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)

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RECONCILIATION:
Saturday: 3:00 pm – 3:45 pm
Sunday: 7:00 am – 7:45 am
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



Exodus 22:20-26
Psalm 18:2-4, 47, 51
1 Thessalonians 1:5-10
Matthew 22:34-40

Jesus came not to abolish the Old Testament law but to fulfill it (see Matthew 5:17). And in today's Gospel, He reveals that love-of God and of neighbor-is the fulfillment of the whole of the law (see Romans 13:8-10).

Devout Israelites were to keep all 613 commands found in the Bible's first five books. Jesus says today that all these, and all the teachings of the prophets, can be summarized by two verses of this law (see Deuteronomy 6:5; Leviticus 19:18).

He seems to summarize the two stone tablets on which God was said to have engraved the Ten Commandments (see Exodus 32:15-16). The first tablet set out three laws concerning the love of God, such as the command not to take His name in vain; the second contained seven commands regarding love of neighbor, such as those against stealing and adultery.

Love is the hinge that binds the two tablets of the law. For we can't love God, whom we can't see, if we don't love our neighbor, whom we can (see 1 John 4:20-22).

But this love we are called to is far more than simple affection or warm sentiment. We must give ourselves totally to God-loving with our whole beings, with all our heart, soul, and mind. Our love for our neighbor must express itself in concrete actions, such as those set out in today's First Reading.

We love because He first loves us (see 1 John 4:19). As we sing in today's Psalm, He has been our deliverer, our strength when we could not possible defend ourselves against the enemies of sin and death.

We love in thanksgiving for our salvation. And in this become imitators of Jesus, as Paul tells us in today's Epistle-laying down our lives daily in ways large and small, seen and unseen; our lives offered as a continual sacrifice of praise (see John 15:12-13; Hebrews 13:15).

Scott Hahn

REFLECTIONS

Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Loving others is not easy and yet it is what the Lord commands us to do. Our love is to be extended to those we dislike and even despise. Consider what this may mean. How do you treat the "invisible" people in your world? Do you see the poor as grifters looking for handouts or people in need of help? How do you try to help others? Is your aid and concern reserved for those you deem "worthy" or is it freely given? Pray for the grace to love others as Jesus did.

You shall love your neighbor as yourself.
Matthew 22:39

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October 25 commemorates St. Gaudentius of Brescia, Saints Crispin and Crispinian, and the Forty Martyrs of England and Wales.

St. Gaudentius was a bishop in Brescia, Italy, known for his devotion to spreading the Word of God and emphasizing the sign of the cross in daily life. He encouraged Christians to keep faith in their hearts, speak it openly, and reflect it in their actions catholicnewsworld.com. His feast day is observed on October 25, and he is remembered for his pastoral care and spiritual guidance.

Twins and martyrs, Saints Crispin and Crispinian were shoemakers who were tortured and beheaded around 286 AD in Rome for their Christian faith catholicsaints.mobi. They are the patron saints of cobblers, leather workers, tanners, saddlers, and shoemakers. Their feast day, also on October 25, is historically associated with St. Crispin's Day, famously referenced in Shakespeare's *Henry V* during the Battle of Agincourt Wikipedia. They are celebrated for sanctifying their work and demonstrating that ordinary professions can be a path to holiness.

October 25 also commemorates six of the Forty Martyrs of England and Wales, canonized by Pope Paul VI in 1970 dailyreflectionswithphilomena.com. These include Welsh priests and laypeople who were executed for their faith during the Catholic persecution in England and Wales between 1535 and 1679. Among them are St. Philip Evans, St. John Lloyd, St. John Jones, St. David Lewis, St. John Roberts, and St. Richard Gwyn. They are honored for their courage, steadfast faith, and ultimate sacrifice.

