

ST. MATTHEW THE APOSTLE CHURCH

January 9, 2022

WORSHIP

MASS TIMES

Daily Mass

M-F 6am, 9:15am; Sat. 9:15am
Rosary before daily 9:15 Mass

Sunday Masses

4pm Vigil (Sat)
7am, 9am, 11am, 6pm (Sun)

RECONCILIATION

Friday: 6:30am and 8:45am
Saturday: 3:00-3:45pm
Or by appointment.

HOLY HOUR PROGRAM

Adoration:

Thursdays 10am-7:00 pm

Perpetual Help Novena

Tuesdays 9:45am

ROSARY

Every Monday evening at the
outdoor Mary statue at 6:15pm.
Before daily 9:15am Masses in
Church, Mon-Sat.

SACRAMENTS

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of
Adults is the process of welcom-
ing new members to our faith.
Classes are September through
May.

BAPTISM

Most Sundays immediately after
the 11:00 AM Mass. Please call
737-4537 in advance to register.

MARRIAGE

Consult parish priest at least
eight months prior to planned
date of marriage.

CONFIRMATION

Through our parish and High
School CCD Program. Please
call 737-4537.

FUNERALS

Please call 737-4537. Funerals
along with wakes and visitations
in Church are encouraged.

HOSPITAL VISITATION

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parishioner is in the hospital.

SACRAMENTS AT HOME

Communion weekly. Sacrament
of the sick as requested.

CONTACT

Rectory 737-4537, 737-2662
stmatthewchurch@arch-no.org
School 737-4604/RectoryHours:
Monday-Friday 9:00 AM- 4:00
PM

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please fill out a parish census,
found in the church foyer or at
www.stmatthewtheapostle.net.



THE BAPTISM *of the Lord*

"I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." - Lk 3:16bc

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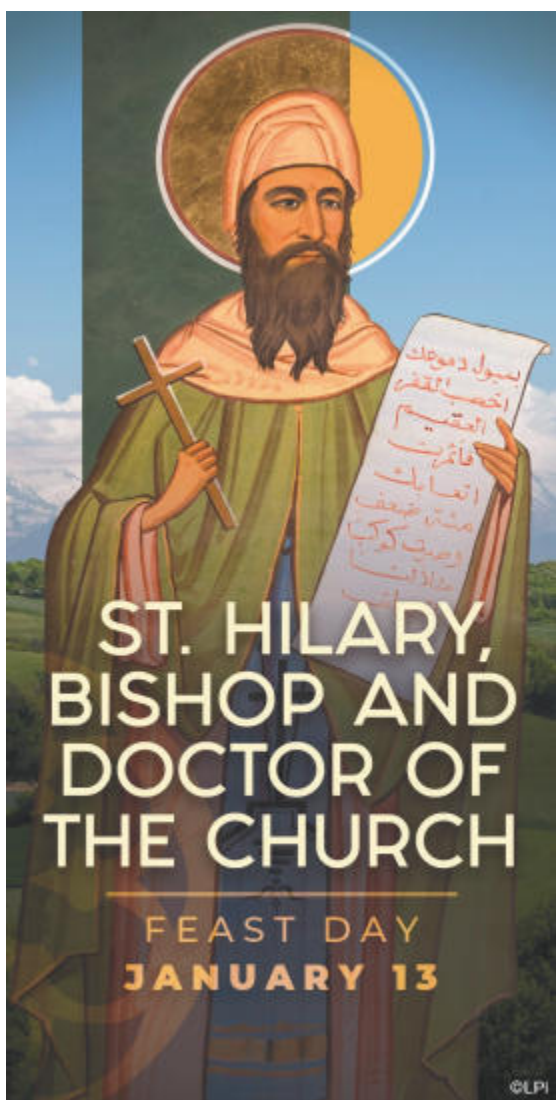
WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 9, 2022

- SUN 1/9 Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22
- MON 1/10 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20
- TUE 1/11 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28
- WED 1/12 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39
- THU 1/13 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45
- FRI 1/14 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12
- SAT 1/15 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 9, 2022

- Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord
- Thursday: St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Men's Club 737-4604 or 737-4537
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Youth Ministry - Matt's Cats 737-4537
Young Adults-Pier Ministry 737-4537

