

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

ST. ANTHONY MISSION CHAPEL

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20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith!
Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's
daughter was healed from that hour. - Mt 15:28

Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday:
9:00 a.m. – 12 noon
Tuesday: **CLOSED**

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil:	5:00 p.m.
Sunday:	<i>St. Anthony</i> 8:00 a.m.
	<i>St. Joseph</i> 10:00 a.m.
Tuesday - Thursday - Friday	7:00 a.m.
Wednesday	6:00 p.m.

Confession

Saturday 4:00–4:45 p.m.
Sunday 7:30am at St. Anthony
Sunday 9:30am at St. Joseph
Weekdays following weekday masses
or by appointment

Parish Staff

Pastor: Rev. Rofinus Jas, S.V.D.
Email: rojassvd@yahoo.com

Secretary/Bookkeeper: Ms. Peggie M. Bellow

Musicians: Mr. Harris Flugence
Ms. Carla Bernard

Trustees: Mr. Michael Rabon
Mrs. Theresa Cormier

Safe Environment Coordinator: Mrs. Judy Keefe

Sacrament of Baptism

Contact the Church office to schedule Baptisms

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples should contact the Priest 6 months prior to the wedding date. NO wedding date should be planned, till after the Marriage Preparation has been completed.

Funerals

Please call the office to inform of the death of a church member and to schedule an appointment to plan the Funeral. Only after meeting with the Secretary, should one contact the funeral home with the final arrangement.

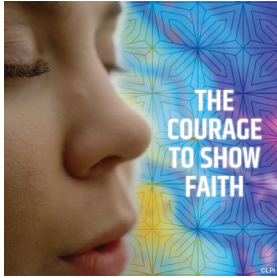
Meetings

Ushers Association: Third Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m.—Bishop Perry Learning Center
Adult Choir Practice: Every Thursday at 6:00 p.m.
Come Lord Jesus Group: Every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.
Knights & Ladies Auxiliary of Peter Claver: 2nd Sun of the month

Mission Statement

"As a community inspired by the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ and our ancestral heritage, we the parishioners of St. Joseph and St. Anthony profess to proclaim God's goodness. And through our faith and commitment to the Holy Word we join together in spirit, truth, love and service working together for the good of our church parish."

GOSPEL MEDITATION



Matthew 15:21-28

Does God ignore or act a bit rough with you? Jesus crosses the border into the pagan region of Tyre and Sidon, the territory long outside the covenant. There, a Canaanite woman calls out, **“Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David.”** At first, he is silent. Then he rebuffs her. **“It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs.”** But the Church Fathers saw this not as an insult but as an initiation. Christ draws out of her heart a deeper faith.

She presses on. **“Please, Lord, even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters.”** Jesus’ silence and response solidify her humility and trust. She thus becomes a model for prayer for centuries of Christians. St. Augustine said she shows how sinners come to grace by moving from silence to humility to perseverance.

This woman is the Church. She is you and me. She is every soul who dares to cry out from the margins, who endures divine silence until it turns to compassion. When Jesus says, **“O woman, great is your faith,”** it is the joyful cry of God discovering faith where the world least expects it. Even the smallest crumb of Your mercy, Lord, is enough to heal the soul. Do we have the courage to show faith like that?

~Father John Muir~

 Mass Intentions

Saturday 5:00 p.m.: Hilda Johnson, Bessie Jones, Alexson Mathieu, Audrey Mathieu, the deceased members of the Mathieu & Mouton families, Harold Anderson Jr, Wilbert & Thelma Jeanlouis, Christopher J. Anderson, Harold Anderson Sr & Ethel Mae Decuir, Alton & Hilda Chambers, Louella Verette, Ronald Filer, Julius Gregoire, Laura Lynn Broussard, deceased members of the Gregoire & Granger families, Mazel N Flugence, Gladys Little, Henry Little, Villery Ball, Lillie Norbert, Florence Norbert and Cheronda F Arceneaux.

Sunday 8:00 a.m.: For all living & deceased members of St Anthony and St Joseph.

