

Nativity of Our Lady Catholic Church

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am

Weekdays:

7:00 am (Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday)

9:00 am (Wednesday)

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday: 9:00 am — 5:00 pm

Tuesday: 9:00 am — 5:00 pm

Wednesday: 9:30 am — 5:00 pm

Thursday: 9:00 am — 5:00 pm

Friday: 9:00 am — 12:00 pm

(Closed daily from 12:00 pm — 1:00 pm for Lunch)

PASTOR:

Fr. Matthew P. Higginbotham

SACRAMENTAL MINISTER:

Fr. Ed Degeyer

BOOKKEEPER:

Polly Camacho

SECRETARY:

Kimberly Richard

RECEPTIONIST:

Sheryl S. Bourque

DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION:

Janet Viator – 337-365-3759

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT COORDINATOR:

Amber Salsman

PASTORAL COUNCIL

PRESIDENT: *André Schlicher*

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 3:00 pm — 3:45 pm and
30 minutes before weekday Masses

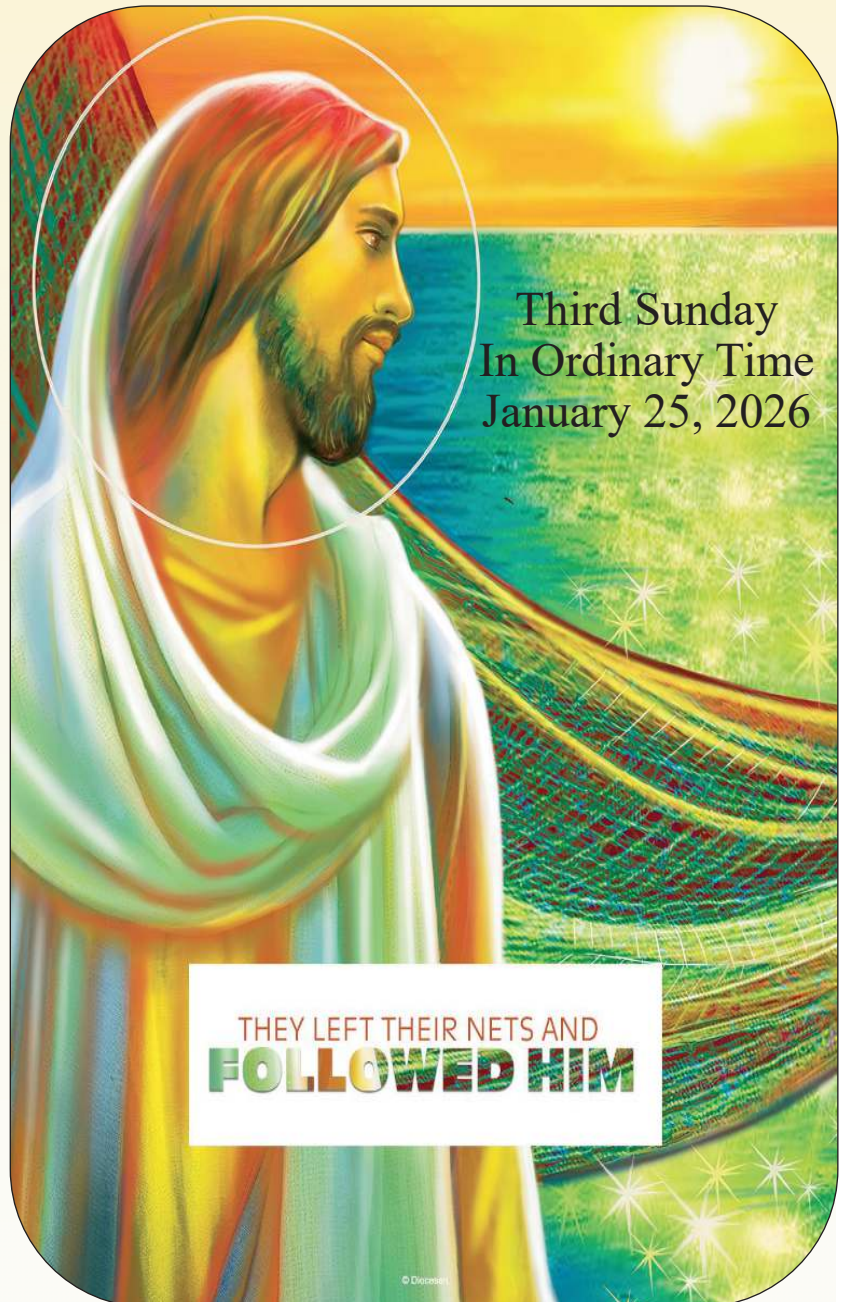
ROSARY:

Wednesday: 8:20 am (*Pro-Life*)

First Friday: 6:30 am

First Saturday: 8:20 am

Third Tuesday: 7:30 am (*Patriotic*)



TODAY'S READINGS



Isaiah 8:23-9:3
Psalm 27:1, 4, 13-14
1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17
Matthew 4:12-23 or 4:12-17



The Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

Today's Liturgy gives us a lesson in ancient Israelite geography and history. Isaiah's prophecy in today's First Reading is quoted by Matthew in today's Gospel. Both intend to recall the apparent fall of the everlasting kingdom promised to David (see 2 Samuel 7:12-13; Psalm 89; 132:11-12). Eight centuries before Christ, that part of the kingdom where the tribes of Zebulun and Naphtali lived was attacked by the Assyrians, and the tribes were hauled off into captivity (see 2 Kings 15:29; 1 Chronicles 5:26).

It marked the beginning of the kingdom's end. It finally crumbled in the sixth century BC, when Jerusalem was seized by Babylon and the remaining tribes were driven into exile (see 2 Kings 24:14). Isaiah prophesied that Zebulun and Naphtali, the lands first to be degraded, would be the first to see the light of God's salvation. Jesus today fulfills that prophecy—announcing the restoration of David's kingdom at precisely the spot where the kingdom began to fall. His Gospel of the Kingdom includes not only the twelve tribes of Israel but all the nations—symbolized by the “Galilee of the Nations.” Calling His first disciples, two fishermen on the Sea of Galilee, He appoints them to be “fishers of men”—gathering people from the ends of the earth. They are to preach the Gospel, Paul says in today's Epistle, to unite all peoples in the same mind and in the same purpose—in a worldwide kingdom of God. By their preaching, Isaiah's promise has been delivered. A world in darkness has seen the light. The yoke of slavery and sin, borne by humanity since time began, has been smashed. And we are able now, as we sing in today's Psalm, to dwell in the house of the Lord, to worship Him in the land of the living.

Scott Hahn

REFLECTIONS - THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

There are many paths to God. Just as there are a variety of people. The path you are traveling may not be right for someone else. It is not our place to tell others what to do. When we are focused on them, we cannot pay attention to what we are doing. While we may gain insights from others, we must travel our own path. Rather than waste time criticizing others, we need to look carefully at how our actions reflect our beliefs. There is always room to improve and, if we listen to the Spirit, we will see where we need to improve.

One thing I ask of the Lord; this I seek: To dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life. - Psalm 27:4
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Inspirational Catholic Quotes

Every human being comes from the hand of God, and we all know something of God's love for us through each person we encounter. Whatever our religion, we know that if we really want to love, we must first, before anything else, learn to forgive.

Saint Teresa of Calcutta

PARISH VOCATION CROSS



The Vocation Cross is taken by:

Linda L. Viator

(January 25th - January 31st)

Each week, a family or an individual from our parish receives the vocation cross. If you or your family would like to receive the vocation cross, please sign-up on the sign-up sheet near the tabernacle in church.

