

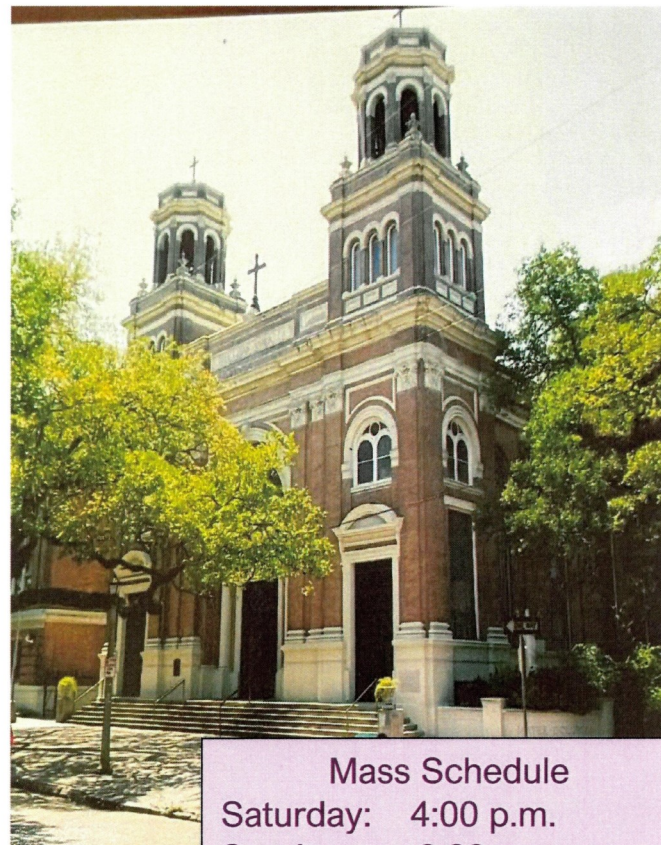
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 Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
 Sunday: 9:30 a.m.
 10:30 a.m.
 12:30 p.m.
 5:30 p.m.
 7:30 p.m.
 Daily Monday-Saturday 8:00 AM

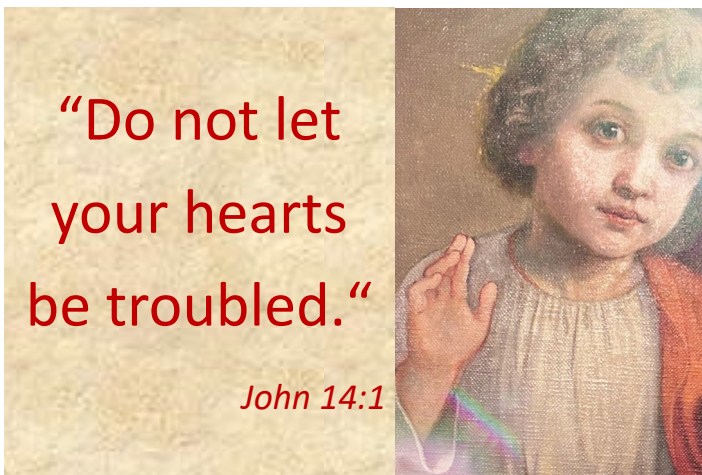
DEVOTIONAL LIFE

<p>Adoration 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 a.m. (with Rosary)</p> <p>Liturgy of the Hours Wednesday - 7:30 a.m.</p> <p>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)</p> <p>Divine Mercy Chaplet Saturday 3:00 p.m. (with Adoration)</p>	<p>Sacred Heart First Friday – 8:00 a.m. Mass Annual Procession First Sunday in June</p> <p>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 p. m.)</p> <p>Our Lady of Fatima First Saturday Mass & Rosary - 8:00 a.m.</p> <p>Rosary and chaplet for the Priests 3rd Friday of the month</p> <p>Mater Dolorosa Novena September 6-15</p> <p>Procession Christ the King in November</p>
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**Fifth Sunday
 of Easter
 May 7, 2023**

*I am the Way the Truth and
 the Life*
 John 14:6

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John 14:1

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May 7: DIOCESAN PRIEST RETIREMENT
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CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS DIAPER DRIVE
 Saturday, May 13
 in front of church
 from 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM.
 The Catholic Daughters are holding their annual Diaper Drive next Saturday to help women and their families.

Adoration Chapel Open 9:00 AM – 9:00 PM
 6220 LaSalle Place—New Orleans—LA 70118
 If you are interested in being a **committed adorer,**
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Spiritual and Religious

The question is often asked why you need religion at all. Can't you just be a spiritual person and go directly to God? Especially in the wake of scandal, doesn't it seem like all human institutions have failed in one way or another to transmit the Gospel to all people at all times? Years ago a very popular Youtube video showed a man speaking poetry claiming that he loved Jesus but hated religion. This seems to be a modern response to the horrible tragedies that have happened in religious institutions over the course of history, and these tragedies should not ever go unnoticed or the victims of these tragedies be forgotten. Though it may be coming from a genuine place of concern for people to say they don't need religion, it is clear from the very beginning that Jesus founded a religion, a visible Church. He knew better than anyone that people could come directly to him, but he didn't set it up that way. In today's First Reading we hear a beautiful story of the early Church organizing and ordaining more priests in order to serve the growing needs of the flock. Right from the very beginning in Acts 6 we see the need for a visible Church that can bring the visible Christ to visible people with tangible needs.