On this day, prayers are offered for shoemakers, workers, the poor, the sick, and the faithful departed dailyreflectionswithphilomena.com. The saints of October 25 serve as examples of devotion, courage, and the sanctification of daily life through faith.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Pray for Pope Leo XIV Memorial Book All Saints Day Collection Mass at 8am & 10am Blessing of the Mausoleum after 10am Mass	2 Pray for Bishop Douglas Deshotel	3 Pray for Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrel 7:00am Mass Bible Study 9am Happy Birthday Fr. Matthew	4 Pray for Fr. Neil Pettit Pro-Life Rosary 9:00am Mass	5 Pray for Fr. Xuan Ho 7:00am Mass Bible Study 6pm	6 Pray for Fr. Daniel Picard First Friday 7:00am Mass Eucharistic Adoration	7 Pray for Chaplain Ben Pitre First Saturday 9:00am Mass 4:00pm Mass Fr. Matthew's B-day Celebration after 4pm Mass Parish Hall
8 Pray for Fr. Conner Poirrier Mass at 8am & 10am	9 Pray for Fr. Mikel Polson O.L.A.S. Meeting 5pm	10 Pray for Fr. Anand Raju 7:00am Mass Bible Study 9am	11 Pray for Fr. Innasi Rapheal Pro-Life Rosary 9:00am Mass K.C./Ladies Aux. Supper & Meeting	12 Pray for Fr. Louis Richard 7:00am Mass Bible Study 6pm	13 Pray for Fr. Michael Richard 7:00am Mass	14 Pray for Fr. Rofinas Jas 4:00pm Mass
15 Pray for Msgr. J. Robert Romero Mass at 8am & 10am New Iberia Poor & Needy	16 Pray for Fr. Marion Romero	17 Pray for Fr. David Rozas 7:00am Mass Patriotic Rosary Bible Study 9am	18 Pray for Fr. Michaell Russo Pro-Life Rosary 9:00am Mass	19 Pray for Fr. Francois Sainte-Marie 7:00am Mass Bible Study 6pm	20 Pray for Fr. Garrett Savoie 7:00am Mass	21 Pray for Fr. William Schambough 4:00pm Mass
22 Pray for Fr. Andrew Schumacher Mass at 8am & 10am	23 Pray for Fr. Clinton Sensat Women's Ultreya 7pm Parish Hall	24 Pray for Fr. Bryce Sibley 7:00am Mass Bible Study 9am	25 Pray for Fr. Gregory Simien Pro-Life Rosary 9:00am Mass	26 Thanksgiving Pray for Fr Brent Smith 8:00am Mass Office Closed	27 Pray for Fr. Cedric Sonnier 9:00am Mass Office Closed	28 Pray for Raymond Ssebina 4:00pm Mass
29 Pray for Fr. Jared G. Suire Mass at 8am & 10am	30 Pray for Fr. Brian Taylor					

Nativity of Our Lady Catholic Church – Event Calendar - November 2026

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Tuesday, October 27, 2026
7:00am Clifton Edward Babin

Wednesday, October 28, 2026
9:00am Ernest "Topper" Breaux,
Creed Dugas, Glenn Carlson
Walter DeGravelle, Jr.
Justin Boudoin (liv bd)
Carrol Romero, Sr.

Thursday, October 29, 2026
7:00am Clifton Edward Babin

Friday, October 30, 2026
7:00am Raymond & Pearlie Romero
Nicole V. Ortego (liv bd)

Saturday, October 31, 2026
4:00pm Fr. Tom Finley, Louis Boudreaux, Jr.
Lynward Ransonet, William Kell Lewis
Rachel R. Romero, Steven G. Delcambre
Louis Boudreaux, Sr.

Sunday, November 01, 2026
8:00am Parishioners, Thelma Broussard
Henry & Dorothy McDonald
Eve & Sandy Gagnard, Sr., Creed Dugas
Yvonne & Mark Gagnard, Patti Gagnard
Lawrence F. Dugas, Sr., Larry Andrus
Joseph Viator, Donna M. Snoddy
Florence E. Dugas, Lawrence Estilette
Carroll Estilette, Leroy J. Estilette
Hilda & Roland Judice, Clark Romero
L.J. & Felicie Estilette, Patrick Leblanc
Dennis & Corrine Dugas
Marcial & Lula Belle Tauzin

10:00am Msgr. H.J. Barsen, Fr. A.J. Boumans
Harvey & Joyce DeCourt
Donna M. Lanza,, Roland Romero
Steven Michael Gondran & Children
Durand & DeCourt Flys, Carl Simon
James E. Comeaux, David P. Comeaux
Emily & Tuttie Romero, Jr.
Romero & Walker Fly, Emily Dartez
Dominque & Delcambe Flys
Gloria Tauzin, Ernest "Topper" Breaux
Violet & Clarence Lancon
Larry Delcambre, Joe & Pearl Jabbia
Larry "Milton" Schmidt
Theonie & Ernest Breaux
Tommy Ronsonet, Clifton E. Babin

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, Joni Gullotta, Fisher Whitaker, The Babin, Trahan & Richard Fly, Deacon John Sarkies, James & Doreen Norman, Myrna & Millard Poche, Gloria K. Bonin, Daphne C. Lopez, Beverly Walet, Jerome Guillotte, Leoni Derouen, Betty DeRouen, Robert McDaniel, Lori Aguilar, Bailey & Gage Tucker, Raywood &Virginia Buteaux, Barbara Keegan, Mike & Doris Degeyter Fly, Rory Suire, Crystal Elizabeth Olivier, Nickas Bonin, Gene Gonsoulin, Coty Bourque, Randy & Jessica Broussard, Jane Arceneaux, Rebecca Segura, Terry & Gloria Trahan, John Babin, Phil Duplantis, Ray Landry, Shane DeRouen, Cody Theriot, Sandra Upton, Kay Charpentier Green, Hardy Jenkins, Bridgette Louviere, Amye Hammond Bellot, Roland & Faye Boudreaux, Delina Lafont, Emma Judice, Kathleen & Larry Viator, Duppy Duplantis, Caroline Dubois, Bailey Prudhomme, Juanita & Hargis Lewis, Nettie Voorhies, Johnathon Angers, Francine Gauthier, Betty Romero, Deborah Plouet, Donald Voorhies, Megan B. Broussard, Beverly Simoneaux, Adrain Wilson, Alexis Wilson, Ronnie & Madeline Duhon, Matt Elmer, Fr. Paul Onuegbe, Carlos Bedia, Shawn Dugas, Celeste Guardia, Bru Kokenge & Fly, Zachary Richard, Connie Olivier, Anna Kober, Cornelius Joseph, Randy Gonsoulin, Daniel & Brailyn Segura Fly, Mark & Magie Bihm Fly, Craig Herndon, Ty & Katelyn & Cassie Daigle, Jacob Ransonet, Amber Neel, Dan Claudy, Carlson-Claudy Fly, Jeremy Vice, Christine Thibodeaux, Patrica Manos, The Traversa Fly, Huey & Susan Guidry, Barbara Breaux, Hazel Delahoussaye & Fly, Brennan Lasseigne, David Picou, Bob Bernard, Margo LeBlanc & Fly, Mike Comeaux, Marlene Mouton, Shalee Landry, Karin Kwami, Mary Miller, Kandis Bouterie, Bonnie Marceaux, Gayle Johnson, Hadley Babin Fly, Hazel Babin Courville Fly, Alton Babin Fly.

