

# St. Alphonsus Catholic Parish

## A Redemptorist Community



St. Mary's Assumption Church,  
923 Josephine St.

St. Mary's Chapel,  
1516 Jackson Ave.

### Mass Times

St. Mary's Assumption Church

Saturday Vigil at 4:00pm

Sunday at 10:30am

Sunday Spanish Mass at 12:30pm

St. Mary's Chapel

Sunday at 9:00am

### Weekday Mass Times

St. Mary's Chapel

Monday - Friday at 7:30am

### Perpetual Help Devotions

St. Mary's Chapel

Tuesdays during 7:30am Mass

### Eucharistic Adoration

St. Mary's Chapel

First Friday of each month after the  
7:30am Mass

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

St. Mary's Assumption Church

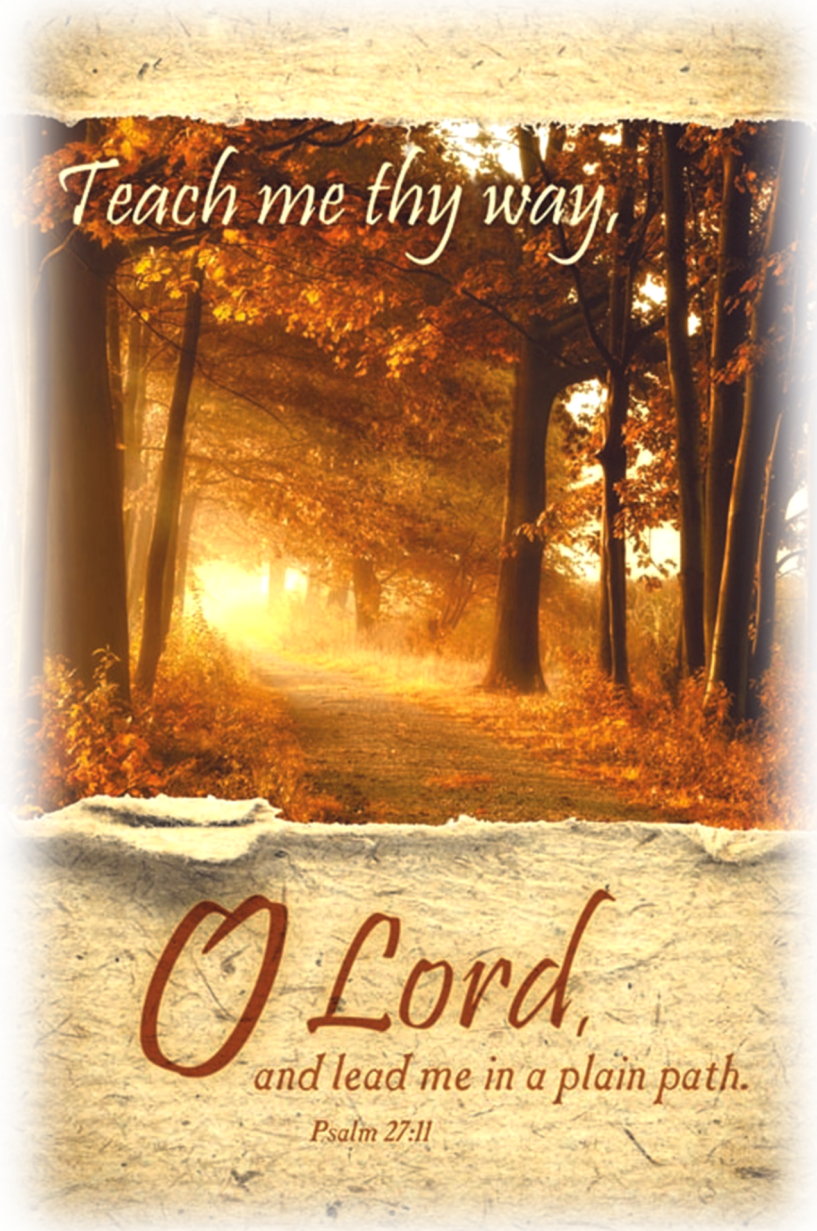
Saturdays at 3:15pm

Parish Office Hours: M-F; 9am-2pm

Office Email: [StAlsNola@gmail.com](mailto:StAlsNola@gmail.com)

504-522-6748

*(Holy Days/Holidays – Parish Office  
may be closed or hours may vary)*



## LETTER FROM THE ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

It seems like Summer is transforming into Fall and many exciting things have happened and will happen in our parish community. Hopefully, as we transition, we remember to reach out to the new people around us and help them feel comfortable in our midst.

