 26, 2026

Please join us in observance of the "Holy Face Devotion" to offer prayers of reparation for the sins that offend God.

Prayers are offered on the **4th Sunday of each month**

following the **9:15 a.m. Mass**

Notice our newly re-framed relic of the Holy Face!



CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Soon, Mr. Mills will be organizing our parish choir for boys and girls. In order to increase participation, we would like to hear from all the families interested about how we can make the choir as accessible to you as possible!



Please contact Mr. Mills to let us know your thoughts!

amills@arch-no.org



STEWARDSHIP

IT'S SAFE. IT'S SIMPLE. IT'S CONVENIENT.



We are very grateful for your generosity. Our online giving program makes it easy for you to achieve your stewardship goals. You can donate to multiple funds with one charge as well as request/make payment for Masses. **Visit our websites to support St. Patrick's and St. John the Baptist.**

WEEKEND OFFERINGS

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

JULY 13

First Collection (Operating Costs)	\$ 812
Restoration & Maintenance	\$ 393
Online Giving	\$ 137

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

First Collection (Operating Costs)	\$ 6,908
Restoration & Maintenance	\$ 3,968
Online Giving	\$ 2,583

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



IN MEMORY 2026

Ahmed Family
Robert Anthony Andras, Sr.
Freddie Andras
Lucille Totina Andras
Ronald P. Barreca
Roland D. Belew
Dr. Walter Birdsall
Betty Bergin
Baby McCune Anne Breazeale
Leanora Goodyear Breecher
Louis Breecher, Sr.
Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence C. Britto
James J. Buras
John D. Burckell
Mr. & Mrs. Peter Butler
Emily Cercena
Fr. Wilfredo T. Comellas
Mary Helen Wentz Courts
Robert & Elizabeth Crosby
James & Laura Cuicchi
G.P. & Sarah Dalton
Mrs. Irma V. Dalton
Maurice & Helen Dance
Mr. & Mrs. Theophile A. Duroncelet, Jr.
Michael Fay
Capt. Joseph & Condalaura Fletchas
Fontenot Family
Katherine Foster

Odis & Imogene Fowler
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Valsin Guillotte
Alexandra Alford Healy
Frank Casper Hemelt
Patricia Hepler
Hoormann, Fischer & Clement Families
Bettina Hurley
Thomas Kenny
Wendy Ann Kirkland
Belinda Christine Lazaro
William & Delta Lazaro, Sr.
William C. Lewis
The Luccioni Family
Frank Major
Mary Iris Manning
Leonora V. Maurice
Bob & Lilly Maurin
Carla McClelland
McCrosen & Neely Families
Albert George Messina
Cecilia McNamara Messina
Dianne C. Montalbano
Nassau & Foster Families
Simon Hoa Hai Hoang Nguyen
Martha D. & Daniel F. Nolan
Masson & Paulin Families
Jeremy Reed
Beverly B. Orillion & Family

Patrick Logan Petagna
Petrolia Family
Ramirez & Mackie Families
Redmann & Rapier Families
Ellin Reitmeier
Jack Markem Riley, Jr.
Gladys & Louis Schwartz
Carl & Marjorie Sklamba
Anna & Joseph Szabo
Smith, Salles & Barkerding Families
Sotile & LeBlance Families
Leonardo Spalluto
Susan Spalluto
John D. Sparck
Mary Streckfus & Gary Glynn Families
Patrick F. Taylor
Hilton & Mary Touns
Mark Anthony Touns
Salvator Trentacoste
Versie & Leona Wallace
Ettie Wentz
Rev. Anthony J. White
Walter Mitchell Whiteside
Jonathan Philip Wilson
Robert & Lillian Wilson
Jack H. & Cynthia Young

ST. PATRICK'S PASCHAL CANDLE

Please pray for Ramirez & Mackie Families

ST. PATRICK'S SANCTUARY CANDLE

Please pray for Gary O'Brien

CANDLES AT THE ALTAR OF THE SACRED HEART

Please pray for Thomas Miller

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 & Patrick Lynch, Jr.

CANDLE AT THE STATUE OF ST. JOSEPH

Please pray for Patrick Lewis Gootie

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST SANCTUARY CANDLE

Please pray for Ciravolo Family

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.

Hurricane Prayer, Our Father in heaven, through the powerful intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, spare us from all harm during this hurricane season, and protect us and our homes from all disasters of nature. Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us!

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; Michael Barry; Celeste Bertaut; Billie Butler; Geraldine Cheramie; Gary Carbo & Family; Sheila Clark; Ali Cooper; The Croff Family; Cynthia Dominguez; Claire Dupont; Fernando Estevez; Kathleen Gaudin; Warren Hart; Cynthia Hemelt; Cy Hoormann; Ella Hoormann; Anna & Roquey Jobes; Ron Johnson; Ann Johnston; Patricia Kelly; Fr. Stanley Klores; Stewart Lagarde; Gwen Lindberg; James Benjamin Liuzzza; Jason Liuzzza; Francis Marin; Fr. Bob Massett; Arthur Maurice; Darlene Melendez; Matteo Mencos; Erena Messina; David M. O'Keefe; Kathleen O'Keefe; Rachel Pedeaux; Shelly Presley; Robert B. Ramirez; Stephen Drexel Ridley; Mari Ridley; Patricia Russo; Toby Russo; Jude Augustine Rivera; Bruce Satterfield; Carolyn Ann Centanni Stevens; Simon Templet; Anne Marie Theriot; Marlene Thomas; Ernest Thomas Trejo Jr.; Mary Trentacoste; Darlene Walk; Jane Wilson; John Zar

