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MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

6:15 a.m.

Tuesday & Thursday

12:00 p.m.

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm

Sunday 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 am
& 6:00 pm (Life Teen Mass)

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December 31, 2017



The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

The child grew and became strong,
filled with wisdom;
and the favor of God was upon him.

Luke 2:40

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DEAR PARISHIONERS OF ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH & ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CHURCH,

Adoration Chapel

Holyday and Holiday Schedule

The Adoration Chapel at St. Anthony of Padua Church will be closed for the Christmas and New Year's Holydays and Holidays.

The chapel will close at **12:00 p.m. on Friday, December 22, 2017 and reopen on Tuesday, January 2, 2018 at 12:00 p.m.** Noticing several other churches have been closing their chapel for these Holydays and Holidays as well as hearing the difficulty of scheduling substitute adorers, it is best to provide a safe and easy arrangement for all adorers. I thank all adorers for your love of Jesus Christ. If you can, please pray at home during your regular time of adoration. This way we maintain our spirit and attitude of adoration.

PRAYER FOR JANUARY 1ST - MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

God of heaven and earth, you came to us and took our earthly flesh through the gift of Mary's yes, as she is the earthly mother of your Son. We are thankful beyond our ability to thank you for the gift of her Son as our brother and savior. Through her self-giving, we have been reconciled to you. Bless us as we begin this New Year and endow us with the desire and ability to create a world of peace. We ask all this, through the intercession of Mary to you, one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC TRADITIONS EXPLAINED

Question: What can I do to help our family practice our faith each day?

Answer: Some families practice their religion together as just another event on their schedule: go to church, observe Lent, help at parish picnic, go to a meeting, volunteer time, make their confession, use church support envelope ... But the focus needs to be on who we are – God's people, in relationship with God, loved, forgiven, redeemed, called to live and proclaim the Gospel. Our awareness of God's presence and our sense of mission are supported by the daily rituals, celebrations, and traditions that help us stay focused. Sharing our faith strengthens us and clarifies the

beliefs and values of Christian living.

Daily family practices include time for prayer – before meals, before bed, before meetings and activities. It is important that families pray together at least once a week. The Rosary is a good prayer. Attend Sunday Mass together and discuss the homily afterward. Gather for family meals at least five times a week. Create family celebrations for holy days and holidays. Make religion a regular part of discussions. Include others, especially the elderly and the less fortunate, in activities and charitable efforts. By applying the virtues of faith, hope, and love to each day, faith becomes part of who family is. Faith influences how we act towards others, what our value and how mindful of God we are. Faith is the leaven of life, helping all of us rise to our calling and dignity as God's people.

Gospel for the Solemnity of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, Year B – Luke 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

“When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned ... to their own town of Nazareth.”

Mary and Joseph were faithful Jews who followed the norms of their religion. Today's Gospel describes the event we call “The Presentation.” Jesus' parents, like every Jewish family, presented their infant son to the lord in a formal ceremony. Having done what their religious rites required (and having heard the prophetic words of Simeon and Anna), Mary and Joseph returned home. It was back in their native region of Galilee, amidst the daily routine of domestic life, that Jesus “*grew and became strong, filled with wisdom.*”

As Christians, we too consecrate our children to the Lord when we have them baptized in the Church. Seeing our children receive this sacrament of



HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

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December 24 & 31 in the Jan. 7th bulletin.**



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MSGR.'S ARTICLE CONTINUED...

initiation is always a moment of great joy and hope as we anticipate the life that lies ahead for them, both on earth and in eternity. But the baptism of a baby is only the beginning of this journey towards heaven. But the baptism of a baby is only the beginning of this journey towards heaven. In truth, the little daily details, the simple living of family life in our own home paves the way for our children to reach their eternal home.

So it was with the Holy Family, Jesus' childhood, his formation and development took place not primarily among the public drama of the temple, but in the quiet privacy of his home. How important this whom was, where his parents raised him in their faith and helped him live in such a way that "*the favor of God was upon him.*" May we too, in our homes and in our families, remember that although our mission may be lived out in very small moments, taken together they have an eternal significance.

