

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church

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Office Hours:

Mon.—Thurs.: 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 pm
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MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY: 9:00 am & 11:00 am
SATURDAY: 4:00 pm (Vigil)
WEEKDAYS: Mon., Wed.— Fri. :
8:00 am
Tues.: 6:00 pm

SACRAMENTS

CONFESSION:

1/2 hr. before each weekend mass.

BAPTISM: Baptisms are held the second Sunday of the month after 11 am Mass. Please call the office to register for the class and/or schedule a baptism.

MARRIAGE: Contact Fr. Luke 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 Fr. Luke before going to the funeral home to make arrangements.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK:

Available upon request.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK OR

SHUT-IN: If you cannot attend mass and receive Communion, please contact the parish office.

LITURGY OF THE HOURS:

Immediately following 8 am daily mass.

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

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

Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”

— Matthew 5:3



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MISSION STATEMENT

We, members of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, are committed to establish a safe haven for believers in our community. Having Christ as the center of our worship and being impelled by his teachings:

- We continually grow in ministries that address the needs and concerns of our community.
- We strive to be a vibrant “Christ Centered” spiritual family and experience His love and presence in the celebration of the Eucharist.

If humble souls are contradicted, they remain calm; if they are calumniated, they suffer with patience; if they are little esteemed, neglected or forgotten, they consider that their due; if they are weighed down with occupations, they perform them cheerfully.—St. Vincent de Paul

TODAY'S READING

First Reading — You humble of the land, seek justice and humility, and the Lord will be your protection (Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13).

Psalm — Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! (Psalm 146).

Second Reading — God chose the weak of the world, those who count for nothing, so that whoever boasts should boast in the Lord (1 Corinthians 1:26-31).

Gospel — Jesus taught from the mountain: Blessed are the poor in spirit (Matthew 5:1-12a).

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HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

Saturday, January 28:

4 PM **Jay Kearney (Prosperity); William L. Kearner, III; Roy & Marie Palmer; Roy Palmer, Jr.; Marie Louise Williams; Edward & Beulah Williams, Sr.; Edward & Lorraine Williams, Jr.; Clinton & Ernie Williams; Charles & Evie Dubrett; Shirley Kearney; Gladys B. Nunez; Special Intention; Gustave "Johnny" Huff; Jim Williams, Sr.; Loyd Cantrelle, Jr.; Bess Gray; Charlotte Morales; Walter "Nayko" Alfonso; Lonny Nobles**

Sunday, January 29:

9 AM **The Parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church**

11 AM **Reed Henderson; Valentino Molero; Shirley Mouton; George & Eloise Villaneuva; Madeline Marrero; Martin Robin, Sr.; Martin Robin, Jr.; The Guillotte Family; Clara Perkins; Pete Becker; Julie Dardar; Bess Gray; The Vicknair Family; Dora Villaneuva**

Monday, January 30: **All Souls**

Tuesday, January 31: **Charlotte Morales**

Wednesday, February 2: **Josephine Bell**

Thursday, February 3: **Shirley Mouton**

Friday, February 4: **Irwin Schleismann**



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Heb 11:32-40; Ps 31:20-24; Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22:26b-28, 30-32; Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a; Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]

Friday: Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9; Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Ps 23:1-6; Mk 6:30-34

Sunday: Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16

THE CHOSEN REMNANT

Zephaniah is one of the least-known of the Old Testament prophets. He speaks in today's first reading of impending judgment. But the Lord will leave a "remnant" in Israel. This image of a remnant, or remainder, was to become vital to both Judaism and Christianity.

Paul's letter to Corinth makes obvious his deep concern for the Christians there. They are too self-confident, he says, too sure of themselves. He admonishes them to remember that Christ has given them all they have.

