

# Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church

2621 Colonial Blvd, Violet, LA 70092



Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 19, 2025

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## MASS SCHEDULE

**SUNDAY:** 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

**SATURDAY:** 4:00 p.m. (Vigil)

**WEEKDAYS:** Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri.: 8:00 a.m.

Tues.: 6:00 p.m.

## SACRAMENTS

**CONFESSION:** 1/2 hr. before each weekend mass, 1hr. before Tuesday evening mass & 1 hr. before Friday morning mass

**BAPTISM:** Please call the office for baptism information

**MARRIAGE:** Contact the office at least six months prior to the desired date. Confirmation of the wedding date must be made by the priest officiating the ceremony.

**FUNERAL:** Please contact the office before going to the funeral home to make arrangements.

**ANNOINTING OF THE SICK:**

Available upon request.

**MINISTRY TO THE SICK OR**

**HOMEBOUND:** If you cannot attend Mass and receive Communion, please contact the parish office.

**PRAY THE ROSARY:** First Tuesday of every month at 10:00 am

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:**

First Wednesday of each month, following 8:00 am Mass until 7:00 pm.

**OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL**

**HELP DEVOTION:** Thursday after

8:00 am Mass.

**PARISH HOLY HOUR WITH**

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED**

**SACRAMENT:** Every Tuesday 5:00

pm leading to 6:00 pm Mass, & every Friday at 7:00 am leading to 8:00 am Mass.

# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



**January 18, 2025– January 24, 2025**

Saturday, January 18:

4:00 PM: **Parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church**

Sunday, January 19:

9:00 AM **Carolyn LeBlanc; Herman & Ursula Repath Family; Ethel McDaniel; Andrea Burluson; Janice Nadler**

11:00 AM **Kenny Dufour; Gage Garcia; Louis & Nicolina Burns; Beverly Loze; Marian Montalbano; Donald Pomes; Kyle St. Angelo; Emile Prattini; Jamie Bennet**

Monday, January 20: **Fr. Ken's Intentions**

Tuesday, January 21: **Parish School of Religion**

Wednesday, January 22: **All Souls**

Thursday, January 23: **All Souls**

Friday, January 24: **All Souls**

**January 25, 2025– January 31, 2025**

Saturday, January 25

4:00 PM: **Joyce Keller; Pauline Alfonso; Rodney Williams, Sr. Family; Andrew Ducote; Williams Family; Wyatt Oser; Gustave "Johnny" Huff**

Sunday, January 26:

9:00 AM **Parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church**

11:00 AM **Carolyn LeBlanc; Kenny Dufour; Jim Williams; Louis & Nicolina Burns; Gage Garcia; Beverly Loze; Marian Montalbano; Erica Alphonso; Donald Pomes; Kyle St. Angelo; Emile Prattini; Jamie Bennet**

Monday, January 27: **Fr. Ken's Intentions**

Tuesday, January 28: **Parish School of Religion**

Wednesday, January 29: **All Souls**

Thursday, January 30: **All Souls**

Friday, January 31: **Charlotte Morales**

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Penny Iemmola; Cancer Patients; Glen Lohfink; Lisa Bertucci Menesses; Susette Dufour; Lucy; Wiley; Tashera Horton; Dempsey Milton; Yessa Nessa; Jamie Bennett; Patricia Gettys; Brian Keller; Jesse Resendez

## PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN NEED

Natalia Baca; First Responders; Josie Landry; Roselyn Hansen; Gwen Cantrell; Dina Cedeno; Cornelius Dennis; Joy Dennis; Chante Wright; Cora Robin; Special Intention

## **Prayer for Eternal Rest (The Requiem Prayer)**

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

## **Prayer for Healing**

Lord, We ask you to lift up all those who are suffering today.

We ask You to bring  
Healing, Comfort, & Peace  
to their  
Body, Mind, & Soul.

Calm their fears and let them experience the healing power of Your love. Amen

THE SANCTUARY LAMP BURNS THIS WEEK FOR:

**PETER & LORETTA LALUMIA**

THE MARIAN CANDLE BURNS THIS WEEK FOR:

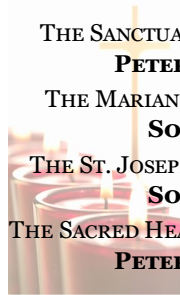
**SOULS IN PURGATORY**

THE ST. JOSEPH CANDLE BURNS THIS WEEK FOR:

**SOULS IN PURGATORY**

THE SACRED HEART CANDLE BURNS THIS WEEK FOR:

**PETER & LORETTA LALUMIA**



### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — As a bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so God rejoices in the chosen ones (Isaiah 62:1-5).

