

**The Holy Family of Jesus,  
Mary and Joseph  
December 31, 2023**

*"Blessed is everyone who fears the Lord,  
who walks in his ways!  
For you shall eat the fruit of your handiwork."  
- Psalms 128:1-2*

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*"Today a light will  
shine upon us, for the  
Lord is born for us;  
and he will be called  
Wondrous God, Prince  
of peace, Father of  
future ages: and his  
reign will be without  
end."  
- Luke 1:33*



**The Christmas Trees  
are in loving memory of  
Michael Jacobs.  
We would like to thank  
Mary Jacobs for her  
kindness and generosity.**

**The Floral Decoration  
for the Sanctuary and Blessed  
Virgin Mary altar during the  
Christmas Season is a gift from  
Dr. Miljana and Dr. Ivan Mandich.  
Thank you to the Mandich family  
for their kindness and generosity.**

**The beautiful poinsettias at the  
Sacred Heart of Jesus are in  
memory of:  
Emory and Joaquin Williams.  
Thank you to Bernadine for your  
kindness and generosity.**

**HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

Masses for the Solemnity of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God.

**8:00 AM, 12:00 Noon, 7:00 PM**

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Scripture Readings for the Week of December 31, 2023**

- Sunday** Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph  
Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6, 21:1-3;  
Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 or Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9;  
Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17; Lk 2:22-40 or  
Lk 2:22, 39-40
- Monday** Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
the Mother of God  
The Octave Day of Christmas  
Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7;  
Lk 2:16-21
- Tuesday** Memorial of Saints Basil the Great and  
Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors  
of the Church  
1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 1:19-28
- Wednesday** 1 Jn 2:29—3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6; Jn 1:29-34
- Thursday** Memorial of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton,  
Religious  
1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Jn 1:35-42
- Friday** Memorial of Saint John Neumann, Bishop  
1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Jn 1:43-51
- Saturday** 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20;  
Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38 or Lk 3:23, 31-34,  
36, 38
- Sunday** The Epiphany of the Lord  
Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13;  
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

**Mass Intentions**

**SATURDAY, December 30, 2023**

**4:00 pm** – Toy Ann Harris, Sean Patrick Griffin (†), Eloise Abadie, Donald Stablier, Gerard Walton Caire, for all the souls in Purgatory, Elva Rita Bosco Buuck.

**SUNDAY, December 31, 2023**

- 9:30 am** – Michael Jacobs (†), Serena Brown, and Rosana Vitale.
- 10:30 am** – The Poor Souls in Purgatory (†), Fr Paul Joseph Duffy (†), and unborn children and their families.
- 12:30 pm** – The Holy Souls in Purgatory (†).
- 5:30 pm** – Elva Rita Bosco Buuck.
- 7:30 pm** – Parishioners of Mater Dolorosa
- MONDAY, January 1, 2023 – 8:00 am** – All the souls in Purgatory, especially for all the deceased of the Carriere family, and Barbara Hudson ♥.
- 12:00 noon** – Dr Deregall Burbank and family.
- 7:00 PM** – The Holy Souls in Purgatory (†).
- TUESDAY, January 2, 2023 – 8:00 am** – Ophalia Alksne (†), and for the intentions of Gary Carbo ♥.
- WEDNESDAY, January 3, 2023 – 8:00 am** – A soul in Purgatory (†), the intentions of Maria Oppliger, and for the intentions of the Mater Dolorosa Rosary group.
- THURSDAY, January 4, 2023 – 8:00 am** – All the souls in Purgatory, especially for all the deceased of the Carriere family, and for Joel Jurgens ♥.
- FIRST FRIDAY, January 5, 2023 – 8:00 am** – Ophalia Alksne (†).
- FIRST SATURDAY, January 6, 2023 – 8:00 am** – A soul in Purgatory (†), Earl and Marian Navarre, Angela and Murry Boudreaux.

**No Enlightened Sages Meeting in January**

**Men's Emmaus Retreat**

Put aside the "hustle and bustle" of daily life and attend the Men's Emmaus Retreat the weekend of February 2-4, 2024. The retreat is held at the William J. Kelley Retreat Center in beautiful, peaceful Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. The retreat is based on the scripture passage "The appearance on the road to Emmaus" (Luke 24: 13-35) and is an uplifting experience that has a profound effect on men's lives. The retreat begins at 4:00 PM Friday and ends after the 5:30 PM mass on Sunday.

Round trip transportation is provided from St. Dominic Church, New Orleans.

Please don't ignore this opportunity but pray on it instead. Something very special awaits you in Bay St. Louis!

Please contact the following men for additional information: Norm Madere @ 504-481-0411 or Steve Schulken @ 504-401-6990 or Colin Taulis @ 504-494-4511

Or you can email us for a registration form at [sdMensEmmaus@gmail.com](mailto:sdMensEmmaus@gmail.com)

You can register for the retreat online at: <https://stdominicparish.com/emmaus-registration>

