

Welcome to St. Alphonsus Catholic Parish

A Redemptorist Community

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

Mass Times

St. Mary's Assumption Church Saturday Vigil at 4:00pm

> St. Mary's Chapel Sunday at 9:00am

St. Mary's Assumption Church Sunday at 10:30am Sunday Spanish Mass at 12:30pm

St. Mary's Church or <u>Redemptorist Chapel</u>

Our Mother of Perpetual Help Mass, 3rd Sunday of each month. at 3pm with the Filipino Faith Community & Parish

Weekday Mass Times

<u>St. Mary's Chapel</u> Monday-Friday at 7:30am

St. Mary's Assumption Church
Monday-Friday at 11:30am
Novena Mass in Honor of Blessed Francis Seelos,
Confessions available, after Mass

Perpetual Help Devotions

St. Mary's Chapel
Tuesdays during 7:30am Mass

Eucharistic Adoration

<u>St. Mary's Chapel</u> First Friday or each month after 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 St. Mary's Chapel, 1516 Jackson Ave.



Happy Founders' Day of the Redemptorists 293rd Anniversary!

Saint Alphonsus Liguori founded the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (Redemptorists) on November 9, 1732.

Parish Office: 2030 Constance St., New Orleans, LA 70130 Parish Website: StAlphonsusNO.com

LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

There are so many things going on around us, that I want to share. First, giving the hardship of our economic situation within our neighborhood and the city of New Orleans, I want to draw your attention to the empty shelves of the food pantry in Hope House. After, donating food to the parish Pantry, it made me take a pause - - and think about how I take food for granted. It is so easy for me to walk through a grocery store and shop for food for the house. But this is not true for everyone — there are families living in our zip code who are struggling to put meals together day-by-day. And in some instances, some families go without food.

I know many people in our parish are interested in donating food and other supplies. Here are some things to know and what may be helpful to our parish pantry for Hope House.

- 1) You can go through your home food pantry and see what extra food supplies that you may have that you can drop off at Mass in the church or the chapel.
- 2) It is helpful for folks to donate non-perishable food items, instead of money. Yes, money is great and is always welcomed but it is more helpful when food is donated directly to the pantry. (See the insert in the bulletin for the Food Drive)
- 3) You can donate gift cards to Hope House from Walmart, Costco and other food stores and they can buy what they need.
- 4) **Make sure you check on the Hope House's pantry hours**—before you drop off food to them at 916 St. Andrew Street, New Orleans. Their weekly hours may vary—you can **call Hope House** at **504-525-2561**. Sometimes, people drop off food items and leave them outside, and weather and bugs can damage the food items causing them to be thrown away.

I realized after packing those food bags last week and dropping them off to Hope House, was a concrete reminder that community is not just something we *talk* about, it's something we do. Community is an action word. Food is one of the most basic human needs, and being able to share what we have, felt like a way to stand in solidarity with people who are unseen and unheard in everyday life. It also made me think about dignity, how access to food is directly tied to dignity, stability and how it sustains life. I also realized that giving from the heart matters. A few cans of food items, a box of pasta, a jar of peanut butter, and other non-perishable foods could change someone's situation. And the act of kindness and giving quietly changes me, too. It reminds me that I am part of something bigger, that each of us has the power to help other people and a compassionate community is possible when we all show acts of kindnesses in small ways. Thank you for continuing to donate food items each week for Hope House.

(Please read the insert in the bulletin about The Story of Lucia Lopez and if you would like to help the Lopez Family—you may make checks payable to St. Alphonsus Parish, in care of Lucia Lopez and we will see that all funds go to help the family. You may mail your check to St. Alphonsus Parish, 2030 Constance St., NOLA 70130, Attn: Lucia Lopez). Thank you for your support. God Bless you.

Liturgy Notes

UPCOMING LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, November 15 – 4:00pm

Lector: T. Borgman

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Kauchak

Sunday, November 16 – 9:00am (Chapel)

Lector: T. Frater

Eucharistic Ministers: E. Frater

Sunday, November 16-10:30am

Lector: G. Gitz

Eucharistic Ministers: M. Dahleh; E. Berbuesse; C. Berbuesse

LITURGICAL MUSIC FOR THIS WEEK

Mass Parts: #8 Gloria | #21 Holy | #28 Mem. Accl. | #31

Amen | #32 Lord's Prayer | #36 Lamb of God

33 OT Response C108 Readings: Hymnal #1150

Song of Gathering: #664 Christ is Made the Sure Foundation Song of Offertory: #809 God is Here! As We His People Song during Communion: #671 The Church's One Foundation

Song of Sending: #673 We Are Your People



Pope Leo XIV's Prayer Intention November 2025:

For the prevention of suicide

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 8

4:00pm: Dr. Christian Wingard

Sunday, November 9

9:00am: Mrs. Helen & Mr. John Gregory

Hurley

10:30am: +Adelbert P. Gorris

12:30pm: All St. Alphonsus Parishioners

Monday, November 10

7:30am: Jay & Terry Loetzerich

(41st Anniversary)

Mrs. Estelle & John Gregory Hurley

Tuesday, November 11

7:30am: Jason & Sue Higginbotham

(30th Anniversary)

Julie Hahn

+Anthony LaRocca, Sr.