Today's Gospel comprises the opening of Jesus' "Great Sermon." As God gave Moses the law on Sinai, so now Jesus gathers his disciples on a hillside to teach them the new law. Each of these Beatitudes contrasts the humiliation of the present with the glory of the future: poverty vs. the riches of God's kingdom, hunger for holiness vs. fulfillment in the Spirit, persecution vs. the reign of God. Jesus is here speaking to God's chosen "remnant."

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catholic Schools Week

Tuesday: St. John Bosco

Thursday: The Presentation of the Lord; Groundhog Day

Friday: St. Blase; St. Ansgar; First Friday; Blessing of throats

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Melissa Duhe; Louis Angolia; Karley Draper; Haleigh Martin; Juanita Williams; Kassidy Davis; Andrew Florane; Lynn Reichert; William Clair; Kathleen Barrett; Ava Marie Scaglione; David Hix; Judy Benendi; Nolan Couture; Charles Janet; Daniel Janet; Janet Guidry; Eulice St. Pe; Ray Lege; Albert White; Hannah Duhon; Ronald Johnson;

Dennis Jeanfreau; Gwen Johnson; Maddux Lemoine; Curtis Morales; Sky Labat; Carmen Ramirez; Sidney Evans, Jr.; Faye Hammer; Felix Ruiz; Martin Gallardo; Diane Gowland; Meghan Melancon; Tammy Sison; Walter Guidry; Robert Couch; Sidney Evans; Shana Silcio; Brielle Silcio; Patricia Besselman; The Schneiders; Donnas Brown; Kenneth Forsyth; Richard Escalade; Baby Ladner; Earl Oguinn; Carolyn LeBlanc; Marva Prudeaux; Cinda Melerine; Sarah Watson; Anna Smith; Larry Ronnie Nunez; Kenny Henderson; Benjamin Gunther; Earline Lalla Huster; August & Delores Nunez; Joyce Lege; Patrice Ariatti; Jackie Nunez; Olive Nicolosi; Ursula Repath; Ed Peneguy; Wilton Richard, Jr.; Mary & Charlie Gremillion; Pauline Alphonso; Theresa; Carol Dupre; Roslyn Thomas; Carter Beckwith; Dale Nunez; Ann Nunez; Brogan Burns; Jerry Fahm; Toni Stander Landry; Gwen Williams; Bonnie Booth; Bernadine Reimonenq; Sue Deffes; Renee T. Gutierrez; Rene Porche; Avery Brink; Austin Lambert; Daniel Buffington; Theresa Corne; Alan Rossignol; Dennis Bennett; Marietta Planchard; Kaleb Billiot, Jr.; Randy Bolaware; Judy Maloz; Cornelius Dennis, Jr.; Cindy Reynolds.; Lisa Montelongo; Lanny Villaneuva; MaryAnn Autin; Tudy Nunez



Please consider remembering
Our Lady of Lourdes Church
when planning your will.

If you would like to have the Sanctuary Lamp, Marian Candle or St. Joseph Candle burn in honor of a loved one, or for a Special Intention, please contact the office. Thank you.

THE SANCTUARY LAMP BURNS THIS WEEK IN MEMORY OF:

SIMONE VEAL & OFFICER MICHAEL LOUVIERE

THE MARIAN CANDLE BURNS THIS WEEK FOR:

UNITY OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE

THE ST. JOSEPH CANDLE BURNS THIS WEEK

FOR:

PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP



Humility is the foundation of all the other virtues hence, in the soul in which this virtue does not exist there cannot be any other virtue except in mere appearance.—St. Augustine

AROUND OUR PARISH



CCD CLASS SCHEDULE

Monday, Jan. 30 (confirmation class only)
 Tuesday, Jan. 31 (1st grade)
 Wednesday, Feb. 1 (5th & 6th grades)

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CATHOLIC YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD



LOL's Council 8442 of the Knights of Columbus is now accepting applications for the Catholic Youth Leadership Award. The CYLA is a scholarship for high school seniors who are Catholic. The application and information are available at <http://www.louisianakc.org/programs/cya/>. Persons interested in applying should contact the council at: council@kc8442.org. Applications with all required signatures must be received by **January 31, 2017**.