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This Week at St. Matthew

St. Matthew Schedule

Rectory Hours 9:00 AM-4:00 PM

SUNDAY 1/9 - The Baptism of Our Lord

7:00, 9:00, 11:00 AM & 6:00 PM Masses
9:30 AM - 12:30 PM CYO Jambalaya Lunch
6:00 PM CYO Mass, Meeting

MONDAY 1/10

6:00 AM & 9:15 AM Daily Mass
6:15 PM Monday Patriotic Rosary
6:55 Elementary CCD School
7:00 PM Lord Teach Me To Pray KC Hall

TUESDAY 1/11

6:00 & 9:15 AM Daily Mass
6:00 PM Cub Scouts MBC

WEDNESDAY 1/12

6:00 & 9:15 AM Daily Mass
6:00 PM School Open House

THURSDAY 1/13

6:00 & 9:15 AM Daily Mass
10:00 AM - 7:00 PM Adoration Church

FRIDAY 1/14

6:00 AM & 9:15 AM Daily Mass

SATURDAY 1/15

9:15 AM & 4:00 PM Masses

SUNDAY 1/16

7:00, 9:00, 11 AM & 6:00 PM Masses
9:00 AM Disabilities Mass

The Baptism of Our Lord

"We are called to live our baptism every day, as new creatures, clothed in Christ."
— Pope Francis

What reference point do you use when making decisions? Many times, impulse takes control and decisions are made based solely on emotion and desire. We all know that these types of decisions can often get us into trouble. When a person has a confident sense of who they are and a real understanding of what is important and of value, the likelihood of kneejerk impulsive choices diminishes. Baptism gives us what we need to make well informed and purposeful decisions. By this simple gesture, God claims us as His own and provides us with the identity and purpose we need to properly live life.

It is tremendously reassuring, when we truly embrace this revelation and realize that we no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. The answer of who we are in God has been given to us. We no longer have to fumble around, trip over ourselves or walk aimlessly about. Issues surrounding the sacredness of life, the meaning of death, the protection of those most vulnerable, care for the weak and the poor, offering hospitality to those in search of a home, the purpose and proper place of work, how to create a just social order, caring for creation, and understanding our roles as heralds and stewards are just a few of the wonderful gifts baptism brings. When we make decisions based on things such as these core Gospel truths we really act as Christ himself, revealing to others the new creations that we are. This is how we live our baptism.

It is difficult to walk against the tide. Yet, that is precisely what baptism calls us to do. Although we are sinners, in need of mercy and far from perfection we are called to order our life and make decisions based upon the wisdom and guidance of Almighty God. He alone is the one who can claim us as His sons and daughters. Standing up for our principles will not make us popular. But who ever said Christianity is a popularity contest? Baptism calls us to stand up for that which goes against the grain of secularism. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor to steady us in the tempests of life and God is very pleased. Forge ahead. There is nothing to fear.



GOD IS FAITHFUL

CHRIST IN THE CITY

Christ in the City 2022, evenings of Eucharistic Adoration for young adults in their late teens, 20s, and 30s, are scheduled for January 4, February 1 and March 8 at 7:00 PM in the Chapel at Notre Dame Seminary [2901 S. Carrollton Ave., New Orleans]. A social hour will follow.

For more information, please contact James Behan, Associate Director for Young Adult Ministry and Marriage and Family Life, at yam@arch-no.org. Christ in the City is sponsored by the CYO/Youth & Young Adult Ministry Office of the Archdiocese of New Orleans.

Missionaries of St. Therese



The Missionaries of St. Therese Circle 65 and Circle 68 will meet at Our Lady of Perpetual Help at 10:00 AM on the following dates in 2022:

January 12, February 9, March 9, April 13, May 11.

For more information, call Patricia Schilling, 504-400-3186.

Attention All Married Couples

Have you ever considered mentoring an engaged couple? St. Matthew the Apostle in River Ridge is hosting a seminar on Saturday, January 15, 2022, from 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM in the MBC. The seminar, presented by Jan and Lloyd Tate, covers how to present the Catholic vision of matrimony as well as how to share your own marriage with an engaged couple. The fee is \$125 per couple, and refreshments are provided. Please bring a lunch. To register, call the Family Life Office, 504-861-6243. Questions, call Bridget Stiebing, 504-430-5589.

St. Matthew the Apostle Parish will cover the cost of current, registered parishioners to attend this seminar.

Annulment Writing Workshop

The Archdiocese of New Orleans is hosting an Annulment Writing Workshop at St. Benilde Catholic Church, located at 1901 Division Street, Metairie, LA 70001, from 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM.

The workshop will be held on five consecutive Tuesdays: January 25, February 1, February 8, February 15 and February 22, 2022.

The cost is \$25.00 to attend. For more information, call 504-861-6243.

Radio Rosary Second Collection January 15-16



Next weekend the second collection is for Radio Rosary. Sponsored by the Archdiocesan Holy Name Societies, Radio Rosary in scriptural form has been broadcast on the radio continuously since 1946. It is said live on the air on Station WVOG AM by the various parish Holy Name Societies, including St. Matthew the Apostle. Costs to broadcast continue to rise. Please be generous.

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In your charity, please pray for the souls of

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who died recently, and for all who mourn them.

Prayer to St. Matthew—May we be helped, Lord, by the prayers of Your Holy Apostle and Evangelist, Matthew. May his intercession obtain for us the graces which we cannot merit for ourselves, through Our Lord Jesus Christ and His Virgin Mother, Amen.

Celebrant and Liturgical Minister Schedule for January 15-16, 2022

Sunday		Celebrant/Deacon	Sacristan	Lector	EOMs	AS
1/15	4:00 PM	Fr. Lee/Lobell	Leonhard	R. Latham	Deacon/M.Latham/Leonhard./Donovan	6
1/16	7:00 AM	Fr. Lee/Clark	L. Latham	Mule	Deacon/Dalme/Ambrosia	1
1/16	9:00 AM	Fr. Lee/Clark	Brandt	Lupo	Deacon/Baur/Baur/Brandt	2
1/16	11:00 AM	Fr. Francis/Simoneaux	N. Huete	Zylicz	Deacon/N.Simoneaux/Huete/Rucker	3
1/16	6:00 PM	Fr. Francis/Lobell	Berrigan	Berrigan	Deacon/Oubre/Wyler	11

(Schedule is subject to change)

Congratulations to Deputy Grand Knight Warren "Sonny" Cancienne who was named Knight of the Year



Members of St. John Paul II #3226, Knights of Columbus, delivered Christmas gifts to a local Veterans Home to honor those who served our country.

Welcome to the Catholic Church Sutton Rose Veneralla who was recently baptized. Pictured with Deacon Nathan Simoneaux; parents Charles and Amanda Veneralla; big brother Cooper; godfather, Bradley Tassin; and godmother, Kady Tassin.





St. Matthew CYO Events

Meeting & Mass January 9th, 6 p.m.-9 p.m.
January 9th Jambalaya Lunch
Faithful Fridays Mass 6 a.m.



January 8 – January 15, 2022

SATURDAY, January 8

9:15 AM: Charles & Eva Chaisson
4:00 PM: Jacob "Jack" Fallo, Mr. & Mrs. William Lobell, Sr., Mr. & Mrs. Lobell, Jr., Lobell, Kennedy, Picone Family, Al & Adele Kennedy, Thomas & Lorraine Nenos, Linda Davidson, Louis Cure, Emily Becknell, Joseph, Annie & Mike Ferrara & Family, Anthony & Mary Gagliano, Donald Gaudet, Jr. (Living)

SUNDAY, January 9

7:00 AM: Nick & Yvonne Matulich
9:00 AM: Parishioners of St. Matthew the Apostle
11:00 AM: Van H. Weaver, Floyd & Geraldine Terranova, Mary Ann Folse, Frank Herbert
6:00 PM: Coach Dave McCuller

MONDAY, January 10

6:00 AM: Barbara Alice Mule Levigne
9:15 AM: Gail Glesener

TUESDAY, January 11

6:00 AM: All Souls In Purgatory
9:15 AM: Vocations To The Priesthood & Religious Life

WEDNESDAY, January 12

6:00 AM: Coach Dave McCuller
9:15 AM: Nicole Guerin

THURSDAY, January 13

6:00 AM: For All Deceased Members of St. Matthew the Apostle Parish
9:15 AM: Ralph Corsetti

FRIDAY, January 14

6:00 AM: Joseph Maunoir, Jr., Sheryll Maunoir & Mike Maunior
9:15 AM: Healing for Parishioners Facing a Cancer Diagnosis

SATURDAY, January 15

9:15 AM: Doty & Shirley Bertram



Knights of Columbus Knight of the Month for December

Jarold Smith

For membership information please visit
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CHURCH OFFERINGS

December 19, 2021

Weekly Envelopes	\$27,420.43
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for online giving information.



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