Sunday 10:00 a.m.: Lionel Ryes, M/M Curley & Mary Ann Flugence, deceased members of the Flugence & St. Julien families, Rosemary Flugence-Rabon, M/M Henderson & Lucille Rabon, Tony Curtis Rabon, Jordan Porter, M/M Velma & Harold Flugence, M/M Joseph & Delores Porter Sr, James Ledet Sr, Troy Tauriac, M/M Anna & Alfred Tauriac Sr, M/M Lawrence Bellow Sr, Christopher James Trailer Sr, deceased members of the Bellow & Lavan families, Joseph Leo Sias III, Christopher Anderson, deceased members of the Decuir & Anderson families, M/M Agnes & Howard Broussard and the deceased members of the Adams & Broussard families.

Prayers for the Sick:



*Merciful Jesus, onto Your
Compassionate Heart we
recommend:*

Gustavia Thibeaux, John Albert Ledet, Audrey Armelin, Shavawana Flugence, Katherine Gregoire, Victor Jackson, Jessica Doucet, Karen Armour, Donald Mitchell, Even St. Julien, Malcolm Knox, Monica Barras, Rose Sam, Jimmie Valsin Sr and Grethen Valsin.

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

Thus says the LORD:
Observe what is right, do what is just;
for my salvation is about to come,
my justice, about to be revealed. (Is 56:1)

Psalm:

O God, let all the nations praise you! (Ps 67)

Second Reading:

For God delivered all to disobedience,
that he might have mercy upon all. (Rom 11:32)

Gospel:

Then Jesus said to her in reply,
"O woman, great is your faith!
Let it be done for you as you wish." (Mt 15:28)

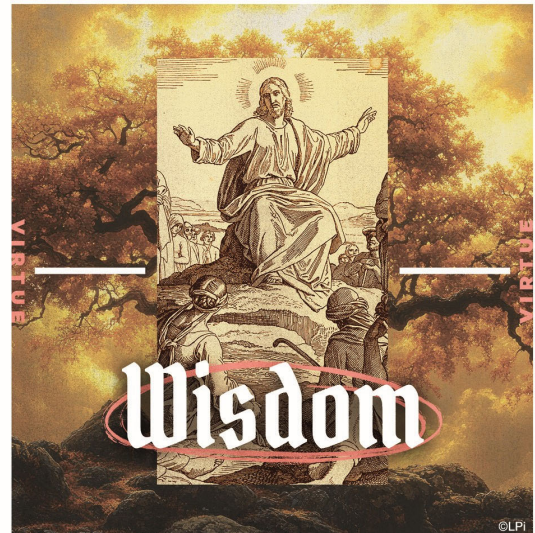
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

The Canaanite woman did not take Jesus' initial refusal as rejection, but as an invitation to engage with God, to show him the depth of her faith. When our prayers are not answered as we wish, will we have the courage to do the same?

Observances for the week of August 16, 2026

Sunday:	20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wednesday:	St. John Eudes, Priest
Thursday:	St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church
Friday:	St. Pius X, Pope
Saturday:	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Next Sunday:	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time



Virtues, Explained!

