

St. Alphonsus Catholic Parish

A Redemptorist Community



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

St. Mary's Chapel,
1516 Jackson Ave.

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time



"Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find."

- Matthew 22:9

Weekend Masses:

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays at 3:15pm, before 4pm Vigil

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

St. Mary's Assumption Church: Sundays 10:30am

Spanish Mass at 12:30pm

Weekday Masses: Monday-Friday

St. Mary's Chapel: 7:30am

St. Mary's Assumption Church: 11:30am

Novena Mass in Honor of Blessed
Father Francis Xavier Seelos,
Confessions available, after Mass

Monthly Mass:

St. Mary's Assumption Church
Our Mother of Perpetual Help Mass, 3rd
Sunday of each month. at 3pm with the
Filipino Faith Community & Parish

Eucharistic Adoration

St. Mary's Chapel

1st Friday of each month after 7:30am Mass

Parish Office Email: StAlsNola@gmail.com
504-522-6748 (Mon-Fri; 9am-2pm)
(Office Hours may vary on holidays)

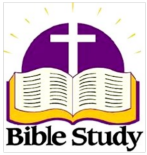
National Shrine of Blessed Francis X. Seelos
504-525-2495 (Mon-Sat; 10am-2pm)
(Closed on Sundays - Holiday hours vary)

Info@seelos.org

Parish Announcements!



Brown Bags available at Mass on Oct. 10 & 11: Each bag contains food & supplies for a homeless neighbor. (Suggested donation is \$2.00 per bag – buy more than one). Thanks!



Parish Bible Study! Our parish is hosting a Bible Study on every other Saturday on October 24, November 7 & 21, and December 5 & 19 (through Advent) from 9am-10:30am – at the Mercy Convent, located at 1017 St. Andrew Street, New Orleans. All are welcome to join us! - Fr. Chung.

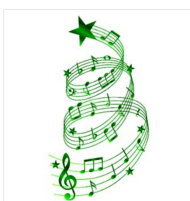
Second Collection next weekend on October 17 & 18: There will be a second collection next weekend taken for the World Mission Collection. (Envelopes will be available in church). Thank you!

Saturday, October 31 at 4pm – Holy Vigil for All Saints Day; Sunday, November 1 is All Souls Day – 10:30am Bilingual Mass at St. Mary's Church – we will not have 9am and 12:30pm Masses on Sunday, November 1st because of our Family Day celebrations.



FAMILY DAY – SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1st! - Mark your calendars! You are Invited to join us for our annual Family Day celebration following 10:30am bilingual Mass on Sunday, Nov. 1st. We will gather for food, fun & fellowship in St. Mary's courtyard at 11:30am. You are welcome to bring your favorite food dish or dessert to share, and you are welcome to help set up for the event, to help serve food, and to help clean up afterwards. **We will need Volunteers!** We thank those who have called our parish office to sign up to bring food and to help. **Please see the Sign-up Sheets in the back of church** or call the parish office at 504-522-6748, Monday-Friday from 9am-2pm. Thank you!

Happy Founders' Day of the Redemptorists – November 9th! November 9th is the anniversary of the Founding of the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (Redemptorists). St. Alphonsus Liguori founded the Redemptorists in 1732. He wanted others to follow the examples and the life of Jesus Christ by preaching the word of God to the poor and to those most abandoned. This year marks the 294th anniversary of the Redemptorists!



Symphony Chorus Christmas Concert – Hansel's Messiah: Sunday, December 13th at 3pm – Join us on Sunday, Dec. 13th at 3pm at St. Mary's Assumption Church for a special concert. More details will be provided soon.

More announcements coming soon!

UPCOMING LITURGICAL MINISTERS

- **Saturday, October 17 – 4:00pm**
Lector: M. Saia
Eucharistic Minister: G. Maginnis
- **Sunday, October 18 – 9:00am (Chapel)**
Lector: T. Costanza
Eucharistic Minister: T. George
- **Sunday, October 18 – 10:30am**
Lector: B. Perrault
Eucharistic Ministers: C. Nelson; B. Fleischer; L. Moran



LITURGICAL MUSIC FOR THIS WEEK

Mass Parts: | #21 Holy | A #26 Mem. Accl. | #31 Amen | #32 Lord's Prayer | #36 Lamb of God

OT 28 Response/Gospel A82, Hymnal Readings #1116;

Song of Gathering: #809 God is Here! As We his People

Offertory: #807 God's Holy Mountain We Ascend

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

Rec: #817 Sent Forth by God's Blessing

Pope Leo XIV's Prayer Intention October 2026:

For mental health ministry

Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 10

4:00pm: Fr. William Lechnar
+Isabelle Russo

Sunday, October 11

9:00am All St. Alphonsus Parishioners

10:30am: In Thanksgiving to Fr. Seelos (Colleen)
+Sharon Schmidt

12:30pm: +Mrs. Addy Colon de Morales

Monday, October 12

7:30am: +Louis M. Wattingney
+Joseph Williamson, Jr.

