

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 Degeyter

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Kimberly Richard

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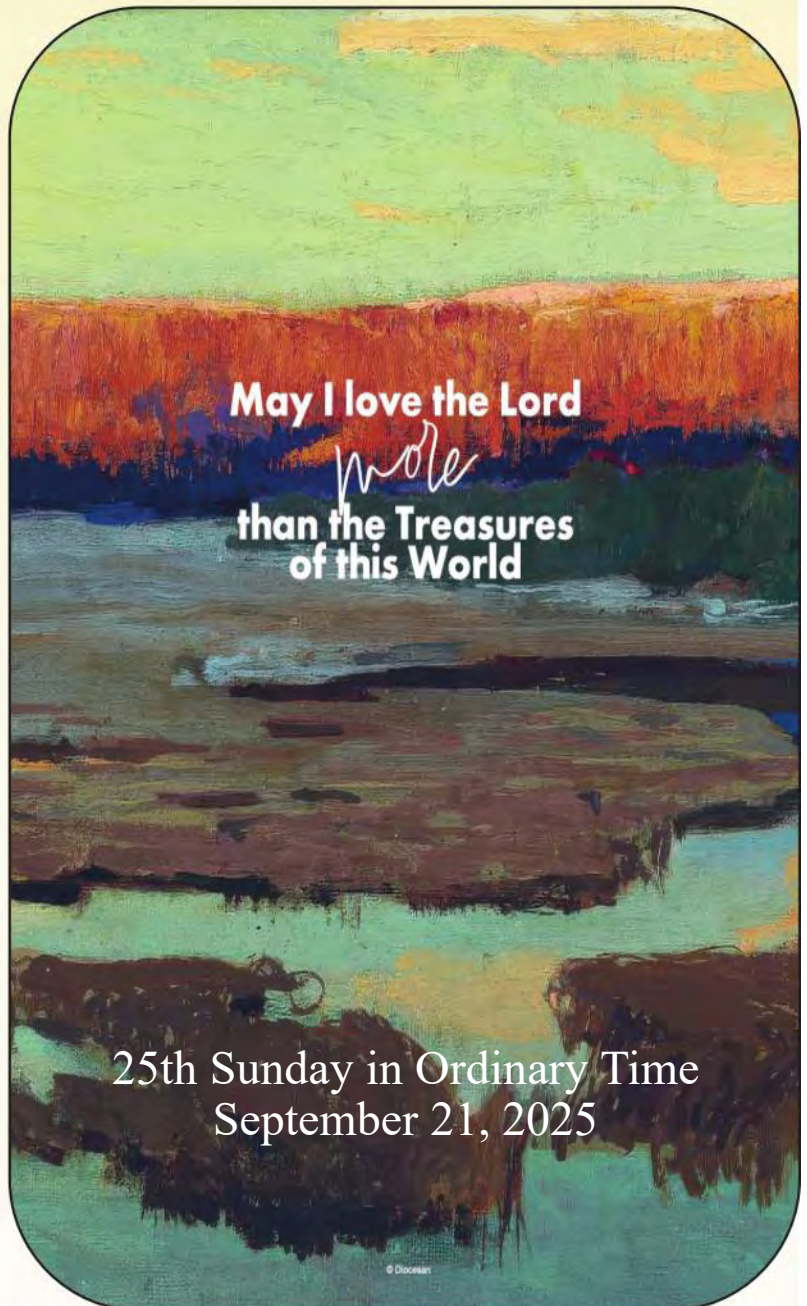
RECONCILIATION:

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

ROSARY:

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

First Saturday: 8:20 am



TODAY'S READINGS



Twenty-Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Readings:

Amos 8:4–7

Psalm 113:1–2, 4–6, 7–8

1 Timothy 2:1–8

Luke 16:1–13

The steward in today's Gospel confronts the reality that he can't go on living the way he has been. He is under judgment. He must give account for what he has done.

The exploiters of the poor in today's First Reading are also about to be pulled down, to be thrust from their stations (see Isaiah 22:19). Servants of mammon, or money, they're so in love with wealth that they reduce the poor to objects; they despise the new moons and sabbaths—the observances and holy days of God (see Leviticus 23:24; Exodus 20:8).

Their only hope is to follow the steward's path. He is no model of repentance. But he makes a prudent calculation—to use his last hours in charge of his master's property to show mercy to others, to relieve their debts.

He is a child of this world, driven by a purely selfish motive—to make friends and be welcomed into the homes of his master's debtors. Yet his prudence is commended as an example to us, the children of light (see 1 Thessalonians 5:5; Ephesians 5:8). We too must realize, as the steward does, that what we have is not honestly ours, but in truth belongs to another, our Master.

All the mammon in the world could not have paid the debt we owe our Master. So He paid it for us. He gave His life as a ransom for all, as we hear in today's Epistle.

