

# Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church

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The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

December 31, 2023

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## *The Holy Family*



*Jesus, Mary and Joseph*  
December 31, 2023

### **MASS SCHEDULE**

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

**SUNDAY:**

4:00 p.m. (Vigil)

**SATURDAY:**

**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

### **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 Friday at 7:00 am leading to 8:00 am Mass.

# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



**December 30, 2023– January 5, 2024**

Saturday, December 30:

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

Sunday, December 31:

9:00 AM **Carolyn LeBlanc; Blanche Constant; Peggy Schifano; Herman & Ursula Repath; Leo Ivy Turnbull, Jr.; Tina Marie Perez Ireland; Corey Charles Acosta; Floyd Landry Family; C. J. Bourg, Jr.; Craig Taffaro, Sr.; Elaine Morales; Rev. Raymond Guillot**

11:00 AM **Louis & Nicolina Burns; Vicknair Family; Rene' Pecar; Larry Pecar; Joey Held, Jr.; Barbara Deogracias; Lanny & Dora Villanueva; Craig Taffaro, Sr.; JoAnn Ben; Manuel & Emanuel Montelongo; Henry & Florence Freire Family; Berhildo & Carmella Alfonso Family; Tammy Parfait; Valentino Molero; Rev. Raymond Guillot**

Monday, January 1: **Tommie Dunn, Jr.**

Tuesday, January 2: **The United States**

Wednesday, January 3: **All Souls**

Thursday, January 4: **All Souls**

Friday, January 5: **Eloise & George Villanueva**

**January 6, 2024– January 12, 2024**

Saturday, January 6:

4:00 PM: **Rodney Williams, Sr. Family; Irwin Schleismann; Gustave "Johnny" Huff; Robert Daussat; Robert Oalman; Santo Migliore; Rev. Raymond Guillot**

Sunday, January 7:

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

11:00 AM **Carolyn LeBlanc; Vicknair Family; Barbara Deogracias; Lanny & Dora Villanueva; JoAnn Ben; Pippa Reed; Rev. Raymond Guillot; Louis & Nicolina Burns; Kurt Rodriquez; Roland & Jackie Rodriquez; Ashley & Kathleen Henderson**

Monday, January 8: **Fr. Ken's Intentions**

Tuesday, January 9: **John Toche**

Wednesday, January 10: **All Souls**

Thursday, January 11: **Valentino Molero**

Friday, January 12: **All Souls**



## FLOWERS

THE BLESSED MOTHER:

**KIRK PICOU**

ST. JOSEPH

**LALUMIA FAMILY**

SACRED HEART

**PICOU FAMILY**



*If you would like to purchase Flowers in memory or in honor of a loved one, please contact the office. Flowers can be placed by the Blessed Mother, the Sacred Heart or St. Joseph.*

THE SANCTUARY LAMP BURNS THIS WEEK FOR:

**SOULS IN PURGATORY**

THE MARIAN CANDLE BURNS THIS WEEK FOR:

**SOULS IN PURGATORY**

THE ST. JOSEPH CANDLE BURNS THIS WEEK FOR:

**DAN CALUDA**

THE SACRED HEART CANDLE BURNS THIS WEEK FOR:

**SOULS IN PURGATORY**

*If you would like to have a Candle burn in memory or in honor of a loved one; or for a Special Intention, please contact the office.*



**Mass Intention Deadline:**  
Please send your Mass Intentions two (2) weeks prior to the date requested

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Those who honor their parents will be greatly blessed and will atone for sins (Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14) *or* (Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3).

**Psalms** — Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation. (Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5) *or* (Psalm 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9).

**Second Reading** — Be thankful; do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus (Colossians 3:12-21 [12-17]) *or* (Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19).

**Gospel** — The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom (Luke 2:22-40 [22, 39-40]).

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Nm 6: 22-27; Ps 67: 2-3, 5, 6, 8 (2a); Gal 4: 4-7; Lk 2: 16-21  
**Tuesday:** 1 Jn 2: 22-28; Ps 98: 1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 1: 19-28  
**Wednesday:** 1 Jn 2: 29 -- 3: 6; Ps 98: 1, 3cd-4, 5-6; Jn 1: 29-34  
**Thursday:** 1 Jn 3: 7-10; Ps 98: 1, 7-8, 9; Jn 1: 35-42  
**Friday:** 1 Jn 3: 11-21; Ps 100: 1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Jn 1: 43-51  
**Saturday:** 1 Jn 5: 5-13; Ps 147: 12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Mk 1: 7-11 *or* Lk 3: 23-38  
**Sunday:** Is 60: 1-6; Ps 72: 1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Eph 3: 2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2: 1-12

### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Penny Iemmola; Cancer Patients; Chester Vidacovich; Pablo Cedenio; Glen Lohfink; Glenda Caesar; Ginger Walerius; Linda Boos; Maureen Bloodworth; Vincent Giannobile; Marlene Furgason; Miriam Daussat; Pauline Alfonso; Shannon Guillotte; Isaac; Skylar Bernstein; James Boudreaux; Edith Marie Gardner

### PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN NEED

Natalia Baca; First Responders; Rita Oalmann; Josie Landry; Isabella Bazile; Terrance Thomas; Julie Pravata; Roselyn Hansen; Gwen Cantrell; Dina Cedenio; Cornelius Dennis; Joy Dennis; Leon Minor



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**Fr. Ken, Dea. Craig &  
The OLOL Staff  
wish everyone a  
Happy New Year!**

### SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

**Sunday:** The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph  
**Monday:** The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God; The Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; New Year's Day  
**Tuesday:** Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen  
**Wednesday:** The Most Holy Name of Jesus  
**Thursday:** St. Elizabeth Ann Seton  
**Friday:** St. John Neumann  
**Saturday:** St. André Bessette

### HOME IS WHERE THE FAMILY IS

The idea, dream, and reality of family is so strong and durable that we use it to describe all that is best about human gatherings. We speak of the family of nations, of our church and parish families. The greatest compliment we can pay a friend or gracious host is to say that we feel at home with them, we feel part of the family.

Families are the first crucibles in which love is tested and tempered. Jesus himself was one of three people who lived in the shadow of each other. This family, like our own, did not always get it right, but they always tried to. These three amateurs were on holiday, and one of them got lost. Two were worried sick and took great measures to find the third, a boy after all, who was seeking the meaning of his calling. He found his vocation--to do his Father's work--but he also returned home with his parents.

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### Prayer for Peace

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:  
where there is hatred, let me sow love;  
where there is injury, pardon;  
where there is doubt, faith;  
where there is despair, hope;  
where there is darkness, light;  
where there is sadness, joy.  
O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek  
to be consoled as to console,  
to be understood as to understand,  
to be loved as to love.  
For it is in giving that we receive,  
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.  
Amen.

—St. Francis of Assisi

## **EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2024**

### **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**

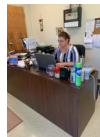
All ministries and groups must fill out the request form or email the church at oll@arch-no.org for permission to solicit or sell raffle tickets, merchandise, etc. in the gathering area.

## **Christmas & Solemnity of Mary**

### **Office Hours**

**December 25th thru January 1st**  
**Closed**

**The office will reopen for regular business hours Tuesday, January 2nd**



### **BAPTIZED DECEMBER:**

**Everett Tate Hamilton**  
**Sylvie Josephine Hamilton**

## **FINDING FAITH ON KING'S DAY**

### **MORNING OF REFLECTION FOR WOMEN**

**Saturday, January 6th from 9:00 A.M. to 11:30 AM in the Community Center.**

***What is Faith?***

***Is Faith a gift?***

***How do you know that you have Faith?***

***Where do you let our Faith shine?***

**Join us for prayer and fellowship.**

**Contact Kathy Huff 504-491-8157 for more information.**

**Sponsored by the OLOL Violet Ladies Auxiliary.**



### **LOLO ROSARY GROUP**

**The Rosary Group will meet**  
**Tuesday, Jan. 2nd @ 10:00 AM in**  
**the Church.**



### **Religion Education Class Schedule**

**Kindergarten- 11th grade**

**Tuesday, January 2nd, No Class**

### ***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:

#### **December 16th & 17th**

Attendance: 227

Offertory: \$2655.57

Online Giving: \$ 588.00

Budget: \$3500.00

**\$ 256.43**

***Poor Box: \$***

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

### **Knights of Columbus CYLA Scholarship**



**Knights of Columbus Our Lady of Lourdes Council 8442 is now accepting applications for the Catholic Youth Leadership Award. Applicants must be a senior and a Catholic. For information about the program**

**including the application is available at <https://www.louisianakc.org/programs/cyla/> or by scanning the QR code.**

**Please send any questions to [cyla@kc8442.org](mailto:cyla@kc8442.org).**

