

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church

2621 Colonial Blvd, Violet, LA 70092



Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

March 2, 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

EUCHARISTIC 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

March 1, 2025– March 7, 2025

March 8, 2025– March 14, 2025

Saturday, March 1:

4:00 PM: **Rodney Williams, Sr. Family; Pauline Alfonso; Andrew & Myrlyn Ducote; Gustave “Johnny” Huff; Vivian & Marty Melerine, Sr.; Janice Nadler; Carol Bonvillian; Michelle Jeanfreau; Past & Present Altar Society Members; Robert & Miriam Daussat; Rev. Richard L. Loftus, S.J.**

Sunday, March 2:

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

11:00 AM **Carolyn LeBlanc; Joyce Keller; Ken Dufour; Louis & Nicolina Burns; Marion Montalbano; Beverly Loze; Sherry Alphonso; Carol Bonvillian; Jamie Bennett; Don Anthony Serpas; Iona Ben; Patsy Meyers; Martin & Cora Robin; Vicknair Family**

Monday, March 3: **Fr. Ken’s Intentions**

Tuesday, March 4: **Parish School of Religion**

Wednesday, March 5: **Carol Bonvillian**
6:00 PM **All Souls**

Thursday, March 6: **Jim Williams**

Friday, March 7: **Carol Bonvillian**

Saturday, March 8:

4:00 PM: **Rodney Williams, Sr. Family; Pauline Alfonso; Joyce Keller; Andrew & Myrlyn Ducote; Wyatt Oser; Janice Nadler; Carol Bonvillian; Don Anthony Serpas; Robert & Miriam Daussat; Cora Robin**

Sunday, March 9:

9:00 AM **Carolyn LeBlanc; Joyce Keller; Louis & Nicolina Burns; Donald Pomes; Marion Montalbano; Sherry Alphonso; Carol Bonvillian; Andrea Burleson; Past & Present Altar Society Members; Patsy Meyers; Martin & Cora Robin**

11:00 AM **Parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church**

Monday, March 10: **Fr. Ken’s Intentions**

Tuesday, March 11: **Parish School of Religion**

Wednesday, March 12: **Carol Bonvillian**

Thursday, March 13: **Carol Bonvillian**

Friday, March 14: **Carol Bonvillian**

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 Cedenno; Cornelius Dennis; Joy Dennis; Chante Wright; Cora Robin; Special Intention

Lord Jesus, Divine Mercy, shower Your compassion upon the souls in purgatory. Bring them into the light of Your presence, where they may enjoy eternal rest. Amen

CANDLE INTENTIONS

THE SANCTUARY LAMP BURNS THIS WEEK FOR:
Carol Bonvillian

THE MARIAN CANDLE BURNS THIS WEEK FOR:
JAMIE BENNETT

THE ST. JOSEPH CANDLE BURNS THIS WEEK FOR:
DON ANTHONY SERPAS

THE SACRED HEART CANDLE BURNS THIS WEEK FOR:
SOULS IN PURGATORY

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

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — One's speech shows the bent of one's mind. Praise no one before he or she speaks (Sirach 27:4-7).

Psalm — Lord, it is good to give thanks to you (Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13)

Second Reading — We are given victory over death through Jesus. In the Lord our labor is not in vain (1 Corinthians 15:45-49)

Gospel — A good person produces good, an evil person produces evil. The mouth speaks from the goodness of the heart (Luke 6:39-45)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Sir 17: 20-24; Ps 32: 1-2, 5, 6, 7; Mk 10: 17-27

Tuesday: Sir 35: 1-12; Ps 50: 5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23; Mk 10: 28-31

Wednesday: Jl 2: 12-18; Ps 51: 3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17; 2 Cor 5: 20 -- 6:2; Mt 6: 1 -6,16-18

Thursday: Dt 30: 15-20; Ps 1: 1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Lk 9: 22-25

Friday: Is 58: 1-9a; Ps 51: 3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9: 14-15

Saturday: Is 58: 9b-14; Ps 86: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 5: 27-32

Sunday: Dt 26: 4-10; Ps 91: 1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15; Rom 10: 8-13; Lk 4: 1-13

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Catherine Drexel

Tuesday: Mardi Gras; St. Casimir

Wednesday: Ash Wednesday; Fast & Abstinence

Thursday: St. Gregory of Narek

Friday: Ss. Perpetua and Felicity; Abstinence

Saturday: St. John of God

MAINTAINING THE SPIRIT OF THE SEASON OF LENT:

The Spirit of the season of Lent should be maintained throughout the weeks of Lent. The obligation to observe penitential days of the Church is a very important part of our spiritual life. Individual circumstances must be taken into account, but in general, people should seek to do more rather than less, since fast and abstinence on the days prescribed should be considered a minimal response to the Lord's call to penance and conversion of life.

Prayer for the First Sunday of Lent

Grant, almighty God,
through the yearly observances of holy Lent,
that we may grow in understanding
of the riches hidden in Christ
and by worthy conduct pursue their effects.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Amen

THE INSIDE SHOWS

In this third Sunday of our reading from the Sermon on the Plain, Jesus speaks of the inner soul and its outer expression. He uses images as he teaches. He addresses all of us. Jesus sees a plumb line connecting the soul with the soul's expression- words and actions. He uses exaggeration to drive home his point. We are urged to clear out the debris that blinds us. He knows that we have an uncanny ability to be blind to our own weaknesses, though they be as big as a board. He knows, too, how willingly we seem to ferret out others' smallest speck-like flaws. And this, too, is for our general consumption; solid old goodness and solid old badness will show eventually. The old Latin saying, which echoes Jesus' images, is true: "What is bred in the bone will out in the flesh." By and by, the inside will show through.

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ASH WEDNESDAY

God of ashes, through our blackened foreheads and broken hearts proclaim to the world that we are not alone. Make us witnesses of grieving well.

Open our hands and hearts to hold one another's brokenness until we are ready to turn it over to you, for healing and new life. Amen.

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



Mardi Gras
Tuesday, March 4th
Mass is @ 8:00 AM



Ash Wednesday, March 5th
Mass
8:00 AM & 6:00 PM



In observance of

MARDI GRAS

The Office will be closed
Monday, March 3th &
Tuesday, March 4th

The office will reopen for regular business
hours Wednesday, March 5th

Claration
of the
Blessed Sacrament



ADORATION

There will be no first Wednesday
Adoration this month.



Fridays of Lent (Except
Good Friday)

8:00 AM mass



Lenten Seafood Dinners
Friday, March 7th
5:00 - 8:00 p.m..

SEAFOOD DINNERS
Every Friday During Lent

Donations needed:

Peanut Oil

Fish Fry

Garlic Powder

Onion Powder

Paprika

Yellow Mustard

Paper Towels

Monetary Donations are always welcome



Religion Education Class Schedule

Kindergarten- 11th grade
Tuesday, March 4th, no class



The guidelines for Catholics on fasting and abstinence are as follows: Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those who are bound to fast may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to each one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years or older on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and on all Fridays of Lent.

Easter Flower Envelopes

Pick up an Easter flower envelope and fill it out, write the person's name of who you would like to remember, and return it with your donation in the offertory basket by April 13th.



All memorials will print on April 20th.

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:

February 15th & 16th

Attendance: 238

Offertory: \$2268.00

Online Giving: \$ 660.00

Budget: \$3500.00

\$ 572.00

Poor Box: \$194.25

Thank you for your generosity and spirit of caring!