God wants everyone to be saved, even kings and princes, even the lovers of money (see Luke 16:14). But we cannot serve two Masters. By His grace, we should choose to be, as we sing in today's Psalm, “servants of the Lord.”

Scott Hahn

Even saints fell—what mattered was how they rose.

Notice

Fr. Matthew Higginbotham has scheduled some time off, Monday, October 6th through Friday, October 10th and Monday, October 13th through Wednesday, October 15th. Fr. Ed Degeyter will be doing the 7am week-day masses while Fr. Matthew is out.

The Bethlehem Nativity Group will be selling religious articles from the Holy Land, here at Nativity of Our Lady Catholic Church after all Masses, on **Saturday October 18th** and **Sunday October 19th**. Christians, in the Holy Land, need your support, now more than ever, so if you can find it in your heart to make a purchase they would be extremely grateful. They also request your prayers for peace in the Holy Land and thank you in advance.

Inspirational Catholic Quotes

“Confess your sin and be finished with it. God’s mercy is greater than your sin. Don’t be afraid, scrupulous, or anxious. You are a sinner full of sin when you go to Confession, and when you come out you are a sinner without sin. But always, before everything else and after everything else, you are a child of God.” - *Saint Teresa of Calcutta*

Holy Hour - Adoration

Please be aware that there will be no Holy Hour after the 9:00am Mass on Wednesday, October 1st. There is a **Special Adoration** after the **7:00am Mass** on the **First Friday - Friday, October 3rd**, that will begin immediately following the 7:00am Mass & will last until 11:00am, as the Benediction will take place then. We need you here adoring our Lord. We would like to have at least 2 people in the Church at all times. If you would like to commit to this special time with our Lord, please call the Church Office at 337-364-8360.



SEPT. 26TH SPEND -A-DAY

with
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The logo for Catholic High New Iberia features a stylized panther head in profile, facing right, with a red and black color scheme.

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Fall Floral Sale

The K.C. Ladies Auxiliary & Our Lady's Altar Society members are sponsoring a Fall Floral Sale after all masses on the first two weekends of October. Sales will be made **outside** (under the covered breezeway) at the main entrance of the Church and volunteers are encouraged. If you have any questions, call Margo LeBlanc at 337-380-3319.

THE LIVING ROSARY DEVOTION

Families often pray together. Our Catholic family of New Iberia will come together on Tuesday, October 7, 2025, at 6 pm for our annual Living Rosary Devotion. During the Living Rosary we will join our voices in prayer for our own personal intentions as well as all the intentions trusted to our prayer boxes. We invite you and your family to join us at **St. Peter Church** on **Tuesday, October 7, 2025, at 6 pm** for the **Living Rosary**.



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.

Farina Guidry, Betty Robichaux, Earline Estave, Chad Babineaux, Tammy Dore, Dylan Ducote, Judy Meyers, Garland Reed, Carly Tajmir, Diane & Ronald Broussard, Lance Castille, Grace Armendariz, Hardy Jenkins, Louis Boudreaux, Jr., Gloria Comeaux, Scotty Champagne, Sirena Rogers, Monica Harrington, Janis & Nathan Dugas, Billy Simon, Edward Simon, Lynette Landry, Janet Viator, Ronnie Landry, Betty B. Leblanc, Barbara Martin, Michael "Tee" Theriot, Elise C. Verret, Phyllis S. Bourque, Doris Scheldon, Ovide Buteaux, Delahoussaye Fly, Patsy & Percy Barrilleaux, Patsy Thibodeaux, Tom Stowe, Tim & Staci Stowe, John & NeCole Babin, Fran Jackson, Reed Michael & Cody Lynn Romero, David & Robin Viator Fly, Sheryl S. Bourque, Michael & Claire Landry Fly, Dustin & Nicole V. Ortego Fly, Linda & Clint Trahan Fly, Ruth Bernard, Bridget Aitken, Norvelle Belaire, Caroline Dubois, Norrie B. Kenner, Josephine Delcambre, Mary Saltzman, Zachary Richard, Sarah Richard, Duppy Duplantis, Joylynn Trosclair, Earline Romero, Jarrod Lege, Jay Jacquemoud, Jody Ellen Hudson, Jim & Brenda Prejean, Toni Boudreaux, Rick Boudreaux, Mike Degeyter, Gloria Trahan, Jessica Gary Dubois, Joni Gullotta, Fisher Whitaker, The Babin Fly, Deacon John Sarkies, James & Doreen Norman, Melvin "Boo" & Brenda DeRouen, Myrna & Millard Poche, Gloria K. Bonin, Daphne C. Lopez, Calvin Segura, Beverly B. Walet, Jerome Guilotte, Leoni Derouen, Cade T., Betty DeRouen, Sloane Deshotel, Geraldine T. Babin, Robert McDaniel, Ron Cutrera, Lori Aguilar, Bailey & Gage Tucker, The Sinitiere Fly, The Fitch Fly, Raywood & Virginia Buteaux, Barbara Keegan, The Degeyter Fly, Betty DeRouen, Rory Suire, Crystal Elizabeth Olivier, Patrick Valls, Nickas Bonin, Gene Gonsoulin, Coty Bourque. Please also pray for those individuals who, although in need of your prayers, have requested that their names not be publicized for privacy reasons.

OLAS News Bulletin

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Annual membership dues is \$10.00. Call Cindy Landry at 337-256-2208 or our church office 364-8360.

We are a sacrificial giving Parish, giving of our Time, Talent and Treasure:

OUR GIFTS TO GOD	August 31, 2025
Loose.....	\$ 6,938.00
Envelopes.....	\$ 3,534.00
Total (collected).....	\$ 10,472.00
Online Giving offertory.....	\$ 998.00
Mailed in offertory.....	\$ 740.00
Total offertory (week).....	\$ 12,210.00

Thank you for your generosity!!!!

SANCTUARY LIGHT:

In Memory of:
Madison Claire Olivier



Beneath the Balcony
Sunday, October 19, 2025
11:00 am to 4:00 pm
Lunch and Music on the Shadows West Lawn
11:00 am - 1:00 pm
Balcony Performances
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
First Performance meets at Shadows
Front Gallery at 1:00 pm
For more information call
Linda Horton at (337) 519-5442

REFLECTIONS 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time - The reading today from Timothy reminds us of the importance of praying for others and especially for those in positions of leadership. Our leaders are treated with deference and given many privileges so that it is easy for them to feel they should not have to follow the rules we are to follow. When they mess up we berate them and are shocked; but what have we done to help them? Consider including all leaders in your prayers everyday asking the spirit to give them wisdom and fortitude to serve the people well.

I know the Lord will help His anointed; He will answer him from His holy heaven. - Psalm 20:6
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MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, September 23, 2025

7:00am Wink Alogna (liv bd)

Wednesday, September 24, 2025

9:00am Ernest "Topper" Breaux, Dickie Broussard
Robert Eugene Park, John "Winn" Murphey
Liv & Dec Fly of Carrol & Brenda Romero
The Belaire Family

Thursday, September 25, 2025

7:00am Betty C. Champagne

Friday, September 26, 2025

7:00am The Krai Family
Dawn Degeyter Gipson

Saturday, September 27, 2025

4:00pm Fr. Tom Finley, Rachel R. Romero
Lynward Ransonet, John "Winn" Murphey
Bayne Olivier, Bill Olivier
Dawn Degeyter Gipson, Roy Flores
Winclise Bourque (bd)

Sunday, September 28, 2025

8:00am Parishioners, Carroll Aucoin
Quang Nguyen, Clark Romero
Henry & Dorothy McDonald
Thelma Broussard

10:00am Msgr. H.J. Barsen, Fr. A.J. Boumans
Harvey & Joyce DeCourt
Sophia E. Viator (liv bd), Donna M. Lanza

CURRENT EVENTS

Tuesday, September 23, 2025

Mass at 7:00am
Bible Study 9am - Barsen Hall
Faith Formation
6pm-7pm - Barsen Hall

Wednesday, September 24, 2025

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

Thursday, September 25, 2025

Mass at 7:00am
Bible Study - 6pm - Barsen Hall

Friday, September 26, 2025

Mass at 7:00am

Saturday, September 27, 2025

Mass at 4:00pm
Baptisms - 5:00pm

Sunday, September 28, 2025

Masses at: 8am & 10am
2nd Collection - N.I. Poor & Needy

PARISH VOCATION CROSS

The Vocation Cross is taken by:

Willie & Cynthia Elmer

(September 21st - September 27th)

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.



Please keep
Fr. Matthew Higginbotham
and all priests in your prayers.

MASS SERVERS

September 23, 2025 - September 28, 2025

DAY DATE	TIME	CELEBRANT	READERS	ALTAR SERVERS
Tuesday 9/23/25	7:00am	Fr. Matthew Higginbotham	Pete Aucoin	Sacristan
Wednesday 9/24/25	9:00am	Fr. Ed Degeyter	Ginger Comeaux	Sacristan
Thursday 9/25/25	7:00am	Fr. Matthew Higginbotham	Vicky Morgan	Sacristan
Friday 9/26/25	7:00am	Fr. Matthew Higginbotham	Keith Comeaux	Sacristan
Saturday 9/27/25	4:00pm	Fr. Matthew Higginbotham	Margo LeBlanc	Sophia Comeaux Allie Comeaux
Sunday 9/28/25	8:00am	Fr. Matthew Higginbotham	Nena Suit	Ephraim Trahan Michael Moss
	10:00am	Fr. Matthew Higginbotham	Bill Miller	Amari Romero Madalynn Salsman

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