Wednesday, November 12

7:30am: +Adele Yost Faucheux

Thursday, November 13

7:30am: Mrs. Caroline & Mr. David Hurley

Friday, November 14

7:30am: Jane Sarkissian

Saturday, November 15

4:00pm: +James A. & Mercedes R. Waldron

Sunday, November 16

9:00am: All St. Alphonsus Parishioners

10:30am: Usey Family

If you would like to sponsor a Sanctuary Candle for the Church or Chapel, or schedule a Mass Intention, please contact our parish office at 504-522-6748, Mon-Fri, 9am-2pm.



STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Giving Update: Weekend of November 1 & 2:

\$2,107.00 Weekly Envelopes \$1,152.00 Loose Collection \$1,796.00 Donations/Legacies \$155.00 Mass Stipends \$130.00 Religious Education

\$72.00 Zella reimbursement check

\$5,412.00 TOTAL



Thank you for your generosity! - Fr. Chung

Food Drive Totals:

November = **204** non-perishable food items donated Year to Date: January through November — **5,912** food items and a total in \$339.00 in donations.

We ended the month of October with a total of 702 food items in donations. We are so grateful for your generous gifts of food. As many of you may know—a lot of people have been affected by the government shut down and as a result, they are not receiving the monthly food supplies that they rely on to feed their families. Every donation matters. Thank you very much!

Forres Collins, Food Drive Coordinator.



GUILD MINISTRY

Giving Back - One Brown Bag at a time!

Please support our brown bag ministry and give a bag of food and water to a homeless neighbor. Buy a bag after Mass on **November 8 & 9**.

Thank you – Fr. Chung.



In Honor of Veterans Day our Parish Office will be CLOSED on Nov. 11.

On this Veterans Day, let us remember the service of our men & women in uniform, past, present, and future, God Bless you.

Thank you for your service!



November 15 Henry Phan & Gina Nguyen

November 22, 2025 Peter Clifton & Grace Fary

May God's blessings be upon these couples as they prepare for the sacrament of marriage.



<u>Join us for a NEW</u> <u>Weekday Blessed</u> Seelos Novena Mass!

St. Mary's Assumption Church
11:30am – (Monday-Friday)

All are Welcome!

New Catechumens of Our Parish!

We want to extend a warm welcome to our OCIA participants! We are so glad you have chosen to join our parish on your journey of faith. We welcome Donald Chapman, Kevin Hasson and David Northington. They are pictured below with their Spiritual Director, Fr. Andy. They have begun the OCIA education process and we ask that you keep them in your prayers.





SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT/EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

PARISH ADVENT RETREAT

Moving from the Restlessness of the World to the Peace of Christ: Do you sometimes feel restless with all that is happening around you?

Do you sometimes feel overwhelmed?

Come join us for an Advent morning of reflection as we seek the peace of Christ that the world cannot give. Presenters are Fr. Steven Benden, C.Ss.R., and Fr. Andy Thompson, C.Ss.R, on Saturday, Dec. 6th, from 9am-12pm, at Mercy Endeavors Senior Center/457 Jackson Ave, New Orleans.

(Registration & coffee from 8:30am-9am)

Snacks and lunch will be provided – All Free, but donations welcomed!

St. Alphonsus Parish In Memory of:



Deceased Members of the Beyer and Sternberg Families Deceased Redemptorist Priests and Brothers Faucheux, Zeringue, Wilson & Yost Families

Payton Families
Julia Helen Wingard
Sidney Usey, Jr.
Ernest J. George, Jr. & Sr.
Noel George
Martin J. Kauchak
Helen Kauchak
Catherine Baker
Oliver Baker
Lucille Mladucky
Vera Gaiennie
Ernest Gaiennie
Henry F. Soroe, Jr.
Susan Soroe

Ibert Families
Christian Wingard
Helen Gorris Wingard
Eddie Sly & Eunice Sly
Norlie A. George
Eleanor Kauchak
Walter Arnold
Pauline Arnold
Martin Kauchak
Anderson Families
Dave Gaiennie
Ellen G. Gurtner
Henry F. Soroe, III
Ross & Higginbotham Family

In Memory of Elizabeth Dowling

We remember in prayer all of the Faithful Departed

Thank you for your flower memorial donations.



Annual Christmas Bazaar

457 Jackson Ave. New Orleans, La. 70130 (Inside)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5TH

9:30am-1:00pm



Household items, toys, crafts, tableware, electronics, office supplies, jewelry, books, pet items and much more!

Nachos, Hot Dogs, Chips, & Drinks.

November 9, 2025 *32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*



picture taken: 10/11/25

The Exterior Renovations on the front of the 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 placed 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.

After 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. Their "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:



For updates, visit: www.StAlphonsusNO.com/SaveStMarys