



LOOSED IN HEAVEN.

— MATTHEW 18:18 —

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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, SEPTEMBER 6, 2026

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

Saturday, September 5, 2026

4pm

For: Our Parish Family and Families

Sunday, September 6, 2026

8 am

For: Our Parish Family and Families

10 am Gospel Mass

For: Our Parish Family and Families

For: Terrell, Swain & Hampton Families

For the Repose of the Soul of: Isaiah Preyan

Wednesday, September 9, 2026

For: The People of the Parish

Worship & Observances

Back-to-School Blessing

Dear God,
We ask that You bless the students in our congregation, giving them inspirational teachers, studious habits, solid friendships, and Your grace in every moment of this school year. Bless the teachers and school staff in our congregation, too. Fill them with Your love and care so that, as they teach and minister to our young people, Your wisdom and light may be known, encountered, and shared.
Amen.

Readings for the Week of September 6, 2026

Sunday

Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7b, 7c-9/Rom 13:8-10/
Mt 18:15-20

Monday

1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday

Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23
or 1:18-23

Wednesday

1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17/ Lk 6:20-26

Thursday

1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24/Lk 6:27-38

Friday

1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12/Lk 6:39-42

Saturday

1 Cor 10:14-22/Ps 116:12-13, 17-18/Lk 6:43-49

Next Sunday

Sir 27:30-28:7/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Rom 14:7-9/
Mt 18:21-35



Observances for the Week of September 6, 2026

Sunday

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday

Labor Day

Tuesday

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wednesday

St. Peter Claver, Priest

Friday

Patriot Day

Saturday

The Most Holy Name of Mary

Next Sunday

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Grandparent's Day

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

When have I been reluctant to correct someone who has done something wrong? Have I considered doing so in an effort to put them on a path to forgiveness?

Prayer for the Week



Lord Jesus,

Give us the courage to deny ourselves, take up our crosses, and follow You faithfully. When the journey is difficult, strengthen our hearts to trust Your will above our own. Help us surrender what holds us back and walk each day with faith, humility and love.

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, 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

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COLLECTION TEAMS

SEPTEMBER

6 Team 2 13 Team 3
20 Team 1 27 Team 2

PROCLAIMER SCHEDULE

Sat., September 12

4p Vigil
W. Squire

Sun., September 13

8a
Holy Name Men

10a
L. Latimore & S. Lucien
Announcer: M. Green

Sat., September 19

4p Vigil
V. Osby

Sun., September 20

8a
Chase Pierre

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

PARISH CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

1 Liturgy Meeting 6:30pm
12-13 Ministry/Organization Fair
12 OBCM Gospel Fest
14 Parish Council 6:30pm
27 Book Club Meeting
27 St. Vincent de Paul Fundraiser

*Together
We Can!*



**Blessed Sacrament
ST. JOAN OF ARC
CATHOLIC PARISH**

**MINISTRY FAIR
& ORGANIZATION**

Discover Your Purpose. Share Your Gifts. Strengthen Our Parish.

**WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 12TH OR 13TH
FOLLOWING EACH MASS**

4:00 PM (SAT) | 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM (SUN)

**WE ARE
ONE CHURCH
MANY GIFTS
ONE MISSION**

Join us in the Church Hall
to learn about the many ways you
can get involved, grow in your faith,
and make a difference.

**THERE IS A PLACE
FOR YOU HERE!**



Explore. Connect. Serve.

 Liturgical Ministries

 Faith Formation

 Outreach & Service

 Parish Life & Fellowship

 Music & Arts

 And Much More!

Come. See. Be Part of Something Great!
Whether you have a little time or a lot, your gifts are needed
and your presence makes a difference.
OUR PARISH. OUR FAITH. OUR FAMILY.
We can't wait to see you there!
The Uptown Church with the down home message!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **SUPPORT SICKLE CELL WARRIORS:** The Knights of Peter Claver and Ladies Auxiliary New Orleans Central Committee District I Health Committee is sponsoring its 2nd Annual Health Fair and Sickle Cell Anemia Blood Drive. Location: Monsignor Gautreaux Center St. Maria Goretti Church 7300 Crowder Blvd. New Orleans, LA 70127. Date and Time: Saturday, September 19, 2026 10:00AM-2PM.
- **BSSJA BOOK CLUB** All are welcome to join for the first meeting of the BSSJA Book Club! We'll be discussing Pope Leo's recent encyclical, Magnification Humanitas, following 10am Mass on September 27th. Meeting will take place in the Convent gathering room for coffee, snacks and fruitful conversation Join us as we discover our individual calls to holiness, our role in community and our understanding of the Church we call home. For more information on how to access the encyclical or to join the group chat, contact Caitlyn Cano at 832.778.0236 or speak with Fr. Linus.
- **BISHOP FERNAND CHERI GOSPEL FEST** will be held September 12th at St. Martin de Porres. Doors at 5pm Event 6pm. Join our choir at the fest while also supporting Second Harvest Good Bank. Free admission with a can good.
- **ATTENTION YOUTH GRADES 7-12.** The Catholic Youth Conference will be Saturday September 26th from 9am-5pm at Jesuit High School and will include speakers, lunch and Mass with the Archbishop. Contact Carol Dotson 504.339.8691 so we can get your info, t-shirt size and lunch choice. Please let us know by September 9th.
- **MINISTRY FAIR** will be held on September 12 and 13 following each Mass. Please consider joining a ministry where you can share your gifts, serve others, and become more deeply involved in the life of our Parish community.
- **THE ANNUAL ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY FRIENDS OF THE POOR WALK FUNDRAISER** donations will help the BSSJA Conference to replenish its depleted funds. You can donate online at <https://runsignup.com/walk4sja>. or through members Romona Augillard, Artilyn Luke, Petrina McMorris or Sonya Stinson.. hank you for your support!
- **THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL THRIFT STORE** is accepting donations of gently used clothing, shoes and accessories for all ages throughout the month of August. Your closet cleanout can make a difference! Every donation helps support the work of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul and allows us to continue serving individuals and families in our community. Location: 4034 4th St., Marrero, LA 70072 Donation Hours: Tuesday—Saturday - 10 AM-3 PM
- **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).

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.

Parish Ministries & Organizations

Ministry

Altar Servers
Altar Society
Baptism/RCIA
Beatification
Bereavement
Bible Study
Booster's Club
CCE
CYO
Extraordinary Ministers
Evangelization
Family Life
Health Ministry
Holy Name Society
Hospitality

POC

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Gloria Parker
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Junior Daughters
Knights of Peter Claver
Ladies Auxiliary
Liturgy
Marriage Ministry
Men's Ministry
Music Ministry
Parish Council
Proclaimers
Senior Citizens' Group
Sick N Shut In
Sodality of Mary
St. Vincent de Paul Society
Twelfth Night Ball
Usher
Women's Ministry
Proclaimers Additional POC: Shanna Lucien

Reginald Parquet
Petrina McMorris
Shannon Sims
Twyla Rattler
Benny Harris
Tyrone Foster
Kenneth Hayes
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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



<https://bssjaparish.weshareonline.org/>
Text "GIVEBSSJA" to 800-950-9952
QR Code Giving Code

May God's generosity remain in you!

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