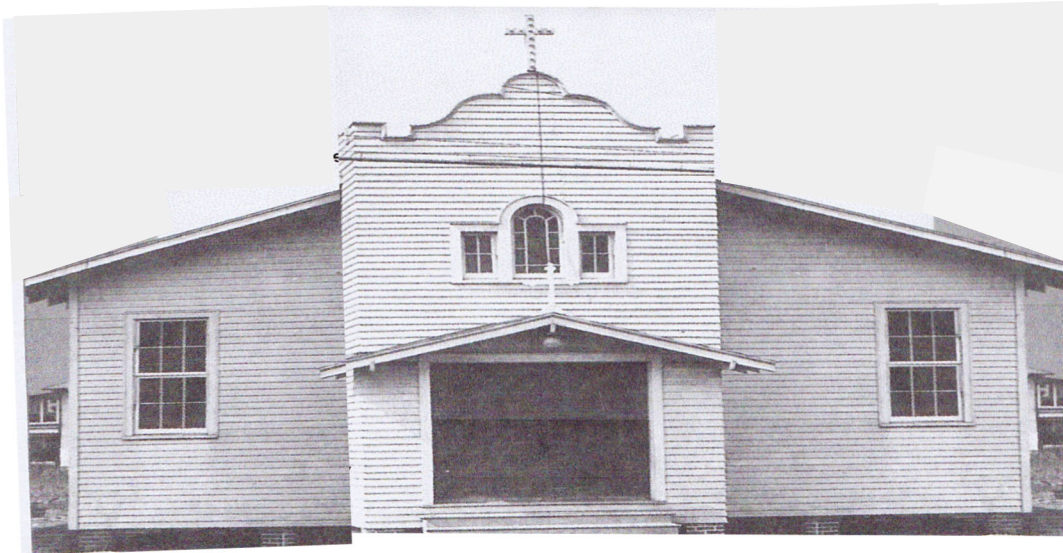


St. James Major Catholic Church

Celebrating 100 Years 1920-2020



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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.

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

MAY 24, 2020

*The Pastor's
Corner*



To: Clergy, Religious and Laity

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ, is a home where we gather as God's family to experience the risen Christ. So many have expressed to me a real hunger to receive Christ in the Eucharist during the last 2 months.

The "stay home mandate" called for a radical change in daily life and called us to patience. Thanks to health care workers, first responders, community leaders and those who had to work on the front lines for the good of the community. Thanks to parents, school administrators and teachers who created virtual schools for our children.

I know some are still hesitant to gather with others. Please recall that Catholics are dispensed from the obligation to celebrate Mass on Sunday during the pandemic. Heartfelt gratitude to our clergy who continue to lead God's people in this challenging time. Pastors were very creative in finding ways to bring the church into the homes of so many people.

Please join me in asking God for his healing touch on those who are ill and peace to those who have lost loved ones in death.

In time more will be allowed to gather for Mass. Please be patient! Please wear a mask. Please observe social distancing. Please pray!

Wishing you God's peace and protection, I am

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Gregory M. Aymond

Archbishop of New Orleans



Ascension of the Lord

The Ascension is a mystery inseparable from the Passion, Death and Resurrection of the Lord. In the Gospel of John, Jesus declares, "When I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw all men to Myself." In speaking thus our Lord indicates the cross upon which He is to be lifted up in death; but He is also pointing toward His exaltation: His Resurrection, but above all, His Ascension by which He will gather all by His glory.

Saint Augustine, in his sermon for the Ascension, speaks of the oneness that Jesus establishes between Himself and His Church: "He is our head and we are His Body. No one ascended into heaven except Christ because we also are Christ: His is the Son of Man by His union with us, and we by our union with Him are sons of God." Jesus so unites Himself to the Church that where He, the head, has gone, the body will follow. The Ascension celebrates that Jesus departs from the earth in order to create space in the very heart of God for His Church.

Jesus alone brings unity to the whole of mankind. His Passion reaches its resolution only when He, the Son of God, is exalted to heaven and when there He makes room for His Body, the Church.