Nativity of Our Lady Catholic Church

February 2026

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	Pray for Pope Leo XIV Memorial Book 8:00am & 10:00am Mass	2 Pray for Bishop Douglas Deshotel	3 Pray for Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell 7:00am Mass Faith Formation	4 Pray for Fr. Stephen Sahayaraj Irudayasamy Pro-Life Rosary 8:20am 9:00am Mass	5 Pray for Fr. Salinger Istre 7:00am Mass	6 Pray for Fr. Revi Jampangi First Friday 7:00am Mass Eucharistic Adoration 7:30am to 11:00am	7 Pray for Fr. Johnathan Janise First Saturday 9:00am Mass Confirmation Retreat 8:30am to 9:30pm Parish & Barsen Hall 4:00pm Mass
8	Pray for Fr. Stanley Jawa 8:00am & 10:00am Mass <i>Bishop's Services Appeal</i>	9 Pray for Fr. Joseph Kikandi	10 Pray for Fr. Andrew Killeen 7:00am Mass Faith Formation	11 Pray for Fr. Clifton Labbe Pro-Life Rosary 8:20am 9:00am Mass K.C. & Ladies Aux. Supper & Meeting Parish & Barsen Hall	12 Pray for Fr. Donovan Labbe 7:00am Mass	13 Pray for Fr. Paul Lafleur 7:00am Mass	14 Valentine's Day Pray for Fr. Alex Lannon 4:00pm Mass
15	Pray for Fr. Michael Keith Landry 8:00am & 10:00am Mass <i>New Iberia Poor & Needy</i>	16 Pray for Fr. Oneil Landry <i>Deadline to turn in Young Adult Retreat Registration Form</i>	17 Mardi Gras Pray for Fr. Charles Langlois 7:00am Mass Patriotic Rosary No Faith Formation Office Closed	18 Ash Wednesday Pray for Fr. Corey Lavergne Pro-Life Rosary 8:20am 9:00am & 5:30pm Mass	19 Pray for Fr. Steven Leblanc 7:00am Mass Women's Praise & Worship 6:00pm - Church	20 Pray for Fr. Mark Patrick Ledoux No 7:00am Mass Mass at 5:30pm Stations of the Cross 6:00pm	21 Pray for Fr. Seth Lemaire 4:00pm Mass
22	Pray for Fr. Jaimie Lorenzo 8:00am & 10:00am Mass	23 Pray for Fr. Michael Luxbacher	24 Pray for Msgr. Charles Mallet 7:00am Mass Faith Formation	25 Pray for Msgr. W. Curtis Mallet Pro-Life Rosary 8:20am 9:00am Mass	26 Pray for Fr. Arockia Sebastian Maritasuai 7:00am Mass	27 Pray for Fr. Charles "Billy" Massie No 7:00am Mass Mass at 5:30pm Stations of the Cross 6:00pm	28 Pray for Fr. Suresh Mathangi Young Adult(18-28) Praise & Worship Retreat Parish Hall & Church 9:00am to 5:00pm

PRAYER & SICK LIST

The names on our prayer list will stay on for 90 days. If you want to add or delete a name, please call the office 337-364-8360.

Sirena Rogers, Janis & Nathan Dugas, Billy Simon, Edward Simon, Lynette Landry, Janet Viator, Ronnie Landry, The Delahoussaye Fly, Patsy & Percy Barrilleaux, Fran Jackson, David & Robin Viator Fly, Sheryl S. Bourque, Michael & Claire Landry Fly, Dustin & Nicole V. Ortego Fly, Linda & Clint Trahan Fly, Ruth Bernard, Bridget Aitken, The Greig & Belaire Fly, Josephine Delcambre, Jody Ellen Hudson, Jim & Brenda Prejean, Jessica Gary Dubois, Joni Gullotta, Fisher Whitaker, The Babin, Trahan & Richard Fly, Deacon John Sarkies, James & Doreen Norman, Brenda DeRouen, Myrna & Millard Poche, Gloria K. Bonin, Daphne C. Lopez, Beverly B. Walet, Jerome Guillotte, Leoni Derouen, Cade T., Betty DeRouen, Geraldine Babin, Robert McDaniel, Ron Cutrera, Lori Aguilar, Bailey & Gage Tucker, The Sinitiere Fly, The Fitch Fly, Raywood & Virginia Buteaux, Barbara Keegan, Mike & Doris Degeyter Fly, Rory Suire, Crystal Elizabeth Olivier, Patrick Valls, Nickas Bonin, Gene Gonsoulin, Coty Bourque, Erskine Katz, Randy & Jessica Broussard, Jane Arceneaux, Rebecca Segura, Terry Trahan, John Babin, Phil Duplantis, Ray Landry, Shane DeRouen, Cody Theriot, Sandra Upton, Kay Charpentier Green, Hardy Jenkins, Bridgette Louviere, Amye Hammond Bellot, Hadley Babin, Roland & Faye Boudreaux, Delina Lafont, Emma Judice, Kathleen & Larry Viator, Duppy Duplantis, Caroline Dubois, Bailey Prudhomme, Jane Patin. Please also pray for those individuals who, although in need of your prayers, have requested that their names not be publicized for privacy reasons.

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, January 27, 2026

7:00am David D. Viator

Wednesday, January 28, 2026

4:00pm Jerry Dooley, Carrol Romero, Sr.

