

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)*



3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 26, 2025

(Picture taken by: Fr. Chung – Jan. 21, 2025)

HISTORICAL SNOWFALL



Winter Storm Enzo dumped as much as 10 inches of snow on New Orleans earlier this week, the most snow the city has seen in more than 100 years. Memories of Tuesday's storm will last a lifetime for the locals, as well as the visitors like Fr. Aaron Meszaros, who shared these photos of the rare historic snowstorm at the National Shrine of Blessed Francis X. Seelos.

According to CBS news reports, there are different snow reporting sites within New Orleans, but the oldest records from a sub-station that's no longer in service reported 10 inches of snow in 1895, and 14.4 inches of snow in 1909. Another reporting site at the New Orleans International Airport, which began recording snow accumulation in 1948, reported their highest previous total snow record as 2.7 inches in 1963. All that to say, no one alive in the area has ever seen this much snow. A reported 4 to 8 inches of snow have fallen across southern Alabama, Mississippi, and the Florida Panhandle, and an arctic blast that hit Texas brought freezing weather to San Antonio and 4 inches of snow to Houston.

"This storm is unprecedented for its breadth and scope; we just don't have anything we can compare it to," NEXT Chief Meteorologist Ivan Cabrera said, "This will go down in history as the Gulf Blizzard of 2025."



(Article from: Denverlink, 01-24-2025; pictures taken by: Fr. Aaron Meszaros, C.Ss.R.)

Please see the Eucharistic Minister and Lector Schedules posted in the back of church for February and March.

(The upcoming schedules will be printed in next week's bulletin – Thank you!)



LITURGICAL MUSIC FOR THIS WEEK

Mass Parts: #5 Krie | #21 Holy | #28 Mem. Accl. | #31 Amen | #32 Lord's Prayer | #36 Lamb of God

Ordinary Time 3 Response | Gospel C Readings: Hymnal #1043

Song of Gathering: #635 - Rejoice, the Lord is King

Song of Offertory: #714 - The Spirit of God

Song of Communion: #747 - Where Charity and Love Prevail

Rec: #824 - We Bring God's Holy Love

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 25

4:00pm Redemptorist Vocations

Sunday, January 26

9:00am: Sisters of Mercy

10:30am: +Marie Giorlando & +Dr. AJ Giorlando
+Ed Lewis

12:30pm: All St. Alphonsus Parishioners

Monday, January 27

7:30am: +Robert Payne

Tuesday, January 28

7:30am: +Fr. Gerard LaPorte, C.Ss.R.

Wednesday, January 29

7:30am: +Katherine Grinstead

Thursday, January 30

7:30am: +Robert Payne

Friday, January 31

7:30am: +Mike Wilkerson

Saturday, February 1

4:00pm: Evelyn Higginbotham

Sunday, February 2

9:00am: Jean-Marc Pellerin

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

12:30pm: St. Alphonsus Parishioners

**SANCTUARY CANDLE
JANUARY INTENTION**

St. Mary's Assumption Church
In Memory of Fabio & Maria
Fernandez, requested by Terry
Loetzerich & family.



Stewardship

Giving Update: January 18 & 19 2025:

\$728.00	Weekly Envelopes
\$2,778.00	Loose Collection
\$2,885.00	Donations/Legacies
\$270.00	Mass Stipends
\$1,389.55	Online Giving
\$8,050.55	Total Giving

Thank you for your financial support!
- Fr. Chung

Weekly Offering



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Food Drive Totals:

January = 82 non-perishable food items

Year to Date: 82 food items and a total of \$25.00 donated.

We appreciate your generosity and kindness for remembering to bring non-perishable food items to Mass each week. All food donations go to Hope House and they distribute the food to individuals and families in need.

Thank you!

Forres Collins – Food Drive Coordinator



Sunday, Feb. 2nd – Hospitality Sunday

Please join us after 9am and 10:30am
Mass for donuts & coffee!



Catholic Schools United in Faith and Community

Celebrate Catholic Schools Week!
St. Alphonsus Parish & School
January 26 - February 1

Second Collection: Weekend of January 25 & 26:

We will have a second collection for the Catholic Schools' Collection to help fund faith-based education for children and to help promote a lifetime of learning and service.

Thank you!

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 February - December 2025.

◇ Mass Intentions – \$5 stipend

Thank you!

Annual Statements 2024:

To our parishioners: the annual statements for your annual donations, online giving and others will be available soon.

If you have any questions, contact Connie at 504-451-4108.

Thank you!



Below is the opportunity to sponsor our Sanctuary Lamp available April; June-Aug; & 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.



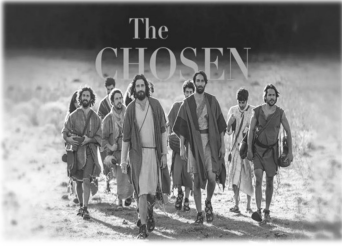
St. Alphonsus Prayer Chain: If you would like to add prayer intentions to our weekly prayer chain, contact us at StAlsPrayers@gmail.com or call us at 774-701-1863. Leave the **first name** and the **reason** for your prayer request. The deadline for requesting prayers for the following week's prayer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

Prayer Requests: We are currently praying for Carmelita, Michele, Carly, Mandy, Jeanne, Rachel, Nadia, Audrey, Merle, Isaac, Brian, Evelyn, and Jason. Thanksgiving for beautiful snow experience; 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: April and Kyle are both doing well in their new jobs. Christopher and Janet are doing better.

Special Intentions: Please pray for the repose of the souls of Jimmy who died recently; Jimmy who died; Jeanne who passed recently, and for her grieving family. For Pope Francis, Archbishop Aymond, and all of our Redemptorists priests, brothers, sisters...Blessed Francis Seelos pray for us.

Updated: (01/21/2025)



Movie Series - *The Chosen*, Season 2

Hello Everyone! We would like to start showing **Season 2** of *The Chosen*, to learn more about the life, times and companions of Jesus. Each episode takes about 40 minutes and we will have a short discussion afterwards. Light refreshments will be served.

Please plan on joining us, beginning on **Wednesday, January 29th**. We will meet at the parish rectory's 1st floor, conference room. (Enter by the driveway off of 2030 Constance Street).

If you are interested in watching *The Chosen*, please email us at StAlsNOLA@gmail.com or call 504-522-6748.

Thank you! - Fr. Chung



To support our Redemptorist seminarians,
visit www.CoRedemptorists.org



Thank you!

Co-Redemptorist Association Weekend! February 1 & 2, 2025!

We welcome Antonio Montoya who will share how we can support Redemptorist seminarians as members of the Co-Redemptorist Association. If you would like to support the Co-Redemptorists, please scan the bar code above, or you may fill out an envelope next weekend and drop it in the offertory basket or mail it, directly. Please remember to support the Redemptorists in prayer by praying for our Redemptorist seminarians.

Our Redemptorist seminarians help spread the Gospel to the poor and most abandoned. Learn more about the Redemptorist Formation by visiting www.coredemptorists.org .

Your contribution and support are greatly appreciated. Please continue to support us in prayer by praying for our Redemptorist seminarians.

Thank you!

Winter Storm Enzo 2025!



St. Mary's Assumption Church and courtyard after the snowfall!

(Pictures submitted by: Fr. Chung and Sue Higginbotham – taken on January 21st and January 24th)



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