

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

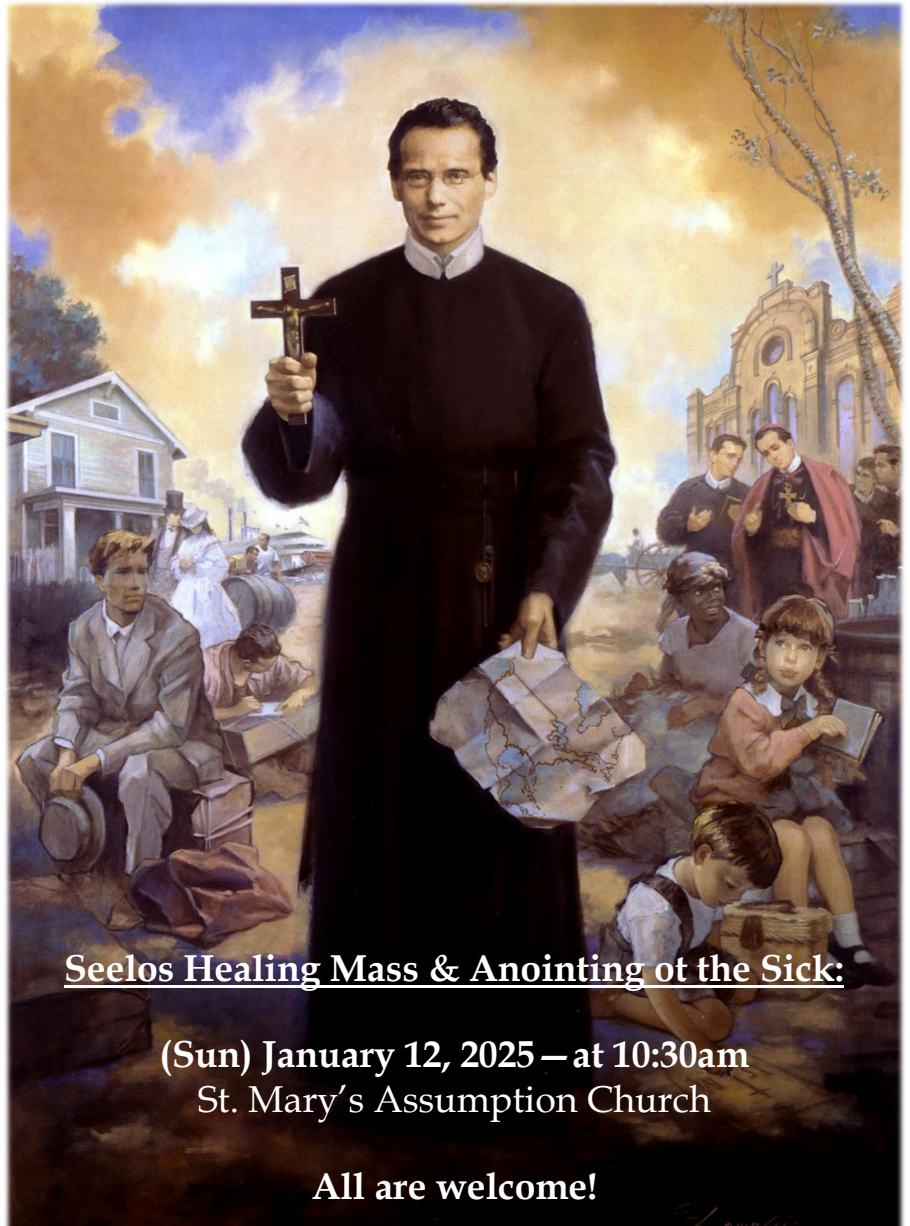
St. Mary's Assumption Church

Saturdays at 3:15pm

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

Office Email: StAlsNola@gmail.com
504-522-6748

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



Seelos Healing Mass & Anointing of the Sick:

(Sun) January 12, 2025 – at 10:30am
St. Mary's Assumption Church

All are welcome!



We Welcome the NEW Seelos Vice-Postulator! Fr. Stephen Rehrauer who is currently residing in Tucson, Arizona has been assigned to the Seelos cause for canonization.

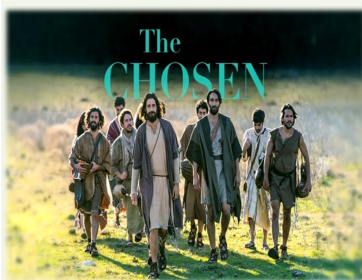
Congratulations Fr. Stephen!

