February 23, 2020

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Mass Schedule

Sunday Masses
Vigil– 4:00 p.m. Saturday
8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses
Monday - Friday– 6:15 a.m.
Monday - Saturday– 8:30 a.m.

Penance & Reconciliation
Saturday– 3:00 p.m.– 3:45 p.m.
Wednesday– 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Sunday– 4:00 p.m.– 4:45 p.m.
Or by appointment

Holy Hour
1st Thursday of Month following 8:30 a.m. Mass

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena
Tuesday following 8:30 a.m. Mass

Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction
Wednesdays- 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Rosary- Before every weekday Mass
A LETTER FROM FR. DAN

When I first found out there was a possibility to return to seminary and study for the Archdiocese of New Orleans, the first thing that came to mind was Mardi Gras. After all, it is one of the many quintessential New Orleans events. However, this Floridian had no idea the extent of the carnival season. Though Mardi Gras is only one day, I was unaware of all the parades and celebrations that lead up to Fat Tuesday. With this comes the debaucherous stereotypes that surround Mardi Gras. I had a lot to learn.

This will be my fifth celebration of the carnival season since moving to Louisiana. The euphoria of screaming for beads and celebrating alongside friends still excites me. Whether you go to any parades or not, we should embrace the carnival spirit. Lest we forget, underneath all the pomp and circumstance lies a Catholic celebration.

The very word “carnival” is derived from the Latin word carnelevarium which is literally translated as “goodbye to meat.” We cannot forget amidst this rather gluttonous celebration that the season of Lent is around the corner when we enter the desert. The mood transitions from celebration to somberness. Ash Wednesday made all the more sense as I was consuming King Cake up to 11:59 p.m. on one Mardi Gras a few years ago.

The moral of the story: enjoy these remaining days of carnival -- with the virtues of prudence and temperance, of course. For those of us, myself included, who will be at the parades, be safe and enjoy some great fun with delicious food, good music, and quality time with family and friends. Don’t forget that Ash Wednesday approaches when we shall repent, fast, and pray.

Know that Fr. Beau and I pray for you daily.
2020 Vacation Bible School

Same Week! New Hours!
Save the Date!

**When:** May 26-29, 2020

**Time:** 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**Who can attend:** Children who have completed Kindergarten - 7th grade

**Price:** $40 per child

Volunteers are needed! Call Candice Schmidt at 504.835.0324 for more info!

Are you a high school (8th-12th grade) or college student or a parent/grandparent that loves Christ and willing to share that love with our parish children during the week of Vacation Bible School? We NEED you!

Join us at this year’s Vacation Bible School, “Rocky Railway!” The dates of camp are **May 26-29 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** All volunteers will need to be available from at least 8:15 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. all four days. Safe Environment training and background check through the Archdiocese of New Orleans is mandatory to participate. All volunteers will be highly expected to attend Vacation Bible School training days prior to camp. Training Days are TBD. VBS volunteers are unpaid positions, but will offer service hours and/or resume references if needed.

Are you not available to help the week of camp to work with our VBS campers, but still would like to help for Vacation Bible School? We NEED you, too! Join the Decorations and/or Supplies Committee!

For more information and to sign up, visit [https://www.stangela.org/i-want-to-volunteer](https://www.stangela.org/i-want-to-volunteer).

**SALA**

St. Angela Ladies Auxiliary (SALA) will meet on Tuesday, March 3, 2020, 7:00 pm, in the Kern Center. Our ministry will be accepting donations of Mardi Gras beads for ARC. Speaker will be Eric Broaddbridge, a SAM parishioner. Dress to complement our St. Patrick’s theme. New members welcome. Dues $20/yr. Refreshments served.
## Weekly Calendar

### February 22– March 1, 2020

**Saturday, February 22**
- 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. No Parish Activities
  - St. Joseph’s Altar Cookie Making…………..Gym

**Sunday, February 23**
- 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. No Parish Activities
  - Lundi Gras Parish Office Closed
  - No Parish Activities. No PSR/CCD.
  - No School this week.

**Monday, February 24**
- 7:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. St. Vincent DePaul Retreat........Conf. Room
  - 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Cookie Making/Altar Projects.............Gym
  - 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. CYO Troops Drive........Rel. Ed. Lib.
  - 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Lenten Mission..............Church

**Tuesday, February 25**
- 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Cookie Icing/Altar Project ....................Gym
  - 9:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayer Group..............Conf. Rm.
  - 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. SVDP Food Pantry........Parish Office
  - 5:00 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. Confessions.........................Church
  - 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Alpha ....................Gym

**Wednesday, February 26**
- 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Parish Office Opens
  - 9:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Wednesday Morning Prayer Group..............Conf. Rm.
  - 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. SVDP Food Pantry........Parish Office
  - 5:00 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. Confessions.........................Church
  - 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Alpha ....................Gym

### Event Spotlight: Donut Sunday

Come join us for fellowship & fun at Donut Sunday!