**Psalms** — Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations (Psalm 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10)

**Second Reading** — All the varied gifts in the Christian community are from one Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:4-11)

**Gospel** — Rejoicing at a wedding celebration in Cana, Jesus replenishes the wine supply (John 2:1-11)

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Heb 5: 1-10; Ps 110: 1, 2, 3, 4; Mk 2: 18-22

**Tuesday:** Heb 6: 10-20; Ps 111: 1-2, 4-5, 9 and 10; Mk 2: 23-28

**Wednesday:** Heb 7: 1-3, 15-17; Ps 110: 1, 2, 3, 4; Mk 3: 1-6

**Thursday:** Heb 7: 25 -- 8: 6; Ps 40: 7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17; Mk 3: 7-12

**Friday:** Heb 8: 6-13; Ps 85: 8 and 10, 11-12, 13-14; Mk 3: 13-19

**Saturday:** Acts 22: 3-16 or Acts 9: 1-22; Ps 117: 1bc, 2; Mk 16: 15-18

**Sunday:** Neh 8: 2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19: 8, 9, 10, 15; 1 Cor 12: 12-30; Lk 1: 1-4; 4: 14-21

### SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

**Sunday:** Second Sunday in Ordinary Time; Julian Calendar Theophany (Epiphany)

**Monday:** St. Fabian; St. Sebastian; Martin Luther King Jr. Day

**Tuesday:** St. Agnes

**Wednesday:** Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

**Thursday:** St. Vincent; St. Marianne Cope

**Friday:** St. Francis de Sales

**Saturday:** The Conversion of St. Paul; Week of Prayer for Christian Unity ends

*Mother Henriette Delille...  
pray for us that we may be a holy  
family.*

### A VISIBLE GOD

We find it difficult to convey ideas to people unless we can actually show them something, demonstrate what we mean. God, who is invisible and truly beyond human understanding, apparently faces the same difficulty. People want to see, not just listen to an idea. So God gave us Jesus Christ, God made visible in the world.

During these past weeks we have seen how Jesus was revealed as an infant to the shepherds and the magi, and then began his adult public life at his baptism by John. Today's Gospel reading tells us of his first sign, providing wine for the wedding guests at Cana.

Of course, even Jesus, God made visible, was not always easily understood in his own day, nor is he even now. So we have to ponder what we see: the poverty and simplicity of his birth, his humility and openness before John the Baptist, his kindness and compassion toward people in their ordinary problems, such as running short of wine at a wedding. Yet it is in coming to know Jesus that we come to know God.

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### SAINT AGNES (died 304)

Writing about Saint Agnes in the year 377, Saint Ambrose, Bishop of Milan, declared: "This is a virgin's birthday into heaven: let us imitate her chastity! And a martyr's heavenly birthday: let us offer ourselves in sacrifice!" Chastity: mastery of oneself in order to give of oneself whether in the priestly, religious, married, or single state. Sacrifice: "to make holy," to set someone or something apart for service. Ambrose knew these virtues indispensable for discipleship, but challenging to practice in his world—or our own. Barely a teenager, Agnes faced gruesome tortures bravely and, when ordered to worship pagan gods, boldly made the Sign of the Cross instead. Thus, her youthful courage strengthened adult believers who wavered under persecution or grew indifferent when persecutions passed. To bestow on Agnes its highest honor and keep her witness fresh in believers' hearts, the Church inscribed her name at the heart of the Eucharistic liturgy, in the Roman Canon (Eucharistic Prayer I), until Vatican II the Roman Church's only Eucharistic Prayer.

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In observance of  
**DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.**  
**DAY**

The Office will be closed  
**Monday, January 20th**

The office will reopen for regular  
business hours Tuesday, January 21st.



Lectors & Extraordinary  
Ministers of Holy  
Communion



Our parish is always looking for  
volunteers to join our Lector and  
Extraordinary Minister of Holy  
Communion ministries.

If you would like to join any of our  
ministries, please call the office.



**Religion Education Class Schedule**  
Kindergarten- 11th grade  
Tuesday, January 21st, *no class*

**For All Current Information & News**



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**Bulletin Deadline:** noon, Wednesday (*two  
(2) weeks before scheduled bulletin date*)

*Our Lady of Lourdes ...  
Pray for us!*

**Five Times To Make The Sign Of The Cross**

- To begin and end your personal prayer in the name of God.
- When passing a church, to honor Jesus present in the Blessed Sacrament.
- When you hear a siren, to pray for those in danger of death.
- When passing a cemetery, to pray for the souls of the departed.
- When witnessing an accident, to pray for those suffering in pain.

**MAKE YOUR WEEKLY  
CONTRIBUTIONS ONLINE!**

Our Lady of Lourdes offers Online Giving,  
a convenient and safe way to make a one-  
time or recurring donation.



**GETTING STARTED IS EASY—**

just visit our website, [www.olol-church.com](http://www.olol-church.com), and click our Online Giving link. When you participate, your gift will be securely transferred directly into the parish bank account. And you won't have to remember to write a check or stop by the ATM on Sundays!

*We return to God from what He has given us*  
We gratefully acknowledge all that God has given to us. In gratitude, we have returned to Him:

**January 4th & 5th**

Attendance: 293  
Offertory: \$2869.75  
Online Giving: \$ 875.00  
Budget: \$3500.00  
\$ 244.75

**Poor Box:** \$338.36

*Thank you for your generosity and spirit of caring!*