Seelos Healing Mass and Anointing of the Sick: All are welcome! Join us on (Sunday) **January 12th at 10:30am** at St. Mary's Assumption Church, home of the National Seelos Shrine. Please invite your family and friends! **Blessed Seelos, Pray for us!**

Parish Office Network is working! We apologize to all those who called and could not reach us last week. Our email, phone and internet systems were temporarily out of order, and we may have missed your phone call – we returned as many calls as we could. Our network is back up and working. If you need assistance with anything, please call Sue at (504) 522-6748, Mon-Fri, from 9am-2pm, and she would be happy to assist you. **Thank you! - Fr. Chung**

EPC (Extra-ordinary Provincial Council) Member Meetings: You may see some familiar faces this weekend and in the next coming week, as our EPC Leadership Team of the Denver Province will hold meetings in our parish. Please remember to welcome them when you see them – Very Rev. Kevin Zubel, C.Ss.R., Provincial Superior, Rev. Aaron Meszaros, C.Ss.R., Vicar Provincial, Director of the Seelos Shrine, and other visiting Redemptorist confreres. Please remember to keep them in your prayers as they meet to discuss and to discern important matters throughout the Denver Province.

We had (5) Winners for The Three Kings Challenge! We thank all of you who participated in finding the Magi, Three Kings hidden in our January 5th bulletin. **Please stay tuned for future contests! - Fr. Andy** (See the winners in the bulletin)



The Chosen, Season 2 is about to begin: If you would like to watch Season 2 of the video series, *The Chosen*, please join us at **6:30pm** on (Wednesday) **January 22nd** at the parish rectory's 1st floor conference room. If you have any questions, please call the parish office (504) 522-6748 or Barbara Fleischer at (504) 722-7637. **Come fellowship and learn more about the life of Jesus and enjoy light refreshments!**

Liturgy Notes

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UPCOMING LITURGICAL MINISTERS

• **Saturday, January 18 – 4:00pm**

Lector: (To be Announced)

Eucharistic Minister: M. Kauchak

• **Sunday, January 19 – 9:00am (Chapel)**

Lector: K. Soileau

Eucharistic Minister: C. Wilkerson

• **Sunday, January 12 – 10:30am**

Lector: G. Gitz

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Dahleh; C. Berbuesse;
J. Higginbotham

LITURGICAL MUSIC FOR THIS WEEK

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

Baptism of the Lord Response | Gospel C15 Readings:
Hymnal #975

Song of Gathering: #414 – To Jordan Jesus Humbly Came

Song of Offertory: #669 - Priestly People

Song of Communion: #531 - At the Table of the World

Rec: #408 - Jesus Christ, the Long-Awaited

Pope Francis' prayer intention for January 2025:

For the right to an education: Let us pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.



(U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops > <https://www.usccb.org/>)

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 11

4:00pm All Newly Wed Couples

Sunday, January 12

9:00am: St. Alphonsus Parishioners

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

12:30pm: Redemptorist Vocations

Monday, January 13

7:30am: +Frank G. Gullo

+Fr. Gerard LaPorte, C.Ss.R.

Tuesday, January 14

7:30am: Mercy Endeavors Ministry

Wednesday, January 15

7:30am: The New Orleans Catholic
Worker

Thursday, January 16

7:30am: St. Alphonsus Students &
Teachers

Friday, January 17

7:30am: +Robert Payne

Saturday, January 18

4:00pm: St. Thomas Health Clinic

Sunday, January 19

9:00am: St. Alphonsus Parishioners

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

12:30pm: Victims of the Terrorist Attack

SANCTUARY CANDLE JANUARY INTENTION

St. Mary's Assumption Church

In Memory of Fabio & Maria Fernandez,
requested by Terry Loetzerich & family.



Stewardship

Giving Update: January 4 & 5, 2025:

\$2,080.00	Weekly Envelopes
\$1,435.00	Loose Collection
\$2,360.00	Donations/Legacies
\$660.00	Miscellaneous reimbursement
\$3,564.55	Online Giving
\$10,099.55	Total Giving

Thank you for your generosity!
- Fr. Chung



Food Drive Totals:

January: 40 Non-perishable food items
Year to Date: 40 food items

As we begin the new year, 2025 – we hope to reach our goal of 8,000 food donations. I thank you for your support and kindness in keeping our parish pantry full. Please continue to donate what you can, to help someone in need. Thank you!

Forres Collins – Food Drive Coordinator

MINISTRY WITH YOUNG ADULTS

Join us on Sunday, Jan. 19

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).

Thank you!



Jan. 11 – Austin Daigle & Kaci Cazenave

Jan. 18 – Sean Montgomery & Sophia Cacioppo

May God bless these couples as they prepare for the Sacrament of Marriage.