Questions for the Week

Luke 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40 – How do you think Mary and Joseph worked through together the prophecies told by Simeon about the baby Jesus and Mary?

Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3 – When has our faith in God been put to the test?

Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19 – Who in your family do you see as a role model for the faith, and why?

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, January 1

6:15 a.m.: James Sherrill Duos; Norma Jean Miller; Robert E. Brown; Fenrick Manuel; Frankie LaFleur; Jack & Lois Miller; M/M Auggie Leonards; Bo & Jill Bihm (*Liv.*); Pat & Jeré Roy (*Liv.*); Julia Ann Roy (*Liv.*); John & Rita Bihm (*Liv.*); Blade Leger (*Liv.*)

Tuesday, January 2

12:00 p.m.: Paul Rozas; Gene Duplechin

Wednesday, January 3

6:15 a.m.: Craig Boudreaux family (*Liv.*)

Thursday, January 4

12:00 p.m.: Robert Etney Brown fly. (*Liv. & Dec.*); Donald V. Tanner, Sr.; Anna Ledet; Tricia & Mark (*Birthday*) Bertrand (*Liv.*)

Friday, January 5

6:15 a.m.: Lou Melancon (*Birthday*)

Saturday, January 6

4:00 p.m.: Dutch Spekschate; Merita Guillory; Joan

Schatzle-McManus; Ed Dietz; Don Hebert; Robert Etney Brown family (*Liv. & Dec.*); Dr. Sylvan Manuel; Burley Marcantel; Marene Fruge; Cynthia Fuselier; Leon Stelly; Kirk Stelly; Don Porter; Ron Porter; Beth Sylvester; Newton Thibodeaux

Sunday, January 7

7:00 a.m.: St. Anthony Parishioners; Dr. F.J. DeRouen; Pilar Parrie; Vernell Soileau; Ashton Noel

9:00 a.m.: Johnny & Ruth Manuel; Frankie LaFleur; Kelly Keller; Geraldine L. Keller; J.D. & Marshall Arabie; M/M Norris Young; Franci Bass fly (*Liv.*); Jay Caswell fly. (*Liv.*); Michelle & Robbie LeJeune fly. (*Liv.*); Don & Barbara Mayeux fly. (*Liv.*); Suzanne Wimberley fly. (*Liv.*); Margaret Von Alem fly. (*Liv.*); April DeRouen (*Liv.*); Lori & Paul LaCour fly. (*Liv.*)

11:00 a.m.: Hazel Miller

6:00 p.m.: Joan Schatzle-McManus

PRIEST, EXTRAORDINARY LAY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION, LECTORS & ALTAR SERVERS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6

4:00 p.m.	Fr. Hebert	Dcn. Gary Gaudin, Vergie Ardoin, Mitch Fontenot Barry Soileau, Barbara Thibodeaux	Jude Huckaby	Bailey Conde, Alex Fontenot Gabby Fontenot, Peyton LaCombe
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SUNDAY, JANUARY 7 -- EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

7:00 a.m.	Msgr. Romero	Brad Miller, Norma Diaville, Michael Lombas	Mark DeRouen	Clay Miller, Kate Miller, Mary-Helen Miller, Millie Miller
9:00 a.m.	Fr. Hebert	Josh Aucoin, Glenn Brown, Denise LeBouef	Amy Aucoin	Hunter Aucoin, Seth Aucoin Garet Hebert, Lindsay Hebert
11:00 a.m.	Fr. Hebert	Deacon Gary Gaudin, Shelia Aucoin, Kal Landry Todd & Debbie Ortego	Karl Aucoin	John Austin, Joshua & Justin Landry, Austin Miller Thurifer: Jack Miller MC: Minister Needed
6:00 p.m.	Fr. Hebert	Brayden Gaspard, Jeff & Angel McGee	Life Teen Member	Isaac Russell, Aidan Thibodeaux Koy Trahan, Luke Trahan

