



Good Shepherd Parish St. Stephen Church



**Thursday
April 9th, 2020**

Regular Friday deliver will resume next week.

We are an Easter People and Alleluia is our song.



HOLY WEEK SERVICES

- Mass of the Lord's Supper will be at 7:00pm on Thursday, TONIGHT!
- Good Friday service will be at 3:00pm.
- Easter Sunday Mass will be at 10:30am.
- All will be streamed from both the [parish website](#) and [facebook page](#).

All of the Holy Week Masses will also be saved on our YouTube channel [@GoodShepherdNOLA](#)

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LIVE STREAMING OF MASS

**SUNDAY 10:30 AM
TUESDAY 6:00 PM
TUESDAY ADORATION 4:45 PM
WED, THURS, FRI 6:30 AM**

Watch on Facebook: [@GoodShepherdNOLA](#) for all churches in our parish. Saint Stephen's Masses can be viewed through our parish website as well. [goodshepherdparishNOLA.com](#)



CONFESSIONS WILL BE HEARD BY MONSIGNOR!

The church will be open during this time. Also indicate that Confession is also available by appointment. Please leave a message for Monsignor Nalty or **email him**.

Wednesday from 5-6:30 PM on the steps of Saint Stephen Church

Confession Protocol

There will be a chair six feet in front of Monsignor Nalty for face-to-face confessions and for those who prefer anonymous confessions, there will be a kneeler six feet behind him. Please remain far enough away from the steps to respect confidentiality, while you're waiting. Approach the steps when you see your fellow parishioner walk down. Complete your penance inside the church. Be sure to exit on the side door to avoid disturbing the next confession.

Church Will Be Open For Adoration!

Please respect "social distancing," and please don't come if you are sick.

**St Stephen Adoration: Tuesday from 4:45-5:45 pm
St Henry Church on Thursday from 7:00-8:00 am.**

"Since things are changing daily, please go to the parish website or our parish Facebook page, [@GoodShepherdNOLA](#), or Monsignor Christopher Nalty's personal Facebook page [@monsignorchristopher.nalty](#) for the most up-to-date information."

If you typically support collections at Mass, please consider switching to [online giving](#).

A Three- Century Legacy of Healthcare



Long before Medicare or Medicaid, women and men religious of the local Catholic church in New Orleans ministered to the sick. Nearly 300 years ago – one year after their arrival in New Orleans from France in 1727 – the Ursuline Sisters undertook as their ministries education and the care of orphans. The Ursulines were the pioneers, followed by many other religious communities of women and men, who left their charitable mark on the community, especially in caring for the many children orphaned by the virulent epidemics of the 19th century. [Read More](#)



US Bishops Call for Special Moment of Prayer on Good Friday

Archbishop José H. Gomez of Los Angeles and president of the U.S.

Conference of Catholic Bishops has invited the faithful to join him in a moment of prayer on Good Friday (April 10 at 11 am CST) to [pray the Litany of the Sacred Heart](#). Praying together as a nation, the bishops ask that we seek healing for all who are unwell, wisdom for those whose work is halting the spread of coronavirus, and strength for all God's children.

Catholic chaplains continue to comfort from afar



"This ministry is a ministry of presence," said Deacon Jeff Tully, Archdiocese of New Orleans' Catholic chaplaincy coordinator of hospital chaplains. "When you can't be present, you don't give up; you continue to pray and do everything you can. God is a gracious, merciful God. We rely on God. It's not about us or any of us; it's about God and the relationship that each of the patients has with God." [Read the entire article.](#)

Pictured: Father Doug at Touro before the pandemic.

Share a Prayer

The following was submitted by Joe Quinn:



GETHESEMANE by Grace E. Easley

He sought a place to pray and found,
Upon a slope outside of town,
An olive garden filled with trees,
On which there stirred a restless breeze.
How sad His loved ones never guessed,
The weight of anguish in His breast,
Nor heard His sighs, nor saw Him weep,
For watching not, they fell asleep.
Each one of us must near his share
Of that lone hour's vigil there.
But with it promise of a dawn,
Of blessed peace when night is gone.
Compared to Thine, dear Lord I see
How small my own Gethsemane.

Perhaps you have a treasured prayer or Bible verse that provides you comfort and strength. If so, please share and we will post it in the next newsletter! Let us know whether you'd like your name posted.

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Catholic Fact of the Week:



The Big Bang theory was formulated by a Catholic Priest!

Father Georges Lemaitre and Belgian cosmologist (pictured with Einstein) was the first to propose that the expansion of the observable universe began with the explosion of a single particle at a definite point in time. His startling idea first appeared in scientific form in 1931. The theory, accepted by nearly all astronomers today, was a radical departure from scientific orthodoxy in the 1930s.



Clarion Herald Suspending Print Editions

Because no public Masses are being celebrated in the Archdiocese of New Orleans as the archdiocese takes precautions against the spread of the coronavirus, the Clarion Herald is temporarily suspending its print edition. Every page of every issue will continue to be available through the Clarion Herald's e-edition at www.clarionherald.org. A new Clarion Herald e-edition is available every Tuesday. Scroll down to click on it's link and the links of other great resources.

Want to get involved?

New blood and new ideas are always welcome! Take a look at our various apostolate and volunteer groups to see what piques your interest.

Altar Society

Cindy Gainsburgh, @ 899-2637

CCD (Confraternity of Christian Doctrine)

Phillip Bellini, @ 227-3795

Center of Jesus the Lord (Charismatic)

The Center, @ 529-1636

The Good Shepherd Choir

Brian Morgan, @ 227-3793

Event Planning

Rectory Office, @ 899-1378

Friends of Our Lady of Good Counsel

Barbara Fortier, @ barbaraf13@aol.com

Friends of St Henry

Alden Hagordorn, @ 891-3410

Knights of Columbus

Patrick Guise, @ 812-6941

Life Apostolate

Kathy Fayard, @ 905-7676

Mass Volunteers

Brian Plauché, @ 289-6799

Phillip Bellini, @ 227-3793

Rectory Volunteers

Ivy Rohr, @ 227-3792

Society of St Vincent de Paul

Laura Finnegan, @ 894-9991



This week we bring you Archbishop Aymond's message of hope for Easter.

Spotlight on Archbishop Aymond



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