**When:** Sunday, March 1, 2020  
**Time:** 12:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Conference Room

This month’s Donut Sunday is hosted by:  
**The Hospitality Committee.**

The Hospitality Committee coordinates parish-wide events throughout the year by planning, ordering food, setting up, decorating, etc. We invite all to stop by one of the monthly meetings held in the conference room to find out more about our ministry. Before the meetings we gather for a social to enjoy food and fellowship.

**Thursday, February 27**
- 7:00 a.m. - 7:45 a.m. Adoration..........Church
- 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Cookie Icing/Altar Project .................Gym
- 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. RCIA.....................................Rel. Ed. Library

**Friday, February 28**
- 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Cookie Icing/Altar Project .................Gym
- 5:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross........Church

**Saturday, February 29**
- 7:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. St. Vincent DePaul Retreat........Conf. Room
- 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Cookie Making/Altar Projects.............Gym
- 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. CYO Troops Drive........Rel. Ed. Lib.

**Sunday, March 1**
- 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Donut Sunday...............Conf. Room
- 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. CYO Youth Board Meeting..............Rel. Ed. Lib.
- 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Lenten Mission..............Church

**Save the Dates!**
- Lenten Mission continues on Monday, March 2 at 7:00 p.m. in church with Fr. Patrick Carr.
- Lenten Fish Frys-- March 6th, 13th & April 3rd. 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- St. Joseph’s Altar- Thursday, March 19th
- Lenten Reflection & Adoration- Monday, March 30th at 7:00 p.m. in church.

**Return Rice Bowls** back to church by Palm Sunday, April 5, 2020.

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Are you a member of a ministry that has an event planned in St. Angela Merici Parish? Did you take pictures at a recent parish event and would like to share those pictures with the church parish? If so, submit your information and pictures to the Bulletin Editor, Candice Schmidt, at candice@stangela.org. There is a 2 week deadline for all bulletin submissions before an event and/or meeting for timely publication. Please send pictures at any time.
Sanctuary Memorials

Sanctuary Candle burns the week of February 23 in honor of St. Angela Merici Parishioners

Sacramental Updates

Funerals
Catherine Kerber

St. Joseph’s Altar Candles

St. Angela Merici Parish invites you to sponsor candles for the upcoming St. Joseph Altar on Thursday, March 19, 2020, to honor loved ones, both living and deceased. Candles will be blessed and used to decorate the altar. If you would like to participate in the Candle Memorial, please fill out the form below along with your donation and place it in the basket at Mass or drop off at the church office. SAM students may bring the form along with donation in an envelope to the school office.

Candle Memorials will be available for pick-up the day after the St. Joseph Altar on Friday, March 20, 2020 from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. Any candles remaining after 3:00 p.m. will be donated to a local charity.

Please print the information below so the correct spelling will appear on the altar.

Deadline for St. Joseph Altar Candle Memorial donations is Friday, March 13, 2020.

Name of person being remembered

Name of person being remembered

Name and phone number of person ordering

Email address of person ordering

$_________ TOTAL COST
(# Memorials x Suggested Donation of $5.00) Please make checks payable to: St. Angela Merici Church

Mass intentions for the week

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| Monday | February 24 | 6:15 a.m. | Dcn. Gil & Anna Schmidt(*) | Robert Armbruster, Sr. |
|        |             | 8:30 a.m. |                         |                 |

| Tuesday | February 25 | 8:30 a.m. | Lloyd & Ada Aguilard |
|         |             |           |                     |

| Wednesday | February 26 | 6:15 a.m. | Herman Schexnaydre | Multi-Intentions |
|           |             | 8:30 a.m. | Jeanine Marcello  | Dorothy L. Denoux |
|           |             | 12:00 p.m. |                   |                 |
|           |             | 6:00 p.m. |                   |                 |

| Thursday | February 27 | 6:15 a.m. | Joe Nastasi | Teresa Dowty |
|          |             | 8:30 a.m. |           |             |

| Friday   | February 28 | 6:15 a.m. | Keith Boudreaux (*) | Ella San Miguel (*) |
|          |             | 8:30 a.m. |               |                 |

| Saturday | February 29 | 8:30 a.m. | Robert Armbruster, Sr. |
|          |             |           |                     |

Multi-Intentions Noted Above:
Saturday, February 22, 4:00 p.m. Vigil:

