

St. James Major Catholic Church



Celebrating
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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.



Love Is A Choice



Love is a choice to make, meaning I choose to love or to hate. In the sequence of what we love, my heart directs me to consider some things over and above others. Today Jesus speaks to this matter in our choices of what leads to salvation. Jesus said: "Whoever loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me; and whoever does not take up his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me. Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for My sake will find it" (Matt 10:37-39).

On the other hand, to be loved is a gift from those who love us. The true Christian love that Jesus is talking about should not be based on what or who I am but that I am human is enough. Jesus again says if you love anyone on your way you love Him and the One who sent Him. "Whoever receives you receives Me, and whoever receives Me receives the One who sent Me."

Dear friends, let us grow in our love of one other and be true children of God and a true friend of Jesus. Happy Sunday and a blessed week to you all!!

Family Activities for Kids

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends we all practice social distancing to help slow the spread of the current COVID-19 pandemic. To do this, we should avoid crowds, skip large events and keep a safe distance (about 6 feet) from people who are not family members.

But this doesn't mean we can't go outside! As long as we keep a safe distance and practice good hygiene, a little fresh air could do us a lot of good. Here are some tips for safely being active outside:

- **Go for a family walk.** Take a break from work, the news or the online buzz by getting the whole family (including furry friends) out for a 30-minute walk. If you don't have a half hour, just do what you can.
- **Shake the rust off your green thumb.** Winter weather is beginning to thaw, so enlist the kids to help you in the yard or garden. Pulling weeds, digging holes, planting bulbs and watering plants can get the heart pumping more than you think.
- **Have a family field day.** Set up for a water balloon toss, pass the baton, a three-legged race, a crab walk, relay races—the possibilities are endless. Bring a piece of the schoolyard home, and don't be afraid to get creative.

Get back to basics. Remember the days of chalk-scribbled hopscotch, duck-duck-goose and hula hoop obstacle courses? Relive your favorite childhood games with your little (or not-so-little) ones. We know you can't spend the whole day outside—surely work, other responsibilities or the weather will bring you indoors for long periods of time.

You may have to flex your creative muscles a little more to keep kids active, engaged and entertained inside, but we've got you covered with these tips:

- **Create a scavenger hunt.** Pick a theme, and give your kids cards with clues. For example, try a memory hunt! Hand out cards with clues describing a photo in your home. Have the kids match the memory to the photo, and talk about the memories as a family. (Bonus: Enlist older kids to help with clues.)
- **Try kids yoga.** If you have access, try a YouTube search for kids yoga. If not, give the kids 5 stretches and set a 20-second timer for each move. Repeat your "flow" 3 times for a few minutes of active calm.
- **Let them in on grown-up "fun."** Kids often love taking part in the tasks we don't enjoy doing as adults—like doing the dishes, laundry or cleaning. Ask them to help you with your chores list, taking special care to let them do the work. For littler ones, start a cleaning race. Set a timer and see who can pick up the most toys and put them back in their rightful place.
- **Enlist your furry friends.** Let the kids play hide and seek with your household pets. If your pet is used to playing with kids, play an indoor game of tag. Tired kids and a worn-out pup? It's a win-win.
- **Pretend the floor is hot lava!** Put pillows and blankets around a room. The kids must jump from pillow to pillow (or blanket to blanket) as they try to avoid the "hot lava floor." Remember ... don't fall in!
- **Have a hula hoop contest.** If you have supplies at home, see who can keep their hoop up the longest. We promise this will be fun for the whole family, and the laughs will keep you energized long after the fun.
- **Go on an indoor adventure.** Set up a pillow fort or indoor campsite where kids can escape to read, play or learn. From finding supplies to setting up, they're sure to burn some energy.

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS



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

SATURDAY, JUNE 27

4:00 pm SJM Parishioners, living & deceased

SUNDAY, JUNE 28

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

+Thelma & Leon Woll, Sr.	+Brulée Family
+Gloria & Rochelle Age	+Rita Major
+Cora Grigsby Odoware	+Emelda Bell
+Clare & Clarence Jupiter	+Marlene Benn
+Shirley Aubry Austin	+Ferdinand Winters

MONDAY, June 29

8:30 am +Poor Souls in Purgatory

TUESDAY, June 30

8:30 am Int. Dominic Carmouche
+Peter Bonnee, Jr.
+Louisa Rondeno
+Andy Steib

WEDNESDAY, July 1

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

THURSDAY, July 2

8:30 am Int. E. J. Carmouche

FRIDAY, July 3

8:30 am +Clare & Clarence Jupiter

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

- 29 Monday **ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL**
Amos 3:108, 4:11-12; Ps 34; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18; Matthew 16:13-19
- 30 Tuesday **FIRST MARTYRS OF THE CHURCH OF ROME or WEEKDAY**
Amos 3:1-8, 4:11-12; Ps 5; Matthew 6:23-27
- 01 Wednesday **ST. JUNIPERO SERRA or WEEKDAY**
Amos 5:14-15, 21-24; Ps 50; Matthew 8:28-34
- 02 Thursday **WEEKDAY**
Amos 7:10-17; Ps 19; Matthew 9:1-8
- 03 Friday **ST. THOMAS**
Ephesians 2:19-22; Ps 117; John 20:24-29
- 04 Saturday **INDEPENDENCE DAY or WEEKDAY**
Amos 9:11-15 or 1 Kings 3:11-14 or Isaiah 9:1-6; Ps 85 or Ps 8 or Ps 72; James 3:13-18 or Colossians 3:12-15; Matthew 9:14-17 or Matthew 22:15-21 or John 20:19-23
- 05 Sunday **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
Zechariah 9:9-10; Ps 145; Romans 8:9, 11-13; Matthew 11:25-30

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

Sanctuary Light

The Sanctuary Light is burning this week in memory of Peter Bonnee, Jr.



CHURCH SUPPORT

OFFERTORY COLLECTION June 20-21

First Collection	\$ 2139.50
Second Collection	434.50
	<u>\$ 2573.00</u>

Thank you for supporting your parish.

Your Parish depends on your financial support at its main source of income. During this time when Mass attendance is limited, you are still able to support your parish by mailing your contributions or following the directions in the bulletin posted on the parish website: stjamesmajor.org. The physical church address is 3736 Gentilly Blvd., New Orleans, LA 70122.