Excerpted from Magnificat, May 2020
Father Garrett Ahlers
Parochial Vicar and teacher of Church history



Reminders from the Pastor

- ⇒ Wear a face mask. It protects others from your "germs"
- ⇒ Wash or sanitize your hands frequently
- ⇒ Stay at least 6 feet from those not living in your household
- ⇒ Observe "indoor capacity" orders

FEAST OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

MASS INTENTIONS



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

SATURDAY, MAY 23

4:00 pm SJM Parishioners, living & deceased

SUNDAY, MAY 24

10:00 am Intentions of our parishioners who are ill, for all who have asked for prayer, for the intentions of Sister Pauline and for the repose of the souls of

+Thelma & LeonWoll, Sr.	+Gloria Age
+Clare & Clarence Jupiter	+Brulée Family
+Eddie & Millie Ward	+Anita Collins
+Carolyn S. Collor	+Elma Alvis
+Joseph W. Larche	+Clayton Alexis

MONDAY, MAY 25

8:30 am +Poor Souls in Purgatory

TUESDAY, MAY 26

8:30 am +Roger Dennis
+Belvia Isabelle

WEDNESDAY, MAY 27

8:30 am +Clare & Clarence Jupiter

THURSDAY, MAY 28

8:30 am St. James Major Parishioners, living and deceased

FRIDAY, MAY 29

8:30 am +Thelma & Leon Woll, Sr.

Please pray for them: Thais Ardoin, Herbert Briant, Sr., Dominic Carmouche, Wilbert Clementin, Sr., Maggie Haney, Gertrude Harris, Gloria Harris, Michelle Irwin, Mona Johnson, Russell Jordan, Pamela Jordon, Sarah Lafitte, Susan Lauterbach, Dennis LeBlanc, Meredith LeBlanc, Virgie Louis, Clarence, Robert and Buster Mitchell, Gloria Mitchell, Mary Mitchell, William Mitchell, Cheryl Napoleon, Loretta Parent, Cletus Parker, Vivian Picou, Vivian Posey, Denise Rachal, Marguerite Ragas, Betty Reynolds, Laurie Robért, Nadine Rochell, Melody Sanderson, Valerie Smith, Irma Springer, Kim Stovall, Denise Thomas, Mallo-ry Tuggles, Irene Ward, Byron Williams, Jr., Audrey Wil-son, and Gail Wright.

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

- 25 Monday **ST. GREGORY VII or ST. BEDE or ST. MARY MAGDALENE DÉ PAZZI or SEVENTH WEEK OF EASTER**
Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68; John 16:29-33
- 26 Tuesday **ST PHILIP NERI**
Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68; John 17:1-11a
- 27 Wednesday **ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY or SEVENTH WEEK OF EASTER**
Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68; John 17:11b-19
- 28 Thursday **SEVENTH WEEK OF EASTER**
Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16; John 17:20-26
- 29 Friday **ST. PAUL VI or SEVENTH WEEK OF EASTER**
Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103; John 21:15-19
- 30 Saturday **SEVENTH WEEK OF EASTER**
Acts 28:16-20; Ps 11; John 21:20-25
- 31 Sunday **PENTECOST SUNDAY**
Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104; 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13; John 20:19-23

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	PO2 Melissa Flot, USN
SSgt. Andrew Montz, USAF	SGT Robert Lambert, USA
SSgt. Anthony Montz, USAF	Alvin Benjamin, USN
SSgt. Davin Hornsby, USAF	SPC Robert Cook, USA

CHURCH SUPPORT

OFFERTORY COLLECTION MAY 16-17

First Collection	\$ 2460.00
Second Collection	607.00
	<u>\$ 3067.00</u>

Thank you for supporting your parish.

Your Parish depends on your financial support at its main source of income. During this time when public Mass is not being celebrated in the church, you are still able to support your parish by mailing your contributions. The address can be found on the front cover of the bulletin.

Mass Intentions

Mass Intentions scheduled for the days when no Masses were celebrated have been moved to future dates.