Sunday, February 23, 11:00 a.m.:
Gerald Fucich, Mary Ciolino, Mickey LaNasa, Linda & Robert Armbruster, John Eckholdt, Sylvia Maher, Mr. & Mrs. R.D. da Roza (*), Tu Tran, Joy Ellen Strain, Murray Gordon, Patricia Nicholas, Sheets Family, Mark Bergeron, Catherine C. Carrubba, Maria G. Glynn, Lucy Hassinger, David Edward Nuss, Joseph Calcagno, Jr., Paul F. & Lucille H. Boze, Paulette Grubbs

Wednesday, February 26, 12:00 p.m.:
Murray Gordon, Patricia Nicholas, Sheets Family

(*) denotes living
St. Joseph’s Altar

Whatever the reasons people become involved in St. Joseph Altars, the tradition still centers on the family. The family comes together to work, pray, and celebrate. The most solemn ritual of the altar, the Tupa Tupa, is having children enact the roles of the Holy Family. The children are always involved because it is through them that the customs and traditions will continue for future generations. This devotion will help the children grow closer to God, learn the art of building an altar and instill in them the desire to carry on the tradition.

Keep watching our St. Joseph’s Altar Corner of the Parish bulletin to learn more about why you will want to become involved in our St. Joseph’s Altar Ministry here at St. Angela Merici! You can pick up a Schedule of Events for upcoming cookie making, rosary making, etc. activities in the church hallways. Please join us for some fun and fellowship! If you have any questions, please contact Janet Cruppi at 504-338-2957, or Renee Lauland at 504-371-2101.

Did you know...

Many families believe that building a St. Joseph Altar will bring good fortune. It is common to hear stories about favors granted, illnesses cured, and loved ones returning home safely.

2020 Rice Bowls will be available on Ash Wednesday, February 26, 2020. Please return to church by Palm Sunday, April 5, 2020.

Spring Troops Drive

Date: Saturday, February 29, 2020; Time: 1:00-3:00 p.m.; Location: Religious Ed Library (Use Beverly Garden Entrance)

Suggested items to donate for Troops: Razors (not single blade generic), Stationery, pens, Hand sanitizer, Wipes, small packages, Small games (such as Uno, Yahtzee, Phase 10), Playing cards, Nutella, organic peanut butter, KIND energy bars, Sudoku, Word Search and Crossword Puzzle books, Licorice, gum, mints, Peanuts, mixed nuts, beef jerky, Small drink mix packets (Kool-Aid, Crystal Lite) that can be added to bottled water. Hand written personal notes are especially appreciated. It only takes a few minutes to jot a note of thanks and encouragement. Please keep in mind that all items must be able to fit into a 12x12x6 carton.

Other ways to help: Donate cash or checks for postage. Each package ships for $19.60. Checks can be made out to SAMCYO. Submit names of service members to whom you would like us to ship a care package to cyo@stangela.org or drop off information at the parish office. If you are unable to attend but wish to donate you may drop your donation BEFORE the event at the parish office between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. or contact Diane Kratochvil at 835-0324 ext. 309, or cyo@stangela.org
Penitential Disciplines of Lent

The Christian faithful, during Lent, are clearly conscious of the need to turn the mind towards those realities which really count, which require Gospel commitment and integrity of life which, through self denial of those things which are superfluous, are translated into good works and solidarity with the poor and needy (Directory on Popular Piety and the Liturgy, #125).

In addition to choosing their own penitential practices, Catholics are also asked to observe the practices of fast and abstinence during the 40 days of Lent. The Lenten Fast and Abstinence Regulations are as follows:

1. Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.

2. Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. (The obligation of fasting ceases with the celebration of one's 59th birthday.)

3. On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other smaller meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.

4. Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves from these prescribed minimal penitential practices.

Easter Triduum
Mass/ Prayer Schedule

Holy Thursday:
• Morning Prayer - 7:00 a.m.
• Mass of the Lord's Supper- 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday:
• Morning Prayer Service– 7:00 a.m.
• Passion of the Lord– 3:00 p.m.
• Stations of the Cross– 5:30 p.m.

Holy Saturday:
• Morning Prayer Service– 7:00 a.m.
• Easter Vigil– 8:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday:
• Mass– 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
• No 5:00 p.m. Mass

Lighthouse Media

Lighthouse Catholic Media books and CDs are available in the church hallways. Requested donation is $5 for books and $4 for CDs. Please place your donation in the donation box on the wall. Thank you for your generosity.

Stations of the Cross
Fridays in Lent

Held every Friday during Lent at 5:30 p.m. beginning on February 28, 2020.

