“THIS TEMPLE OF GOD, THIS HOUSE OF PRAYER AND GATE OF HEAVEN STANDS AS THE CENTRAL POINT OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS, AND FROM THIS PLACE ALL DISTANCES ARE MEASURED. HERE CHRIST DWELLS IN YOUR MIDST, PRESENT IN WORD AND SACRAMENT, MAKING THIS A PLACE OF GRACE AND BLESSING FOR ALL THE PEOPLE OF GOD.”

SAINT JOHN PAUL II
Welcome to the Cathedral-Basilica of St. Louis King of France...

On behalf of our Archbishop, Most Rev. Gregory M. Aymond, our parishioners, deacons, and priests, I welcome you to St. Louis Cathedral and hope that your visit will be a memorable one.

I invite you to consider the Cathedral your parish away from home. It is my prayer that your time here will be a spiritually uplifting experience. I appreciate your generosity in the support of our Cathedral. It is with your help that we are able to maintain its beautiful state, that we may continue to worship God within these walls as has been done since 1718. May God enrich you with many graces and blessings.

M. Philip G. Aymond

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 14, 2021

Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God.
— 1 Corinthians 10:31

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — The leper will dwell apart, making an abode outside the camp (Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46).
Psalm — I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation (Psalm 32).
Second Reading — Do everything for the glory of God; be imitators of Christ (1 Corinthians 10:31 — 11:1).
Gospel — The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean (Mark 1:40-45).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gt 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21; Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25
Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15
Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32
Sunday: Gt 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

HAPPY Mardi GRAS

While the celebration of Mardi Gras will take on a different identity this year, I join Archbishop Aymond in wishing you and your families a Covid Safe and Happy Mardi Gras!

M. Philip G. Aymond

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Marriage Day; Valentine’s Day
Monday: Presidents’ Day
Tuesday: Mardi Gras; Shrove Tuesday
Wednesday: Ash Wednesday; Fast and Abstinence; Almsgiving
Friday: Abstinence
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PRAYER INTENTIONS


If you are ill or know of someone who is ill and should be included in our prayers, please contact the parish office.
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 14, 2021

JESUS’ WAY

Today’s readings present a contrast between “Jesus’ way” and the “old way.” An example of the old way is the law given to Moses and Aaron about leprosy: the leper was unclean and cast out of the community. Jesus’ way is the opposite: the leper is reached out to, touched, and finally cured.

Nor ought we think of the “old way” as restricted to the days of Moses and Aaron, or even to the “old” testament. The difference between the old way and Jesus’ way arises in own lives. We still choose, every day, to live in our old way or in Jesus’ way.

Jesus dared to touch a leper, disregarding the old way. The leper then was changed forever. He felt a calling. He couldn’t keep himself from proclaiming that he had been touched by Jesus (even though Jesus told him not to!). Once Jesus touches us, we are called to proclaim His way.

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Cathedral Sanctuary Lamp
Our Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in memory of
Jude Daniel Fuselier

Archbishop Aymond’s Prayer
(when faced with fears of Coronavirus)

Loving and faithful God, the coronavirus reminds us that we have no power and we are dependent on You. We place ourselves in Your loving hands. Please give eternal rest to all who have died from the virus. Please put Your healing hand on those who are ill, and give Your protection to us in this time of fear and uncertainty. Please, calm our fears and help us to trust You as our faithful God. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Our Lady of Prompt Succor, pray for us in this time of need.

The Church in the Crescent: Three Hundred Years of Catholicism

The Cathedral Rectory Office will be closed on Monday, February 15 and Tuesday February 16 in observance of the spirit of Mardi Gras. The Cathedral will open at 10:30 on Monday, February 15 for the 12:05pm Mass and will close after Mass. There will be no Mass on Tuesday, Mardi Gras Day and the Cathedral will reopen on Wednesday at 9:00am. Mass on Ash Wednesday will be celebrated at 12:05p.m. See article on this page for further details.

PLEASE PRAY FOR
Vocations

Please note that due to Covid restrictions in the French Quarter, there will be one Mass on Ash Wednesday at 12:05pm. Ashes will be distributed following the homily. In addition, ashes will be distributed in St. Anthony Garden from 2:00-3:00pm on Wednesday. Please enter through the gate on Pere Antoine Alley and exit through the Pirate’s Alley gate.
POPE FRANCIS’ PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY

Violence Against Women
We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded

LENTEN GUIDELINES FOR CATHOLICS
The guidelines for Catholics on fasting and abstinence are as follows: Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those who are bound to fast may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to each one’s needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years or older on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and on all Fridays of Lent. The determination of certain days as obligatory days of penance should not be understood as limiting the occasions for Christian penance.

REMINDERS
For the health and safety of all during this pandemic we remind you of the following mandates and ask that you observe all during your visit to the Cathedral:
• Please be seated in a pew marked reserved and be seated by a cross, Families may be seated together.
• Masks covering nose and mouth are required.
• Social distancing of 6 feet must be practiced at all times, including while standing in line for Communion.
• It is requested that Communion be received in the hand.
COME WORSHIP WITH US

HOLY MASS

The weekend Mass schedule is currently limited to 11:00 a.m. on Sunday due to Covid 19 restrictions.
Mass is celebrated Monday-Friday at 12:05 p.m.

Most Reverend Gregory M. Aymond
Archbishop of New Orleans

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