A quick look back reminds us of some changes that have occurred in our parish. Rev. John Son Tran left us to join the community in Kansas City, Missouri and then, we welcomed Rev. Tim Watson to New Orleans. We pray for the smooth transition of both, as they adjust to new surroundings. And, speaking of new surroundings, we are so grateful for the new members who have joined our parish. They have helped our parish family grow and we hope they continue to grow, and to journey with us. Also, we have added a new Mass time - the 12:30pm Spanish-speaking Mass - and as time goes by, we also hope to integrate more fully our Hispanic community.

While looking ahead, we want to continue our planning for Family Day - all are welcomed to join us on Sunday, October 27th - for a bilingual Mass (English/Spanish) at 10:30am, followed by fun and games with plenty of food in the St. Mary's courtyard behind the church. We also look forward to honoring our beloved family members who have died during this past year and we ask for their intercession on All Souls Day and All Saints Day in the beginning of November.

I would also like to extend an invitation to everyone to participate in some of our parish committees and groups. Lots of special events and celebrations are on the horizon, and we will need help in planning them. We welcome new members in our Liturgy and Worship Committee, as we look ahead to All Saints Day, the Feast of Guadalupe, Thanksgiving and Advent. Finally, we also welcome new members to our Parish Guild Committee, as we endeavor to maintain our beautiful church and its surrounding areas. There are plenty of opportunities to serve in other ways too - or you can always volunteer or ask to volunteer. All volunteers are welcome too! Have a wonderful day and may God continue to bless you.

-Fr. Andy Thompson, C.Ss.R.



**St. Alphonsus Prayer Chain:** If you would like to add prayer intentions to our weekly prayer chain, contact us at [StAlsPrayers@gmail.com](mailto:StAlsPrayers@gmail.com) or call us at 774-701-1863. Leave the **first name** and the **reason** for your prayer request. The deadline for requesting prayers for the following week's prayer chain is 7:00pm Sunday evening. Please update us weekly, if you need continued prayers.

**Prayer Requests: We are currently praying for:** Scolle, Cheryl, Terry, Susan, Alilia, Josie, Rubin, Lori, Marge, Janet, Fr. Doug Doussan in celebration of 90th birthday; Rue; Thanksgiving for many years of service of Sister Monica & Sister Jane; a friend who is in a bad marriage; and for all of the prayers we hold in the silence of our hearts, and for all our intentions spoken and unspoken, let us prayer to the Lord. Amen.

**Special Intentions:** For Pope Francis, Archbishop Aymond, and all of our Redemptorist priests, religious brothers, Sisters; pray for repose of the souls of Marie Giorlando and Betty who recently passed; Blessed Francis Seelos, pray for us.

(Updated: 10/8/24)



UPCOMING LITURGICAL MINISTERS

• **Saturday, October 19 – 4:00pm**

**Lector:** D. Waldron

**Eucharistic Minister:** G. Maginnis

• **Sunday, October 20 – 9:00am (Chapel)**

**Lector:** K. Soileau

**Eucharistic Minister:** M. Soileau

• **Sunday, October 20 – 10:30am**

**Lector:** B. Perrault

**Eucharistic Ministers:** C. Nelson; C. Berbuesse;  
B. Sallettes

LITURGICAL MUSIC FOR THIS WEEK

Mass Parts: #8 Gloria | #21 Holy | #28 Mem. Accl. | #31 Amen | #32 Lord's Prayer #36 Lamb of God