Tuesday, October 13

7:30am: +Sharon Schmidt

Wednesday, October 14

7:30am: +Margaret K. (hip surgery & recovery)

Thursday, October 15

7:30am: +Louise Grasser

Friday, October 16

7:30am: +Sharon Schmidt

Saturday, October 17

4:00pm: +Dr. AJ & Marie Giorlando

Sunday, October 18

9:00am: All St. Alphonsus Parishioners

10:30am: +Tuan Cao

+Louise Grasser

12:30pm: +Ekaterina Sitmikova



SANCTUARY CANDLE BURNS

IN OCTOBER FOR THESE

MASS INTENTIONS

St. Mary's Assumption Church

Special Intentions for James & Pauline Cao
and family, requested by James & Pauline Cao.

St. Mary's Chapel

For the repose of the soul of Sally McNeil-
Blimling and prayers for Jennifer Kelly Serio
and family, requested
by parishioner

Treasure & Stewardship

Giving Update: Oct. 3 & 4, 2026:

\$885.00	Weekly Envelopes
\$1,271.00	Loose Collection
\$2,829.00	Donations/Legacies
\$35.00	Mass Stipends
\$608.25	Misc. Lawn & St. Vincent de Paul
\$2,683.05	Online Giving
\$8,311.30	Total Giving

Thank you for generosity! - Fr. Chung

Food Drive Totals:

St. Alphonsus Parish is sponsoring an Angel Tree Food Drive to help keep our parish pantry full. Please take a tag from the Angel Giving Tree in the back of church and buy a food item to help Hope House. We ended the month of September with a total of 371 food donations. We appreciate your kindness. Please continue to bring non-perishable food items to Mass each week. Thank you very much!

October = 17

Year to Date = 4,793

-Forres Collins, Food Drive Coordinator.



Second Collection Oct. 17 & 18

There will be a second collection taken next weekend for the World Mission Collection. We celebrate World Mission Sunday on Oct. 18, focusing on the theme chosen by Pope Leo XIV: One in Christ, united in mission. Help Missionaries all around the world spread God's love.



October 10

William Montalbano & Madeleine Perkins

October 30

Patrick Scott & Frances Mathies

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



PARISH BIBLE STUDY:

Join us for an inspiring Bible study on **Saturday, Oct. 24** as we journey through the history of the Early Church from New Testament.

Discover how the first believers grew in faith through God's Word, prayer, fellowship, the power of the Holy Spirit, and sharing the Gospel. Come and be encouraged by their faith, courage, and commitment; and discover how their example can strengthen the Church today.

Come learn, Come grow, Come be inspired

Dates: Every other Saturday, beginning October through December 19, 2026

Location: Mercy Convent/1017 St. Andrew Street, New Orleans, LA 70130

Time: 9:00am – 10:30am

Dates: (Oct. 24; Nov. 7 & 21; Dec. 5 & 19)

(Doors open at 8:45am for coffee!)

Call: 504-522-6748

All are welcome – Fr. Chung

**Scenes from the Blessed Seelos Healing Masses at
St. Mary's Assumption Church on Oct. 3 & 4, 2026**



We thank Archbishop James Checchio and Fr. Peter Quoc Linh, C.Ss.R., for Celebrating Masses for the Memorial of Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos. Let us continue to pray for the intercessory prayers for all those suffering for healing. We also thank all of the staff and volunteers from the Seelos Shrine and the church who helped make all of this happen. Let us pray that one day soon we can celebrate Blessed Seelos's canonization!

**FIND PEACE, HOPE & HEALING
AT THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF
BLESSED SEELOS**

Visit the Shrine's
Welcome Center
right next door!

Monday-Saturday
10:00 am-2:00 pm

(504) 525-2495
SEELOS.ORG



**Join us for a Weekday
Seelos Novena Mass!**

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

All are Welcome!

