

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church

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Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 8, 2024

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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 & 1/2 hr. before Tuesday evening mass

BAPTISM: Please call the office to schedule a baptism.

MARRIAGE: Contact Fr. Ken 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. Ken 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 Friday at 7:00 am leading to 8:00 am Mass.

September 7, 2024– September 13, 2024

Saturday, September 7:

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

Sunday, September 8 :

9:00 AM **Peggy Schifano; Carolyn LeBlanc; Mary Minor; Anna D’Orazio; Ronald & Lucille Nunez; Pauline Alfonso; Herman & Ursula Repath Family**

11:00 AM **Blake Lopez; Louis & Nicolina Burns; Kurt Rodriquez; Roland & Jackie Rodriquez; Ashley & Kathleen Henderson; Larry Pecar; Erwin Laviolette, Sr.; Ken Dufour; Past & Present Altar Society; Milton Ducker, III; Lorraine Deshazo**

Monday, September 9: **Fr. Ken’s Intentions**

Tuesday, September 10: **Peggy Schifano**

Wednesday, September 11: **David Ragas**

Thursday, September 12: **Communion Service**

Friday, September 13: **Communion Service**

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Penny Iemmola; Cancer Patients; Chester Vidacovich; Pablo Cedeno; Glen Lohfink; Glenda Caesar; Ginger Walerius; Linda Boos; Maureen Bloodworth; Vincent Giannobile; Skylar Bernstein; James Boudreaux; Lisa Bertucci Menesses; Erin Welty Mara; A. Schneider; Maddie; Joseph Seibert; Gloria Acosta; Michelle Jeanfreau; Susette Dufour; Lucy; Wiley; Tashera Horton

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



FLOWERS

THE BLESSED MOTHER:

MARY HEINS

ST. JOSEPH

SACRED HEART

September 14, 2024– September 20, 2024

Saturday, September 14:

4:00 PM: **Rodney Williams, Sr. Family; Elizabeth & Philip Macaluso, Sr.; Philip Macaluso, Jr.; Camilla Macaluso; Mary & Bill Heins; Eleonore Macaluso; Fay Lafrance Erwin; Special Intention; Frederick Keller; Joyce Keller; Louis Huff; Miriam Dausat; Gustave “Johnny” Huff; Pauline Alfonso; Past & Present Altar Society**

Sunday, September 15:

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

11:00 AM **Louis & Nicolina Burns; Kurt Rodriquez; Roland & Jackie Rodriquez; Ashley & Kathleen Henderson; Peggy Schifano; Carolyn LeBlanc; David Ragas; Ronald & Lucille Nunez; Ken Dufour; Steve Gallodoro; Anna D’Orazio; Pauline Alfonso; Past & Present Altar Society; Donald Cook; Lamar Cook**

Monday, September 16: **Fr. Ken’s Intentions**

Tuesday, September 17: **Pauline Alfonso**

Wednesday, September 18: **Miriam Dausat**

Thursday, September 19: **Miriam Dausat**

Friday, September 20: **Kenneth Dufour**

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

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

THE SANCTUARY LAMP BURNS THIS WEEK FOR:

SOULS IN PURGATORY

THE MARIAN CANDLE BURNS THIS WEEK FOR:

PAULINE ALFONSO

THE ST. JOSEPH CANDLE BURNS THIS WEEK FOR:

SOULS IN PURGATORY

THE SACRED HEART CANDLE BURNS THIS WEEK FOR:

SOULS IN PURGATORY



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Be strong, fear not! Here is your God (Isaiah 35:4-7a)

Psalm — Praise the Lord, my soul! (Psalm 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10)

Second Reading — Show no partiality as you adhere to the faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ (James 2:1-5)

Gospel — Jesus makes the deaf hear and the mute speak (Mark 7:31-37)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Cor 5: 1-8; Ps 5: 5-6, 7, 12; Lk 6: 6-11

Tuesday: 1 Cor 6: 1-11; Ps 149: 1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Lk 6: 12-19

Wednesday: 1 Cor 7: 25-31; Ps 45: 11-12, 14-15, 16-17; Lk 6: 20-26

Thursday: 1 Cor 8: 1b-7, 11-13; Ps 139: 1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24; Lk 6: 27-38

Friday: 1 Cor 9: 16-19, 22b-27; Ps 84: 3, 4, 5-6, 12; Lk 6: 39-42

Saturday: Nm 21: 4b-9; Ps 78: 1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38; Phil 2: 6-11; Jn 3: 13-17

Sunday: Is 50: 5-9a; Ps 116: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 (9); Jas 2: 14-18; Mk 8: 27-35

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents Day

Monday: St. Peter Claver

Wednesday: Patriot Day

Thursday: The Most Holy Name of Mary

Friday: St. John Chrysostom

Saturday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

If you do not find Christ in the beggar at the church door, neither will you find Him in the Chalice.

- St John Chrysostom

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

SEE BEYOND OUTWARD APPEARANCES

The phrase "Sunday best" has lost much of its meaning in our society today. Some lament the loss of people dressing up for church on Sunday; others think it's a healthy sign that we're as casual in attire gathered before the Lord as we are elsewhere. No matter which school of thought on this topic we belong to, James would probably chastise us. In either case, we are still focused on external appearance, mistaking it for some sort of favored position before God. True, James criticizes the community that favors the rich and well-dressed while ostracizing the poorly clothed, but even more he criticizes the making of distinctions, making choices based on criteria that having nothing to do with the reign of God. James might turn our attention to the reign of God described by Isaiah, in which people are healed and the earth becomes ripe to bear fruit. Jesus today is focused on this reign of God, healing a Gentile man in a region hostile to his Jewish faith, not mindful of the man's origins or clothing or status or ability to repay. Isaiah, James, and Jesus in Mark's Gospel all call us to look more deeply to find where the will of God needs to be done, and has been done, on earth as in heaven.

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The Claver Prayer

God our Heavenly Father,
You have given us life
through the Death and Resurrection
of Your Beloved Son, Jesus Christ.
Jesus our saving Lord, You came into a world
darkened by man's sin and gave it light
through your teachings,
Holy Spirit, the Breath of God within us,
You guide and enlighten us
and give us the strength of our convictions;
Saint Peter Claver,
who became an example for us,
You showed us the Love of God,
The Light of Christ,
and the strength of the Holy Spirit;
We pray now that all we say and do,
in your honor, be a continuation
of your work here on earth.
St. Peter Claver, pray for us.

Fr. Ken will be attending the Convocation of Priests. There will be no daily mass September 12th & 13th. Communion services will be offered.



RCIA Enrollment Open

Do you know someone who wants to enter the Church or a Catholic who hasn't made their confirmation yet? We're getting ready to start another class of the RCIA, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. In the RCIA, you'll learn about the teachings of Jesus and the Church, deepen your relationship with God, and prepare to receive the sacraments. Classes will meet on Thursdays. Call **Carol Licciardi (504) 277-1221** or the office for more details.



Religion Education Class Schedule

Kindergarten- 11th grade

September 10th 6:00 - 7:40 p.m.

Bake Sale Benefitting Religious Education

September 14 & 15 after all masses.

NOLA Catholic Youth Conference



Saturday, September 28, 2024

Location: Jesuit High School

The theme is **BE NOT AFRAID**, and the day features many dynamic speakers, including **Katie Prejean McGrady**, high school students from the Archdiocese of New Orleans, praise & worship with **The Vigil Project**, Mass with **Archbishop Aymond**, and more!

The Conference is open to youth between 7th - 12th grade. To register, contact **Kathy Huff** by September 13th.



ROSARY for Pro Life

September 28th & 29th

Please join the Knights of Columbus before Mass in recitation of the Holy Rosary for the Pro Life cause.



Prayer for Protection against Storms and Hurricanes

Our Father in Heaven, through the intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, spare us during this Hurricane season from all harm. Protect us and our homes from all disasters of nature. Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Communications Requests

All ministries and groups must either email or fill out the request form available in the gathering area to publish information in the bulletin or weekend announcements. Requests must be received no later than noon, Wednesday, two weeks before the scheduled date.

Solicitation Requests

All ministries and groups must fill out the request form or email the church at oll@arch-no.org for permission to solicit or sell raffle tickets, merchandise, etc. in the gathering area.

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:

August 24th & 25th

Attendance: 349

Offertory: \$1952.38

Online Giving: \$ 590.00

Budget: \$3500.00

\$ 957.62

Poor Box: \$55.45

Thank you for your generosity and spirit of caring!