Of course we can always go directly to God, but as human beings we often get in our own way. I know many Protestant friends who ask God directly for forgiveness and then have to struggle through mental games wondering if they truly are sorry and repentant. One of the benefits to a visible Church and visible sacraments is that we don't need to guess. Even Catholics can go directly to God and make a perfect act of contrition, but we are required by Canon Law to confess our sins to a priest, not because the Church wants to assure that we feel embarrassed about our sins, but so that we can have the assurance of forgiveness. Though the Church is not perfect because it is full of very sinful people, myself included, being spiritual and not religious constantly leaves us wondering or worried about where we stand before God. With the Sacraments we need not worry, we have the assurance of Christ. So take hope during this Easter season that God has set up a Church, that it is a visible body with authority, and that by living in this Church we can be assured that God is working for our salvation, despite the things we do or the lies we believe. Why not have the best of both worlds? Let's make it a point this Easter season to be spiritual and also religious, clinging to the hope that Jesus brings through his death and resurrection.

From all of us here at Diocesan, God bless!

**Way of the Cross
 Every Friday at 3:00 PM**



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Scripture Readings for the Week of April 30, 2023

Sunday	Fifth Sunday of Easter Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; 1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12
Monday	Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday	Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday	Feast of Saint John of Avila, Priest and Doctor of the Church, and St Damien of Molokai, Priest Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Jn 15:1-8
Thursday	Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11
Friday	Feast of Saints Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs, and Saint Pancras, Martyr Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-9, 10 & 12; Jn 15:12-17
Saturday	Feast of Our Lady of Fatima Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5; Jn 15:18-21
Sunday	Sixth Sunday of Easter Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20; 1Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-2

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, May 6, 2023

4:00 pm – Toy Ann Harris, Sean Patrick Griffin (†), Eloise Abadie, Donald Stablier, Gerard Walton Caire, Sr Olivia Wassmer(†), living and deceased members of the Lorenz family, the Poor Souls in Purgatory (†), Daniel Walters, Jamie Walters, and the Marullo family.

SUNDAY, May 7, 2023

9:30 am – Intentions for: Daniel Walters, Jamie Walters, Serena Brown, and Rosana Vitale.

10:30 am – Intentions for: Daniel Walters, Jamie Walters, and unborn children and their families.

12:30 pm – Intentions for: Robert George Heller, the Heller, Weitkam, and Miranti Families, Daniel Walters, and Jamie Walters.

5:30 pm – Intentions for: Daniel Walters, Jamie Walters, and Jose Vindel Jr.

7:30 pm – Intentions for: Parishioners of Mater Dolorosa.

MONDAY, May 8, 2023 – 8:00 am – Pascal Marullo (†).

TUESDAY, May 9, 2023 – 8:00 am – Erica Therio, and Maria Phan (†).

WEDNESDAY, May 10, 2023 – 8:00 am – The Suffering Souls in Purgatory (†).

THURSDAY, May 11, 2023 – 8:00 am – Frank Marullo III ♥.

FRIDAY, May 12, 2023 – 8:00 am – Earl J Navarre, and for the GIG's Group Consecration to the Holy Spirit (Cathy, Ricky, Michelle, Helen, Irene, Gina, Emelda, Kordice, Claudia, Addie, Christy Maria, Sharon, Maria, Christine and Trudy)

SATURDAY, May 13, 2023 – 8:00 am – Kathy Dieterick.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 10:** Knights of Columbus Meeting at 6:30 PM in the Parish House
- May 13:** The Catholic Daughters are hosting a Diaper Drive in front of church from 9:00 AM – 11:00.
- May 18:** Pastoral Council Meeting at 7:00 PM in the Rectory
- May 25:** Finance Council Meeting at 7:00 PM in the Rectory

MARRIAGES

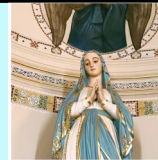
Congratulations to:



May 13: Lydia Goellner and Paul Schowalter
Amanda Bourgeois and Chris Meyer

Rosary for Priests Prayer Group

Priests need our prayers! We will be saying one rosary and one reading after the 8:00 AM Mass for their sakes.



Held monthly on the 3rd Friday of the month.

May's rosary & chaplet is on May 19th.

May the Immaculate Heart of Mary triumph and the Holy Spirit guide us!

Tolerance and apathy
are the last virtues
of a dying society.

Aristotle

Sick and Prayer List Intentions

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, David Durmin, Leslie Durnin, Martha Bamber Gleason, Martha K Gleason, Nial Glynn, Brian Harkin, Daniel April Hogan, Barbara Hudson, Pasty Jackson, Jarmar Jones, Patsy Kiff, Richard Korte, Robert Krysiak, Timothy Krysiak, Lynn Landeche, Charles Lestear, 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, Oliver Swartz, A.C. Thibodeaux, Bob Thomas, Rosalind Vance, Brindall Vance, Roslyn Vance, Tevaest Vance, and Helen Weaver, 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

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.

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