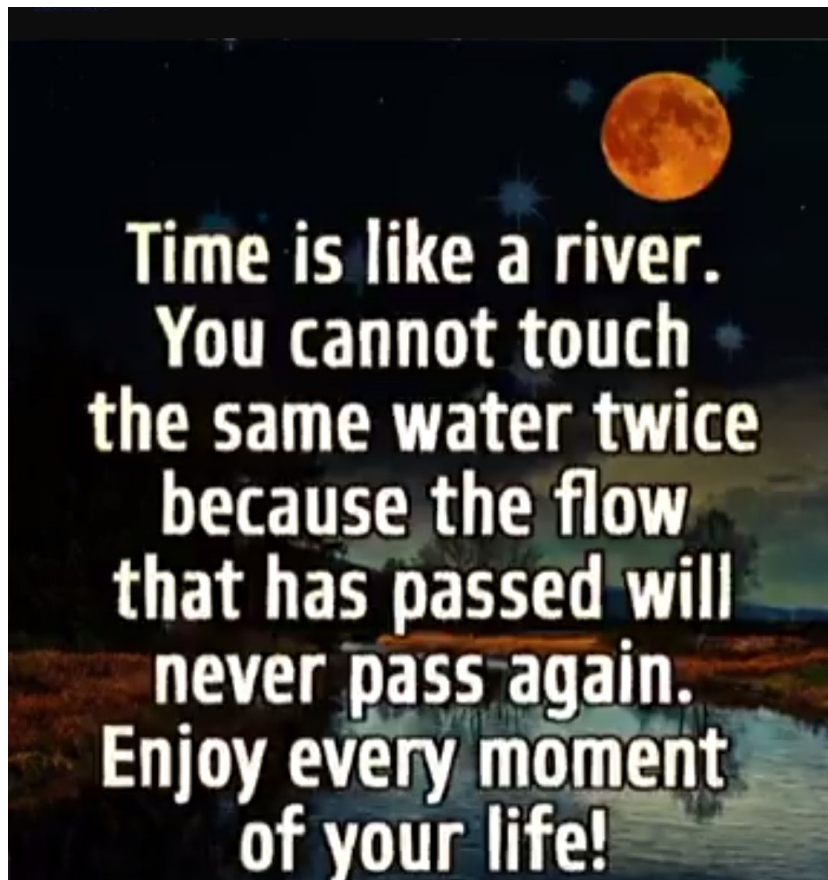
They say that wisdom comes with experience, and it does — but only if you accept it. Wisdom originates in both our will and in our intellect, meaning we must ask the Holy Spirit for the gift of wisdom — and remember to be ready when it comes.

Prayer for Conversion in Our Communities

Dear God,
Move in our community:
Bring Your light to the darkness,
Your justice to the oppressed,
Your hope to those in despair,
Your healing to those in pain.
Work in us, Lord, and change our hearts,
making us more loving, more merciful, and more compassionate.
Amen.

Inspirations for Your Week

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**Our Giving****August 8th & 9th, 2026**

St. Joseph: (93 Envelopes)	\$1,349.00
St. Anthony: (23 Envelopes)	<u>330.00</u>
	\$1,679.00

2nd Collections:

B.S.A.:	10.00
Catholic Communications:	5.00
Peters Pence:	5.00
Building Maintenance:	304.00
Building Insurance:	45.00
TOTAL:	\$2,048.00

Mass	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers	Ushers
SATURDAY August 22, 2026 5:00pm	Judy Keefe	Cynthia Jackson		
SUNDAY August 23, 2026 8:00Am	Bertha Brown	Jeanette Mitchell		Lucinda George Jessica Broussard
SUNDAY August 23, 2026 10:00am	Tyrone Rogers	Terry Flugence		

Please Note: Lectors, Ushers, Altar Servers and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion: By calling for a replacement when you are scheduled but cannot serve, you honor your commitment and help to ensure that there is no interruption for mass. Thanks!!

God's Housekeepers:

St. Joseph: Thanks to all of the ladies that cleaned the church on August 15th, 2026. Please let us know if and when you might be available to help clean our church.

St. Anthony — August, 2026: (Group B): Marie Decuir and Bridget Zacharie

Your hard work and time dedicated is appreciated!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Week's 2nd Collection will be for St. Joseph & St. Anthony Youth Ministry.

Parish School of Religion:

Director of Religious Education:

Mrs. Mona Darby (337) 654-0749

9AM—12 Noon in the Bishop Perry Learning Center

CCD Registration Forms are currently available in the rear of the church

Parent/Student Meeting: Saturday, August 22nd at 10am

Classes begin: Saturday, September 19th, 2026

MUSIC MINISTRY!!!

Drummers, Guitarist and Singers

**To enhance our Music Ministry and share
your gifts**

Please Call (337) 445-9331

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord

