



# Our Lady of Divine Providence Church

1000 N. Starrett Road, Metairie, LA 70003

## Voice of Providence



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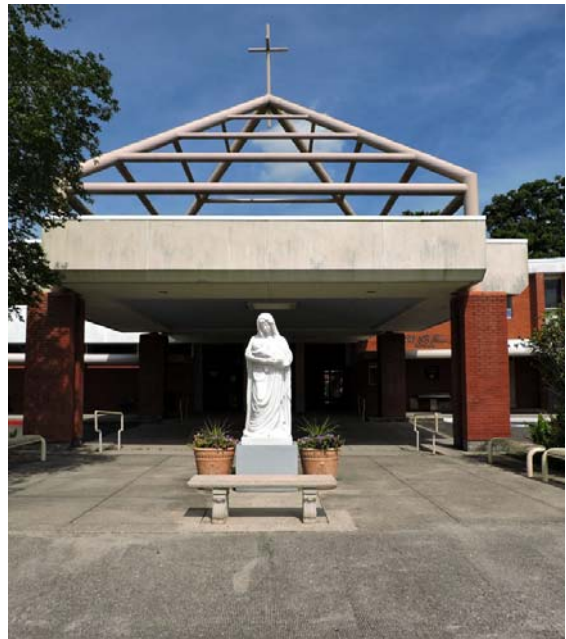
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**Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

**Monday - Friday**

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**SICK & HOMEBOUND:** Call for a priest to visit or for Communion to the homebound.

**INFANT BAPTISM:** English: Call Church Office to schedule Seminar and Baptism at least 2 months in advance.

**MATRIMONY:** Consult with parish priest first, at least six (6) months prior.



### DID YOU KNOW?

You can visit Jesus 24 hours a day, 7 days a week in our Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel

### WEEKEND SCHEDULE

#### Saturday

9:00 a.m. 1st Saturday of every Month

4:00 p.m. English

6:00 p.m. *Español*

#### Sunday

9:00 & 11:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

English

### WEEKDAY SCHEDULE

#### Monday-Friday

9:00 a.m. Mass

#### Tuesday

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena follows 9:00 a.m. Mass

### RECONCILIATION

#### Saturday

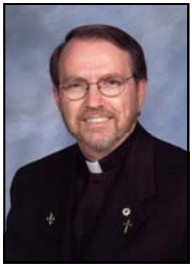
3:00 – 3:45 p.m. English

5:15 – 5:45 p.m. Spanish

#### Sunday

5:15 – 5:45 p.m. English

Anytime by request



### OLDP Update

We are now in "Phase 1" or the Reopening Phase for our State. This allows for 25% of the Church Capacity which, right now, means we can accommodate 80 people, at each Mass, safely. You must still call in to the Church Office (466-4511) to register to attend a Weekend Mass.

The Weekend Mass schedule is as follows:

Saturday: 2:00 p.m. Mass (80 people), 4:00 p.m. (80 people), 6:00 p.m. (Spanish Mass) [Phone registration not required] (80 people)

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. Mass (80 people), 11:00 a.m. Mass [Livestreamed on Facebook] (80 people), 6:00 p.m. Mass (80 people)

This past weekend we had between 25 and 40 at each Mass. Thank you to all who came.

For Weekday Masses (Monday-Saturday at 9:00 a.m.) you do not have to register and can attend Mass every day if you would like. Last week I only had 2 people at the Saturday morning Mass. It would be nice if there were more.

For all Masses please enter the Church through the Narthex. Please use the glass door closest to the School side of the entrance, for all Masses, so that we can keep an accurate count. Please, do not gather inside the doors, once you enter, or gather outside the doors, while waiting to enter or when leaving the Church.

Please, remember to wear a Mask. There will only be 3 stations, for Communion, and it will only be the Body of Christ and only given in the hand. Extraordinary Ministers will wear Masks and sanitize hands before giving out communion. For Communion we will receive one pew section at a time. Please wait for the people in the pew ahead of you to exit their pew before your pew gets in line. Please use the lines on the floor to keep a safe distance. Please be patient.

If you have extra hand sanitizer, that you could donate, we would appreciate it. Just drop it off at the Church office or bring it with you to Mass and place it in the blue bin in the Narthex. We would also ask that you bring a disinfectant wipe in order to wipe down where you sit in the pew. We will be cleaning between Masses but we have limited supplies and manpower.

For the Sign of peace you may bow or wave to those around you. If you are not feeling well please, do not come to Mass. If you are concerned about catching the virus at Mass please remember that the Archbishop has given everyone a dispensation from attending Mass until further notice.

There will be a wooden collection box in the Narthex for your stewardship envelopes and donations. Thank you to all who have been continuing their support of OLDP.

God bless you,  
Fr. Mike

### **Living Stewardship Now**

*Pray for missionaries, especially those in areas of political instability, terrorist activity, and natural disaster. Write to a missionary. Contribute to a mission organization.*

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### **The Ascension of the Lord May 24, 2020**

He was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight.

— Acts 1:9

***This Week in Our Parish*****SUNDAY, MAY 24**

- Masses, 8:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6:00 p.m., Church

**MONDAY, MAY 25**

- 9:00 a.m. Mass, Church

**TUESDAY, MAY 26**

- 9:00 a.m. Mass, Church

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 27**

- 9:00 a.m. Mass, Church

**THURSDAY, MAY 28**

- 9:00 a.m. Mass, Church

**FRIDAY, MAY 29**

- 9:00 a.m. Mass, Church

**SATURDAY, MAY 30**

- 9:00 a.m. Mass, Church
- Vigil Masses, 2:00 p.m., 4:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m. (Spanish), Church

**SUNDAY, MAY 31**

- Masses, 8:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 6:00 p.m., Church

**Saturday      May 23**

- 9:00 a.m.** Immaculate Heart of Mary
- 4:00 p.m.** Barbara E. Burns  
Wanda DeRosa  
Gil Gonsoulin  
Linda Lemoine  
Jerry McGuinness  
Jessie Stolf  
Mike Tarantino  
Roger Tassin  
Intentions of All Adorers in the Adoration Chapel

**Sunday      May 24**

- 8:00 a.m.** Joseph & Kate McCulloch  
Rita Olivio  
Intention of Kathleen Susie Byrne  
Intention of Sr. Enda Eileen Byrne  
Intentions of All Adorers in the Adoration Chapel
- 11:00 a.m.** Theresa Barnes  
Ron Shannon, Sr.  
Ron Shannon, III  
Yvette Villarrubia  
Intentions of All Adorers in the Adoration Chapel
- 6:00 p.m.** FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

**Monday      May 25**

- 9:00 a.m.** Enda Joseph Byrne, Jr.  
Intentions of All Adorers in the Adoration Chapel

**Tuesday      May 26**

- 9:00 a.m.** Intentions of Helen M. Byrne  
Intentions of Tanya Thomasie

**Wednesday      May 27**

- 9:00 a.m.** Henry Bentel, Jr.  
Healing of Lloyd Perrin

**Thursday      May 28**

- 9:00 a.m.** Healing of Wayne Hymel

**Friday      May 29**

- 9:00 a.m.** For All Health Care Workers and First Responders

***Enthronement of the Sacred Heart ~***

Would you like to have the Enthronement of the Sacred Heart in your Home? Every Catholic Home should have this devotion. It will help to make your home a place of prayer and bring your family closer together with each other and with Jesus. To find out more

about the Enthronement contact the Church Office 466-4511.

**Transitional Diaconate Ordination** - On Saturday, May 16, at 10:00 a.m. at St. Louis Cathedral, Archbishop Aymond will ordain Ajani Gibson, Michael Lamy, William Mumphrey, Henry Nwaeze, Truong Pham and Andrew Sanchez for the Archdiocese of New Orleans, Thomas Bamoaah for the Diocese of Tororo, Ares Jonathan Perez Leon and Casey Weber for the Diocese of Memphis and Robert Johnson and Bobby Thomas Kennedy for the Diocese of Alexandria. Congratulations to all.

**Willwoods Faith and Marriage Married Couples Retreat: June 12th - 14th** - Attention all married couples: We are back and ready to offer you and your beloved a weekend getaway designed to bless and enrich your faith and your marriage! You and your spouse will spend time growing closer through inspiring talks, private couple time, individual prayer time, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Eucharistic Adoration and the celebration of the Mass! Through God's grace, you will walk away with a renewed strength and a deeper commitment to each other and to God. To register for your relaxing and rejuvenating retreat, visit [www.FaithandMarriage.org](http://www.FaithandMarriage.org). A suggested donation is requested but not required. Cost should never be a reason why a couple cannot make a weekend! Scholarships are available! If you have any questions, please call 830-3716. Limited spaces available.

### "PUSHED" OUT ON MISSION

There is a delightful character in the original *Dr. Dolittle Tales* called the "Pushmi-Pullyu." It is a beast with two identical halves, with a head at each end. No matter which direction the beast walks, one end is the "push me" and the other is the "pull you." Today's feast is a bit like that in the life of the church. In the book of the Acts of the Apostles, it is the ascension of Christ that calls for the Holy Spirit, which consequently sends or "pushes" the church out on its mission. This is the message that we hear from the angels today as they tell the friends of Jesus not to look up into the clouds, but to get busy. It is the message of Jesus himself in Matthew's Gospel, as he sends them out to baptize. He also tells them, "I am with you always, until the end of the age" (Matthew 28:20). And it is this message, confident in faith that Jesus has ascended to shouts of joy, that "pulls" us along to our final destiny. The life of the faithful disciple, sent into the world on mission, will one day know the same risen, ascended glory.

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The Sanctuary Candle burns this week in memory of

**Earl Pelitire**



We offer our sincere condolences to the families of

**Henry Bentel, Jr.**

**Leo Giaccone**

**Margie Maloney**

**Edward C. Trittel, Sr.**

### REGISTRATION UPDATE INFORMATION NEEDED

The Coronavirus pandemic has brought important enlightenment to the OLDP parish office; we need to update the registration information on every active parishioner to enable us to effectively communicate to everyone about Mass times, sign-ups for Masses, and other important information. In addition, if we have each of our parishioner's current home address, phone number, AND email address, we will be able to provide everyone with important information on other sacramental offerings, ministry life, special meetings, etc.

We are asking all parishioners to contact the parish office at 504-466-4511, or by email to [smorris@oldp.org](mailto:smorris@oldp.org), to verify your name, home address, phone number AND email address, to enable us to update the parish database.

Your help with this is greatly appreciated.

## Saints of the Week

Monday

**Saint Bede the Venerable;** Priest; died in 735; born in Northumbria; O.S.B.; called “Venerable” while still living; authored *Ecclesiastical History of the English People* and wrote Scriptural exposition, commentaries, and homilies; know as the “Father of English history.”

**Saint Gregory VII;** Pope, died 1085; from Tuscany; O.S.B.; championed reform of clergy against simony, clerical marriage, and lay investiture, leading to the excommunication of Henry IV; expanded the authority of the Roman See.

**Saint Mary Magdalene de’Pazzi;** died 1607; Carmelite mystic of Florence who led a hidden life of prayer and self-denial, praying particularly for the renewal of the Church and encouraging her fellow sisters in holiness; instrumental in the reform of her Order.

Tuesday

**Saint Philip Neri;** Priest; died 1595; founded (1575) the Congregation of Priests of the Oratory [C.O.], today numbering about 527 members, to promote holiness of priestly life and foster life and foster effective preaching; noted for his joyful and simple spirit, and his use of short, wise maxims; known as the “Apostle of Rome” and “Reformer of the Eternal City.”

Wednesday

**Saint Augustine of Canterbury;** Bishop; died 604(5?); monk of Mt. Cœlius in Rome; sent with 40 other monks by Pope Gregory I (3 Sept.) to England; baptized Ethelbert, king of Kent; ordained bishop in 597; established the Sees of Canterbury, London, and Rochester; in 601, received the pallium as Primate of England.

Friday

**Saint Paul VI;** Pope, (Giovanni Battista Montini) was born 26 September 1897 in Concessio, Italy. Soon after his ordination in 1920, he began his service to Pope

## Saints of the Week

(Continued)

Friday

**Saint Paul VI;** (continued) - Pope Pius XI and Pius XII. During World War II, he worked to find shelter for persecuted Jews and refugees. Appointed Archbishop of Milan (1954), he worked with great care for the diocese. Four years later, he was created a Cardinal by Pope St. John XXIII, and, following his death, was elected to the See of Peter on 21 June 1963. Immediately continuing the work begun by his predecessors, he brought the Second Vatican Council to its completion and began initiatives that showed his solicitude for the Church and the contemporary world. He exercised his Supreme Magisterium favoring peace, promoting the progress of peoples, the inculturation of the faith, ecumenism, and liturgical reform. By his authority he promulgated the Calendar, the Missal, the Liturgy of the Hours, the Pontifical, and nearly all of the Ritual for the Roman Rite. He died at Castel Gandolfo on 6 August 1978.

## THOUGHT OF THE DAY

HEAVEN

The world is only peopled to people heaven.