MINISTERS OF PRAYER



Please pray for: Kakee Feucht, Colleen Landreneau, John Lejeune, Kathy Fruge, Shirley Ortego, John Edward Thibodeaux, Pat Manuel, Andrew Aucoin, Hunter Vidrine, Bill Miller,

Dorothy Thibodeaux, Dwayne Richard, Murriss Gorley, Gertie Kibodeaux, Joseph Van Ortego, Madeline Montelaro, Lenard Craig, Craig Durbin, Linda Gaudin, Leroy Vige, Jo Ann DeRouen, Gracie Zaunbrecher, Hubert J. Blanchard, Rose Comeaux, Cynthia Price, Carl Comeaux, Marcus Venable, Helen Tanner, Glenn Durbin, Dale Larry, Greg Thibodeaux, Betty Sparks, Edmund & Alberta Frey, Cynthia Fuselier, Erika Dupont, Sheila DeRouen, Leroy Vige, Patricia Sittig, Sally Fontenot, Royne Fontenot, Susan Semien, Ann Duran, Evette Fall Bellow, John Landreneau, Gail Landreneau, Joan Burson.

Pray for our troops & peace in the world!

For a list of Catholic Churches & Mass Times when traveling, please visit:
www.parishesonline.com

MEETINGS & EVENTS

*Adoration Chapel
Closed Friday, Dec. 22 at 12:00 p.m. (noon) until
Tues., January 2 at 12:00 p.m. (noon)*

Monday, January 1

Rectory Office Closed

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.

Tuesday, January 2

Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.

Adoration Chapel reopens at 12:00 p.m.

Wednesday, January 3

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.

Thursday, January 4

Ladies Altar Society -- 9:30 a.m. in Parish Hall.

Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.

Friday, January 5

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.

Nursing Home Masses -- 9:30 a.m.

Saturday, January 6

Confessions -- 3:00 p.m.

Anticipated Mass: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 7

Masses: 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m./

Life Teen Mass -- 6:00 p.m.

Confirmation Session -- 7:00 p.m. in Parish Hall.

NO Life Night this Sunday

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NEW SERVERS' SCHEDULE

The new weekend Liturgical Servers' Schedule for February - March will soon be prepared. If you are planning to be away during this time -- or -- if you need to change your schedule - please call the office [457-5285] during office hours. Call by **January 22nd** to get your changes into the new schedule.



DIOCESAN MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY MASS

The Diocesan Marriage Anniversary Masses will be held on **Sunday, February 25, 2018** at Our Lady of Fatima, 2:00 p.m. with Bishop Douglas Deshotel presiding. Those couples celebrating **25, 40, 50, 60 or more** years of married life during the year of 2018 are asked to pre-register online at www.diola.org/marriage or call 337-261-5653 by **February 15, 2018**.



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- 1) Allowing me to spend time with you.
- 2) Blessings in my financial situation.

Adorers needed for the following hours
starting at: Wed 8 am, 5 pm, Thurs. 3 am;
Fri. 11 pm; Sat. 11 am, 12 pm, 1 pm, 2 pm

Prayer Partners Needed: Sun 12 am, 3 pm; Mon 8 am, 10 am; Wed 8 am; Thurs 4 pm, Fri 7 am;


To commit one hour - call Brenda Castro 457-7965.



