

St. James Major Catholic Church

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Mass Times

Saturday: 4:00 pm (Anticipated)
Sunday: 10:00 am
Tuesday – Friday: 8:30 am in Chapel
Monday: Communion Service in Chapel

Holy Hour: First Friday following 8:30 am Mass.
Perpetual Help Novena: Tuesdays after Mass

Confessions

Saturday: 3:15 – 3:45 pm
And by request

Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 3:30 pm

New Parishioners: Welcome to the Parish! Please complete a registration form (found on the tables at the doors) and introduce yourself to the priest.

Baptisms: Please contact the Priest or Deacon to arrange for a seminar and time for the Baptism.

Weddings: Arrangements should be made at least six (6) months in advance of the date of the wedding. Please contact the priest before committing to any other arrangements.

Funerals: Please contact the church as soon as the need arises and before making any arrangements with the funeral parlor.

The Pastor's Corner



The Ministries of St. James Major Church

The members of the parish are the congregation who assist the priest at Mass and other church services and programs, teach the children, take care of the sanctuary and the church building and perform many other services to strengthen our spiritual lives and spread the Word of God. Become an active Church member by taking part in Church ministries. These are some of our parish ministries:

Altar Server-Youth (boy or girl) in 3rd grade through high school who assists the priest and deacon during liturgical services such as Mass or Way of the Cross. Must be a baptized, practicing Catholic.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion-Men and women who assist the priest in giving Holy Communion during Mass or bring the Blessed Sacrament to homebound in the parish. Archdiocesan provided training is required.

Lectors proclaim the Word of the Lord to the congregation at Mass. They usually work in pairs and are scheduled on a quarterly basis. The Archdiocese provides training for these ministers.

Altar Society-Men and women who maintain the items used in the celebration of Mass and other liturgical services. They keep the sanctuary clean and replace worn candles as needed. They assure that the altar cloths and vestments are clean and in good condition.

Hospitality Ministry-the welcoming, feeding, and socially organizing members of the parish. The Hospitality members direct monthly fellowships and the annual Faith & Family Day, and they provide "set-up" and refreshments for visiting dignitaries and seasonal programs.

Ushers-the first person you meet when coming into the church. Ushers greet those who enter the church, take up the collections at Mass, hand out the parish bulletin and Clarion Herald and answer questions. The ushers handle extraordinary situations that occur at Mass. They are the directors in the case of an emergency.



A Stewardship Moment

"Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared..."

Nehemiah 8;10

Today's reading from the Gospel of Luke offers us the first words of Jesus as he begins his public ministry. The words reflect his understanding of his Spirit-anointed mission. His words are his "Mission Statement." Good stewards rejoice in being followers of Jesus. They realize that Jesus' commission is their commission as well. They embrace it and adopt it as their own. We, too, have "glad tidings" to bring to a suffering world. This year, how will we fulfill Christ's commission in the world in which he has placed us, using the gifts he has entrusted to us?



Welcome

No matter where you are from, what you do, what your current family, marital or life situation...

No matter your personal history, age, background, race or political affiliation...

No matter your religion or self-perceived relationship with God or the Church...

We are very happy you are with us at St. James Major Church

Collection for the Church in Latin America

The second collection to be taken up next weekend (February 2-3) is for the Church in Latin America. For many in Latin America and the Caribbean, a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain and a shortage of ministers present obstacles to practicing the faith. Your support provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation and other programs to share our faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ. Your donations make you a missionary for Christ. Please help your brothers and sisters in Latin America.



Food Bank Available

Tuesdays & Thursdays 10-12

Our parish food bank is available to all who are in need of this help. We would invite those who are affected by the government shutdown to visit the food bank if they are in need of this assistance. The food bank is located in the parish rectory, next to the church.

Gently Used Clothing Collection

The parish is collecting gently used clothing for needy people. Men's, women's and children's clothing can be brought to the church vestibule at Mass times. The clothing you donate will be given to the poor, here and in Ghana.



Were You Married in 1969?

The Archdiocesan Golden Wedding Anniversary celebration will take place Sunday, June 2 at 3:00 pm in St. Philip Neri Church in Metairie. If you would like to take part in this celebration (not a Mass) please call the parish secretary at 304-6750 before March 1 to register.