PRAYER

Saturday, July 25

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH

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

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

8:00 a.m. Jeannette Marie Smith

5:30 p.m. Michael L. Thielle II†; Patricia Kelly; Nathan Vatter†

Sunday, July 26

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH

9:15 a.m. Fr. Mark Raphael

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

8:00 a.m. Fr. Joseph Martello

9:15 a.m. Friends & Family of Elaine André; William L. André†; Cassara Family; Dave Cernugle†; Conversion of Sinners; Barbara Cook; Bosco Dalton†; Claire Dupont & Family; Andrew Fourcade; GLB; Wally Goodman†; William Hargrave; Alexandra Alford Healy†; George Healy; Katherine Healy; Thomas Healy; Holy Souls in Purgatory†; "In Memory" List; Yolanda Kendrick; Samuel LaMorte; Lola Larach†; Janet Martello†; Jackie, Julie, Joseph, Dominic, Therese, Jude, Margaret, John Martello, Luke & Maria Corona, Andrew Mayer, Emma Polozola, Ross, Emma & John Lotspeich; Urban Mathieu; C. James McCarthy III†; McCloskey Family; Albert G. Messina†; Cecilia McNamara Messina†; Mary Helen Wentz Courts†; Ettie Wentz†; Ethel McNamara Schneider†; Warren Migaud†; Danny Nemeth; Jacques L.Z. Nemeth; Simon Hoa Hai Hoang Nguyen†; Robert Ramirez; Cecilia Gonzales de Sanchez†; Joseph & Una Songy†; Special Intention; Gary Spencer; Julie Spencer; Lauren Stidham; Anne-Marie Theriot; Andrew Thomas; Gregory Torore†; David Toups†; Joe Maggio Family; Lee Vaccari Family; Marian Vaccari Walker†; Nathan Vatter†; Wolfgang Williams

11:00 a.m. Gloria Maria Planas Donovan

5:30 p.m. Pro Populo

Monday, July 27

7:15 a.m. Matthew Schnur

11:30 a.m. Elizabeth Schnur

Tuesday, July 28

7:15 a.m. William L. André†

11:30 a.m. James M. Breeland, Sr.†

Wednesday, July 29

7:15 a.m. Anna Thuong Thi Dinh

11:30 a.m. Matthew Schnur

Thursday, July 30

7:15 a.m. Neal Jordan

11:30 a.m. Matthew Schnur

Friday, July 31

7:15 a.m. Martha Gibson†

11:30 a.m. Dan Schnur



YEAR 2027 MASS BOOK OF INTENTIONS Mass Intentions for 2027

Intentions are now being accepted. Turn in your Mass Intention requests by mail, email, collection basket or call the Parish Office.

Mass Intention envelopes are available in the Narthex.

Suggested donation is \$5.00



SERVITE DOMINUM IN TIMORE

I write this week with an important update about St. John the Baptist Church. As of Friday, July 10th, the old parish rectory has been sold to the New Orleans Mission. This is a bittersweet milestone in the life of our parish and it bears remembering how we reached this point. In 2009, St. John the Baptist Parish was merged with St. Patrick's at the behest of Fr. Klores who wanted to save the church from total closure following Hurricane Katrina. Since then, St. John has hosted a variety of Masses and events in an attempt to reestablish a sustainable parishioner base. When St. Patrick's suffered fraud in 2018, the decision was made for St. John to become financially independent of St. Patrick's and self-supporting. At the same time, St. Patrick's staff would continue to provide administrative support. As a result of the fraud, St. John was unjustly saddled with a debt of about \$100,000 due to unavoidable bell tower maintenance.

Until Hurricane Ida, St. John had been meeting its financial obligations, however our property insurance skyrocketed making the operating deficit around \$50,000 or more yearly. Since 2009, the archdiocese assumed the administration of the parish rectory while St. Patrick's retained ownership. That arrangement ended at my request in 2023. With great effort, I orchestrated a partial renovation of the rectory in order to rent the building to tenants. The rental income was meant to cover St. John's operating deficit and help to pay down the debt. While we did recruit several renters, the building remained only partially occupied and the cost of operating the historic structure left a miniscule profit margin. All the while, the pandemic of 2020 caused a significant reduction in the number of Mass-goers; many of whom, sadly have not returned to St. John. The state of the rectory changed dramatically when an intruder armed with a knife broke into the building in the nighttime, confronting the residential tenant. By God's grace, no one was physically harmed, but the reputation of St. John's rectory as a rental property was permanently marred. Also, at that time, St. John's expenses were mounting and the savings were nearly depleted. Mercifully, a generous donor stepped in to rescue St. John financially.

About the same time as the home intrusion and our financial low point, the New Orleans Mission approached me with a proposal to purchase property. After much consultation, we agreed that selling the rectory building to them would be a mutually beneficial arrangement. St. Patrick's continues to own the St. John church building and parking lot. The Masses at St. John will continue as normal. We have a contract permitting St. John Mass goers to continue to use the rectory restroom, and preventing future owners from sordid use of former church property. The rectory will be used as the administrative office of the New Orleans Mission.

The funds will be used to pay off St. John's debt, provide savings to cover operating expenses, and allow us to tackle long-deferred maintenance to the roof and interior walls/ceiling. As visitors will see, these projects for the preservation of St. John are already underway.

The decision to sell church property is not one that I take lightly. Our buildings are a heritage - a gift of faith from previous generations. I can sincerely say that we tried everything to hold on to this part of our heritage, but as described above, circumstances would not allow it. My hope is that this moment calls us to reflect on the sacrifices of our fathers and mothers in the faith and to be glad for the riches they built for our benefit. May this also be a moment to think creatively about how we might meet the challenges St. John continues to face. Without an increase in parishioner base or better financial state, I am afraid our new-found financial stability at St. John is only temporary.

Please join me in prayer for the good work happening at St. John and for continued discernment of God's holy will. ~Fr. O'Brien