Ernest "Topper" Breau

Howard Bourque, Jr., Andre LaBauve

Helen Barrilleaux

Thursday, January 29, 2026

7:00am Violet Lancon

Friday, January 30, 2026

7:00am Clark Romero (2nd ann of death)

Saturday, January 31, 2026

4:00pm Fr. Tom Finley, Bobby Broussard (bd)

William Kell Lewis, Bill Olivier

Bayne Olivier, Lynward Ransonet

Mark A. Bourque (1st ann of death)

Elaine & Ken Cole, Jerry Dooley

Rachel R. Romero

Sunday, February 1, 2026

8:00am Parishioners, Larry Andrus

Henry & Dorothy McDonald

Thelma Broussard

10:00am Msgr. H.J. Barsen, Fr. A.J. Boumans

Harvey & Joyce DeCourt

Donna M. Lanza



YOUNG ADULT PRAISE & WORSHIP RETREAT

Calling all 18 through 28 year olds!

On **Saturday, February 28, 2026**, all **18 to 28 year olds** are welcome to participate in a **Retreat** here at **Nativity of Our Lady Catholic Church.**

It will **begin at 9:00am** and **end after the 4:00pm Mass.**

Guest Speakers & Musicians:
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Cost to Attend: \$25.00(Cash or Check)
Lunch will be provided.

Come experience the presence of our Lord with Mass, Confession, Eucharistic Adoration, Praise & Worship, Prayer & Reflection, Fellowship, Spiritual Talks, and other activities that will help you grow into a deeper relationship with Christ.

For more information and to register please come by the Nativity Church Office, call 337-364-8360, or pick up a registration flyer after all Masses & return to Nativity Church Office with your payment by deadline of 2/16/2026.



SANCTUARY LIGHT:

In Memory of:
David D. Viator



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OUR GIFTS TO GOD	January 11, 2026
Loose.....	\$ 1,629.00
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Total offertory (week).....	\$ 5,468.00

Thank you for your generosity!!!!



**St. Katharine Drexel Acts Coalition
Men's Acts Retreat**

March 19-22, 2026

Register online:

<https://tinyurl.com/2026Menretreatant>

CURRENT EVENTS

Tuesday, January 27, 2026

Mass at 7:00 am
Faith Formation - 6pm - 7pm
ACTS Meeting - 6pm - 8pm

Wednesday, January 28, 2026

Pro-Life Rosary - 8:20 am
Mass at 9:00 am

Thursday, January 29, 2026

Mass at 7:00 am

Friday, January 30, 2026

Mass at 7:00 am

Saturday, January 31, 2026

Mass at 4:00 pm

Sunday, February 1, 2026

Masses at: 8:00 am & 10:00 am

Sacristan Needed

We are in need of a Volunteer Sacristan every Tuesday for 9:00am Mass at New Iberia Manor North Nursing Home. Please call Cindy Landry for more information at 337-256-2208, or the Church Office at 337-364-8360.

2025 Contributions Statement

If you would like to have a copy of your 2025 Statement of Contributions mailed to you, please call the office at (337)364-8360 to request one.

**MASS SERVERS
January 27, 2026 - February 1, 2026**

DAY DATE	TIME	CELEBRANT	READERS	LAY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	ALTAR SERVERS
Tuesday 1/27/26	7:00am	Fr. Matthew Higginbotham	Ellen Claudy		Sacristan
Wednesday 1/28/26	9:00am	Fr. Ed Degeyter	Ginger Comeaux	Cynthia Elmer Willie Elmer Cindy Landry Ross Landry	Sacristan
Thursday 1/29/26	7:00am	Fr. Matthew Higginbotham	Vikki Morgan		Sacristan
Friday 1/30/26	7:00am	Fr. Matthew Higginbotham	Keith Comeaux		Sacristan
Saturday 1/31/26	4:00pm	Fr. Matthew Higginbotham	Margo LeBlanc	Cindy Landry Ross Landry	Khoi Nguyen Tai Nguyen
Sunday 2/1/26	8:00am	Fr. Matthew Higginbotham	See Reader Schedule	Wayne Duhon Mary Pesson	See Altar Server Schedule
	10:00am	Fr. Matthew Higginbotham	See Reader Schedule	Doc Voorhies Megan Love	See Altar Server Schedule

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