Confessions– Every Wednesday

Join us for Confessions and Power Hour, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, on Wednesdays from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. except on Ash Wednesday. On Ash Wednesday, confessions will be offered at 5:00 p.m.—5:45 p.m. Mass follows.
ASH WEDNESDAY

Prayer, fasting, and almsgiving: these disciplines, prescribed by Jesus himself in the Sermon on the Mount, along with strict instructions not to flaunt them in public to win recognition and praise (Matthew 6:1-18), have been embraced by all the saints at the beginning of every Lent for almost two thousand years. But mention Lent, and many react with a grimace or slight shudder—even now, years after official obligations have been reduced to a minimum! No wonder the Eastern Rite’s “Lenten Announcement” sounds surprising: “Let us receive with joy, O faithful people, the divinely inspired announcement of Lent! The Lenten Spring shines forth! Begin the fast with joy! Let us fast from passions as well as food, taking pleasure in the good works of the Spirit, and accomplishing them in love!” Saint John Chrysostom, whose feast is September 13, elaborates: “Do you fast? Give proof by your works. If you see a poor person, take pity. An enemy, be reconciled. A friend gaining honor, don’t be jealous.” A positive approach! May the saints help us keep such a Lent!

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Readings for the week

**Monday:** Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 9:14-29  
**Tuesday:** Jas 4:1-10; Ps 55:7-11a, 23; Mk 9:30-37  
**Wednesday:** Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18  
**Thursday:** Dn 3:10-15; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25  
**Friday:** Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15  
**Saturday:** Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32  
**Sunday:** Gs 2:7-9, 3:1-7; Ps 51:3-6, 12-13, 17; Rom 5:12-19 [12; 17, 17-19]; Mt 4:1-11

Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be held on **Monday, March 23, 2020.**

**Upcoming Dates**

- **Confirmation Interviews** will take place in March. Deadline to sign up is **Friday, February 28, 2020.** Visit [www.stangela.org/confirmation](http://www.stangela.org/confirmation).
- **Sunday, March 22** 5:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m.  
  Confirmation Practice/ Night of Reflection w/sponsors

Pro-Life Ministry

**PLEASE PRAY:** On March 4th, Solicitor General, Liz Murrell, will be going to the Supreme Court to argue the **Act 620, Admitting Privileges Law.** This law states that any doctor performing an abortion in US must have privileges at a hospital in case of an emergency.

**DID YOU KNOW?**  
Planned Parenthood vows to spend $45M in 2020 to elect abortion-rights candidates. The stakes are high right now for unborn children. Please pick up a Respect Life pamphlet on the tables in the back of church to **STAY INFORMED.**

Thursday Morning Adoration

Before the hustle and bustle of your day, spend a little time with Jesus!  
Join us for morning Adoration every Thursday from 7:00 a.m.-7:45 a.m.  
Hope to see you there!

**Come spend time with Our Lord**

Adoration  
**Thursdays from 7-7:45 am**  
St. Angela Merici Church

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7-9:30 P.M.  
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Registration for Golden Wedding Anniversary Celebration - June 7, 2020

(First Names of Couple)

Couple’s Last Name: ___________________________ & ___________________________
(Husband) (Wife)

Address: ____________________________________ City: ____________________________

Zip Code: __________________ Telephone Number: ________________________________

Date of Marriage: ___________________________ Number of Years: ____________________

Month, Date, Year (Example: January 1, 1970)

At the celebration all couples will receive a scroll with their names displayed with husband and wife’s first name followed by the family name. (ex. John and Jane Doe)

Church Parish of this couple: __________________________ City: __________________________

Please Note: This celebration will not be a Mass, but a prayer service. Attendance of Mass for Sunday obligation will have to be met within one’s parish.

Registrants: Please return this form to the Church Rectory or submit online at the link below by Friday, March 20, 2020.

Upcoming Offerings

March 4–6
Walking with Jesus: Lent 2020
Rev. Lee Poche

March 13–15
The Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius
Rev. Jacob Dumont, LC

March 18 – Day of Prayer
Pope Francis Speaks on Faith and Politics
Matt Rousso & Rev. Doug Doussan

March 20–22
Living a Trinitarian Spirituality
Rev. Daniel Renaud, OMI

April 3–5
Why I Thank God Every Day for Holy Women
Rev. Jeffrey A. Montz

April 17–19
On the Highway to Heaven: Stop – Look – Go
Rev. Anthony Rigoli, OMI

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Sacramental Preparation

Baptism—Celebrated on the 2nd Sunday of each month after the 11:00 a.m. Mass, excluding the season of Lent.
Confirmation—Celebrated in the Junior year of High School. Classes begin in August.
Marriage—Please contact a priest at least 6 months prior to the anticipated date of marriage.
Anointing of the Sick—Please call the parish office to arrange a visit by a priest. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion can also deliver Holy Communion to the homebound.
Funeral—Contact the parish office to meet with our Funeral Ministry in preparation for the Funeral Liturgy.

Visit our website, www.stangela.org, for more information regarding Sacramental Preparation.