—St. Francis de Sales

## The Ascension of the Lord

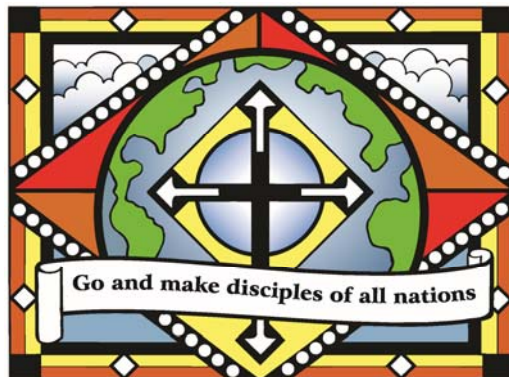
### STARING INTO THE SKY

We have choices to make in this Christian life. One choice is to be frozen, like the disciples just as Jesus ascends into heaven. They stand there and stare up into the sky, probably waiting for Jesus to return to them immediately. Too often we, too, take this stance. We stare into the sky, waiting to discover the presence of the Lord. Unfortunately, this choice will yield few results, if any. It is the Lord himself who summons us to opt for a second choice. That choice involves us turning our gaze from the sky to the world around us. He says, "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations . . . And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age" (Matthew 28:19, 20).

### GRACE BUILDS ON NATURE

A seminary theology professor of mine was always reminding us of this second choice with the words, "Gentlemen, remember that grace builds on nature." It is through the world around us—through those God has planted into our experience—that God will be revealed. People who are involved in the Church's work of Christian initiation learn this through their ministry. As they listen to the stories of people who are experiencing deep conversion, they begin to meet the Lord in new ways. It is as if the Lord Jesus is being born again right before their very eyes. Perhaps in the past you have heard today's Gospel mandate and cast it aside saying, "Oh, Jesus really meant those words for priests, and I'm certainly not a priest." Perhaps today's feast is the opportunity to realize that these words are meant for each one of us. If grace does build on nature, let's open our eyes to possibilities of discovering Christ all around us, rather than staring blankly into the sky.

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## La Ascensión del Señor

### MIRANDO AL CIELO

Debemos tomar algunas decisiones en esta vida cristiana. Una de ellas es permanecer serenos, como los discípulos mientras Jesús asciende a los cielos. Ellos quedan parados allí y miran hacia el cielo, probablemente esperando que Jesús regrese a ellos inmediatamente. Muchas veces nosotros también tomamos esta postura. Miramos al cielo, esperando descubrir la presencia del Señor. Lamentablemente, esta opción dará poco o ningún resultado. Es el Señor el que nos pide que elijamos una segunda opción. Esa opción implica que fijemos nuestra mirada más bien en el mundo en torno, que en el cielo. Él dice, "Vayan, pues, y enseñen a todas las naciones . . . Y sepan que yo estaré con ustedes todos los días, hasta el fin del mundo." (Mateo 28:19, 20)

### LA GRACIA SE NUTRE DE LA NATURALEZA

Un profesor de teología que tuve en el seminario siempre nos recordaba esta segunda opción con las palabras, "Caballeros, recuerden que la gracia se nutre de la naturaleza." Es por medio del mundo a nuestro alrededor –mediante todo aquello que Dios ha puesto en nuestro camino– que Dios será revelado. Las personas que participan de la labor de la Iglesia en la iniciación cristiana aprenden esto mediante su ministerio. Mientras escuchan historias de personas que están viviendo una conversión profunda, comienzan a conocer al Señor de nuevas maneras. Es como si el Señor Jesús naciese otra vez ante sus propios ojos. Tal vez has oído antes el mandato del evangelio de hoy y lo has ignorado diciendo, "¡Oh!, cuando dijo esas palabras Jesús seguramente tenía en mente a los sacerdotes, y yo no soy sacerdote". Tal vez la fiesta de hoy sea la oportunidad para darnos cuenta de que estas palabras están dirigidas a cada uno de nosotros. Si la gracia verdaderamente se nutre de la naturaleza, abramos los ojos a la posibilidad de encontrar a Cristo a nuestro alrededor en vez de mirar perplejos al cielo.

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# REOPENING JUNE 1

## OUR LADY OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM

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- Child can explore themes like:
- Alphabet and Colors
  - Shapes and Counting
  - Community
  - Body Parts
  - Music
  - Endangered Species
  - Bible Stories

- Child can celebrate fun activities like:
- Pet Day
  - Who Dat Day
  - Field Day
  - Birthdays

- Child can develop skills such as:
- Listening
  - Self Expression
  - Taking Responsibilities
  - Sharing and Cooperating

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With compassion and concern we pray for those in need of our prayers:

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Online Offerings.....	\$ 1,916.50
<b>Grand Total.....</b>	<b>\$ 7,744.50</b>
<b>Building &amp; Maintenance Fund.....</b>	<b>\$ 682.00</b>

**Prayer line:**

Joan 237-5760



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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Monday: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33
- Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a
- Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19
- Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26
- Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19
- Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7; Jn 21:20-25
- Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39  
Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34;