Mass Intentions



Each Mass is offered for the intentions of all present and for the following:

SATURDAY, JANUARY 26

4:00 pm SJM Parishioners, living & deceased

SUNDAY, JANUARY 27

10:00 am Intentions of all our parishioners who are ill, Iris Bellinger and for all who have asked for prayer,

And for the repose of the souls of

- +Chacón Family
- +Marguerite Boudreaux
- +Thelma & Leon Woll, Sr.
- +O'Neill & Felicé Vappie
- +Bervian V. Washington
- +Ben Martinez, Jr.
- +Raymond Ward Vappie

- +Anita Collins
- +Rochelle Age
- +Paul Condoll
- +O'Neillia V. Mann
- +Elyria V. McLaughlin
- +Lawrence Serino
- +Roy Fox

MONDAY, JANUARY 28

8:30 am Communion Service

TUESDAY, JANUARY 29

- 8:30 am Int. Renée Williams
- +Jospeh Chevis
- +John Rondeno, Sr.
- +Antoinette Peroncel

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30

8:30 am +Audrey Vosbein

THURSDAY, JANUARY 31

8:30 am +Kathy Hogan

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1

8:30 am +Poor Souls in Purgatory (P.L.)

Please pray for them: Valerie Smith, Mary Mitchell, Gloria Mitchell, Denise Thomas, Audrey Wilson, Gail Wright, Nadine Rochell, Gloria Harris, Gertrude Harris, William Mitchell, Maggie Haney, Dominic Carmouche, Loretta Parent, Walter Glapion, Yvonne Bechet, Gerald Mercadel, Sr., Susan Lauterbach, Thais Ardoin, Russell Jordan, Denise Rachal, Herbert Briant, Sr., Irene Ward, Marguerite Ragas, Irma Springer, Wilbert Clementin, Sr., Byron Williams, Jr., Kim Stovall, Michelle Irwin, Dennis LeBlanc, Betty Reynolds, Jill Courseault, Meredith LeBlanc and Clarence, Robert and Buster Mitchell.



Please pray for all of our parishioners, especially those who are homebound or in hospitals, nursing homes and hospice. Please notify the rectory of the change in status of you or your relatives on the prayer list.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

- 28 Monday **ST. THOMAS AQUINAS**
Hebrews 9:15, 24-28; Ps 98; Mark 3:22-30
- 29 Tuesday **WEEKDAY**
Hebrews 10:1-10; Ps 40; Mark 3:31-35
- 30 Wednesday **WEEKDAY**
Hebrews 10:11-18; Ps 110; Mark 4:1-20
- 31 Thursday **ST. JOHN BOSCO**
Hebrews 10:19-25; Ps 24; Mark 4:21-25
- 01 Friday **WEEKDAY**
Hebrews 10:32-39; Ps 37; Mark 4:26-34
- 02 Saturday **PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**
Malachi 3:1-4; Ps 24; Hebrews 2:14-18; Luke 2:22-40
- 03 Sunday **FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19; Ps 71; 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13; Luke 4:21-30



Lectors & Commentators

- Jan 26 Greer Adams, Michael Sinegar
- Jan 27 Madeline Curits, Lawrence Dejan



Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

- Jan 26 Roy LeBlanc, D.J. Ferrier
- Jan 27 Denise Huner, Denise Thomas

Our Men and Women in the Service

Please remember to pray for our men and women who are serving in the armed forces, especially:

- SSgt Bryan Stovall, Jr., USMC
- PVT Robert Cook, USA
- SSgt. Anthony Montz, USAF
- SSgt. Davin Hornsby, USAF
- PO2 Melissa Flot, USN
- SGT Robert Lambert, USA
- Alvin Benjamin, USN
- A1C Andrew Montz, USAF

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & BENEDICTION



will be held Friday, February 1 after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at 9:00 a.m., Reposition at 10:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration is held the first Friday of each month.

Church Support



OFFERTORY COLLECTION (January 19-20)

First Collection	\$ 1898.00
Second Collection	589.00
	<u>\$ 2487.00</u>

Thank you for your support!