OT 28 Response | Gospel B87 Readings: Hymnal #1117

Song of Gathering: #883 - The Kingdom of God

Song of Offertory: #715 - The Summons

Song of Communion: #734 - Keep in Mind

Rec: #895 - Let All Things Now Living

MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday, October 12**

4:00pm Maria Sly George  
+Colette Gorris

**Sunday, October 13**

9:00am: +Marie Giorlando

10:30am: +Marie Giorlando  
+Dr. AJ Giorlando

+Robert J. Cangelosi, M.D.  
+Anne Dragon Crawford

12:30pm: All St. Alphonsus Parishioners

**Monday, October 14**

7:30am: Les Beyer

**Tuesday, October 15**

7:30am: Les Beyer

**Wednesday, October 16**

7:30am: +Adele Y. Faucheux

**Thursday, October 17**

7:30am: +Fred A. Faucheux

**Friday, October 18**

7:30am: +Marie Giorlando

**Saturday, October 19**

4:00pm: +Vincent Montalbano

**Sunday, October 20**

9:00am: All St. Alphonsus Parishioners

10:30am: +Fabio Fernandez  
+William G. Melber

12:30pm: All Parish Volunteers

SANCTUARY CANDLE

OCTOBER INTENTION

For the repose of the soul of  
Nancy Mellon,  
requested by Mary Fortuna.

STEWARDSHIP

**Food Drive Totals:**

**October = 81 non-perishable food items**

**Year to Date: 5,910 food items and a total of \$153.00.**

We appreciate your generous food donations. Hope House is able to help individuals and families in need living in our community. Thank you!

Forres Collins – Food Drive Coordinator



# Stewardship

## Giving Update: Oct. 5 & Oct. 6, 2024:

\$1,845.00	Weekly Envelopes
\$1,118.00	Loose Collection
\$555.00	Donations/Legacies
\$1,000.00	Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals
\$110.00	Mass Stipends
\$433.00	Lawncare reimbursements
\$1,320.00	Miscellaneous reimbursements
\$6,177.00	Hope House Insurance reimbursemt.
\$2,971.55	Online Giving
<b>\$15,529.55.</b>	<b>Total Giving</b>

Thank you for your generosity! - Fr. Chung



Oct. 5 – Doug Bourg & Paige Kimble

Oct. 12 – Nicholas Nguyen & Mai Tuyet Nguyen

Oct. 12 – Corey Rountree & Emily Byrnes

Oct. 18 – Austin Grashoff & Maggie Morris

Oct. 19 – Matthew Simmons & Elyse Bower

Oct. 26 – Zachary Wilson & Bailey Adams

May God bless these couples as they prepare for the sacrament of marriage.

### PARISH GUILD

**Plarn Mats:** The Parish Guild is collecting (clean) plastic grocery bags to make **plarn mats** for the homeless. We are grateful for your help in donating clean plastic grocery bags to be recycled into colorful plastic sleeping mats. Thank you for assisting us with this important parish project.



Please place your donated plastic bags in the designated basket in the back of St. Mary's Church and St. Mary's Chapel. **Thank you!**

### MINISTRY WITH YOUNG ADULTS

*Join us on Sunday, October 20th*

Following the 10:30am Mass, please join us at the Mercy Covent (1017 St. Andrew Street) to make sandwiches for our homeless neighbors with the N.O. Catholic Worker. (Social gathering to follow).

See John with the N.O. Catholic Worker in the back of church.

**We appreciate your support!**

### Second Collection Next Weekend: October 19 & 20

We will have a second collection for the World Mission.

(Envelopes are available in the back of church) - Thank you!

# Upcoming Events!



## All Souls Mass Schedule:

### All Souls Day of Remembrance:

If you would like to bring a picture of your loved one and you would like to write their name in our book of remembrance – there will be a tables set up in the Church and Chapel on October 26 & 27 and they will remain through November 3rd.

St. Mary’s Assumption Church

**Holy Day Vigil:  
Solemnity of All Saints  
Thursday, October 31st at 6:00pm**

**Holy Day: School Mass with  
All Saints  
Presentation by Students  
Friday, November 1st at 1:30pm**

St. Mary’s Chapel

**Holy Day: All Saints Day  
Wednesday, November 1st at  
7:30am**

*All are welcome!*



## Flower Memorials for All Saints/All Souls November 1st



We invite all parishioners to share in and to consider donating to help decorate the altar with plants and flowers. This is a beautiful way to remember a family member or friend.

Please **fill out** the **person’s name** being remembered, memorial dedication, phone number and donation amount below:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Memorial Dedication:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Donation  
Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Please attach your donation and this information and place it in the offertory basket), and **return by Sunday, October 20, 2023.***

**Thank you for your generosity!**

*\*Memorials will be printed in the  
October 27th Bulletin\**

*Scenes from the Blessed Seelos' Healing Masses on Oct. 6th!*



**St. Alphonsus Parish Mission Statement**

In the tradition of our immigrant founders, St. Alphonsus Parish continues to be a welcoming and caring Roman Catholic community of faith. We are inspired by the Holy Spirit, formed by the Gospel under the mantle of Mary, Our Mother of Perpetual Help, and since 1843 served by the Redemptorists, men of faith such as Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos. We are committed to carry forward a living history that shapes us into a Eucharistic community.

**Visit [StAlphonsusNO.com/contact-us](http://StAlphonsusNO.com/contact-us) to our email parish staff.**

**Redemptorist Pastoral Staff**

Fr. Chung Tran, C.Ss.R., Pastor  
Fr. Andrew Thompson, C.Ss.R., Associate Pastor

**Redemptorists In Residence**

Fr. Maurice Nutt, C.Ss.R., Local Superior, Interim Director of the Seelos Shrine  
Fr. Tim Watson, C.Ss.R., Chaplain of the Seelos Shrine, Hispanic Ministry

**Parish Staff**

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Cheryl Miller, Wedding Coordinator, [wedcoordstmarys@gmail.com](mailto:wedcoordstmarys@gmail.com)

**Parish Leadership**

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Parish Council V. Pres. Marco Balducci, 504-388-3516  
Finance Council Pres. Ed Berbuesse, 504-454-1837

**Local Ministry Information**

Seelos Welcome Center 504-525-2495  
St Alphonsus School 504-523-6594  
Mercy Endeavors 504-568-0607  
St. Thomas Clinic 504-529-5588  
Catholic Worker 504-457-8062  
Hope House 504-525-2561



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**PARISHIONER REGISTRATION**

Welcome to any new parishioners! To register as a parishioner please contact the parish office or speak to us after any of our Masses. Reach out to a Redemptorist, contact the parish office at (504) 522-6748 or visit our online form ([www.StAlphonsusNO.com/My Own Church](http://www.StAlphonsusNO.com/My Own Church)) to register as a parishioner.

**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION**

For sacramental preparation or other needs (baptism, confirmation, first communion, marriage, annulment, etc.), please contact the parish office. For marriages, please plan six to nine months in advance of your planned wedding date.

**SAFE ENVIRONMENT**

Our parish is committed to creating a safe space for all who come to worship. For more information about safe environment practices here and thru the archdioceses, please visit [www.nolacatholic.org/safe-environment](http://www.nolacatholic.org/safe-environment)

**SUBMISSIONS**

Submissions for the Bulletin, Social Media, Website, email to: [StAlsNola.Communications@gmail.com](mailto:StAlsNola.Communications@gmail.com).

**(ALL submissions require pastoral staff approval)**



**PHASE I - EXTERIOR Renovations** (on the Constance Street side of church are almost complete!)

## **Save St. Mary's Assumption Church Restoration Capital Campaign**

St. Mary's is one of the most beautiful and historic churches in New Orleans. It is also the final resting place of Blessed Francis Seelos, a Redemptorist priest who ministered to his parish, especially those who were sick and dying of the yellow fever epidemic. Because of heroic care for others, he contracted the illness himself and died of it. His selfless dedication has placed him on the path to sainthood in the Catholic Church.

164 years of age and climate – which is hot, humid, and vulnerable to hurricanes – have taken a toll on St. Mary's. As a result, the church has sustained serious damage to the interior plaster walls and ceiling.

As stewards of this treasure and being deeply devoted to the legacy of Blessed Francis Seelos, the Redemptorists of the parish are raising the necessary funds to preserve this beautiful church. The "Save St. Mary's Campaign Committee" is organizing and directing efforts to restore St. Mary's to its original beauty, while fortifying the structure for future generations. Would you consider helping us?

**Mail your donation:**

St. Alphonsus Parish  
Attn: Restoration Fund  
2030 Constance Street  
New Orleans, LA 70130

**Giving made easy!**

**Scan the QR Code:**



**In-Person:**

Place donations in the donation boxes in the back of the church or dip your credit card in the dip jar box.

**For updates, visit:**

**[www.StAlphonsusNO.com/SaveStMarys](http://www.StAlphonsusNO.com/SaveStMarys)**