

The Worshipping Community of

Blessed Sacrament – St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church

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"The Uptown Church with the down home message"

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2026

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

Weekday Mass
Wednesdays - 8 a.m.

Sunday Masses

Saturday (Vigil)	4:00 p.m.
Sunday	8:00 a.m.
Sunday (Gospel Mass)	10:00 a.m.

Livestreaming available on our Facebook and YouTube

Baptisms: 4th Sunday of the month except during Lenten Season

Weddings: Contact the rectory six months prior to desired wedding date

Confessions: One-half hour before Sunday Mass
Holy Hour - Wednesdays at 6pm
Bible Study: 508.924.5792 - Thursdays at 6pm
Prayer Line: 508.924.5792 - Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays at Noon

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 3, 2026
4pm
For: Our Parish Family and Families

Sunday, October 4, 2026
8 am
For: Our Parish Family and Families

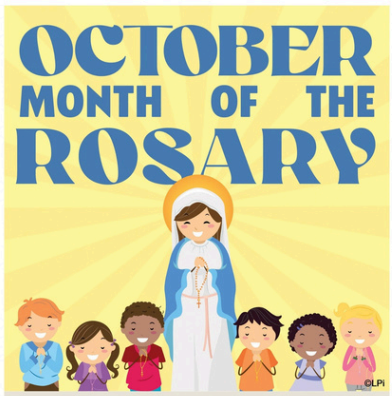
10 am Gospel Mass
For: Terrell, Swain & Hampton Families
For the Repose of the Soul of: Isaiah Preyan, Dorothy Sims Graves & Ruby Sims Lancelin

Wednesday, October 7, 2026
For: The People of the Parish

Worship & Observances

Blessing for Life

What wonder You have gifted us, Lord, in the blessing of life! May Your name be praised with every movement, every heartbeat, every breath. Protect life in every stage, race, age, ability, creed, and capacity. Pour Your mercy upon us this day, helping us to live deeply and love well.
Amen.



Readings for the Week of October 4, 2026

Sunday
Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9 and 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

Monday
Gal 1:6-12/Ps 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9 and 10c/Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday
Gal 1:13-24/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday
Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Lk 11:1-4

Thursday
Gal 3:1-5/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/Lk 11:5-13

Friday
Gal 3:7-14/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 11:15-26

Saturday
Gal 3:22-29/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 11:27-28

Next Sunday
Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

Observances for the Week of October 4, 2026

Sunday
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday

Monday
Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest

Tuesday
St. Bruno, Priest; Bl. Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin

Wednesday
Our Lady of the Rosary

Friday
St. Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs; St. John Leonardi, Priest

Next Sunday
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2026 | TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ©LPi

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

When have I failed to do what is honorable and praiseworthy?What challenges have I overcome in cases where I did what was honorable and praiseworthy?

Prayer for the Week



Heavenly Father,
thank You for the vineyard of blessings You have entrusted to us. Help us to be faithful stewards of Your gifts, bearing good fruit through love, kindness, and service. May our lives always reflect gratitude for all You have given us.
Amen.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Our Parish Family Sick and Shut In: Leonard Anderson, Evangeline Thompson Antoine, Diane Austin, Joseph Bates, Jr., Loyce Bradshaw, Charles Braneon, Lorraine Burke, Barbara Butler, Virginia Butler, Augustine Cain, Dominique Carter, Jessie Caston, Sr., Jessie Caston, III, Gwendolyn Cathcings-Castello, Ginny Clark, Bernadine Coco, Dr. Charles Coleman, Joyce Coleman, Keith Coleman, Santiago Cooper, Myrna Daniels, Lamar Davis, Souleymane Diop, Mr. & Mrs. Donald Dix, Bonnie Easton, Cameron Fritz, Linda Grandois, Willie Grandois, Gilda Griffin, Godfrey Harris, Linda Harris, Wanda Haydel, Tammi Lynn Howard, Joseph James, Hubert Jarrow, Jr., Ruth Jerome, Jaylen Johnson, Tommy Johnson, Anna Jones, Evelyn Johnson, Kaylen Johnson, Ruth Kennedy, Felicia Meyers, Keith Newton, Donna Phillips, Omar Phillips, Thomas Phillips, Calvin Preyan, Joyce Randolph, Deja Rawles, Scott Rivera, Kim Roby, Jevon Rogers, Matilda Romero, Janice Sawyer, Lula Mae Schexnayder, Carrie M. Shedd, Scott Schryver, Jane Silva, Cindy Sims, Enjoli Sims, Kaila Sims, Kira Sims, Alma M. Smith, Bill Starr, Marquerite Stepter, Glenda Stewart, Annie Stoot, Eugene Stoot, Diane Sims Tillman, Perry Tillman, III, Sherman Todd, Marsha Washington, Betty Williams, Farrell Williams, Jace Williams, Nedra Wicker and Mandi Young

PROCLAIMER SCHEDULE

Sat., September 19
4p Vigil
V. Osby

Sun., September 20
8a
Chase Pierre

10a
A. Frazier & S. Frazier
Announcer: L. Latimore-Jones

Sat., September 26
4p Vigil
L. Coleman

Sun., September 27
8a
R. Mornay

10a
L. Parker-Davis & M. McMorris
Announcer: S. Lucien

PARISH COUNCIL

Chair - Kenneth Hayes | 504.547.1619
Patrick Anthony | 504.715.4961
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Shannon Sims | 504.228.3656
Dawn Spears | 504.296.6320
Troy Thomas | 504.914.4901