**BAPTISMS**

**Congratulations to:**

**Dec. 24: Ella Maria Rivera**

**MARRIAGES**

**Congratulations to:**

**Dec 30: Mia Constransich and Braeden Mullins**

**Sick and Prayer List Intentions**

Ken Swartz, Paul Whelton, Mary Elizabeth Cunningham, Salvador and Sylvia D'Antoni, Elise Connelly, Lisa Marqui, McConnel Family, Verlean R Ambrose, Michelle Baptist, Joseph Bates, Evan W Beck, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Jackie Blanchard, Ronnie Bourgeois, Cáceres Family, Gustavo Cáceres, Rios, Alonso, SantaCruz families, Roz Carey, Lisa Caruso, Raymond Cooper, Robert Delaney, Mrs. Carolyn Deupree, David Durnin, Leslie Durnin, Martha Bamber Gleason, Martha K Gleason, Nial Glynn, Brian Harkin, Daniel April Hogan, Barbara Hudson, Pasty Jackson, Jar-mar Jones, Patsy Kiff, Richard Korte, Robert Krysiak, Timothy Krysiak, Charles Lestear, Lawrence Linyear, Stephen Andrew Losee, Eric Markey, Katelyn Markey, Lisa Markey, Laverne McDow, Mary-Elizabeth Anna Neitzke, Thomas Provenza, Rhonda Rabalais, A.A. Reed, Kathleen Rollins, Diane Sclafani, Brittany Simons, Baby Sofia, Oliver Swartz, Bob Thomas, Rosalind Vance, Brindall Vance, Tevaest Vance, Sofia and Helen Weaver, Lynn Landeche, Walter Bonie, Monique Mickey, Adrien Swartz, Edgar DeLuna, Anna Marie Leleaux, for those serving in the military and their families, and all the sick of our parish.

Please pray for the victims of abortion and their families.

**If you would like someone added or removed from the prayer list please call (504) 866 3669. Thank you.**

**Welcome New Parishioners**

Mater Dolorosa would like to extend a warm welcome to all new parishioners. Please fill out a blue registration form located on the table as you enter church. You may drop it in the offertory basket on Sundays or come by our office.

For questions, contact the office at: 866-3669.

**We welcome you to Mater Dolorosa Parish.**

**Second Collections**  
Jan 14: BUILDING FUND  
Jan 28: CATHOLIC SCHOOLS COLLECTION

**Thank you for your continuing support  
of Mater Dolorosa Church.**

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Young adults bringing food to the homeless on Christmas Eve.



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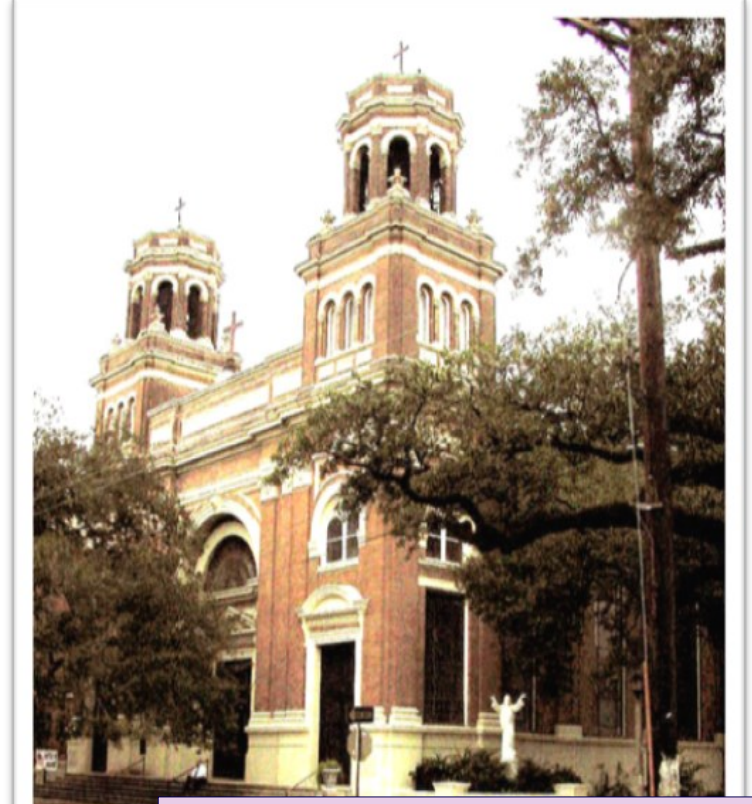
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Please, call Brian Dufrene 985 - 414-1642

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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 9:30 a.m.  
10:30 a.m.  
12:30 p.m.  
5:30 p.m.  
7:30 p.m.

Daily Monday-Saturday 8:00 AM

**DEVOTIONAL LIFE**

**Adoration**

Tuesday 8:30 (with Holy Face Chaplet)  
Thursday 8:30 a.m. (with Rosary )  
Saturday 3:00 p.m. (w/ Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet)  
Sunday 11:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m. and 6:30 pm.-7:30 p.m.  
First Saturday 8:30 – (with Rosary)

**Liturgy of the Hours**

Wednesday – 7:30 a.m.

**Rosary**

Thursday - 8:30 a.m. (with Adoration)  
Third Friday – 8:30 a.m. (with Adoration)  
Saturday - 3:00 p.m. (with Adoration)  
First Saturday – 8:30 a. m. (with Adoration)

**Rosary and chaplet for the Priests**

3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month after 8:00 a.m. Mass

**Our Lady of Fatima**

First Saturday Mass & Rosary and Adoration - 8:00 a.m

**Divine Mercy Chaplet**

Every Saturday 3:00 p.m. (with Adoration)

**Sacred Heart**

First Friday – 8:00 a.m. Mass  
Annual Procession First Sunday in June

**Stations of the Cross**

Friday - 3:00 p.m. (except during Lent)  
During Lent 8:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m. (Mass at 5:00)

**Holy Face Devotion**

Every Tuesday at 8:30 a.m. and Sunday - 11:30  
(with Adoration and Chaplet)

**Our Lady of Sorrows Chaplet** – Every First Saturday at 3:00 PM

**Mater Dolorosa Novena** - September 7-15

**Procession**

Sacred Heart – First Sunday in June  
Christ the King in November