Please also pray for those individuals who, although in need of your prayers, have requested that their names not be publicized for privacy reasons.

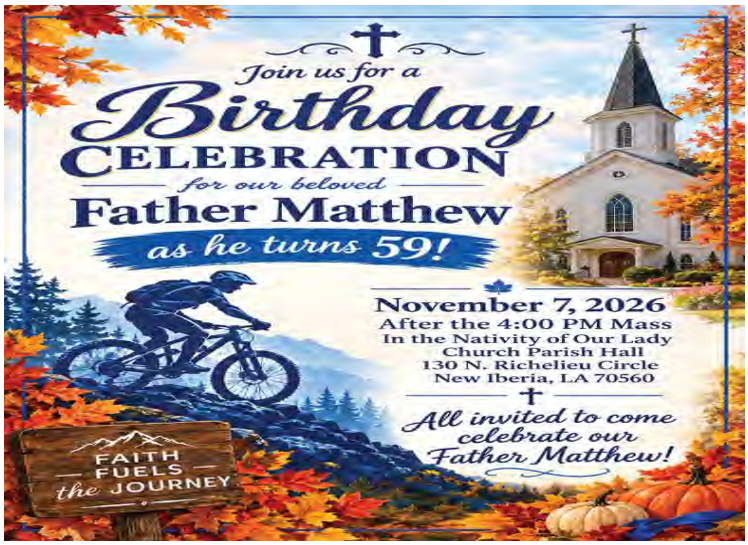
SANCTUARY LIGHT:

In Memory of:
Gloria Tauzin

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

OUR GIFTS TO GOD	10/11/2026
Loose	3,390.00
Envelopes	2,280.00
Total (collected)	5,670.00
Mailed in offertory	497.00
Online Giving offertory	1,040.05
Total offertory (week).....	7,207.05

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CURRENT EVENTS

Monday, October 26, 2026
Women's Ultreya -7pm - Parish Hall
Tuesday, October 27, 2026
Mass at 7:00 am
Bible Study 9:00 am - Barsen Hall
Wednesday, October 28, 2026
Pro-Life Rosary - 8:20 am
Mass at 9:00 am
Thursday, October 29, 2026
Mass at 7:00 am
Bible Study 6:00 pm - Barsen Hall
Friday, October 30, 2026
Mass at 7:00 am
Saturday, October 31, 2026
Mass at 4:00 pm
Sunday, November 01, 2026
Masses at: 8:00 am & 10:00 am
Blessing of the Mausoleum
after 10 am Mass

Fr. Matthew's Birthday Celebration on Saturday, November 7, 2026, is being given by Our Lady's Altar Society, the K.C. Ladies Auxiliary & K.C. Members. All are invited. Please bring a covered dish or your favorite finger foods. Come show him how much you appreciate him. For any questions, please contact Mike or Doris Degeyter at 337-256-6571.

MASS SERVERS
October 27, 2026 - November 01, 2026

DAY DATE	TIME	CELEBRANT	READERS	LAY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	ALTAR SERVERS
Tuesday 10/27/26	***7:00am***	Fr. Matthew Higginbotham	Ellen Claudy		Sacristan
Wednesday 10/28/26	***9:00am***	Fr. Ed Degeyter	Ginger Comeaux	Ricky Segura Marilyn Gerrets Vicki Murdock Percy Barrilleaux	Sacristan
Thursday 10/29/26	***7:00am***	Fr. Matthew Higginbotham	Vikki Morgan		Sacristan
Friday 10/30/26	***7:00am***	Fr. Matthew Higginbotham	Keith Comeaux		Sacristan
Saturday 10/31/26	***4:00pm***	Fr. Matthew Higginbotham	Bill Miller	Holli Cambre Nancy Barras	Nguyen Fly
Sunday 11/01/26	***8:00am***	Fr. Matthew Higginbotham			Bedia Fly
	10:00am	Fr. Matthew Higginbotham			Trahan Fly

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