PARISH CALENDAR

OCTOBER

5	Parish Council 6:30pm
5	Last Day to Register to Vote In-Person/Mail
7	Liturgy Meeting 6:30pm
10-11	BSSJA Goes Pink for Breast Cancer
13	Last Day to Register to Vote Online
17	Men's Ministry Breakfast

COLLECTION TEAMS

OCTOBER

4	Team 1	11	Team 2
18	Team 3	25	Team 1







ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **SISTERS OF THE HOLY FAMILY** are hosting a day of continuous rosary and Eucharistic Adoration in honor of Our Lady of the Rosary on Wednesday, October 7th for vocations to the Sisters of the Holy Family.The mass begins at 8:00 a.m. followed by breakfast. The continuous rosary begins at 9:00 a.m. and the day ends at 6:00 p.m. after Eucharist Adoration. A different group leads the continuous rosary every hour. Flyers are placed in the vestibule.Attendance and/or participation are appreciated: 504.241.3088.

- **MEN'S MINISTRY PRAYER BREAKFAST** will be held on Saturday October 17th. Fellowship starts at 9:30 a.m. and the program begins at 10:00 a.m. Donation is $20. Our guest speaker is the former New Orleans Mayor Mitch Landrieu. Musical selections will be offered by the Zulu Ensemble. All men are welcomed and we ask that you bring a friend.

- **MEN'S MINISTRY VOTER ASSISTANCE** Our two election days are fast approaching. The last day to register in person or by mail for the November 3rd election is October 5th; the last day to register online is October 13th. We invite you to visit us after mass in front of the church to check your registration status, sign up for a ride to the polls, and ask questions about how to be sure your vote counts. Spread the word. The outcome of this election will have real effects on your lives and especially the lives of the least among us.

- **WOMEN'S MINISTRY** will hand out Breast Cancer Awareness Pins to the Women & Men of our Parish beginning October 3rd and 4th . We are asking everyone to wear their Breast Cancer Awareness Pin to each Mass throughout the month of October to show support to our families, friends, and our VERY own parishioners who have ENDURED, OVERCOME, or are currently dealing with the challenges of this disease. The Women Ministry Celebrates in Pink and ask that you show your support by wearing your Pin to every Mass and to wear Pink the weekend of October 11th. Information about Breast Cancer will be provided in the vestibule of the church.

- **NOTRE DAME HOSPICE** is looking for volunteers to visit patients at facilities in our area, such as Chateau de Notre Dame, located behind the Seminary on Carrolton Avenue, and Audubon Retirement Village on Henry Clay Avenue. Volunteers do not need a medical background, and do not physically handle patients. You would provide companionship: mainly talk with patients or possibly pray with them if desired. If interested, please call the Volunteer Coordinator, Janine Bonner, 504.418.1049. Fliers are in the vestibule of the church.

- **CHURCH BEAUTIFICATION** Our Parish is seeking assistance from parish ministries quarterly to clean of our sanctuary weekly in preparation for Masses. Ministries will be scheduled on a rotating basis throughout the year. Ministries and parishioners willing to assist are asked to please sign up in the vestibule or contact Emile Pierre (504.236.7336) or John Salomone (504.307.4645).

Parish Ministries & Organizations

Ministry	POC	Telephone
Altar Servers	Byron Sims	504.975.3950
Altar Society	Gloria Parker	504.833.9560
Baptism/RCIA	Romona Augillard	504.722.2639
Beautification		
Bereavement	Byron Sims	504.975.3950
Bible Study	Audie Nero	504.458.7055
Booster's Club	Patrick Anthony	504.715.4961
CCE	David Delio	504.605.8966
CYO	Carol Dotson	504.339.8691
Extraordinary Ministers	Ruth Kennedy	504.482.8240
Evangelization	Emile Pierre	504.236.7336
Family Life	Johnnie Tillman	504.432.6189
Health Ministry	Mary Green	504.782.1317
Holy Name Society	Audie Nero	504.458.7055
Hospitality		
Junior Daughters		
Knights of Peter Claver	Reginald Parquet	504.866.8993
Ladies Auxiliary	Petrina McMorris	504.358.5681
Liturgy	Shannon Sims	504.228.3656
Marriage Ministry	Twyla Rattler	504.460.8265
Men's Ministry	Benny Harris	504.585.2585
Music Ministry	Tyrone Foster	504.722.7812
Parish Council	Kenneth Hayes	504.547.1691
Proclaimers	Mary Green	504.782.1317
Senior Citizens' Group	Freida Howard	985.722.7409
Sick N Shut In		
Sodality of Mary		
St. Vincent de Paul Society	Sonya Stinson	504.343.2689
Twelfth Night Ball	Leatrice Latimore-Jones	504.259.6246
Usher	Patrick Anthony	504.349.0966
Women's Ministry	Treniece Davis	281.844.4225

Proclaimers Additional POC: Shanna Lucien 504.616.4835

If you are experiencing an emotional crisis, are thinking about suicide, or are concerned about a friend, call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline Immediately:
1-800-273-8255
This is a 24-hour hotline

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS: Please submit all bulletin entries and announcements to the parish office by close of business (4:00 pm) on Wednesdays of each week.