GUILD MINISTRY

Giving Back!
One Brown Bag at a time

Please support our brown bags ministry and give a bag of food and water to a homeless neighbor.

The brown bags will be available to purchase after all Masses.

(Suggested donation: \$2 per bag)

Thank you!

Thank you to all those who volunteered to help take down and store the Christmas decorations for the church.

We appreciate your support!
-Fr. Chung

Winter Clothing Drive!

Many thanks to
all the parishioners of
St. Alphonsus Parish

Because of your generosity towards the
2025 Winter Clothing Drive
the New Orleans Catholic Worker was
able to distribute items that make sleeping
outside a little more bearable.

Just in time for the cold weather - all items
were distributed to our brothers and sisters
under the bridge as well as our guests of
the NOCW Tuesday night meal.

Many thanks to all who supported
2025 Winter Clothing Drive!

New Orleans Catholic Worker
1910 Constance Street, NOLA 70130 504-457-8062



Below is the opportunity to sponsor our Sanctuary Lamp available April-August; & Oct-Dec 2025

SPONSOR THE SANCTUARY LAMP



I would like to sponsor the Sanctuary Lamp at

St. Mary's Assumption Chapel

For the month of _____

Suggested donation: (\$50.00) _____ Other: _____

For the Intention of: _____

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

(Please fill out this form and return it in the offertory basket or return it to our parish office)

If you have any questions, please call us at (504) 522-6748.

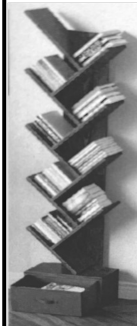
Our Mass Intention Book is open for 2025.

Please call our parish office to schedule a Mass Intention at 504-522-6748 for a loved one, from January - December 2025.

◇ Mass Intentions – \$5 stipend

Thank you!

SPIRITUALITY & EVANGELIZATION COMMITTEE



Please don't forget to stop at our Lending Library Bookshelf to borrow a spiritual book or magazine.

Our bookcase pictured is located in the back of the church on the right hand side, near the confessional in St. Mary's Assumption Church.



St. Alphonsus Prayer Chain: If you would like to add prayer intentions to our weekly prayer chain, contact us at 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 7pm on Sunday.

Prayer Requests: We are currently praying for Sister Lillian, Bridget, Helen, Gay, Pat, Janet, Carmelita, Michele, Carly, Mandy, Jeanne, Rachel, Nadia, all those injured in the terrorist attack in the French Quarter, all those suffering around the world, and for all prayers we hold in the silence of our hearts, for all our prayer intentions spoken and unspoken. **Amen.**

Updates: Greg's mole was benign and no cancer found.

Special Intentions: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Robert, Kim's husband who recently passed, and for Jack who died after a long battle with cancer; and for Jimmy who died recently. For Pope Francis, Archbishop Aymond, and all of our Redemptorists priests, brothers, sisters...Blessed Francis Seelos pray for us.

Updated: (01/07/2025)



THE WINNERS OF THE THREE KINGS CHALLENGE!

Thank you for participating in finding 'The Three Kings' in the Jan. 5th Bulletin!

Congratulations to the five (5) Winners!

- Jasmin Pineda
- Luke Soileau
- Susan Kane
- Bill Archer
- Kristina Vucich

Fr. Andy said to stay tuned for future contests in the weekly bulletin.

NEWS AROUND THE PARISH!

Archdiocesan Silver Wedding Anniversary Celebration
will take place on
Sunday, February 16, 2025 at 3:00pm,
At Our Lady of Rosary Catholic Church, New Orleans.

If you will be celebrating your 25th Wedding Anniversary in 2025 (married in the year 2000 or you were married between 1995-2000) and wish to attend, please register with the parish office, no later than Friday, January 17, 2025.

To Register: Call the parish office & speak to Sue at 504-522-6748 and she will add you to the list to be submitted to the Archdiocese.

(Please Note: This celebration is a prayer service and not a Mass)

Christ in the City: Tuesday, January 21st at 7pm-8pm - All young adults are invited to the next Christ in the City, for the first for 2025, will be on Tuesday, January 21st beginning at 7pm at St. Francis of Assisi, Uptown - located at 631 State St., New Orleans.

Christ in the City is a monthly evening of Eucharistic Adoration for young adults in their late teens, 20s, 30s, which is sponsored by the CYO/Youth & Young Adult Ministry Office of the Archdiocese of New Orleans. It is our hope that the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available as well. (Social hour to follow).



PHASE I - EXTERIOR Renovations are underway (on the riverside of the Church) (picture taken: Dec. 14, 2024)

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