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OYSTER FESTIVAL PREPARATIONS BEGIN EARLY!



Every month, the fair committee will ask each family to donate one item to the Oyster Festival. **DONATIONS REQUESTED IN FEBRUARY: PLASTIC FORKS & SPOONS**

Please leave your donation in the back of the church.

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ADORATION

Will be on Wednesday, February 1st
 9 am—7 pm
 Please consider spending one hour with Christ.



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KREWE OF LOURDES CARNIVAL BALL & SUPPER DANCE



February 11th, 2017 @ 8:00 p.m.
 Frederick J. Sigur Civic Center, Chalmette
 The Ball is free and open to the public.
 The Supper Dance begins immediately following the ball. Tickets for the Supper Dance are \$65.00 per person.
 Contact Lena Nunez @ 504-491-5266 to purchase tickets.

MEN'S EVENING OF FORMATION

The Legionaries of Christ and Regnum Christi are sponsoring a men's evening of reflection series at St. Catherine of Siena Parish. The next one will be held on Monday, February 13, 2017, with guest speaker, Fr. Kurt Young.

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



The Archdiocesan Golden Anniversary celebration will take place on Sunday, June 11, 2017, at 3:00 PM in St. Philip Neri Church in Metairie. PLEASE NOTE: This year's celebration will not be a Mass, but a Prayer Service. Attendance of Mass for Sunday obligation will have to be met within one's respective parish. To register, the married couple is asked to contact their parish office before March 3, 2017.

DAY OF SOCIAL MEDIA SILENCE: DON'T POST, PRAY! – FEBRUARY 8, 2017

Once again this year the archdiocesan Respect Life Office will sponsor a Day of Social Media Silence to bring awareness to the crime of Human Trafficking in our city, our country and in our world. On February 8, 2017, in conjunction with the Feast Day of St. Josephine Bakhita and in partnership with the US Conference of Catholic Bishops' International Day of Prayer and Awareness Against Human Trafficking, all social media accounts of the Archdiocese of New Orleans will go silent from 12 Midnight to 11:59 pm in "solidarity with those who are silenced" using the very tool that traffickers most often use to do their heinous business. All parishes, schools and ministries of the archdiocese as well as all Catholics and members of the community are invited to join in this social media fast reminding ourselves for this one day, "don't post, pray" for the victims, sellers and buyers involved in human trafficking. A profile photo for use in social media accounts starting February 1, 2017, through the conclusion of the novena on February 17, 2017, is available for download here. More information and resources will be made available at a later date. For more information or with questions, please email respectlife@archno.org.



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 NEW ORLEANS

Retreat Center

Upcoming Retreats

February 10-12, 2017
 Celebrating Life's Sacred Moments
 Rev. Joseph Nassal, CPPS

March 3-5, 2017
 Lord, Teach Us to Pray
 Rev. Richard Sudlik, OMI

February 18-19, 2017
 Accepting and Responding
 to the Unconditional
 Love of God
 Rev. Msgr. Doug Doussan

March 4, 2017
 Day of Prayer – Baton Rouge
 St. Jean Vianney – 9am-12pm
 The Francis Effect:
 How Pope Francis Has Quickly
 Changed the Face of Catholicism
 Rev. Msgr. Doug Doussan

5500 St. Mary Street, Metairie, LA 70006
 Call the Retreat Center at (504) 887-1420
 See our website retreats.arch-no.org for retreat details

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 14th & 15th:	January 21st & 22nd:
Attendance:	Attendance:
Offertory: \$2629.68	Offertory: \$2690.58
Budget: \$4660.00	Budget: \$4660.00
	\$1969.42
Poor Box: \$218.51	Poor Box: \$206.00

Thank you for your generosity and spirit of caring!

Bulletin Deadline: 3:00 pm, every Thursday (1 wk. Before scheduled bulletin date)