(Confessions available following Mass)

St. Alphonsus School

Mission: We, the St. Alphonsus School Family, are animated by the charisms of the Redemptorists and the Sisters of Mercy. Rooted in Gospel values and committed to academic excellence, St. Alphonsus School is co-educational Catholic elementary school for students in grades Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 7. The administration, faculty, and staff are dedicated to responding to the needs of the whole child and supporting their spiritual, intellectual, emotional, physical, and social development through holistic learning, academic excellence, personal empowerment, and a faith in Jesus Christ within the Catholic tradition.

Non-Discriminatory Policy: St. Alphonsus School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. The school does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin, or disability in violation of state law and federal law or regulation in the administration of educational policies, admission policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

Additionally, in compliance with Title IX of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, no persons in the school shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, or be denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under any educational program or activity except as permitted under said Title IX.

St. Alphonsus School
2001 Constance Street
New Orleans, LA 70130
stalphonsus@arch-no.org



St. Alphonsus Prayer Chain: If you would like to add prayer intentions to our weekly prayer chain, contact us at StAlsPrayers@gmail.com. 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 Gretchen, Dino's foot injury, Kim's back recovery, Leigh, Rebecca, Sharie, Lindy, Raymond, Father William, Tom, Barb, Mike, Bryan, Marge, Jane, Greg, and for all those suffering from illnesses, An end to all wars, protection for people and property in the path of hurricane Isaias, and for all prayers we hold in the silence of our hearts, and for all our unspoken prayer intentions. **Amen.**

Updates: Raymond is adjusting to living alone again. Thanks for your prayers. Pray for the repose of the soul of +Mrs. Addy Colon de Morales who passed on October 1, 2026 and for her family.

Special Intentions: Prayers for Pope Leo, and for Archbishop James Checchio and for all of our Redemptorist priests, brothers, sisters...Blessed Francis Seelos pray for us. **Amen.**

Updated: 10/6/26



Join us for St. Alphonsus Parish's annual Family Day!

Join us for 10:30am bilingual Mass at St. Mary's Assumption Church, following Mass, we will gather in St. Mary's courtyard at 11:30am for fun, food & fellowship! There will be games and activities for children, and prizes!

Bring your favorite dish or dessert to share!

Bring your favorite folding chair!

We will need volunteers! to help set-up, serve food, and clean-up.

We are joyfully gathering **new gifts and gift cards** to create beautiful gift baskets for our Raffle Prizes. Gift basket ideas include: Spa Gift basket, Saints theme basket, Gourmet Food baskets, and others. Please bring your donated gifts and gift cards to the church office, located at 2030 Constance Street, New Orleans, LA, Monday-Friday, 9am-2pm. Thank you!

(SEE Sign-up sheets in the back of church)

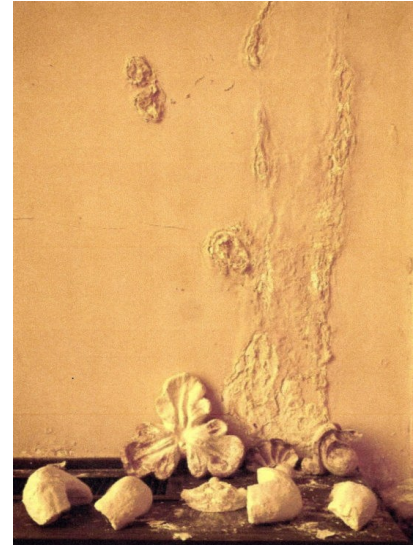
Call 504-522-6748 if you would like to bring a dish or if you would like to help.

Now that we have finished Phase 1 of Exterior renovations, **we are in the process of raising funds for Phase 2 of Interior renovations** in hopes of repairing the church's interior cracked plaster walls, repairing broken plaster moldings, repainting the walls with historic colors, and other interior repairs as needed. Please help preserve this sacred space and make a contribution today to "Save St. Mary's Campaign and Restoration Fund". **Thank you!**

Save St. Mary's Assumption Church—Restoration Capital Campaign



Some pictures of the interior damage and repairs needed to the church's ceilings, walls, plaster moldings and decorations, and repainting restoration.



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 died during 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 storms, and 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 its efforts to restore St. Mary's to its original beauty, while fortifying the structure for future generations. We want to thank all those who donated and contributed to our Save St. Mary's Restoration Fund to help pay for the Exterior Renovations of our Church.

We are prayerful and hopeful that we will continue to receive contributions to help fund Phase 2, Interior Renovations – to restore the damaged walls and plaster inside of the church, to help repair all of the interior cracks, to preserve the antique plaster carvings, to repaint the interior with historic colors, and other interior renovations as needed in order to preserve this sacred place of worship.

Would you consider helping us raise funds to complete the Interior Restoration of the Church?

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