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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 8:30 am

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.

A Memorial Day Prayer

Heavenly Father, today we remember and pay tribute to the men and women of the Armed Services who have died in the defense of our nation; from the days of the Revolution to these days in Iraq and Afghanistan. They paid the ultimate sacrifice for the freedoms we hold so dear.

In the words of Sacred Scripture we hear, "There is no greater love than this, than to lay down one's life for a friend." It is only by Your grace and the love they have for You and this nation that gave them the strength to lay down their lives.

We beseech You O Lord, to receive these servants of peace into Your loving embrace and grant them the eternal peace that surpasses all understanding.

We also remember the family members of these great heroes. They too suffer a great and painful sacrifice. Bestow upon them the blessings of Your consolation and peace. May You ease their sadness as they continue on the road to serenity and hope.

To You we offer this prayer knowing You fulfill the heart's desire of those who seek You with noble intentions. May our prayer for true and lasting peace be answered in accordance to Your will and for the good of Your sons and daughters. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, the King of Peace. Amen

In Flanders Fields

by John McCrae

In Flanders fields the poppies grow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.



Alexis Helmer, a close friend of Dr. John McCrae, was killed during the battle of Ypres on May 2, 1915. (World War I) McCrae performed the burial service himself, at which time he noted how poppies quickly grew around the graves of those who died at Ypres. The next day, he composed the poem while sitting in the back of an ambulance at an Advanced Dressing Station outside the battle site.

Memorial Day A Day to Remember Our Fallen Military Heroes

Memorial Day was started to honor those who had served and died in the Civil War, in which more than 600,000 soldiers on both sides died. The commemoration began as Decoration Day on May 30, 1868, three years after the Civil War ended. It was established for Americans to decorate the graves of fallen soldiers with flowers.

On Memorial day, a custom is that the American flag is flown at half staff until noon, and then raised until sunset. About half of veterans of post-9/11 wars served with someone who was killed. Since 1776, 48 million Americans have served in the armed forces.



Peter's Pence Collection

The Collection for the Holy Father or Peter's Pence Collection enables the Holy Father to respond with emergency financial assistance to requests to aid the neediest throughout the world—those who suffer as a result of war, oppression, and natural disasters. It likewise provides the faithful with a tangible opportunity to not only empower the weak, defenseless, and voiceless, but also sustain those who suffer. The collection is scheduled June 8-9, 2019.

Food Bank Needs Specific Items

Our food bank is in need of several specific items: Vienna sausage, tuna, canned fruit, canned milk, breakfast items, 1 lb. bags of rice, rice mixes, chili and cake mixes. Your donations of these items, either name brand or store brand, is greatly appreciated. We are unable to redistribute commodity food.

Pause for Prayer with the Daughters of St. Paul

Thursday, June 6 6:30-8:30 pm

Join the Daughters of St Paul for evening prayer, supper, talk and Q & A 6:30pm - 8:30pm at the Pauline Books & Media Center, 4403 Veterans Blvd, Metairie. Please email Sr Gioan Linh by Thursday morning if you are planning to attend, Gnguyen@paulinemediacom or call

A Stewardship Moment



Stewardship

A way of living

"...do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid."
John 14:27

Our limited human understanding cannot begin to understand the immense power of God. Instead of trusting in God, we think we can control every outcome. Do you want to make God laugh? Tell Him your plans. The next time worry, anxiety or fear creeps in, thank God for the opportunity to live **Stewardship** and trust that He has a better plan for you.

Mass Intentions



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

SATURDAY, MAY 25

8:00 pm SJM Parishioners, living & deceased

SUNDAY, MAY 26

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

And for the repose of the souls of

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| +Al & Dorothy Martin | +Arthur Collins |
| +Thelma & Leon Woll, Sr. | +Rochelle Age |
| +Wilfred Maginnis, III | +Mark Goudeau |
| +Adolf Robillia | +Lessie Floyd |
| +Lorraine Adams | +Robert Heintz |
| +Christine Moore | +Shawn Ashley |

MONDAY, MAY 27

8:30 am Communion Service

TUESDAY, MAY 28

8:30 am Int. Donnell Bonnee
+Josph Chevis
+Janet Murff

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29

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

THURSDAY, MAY 30

8:30 am +Louisa Rondeno

FRIDAY, MAY 31

8:30 am Int. Lynette Bonnee

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

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| 27 Monday | ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY or SIXTH WEEK OF EASTER
Acts 16:11-15; Pa 149; John 15:26-16:4a |
| 28 Tuesday | SIXTH WEEK OF EASTER
Acts 16:22-24; Ps 138; John 16:5-11 |
| 29 Wednesday | SIXTH WEEK OF EASTER
Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Ps 148; John 16:12-16 |
| 30 Thursday | SIXTH WEEK OF EASTER
Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98; John 16:16-20 |
| 31 Friday | VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
Zephaniah 3:14-18a or Romans 12:9-16; Is 12; Luke 1:39-56 |
| 01 Saturday | ST. JUSTIN
Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47; John 16:23b-28 |
| 02 Sunday | SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
Acts 7:55-60; Ps 47; Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20; John 17:20-26 |

Lectors & Commentators



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| May 25 | Gloria Jordon, Elisa Triplett |
| May 26 | Denise Thomas, Marlin Gusman |

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion



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| May 25 | Michael Sinegar, Roy LeBlanc |
| May 26 | Al Courseault, Lawrence Dejan |



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

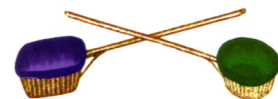
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| SSgt Bryan Stovall, Jr., USMC | PO2 Melissa Flot, USN |
| PVT Robert Cook, USA | SGT Robert Lambert, USA |
| SSgt. Anthony Montz, USAF | Alvin Benjamin, USN |
| SSgt. Davin Hornsby, USAF | A1C Andrew Montz, USAF |

Mass for God's Special Children

Sunday, June 2 2 pm
St. Francis Xavier Church
444 Metairie Road

Mass for special needs individuals, family & friends
Knights of Columbus & Daughters of Isabella will host their Annual Luau after Mass

Church Support



OFFERTORY COLLECTION (MAY 11-12)

First Collection	\$ 2075.00
Second Collection	583.00
	<u>\$ 2658.00</u>

Thank you for your support.