St. Anthony of Padua Church

January 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
7  Epiphany of the Lord Pray for Deacon Gary Gaudin No Life Night this Sunday 6:00 PM Life Teen Mass 7:00 PM Confirmation Session #1	1 Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God New Year's Day Pray for Pope Francis Rectory Office Closed	2 Pray for Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI 12:00 PM Adoration Chapel Reopens	3 Pray for Bishop Douglas Deshotel	4 Pray for Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell 9:30 AM Ladies Altar Society	5 Pray for Msgr. Romero 9:30 AM Nursing Home Mass @ Eunice Manor & Oak Lane	6 Pray for Fr. Matthew Hebert Second Collection: Parish Maintenance & Insurance Fund 8:00 AM First Saturday Mass @ St. Anthony	
14 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Pray for Fr. Austin Leger & Fr. Henry Broussard 6:00 PM Life Teen Mass 7:00 PM Confirmation Session #2 7:00 PM Life Night	8 Pray for Deacon Jim Cormier 4:00 PM CCD Elem. classes 6:00 PM CCD JrHS classes Rectory Office Closed	9 Pray for Deacon Corey Lavergne 6:00 PM Women's ACTS Formation 6:00 PM Women's ACTS Mission Formation	10 Pray for Fr. Dustin Dought & Fr. Travis Abadie 9:00 AM St. Edmund All School Mass 6:00 PM Men's ACTS Formation 7:00 PM R.C.I.A. @ St. Mathilda	11 Pray for Fr. Darren Eldridge & Den. Chuck Ortego	12 Pray for Fr. John Brown SJ & Fr. Matthew Barzate 9:30 AM Nursing Home Mass @ Eunice Manor & Oak Lane 7:00 PM Baptism Class	13 Pray for Fr. Clinton Sensat & Den. David Gaillorey 2016 Gulf Coast Formation Conference	
21 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Pray for Fr. William Massie 6:00 PM Life Teen Mass 7:00 PM Life Night	15 Pray for Deacon T.J. Richard Martin Luther King, Jr. 6:00 PM Life Teen Mass Rectory Office Closed	16 Pray for Deacon Robbie Leger 6:00 PM Women's ACTS Formation 6:00 PM Women's ACTS Mission Formation	17 Pray for Fr. Nathan Comeaux 9:00 AM St. Edmund All School Mass 6:00 PM Men's ACTS Formation 7:00 PM R.C.I.A. @ St. Mathilda	18 Pray for Fr. Stephen Ugwu & Fr. Alphonse Thainese 7:00 PM Knights of Columbus	19 Pray for Fr. Chris Cambre 9:30 AM Nursing Home Mass @ Eunice Manor & Oak Lane	20 Pray for Fr. Kendal Faulk & Fr. Jerry Mesley Second Collection: Bishops Services Appeal Pastor Rotation Weekend Confirmation Retreat (1/19 - 1/21) @ A.B.C.	
28 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Pray for Fr. Jim Brady & Fr. Jonathan Janise 11:00 AM ACTS Return Mass & Reception 6:00 PM Life Teen Mass 7:00 PM Confirmation Session #3 7:00 PM Life Night	22 Pray for Fr. Gil Dutel & Fr. Tom Voorhies 4:00 PM CCD Elem. classes 6:00 PM CCD JrHS classes 6:00 PM Hard as Nails	23 Pray for Fr. William Schambough 6:00 PM Women's ACTS Formation 6:00 PM Women's ACTS Mission Formation	24 Pray for Fr. Randall Moreau 9:00 AM St. Edmund All School Mass 7:00 PM R.C.I.A. @ St. Mathilda	25 Pray for Fr. Sonny Brown & Fr. Tommy Montelaro	26 Pray for Fr. Blaine Clement 9:30 AM Nursing Home Mass @ Eunice Manor & Oak Lane	27 Pray for Sr. Agnes Thevis & Sr. Nell Murray Men's ACTS Retreat at ABC (January 25-28)	
28 Catholic Schools Week January 28 to February 3 Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed.	29 Pray for Fr. Joseph Sai Tran & Fr. David Hebert 9:00 AM St. Edmund All School Mass 4:00 PM CCD Elem. classes 6:00 PM CCD JrHS classes	30 Pray for Fr. Paul Lafleur & Fr. Keenan Brown 6:00 PM Women's ACTS Mission Formation	31 Pray for Sr. Joel Miller & Sr. Stephanie Brignac 7:00 PM R.C.I.A. @ St. Mathilda	Catholic Schools Week January 28 to February 3 Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed.			