



MASSES FOR THE WEEK  
September 26—October 2  
EACH MASS IS OFFERED FOR  
THE INTENTIONS OF EVERYONE  
PRESENT AND FOR THE FOLLOWING:

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26**

- 4:00 p.m. Ree Alario; Robert E. Fontenelle; Margaret Gerrets; Marie D. Hessler; Marlene Morris; Lawrence LeBoeuf; Barbara Rush; Leo Sciarrotta; Captain Houston E. Walker
- 5:30 p.m. Theresa M. Barry; Leona O'Dwyer

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27**

- 8:00 a.m. Members of St. Patrick's Church (Propopulo)
- 9:30 a.m. Roberta W. Bruley; Jane O. Chatelain; Kelsey Favrot; A. P. Gaudet, Jr.; Marie Gaudet; Norma McClellan; Richard McCloskey; Alfred Ramirez, Jr.; John H. Schroder, Jr.; Jerome J. Triche, Sr.
- 11:00 a.m. David Crochet; Barbara Rush; Captain Houston E. Walker; Poor Souls
- 5:30 p.m. Anna Mae DiGange; Leona O'Dwyer; Hilton & Mary Touns

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28**

- 11:30 a.m. Purgatorial List
- 12:00 p.m. Edward O'Dwyer; Stella Marie Zehner

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29**

- 11:30 a.m. Edward O'Dwyer
- 12:00 p.m. Edward O'Dwyer; Elisabeth Robert;

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30**

- 11:30 a.m. Purgatorial List
- 12:00 p.m. Stephen Losee; Robert & Hazel Wells

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1**

- 11:30 a.m. Stella Marie Zehner
- 12:00 p.m. Loretta Dousan; Stephen Luccioni; Elisabeth Robert

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2**

- 11:30 a.m. Purgatorial List
- 12:00 p.m. Alice Cohen; Loretta Doussan; Kathryn Hogan; Stephen Losee

**GREGORIAN LATIN MASS—Sunday at 9:30 a.m.**  
*Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost*  
**Solemn High Mass—**First Sunday of the month.  
**Benediction—**Third Sunday after the 9:30 a.m. Mass.

**FIRST SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2009**

Crusade for the Conversion of Greater New Orleans

9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary, Confession, Novena and Holy Mass. All are invited.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND BENEDICTION—**Sunday, 3:00pm—5:00pm

**PREPARATION FOR BAPTISM**

To schedule a baptism at St. Patrick's Church, please contact the rectory office at least six (6) weeks in advance of the desired date of baptism: (504) 525-4413.

**COFFEE AND DOUGHNUTS**

Hospitality and friendship in Reynolds Hall, after the Sunday morning Masses.

**SUNDAY OFFERING—**September 20, 2009

First Collection \$ 10,367  
Second Collection\* \$ 1,829

\* Catholic Communication Campaign

**INAUGURATION AND BLESSING OF NEW ORGAN**

Sunday, September 27, at 3:00 p.m.

Father Stanley P. Klores will celebrate a Solemn High Mass in the Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite to formally inaugurate and bless the new Patrick J. Murphy Organ. St. Patrick's Concert Choir will sing Antonin Dvorak's *Mass in D*, and will be accompanied by guest organist, Dr. James Hammann. A reception will follow in the rectory. Everyone is invited.

St. Patrick's Church continues to be committed to the preservation and presentation of the liturgical and sacred music that for many centuries has formed the rich musical tradition of the Church.

It is to this end that the second collection, at this special Mass, will be dedicated to the Music Program at St. Patrick's Church.

**19<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GREATER NEW ORLEANS ROSARY CONGRESS**

*For Life, Reparation and Peace in our City, Nation and the World*

October 3-9, 2009

Saint Benilde Church; 1901 Division St.; Metairie, LA 70001

Seven days of continuous Eucharistic Adoration along with Masses, prayer, confession, holy rosary, scripture reading, and Divine Mercy Devotion. Flyers with maps and full seven day schedule available in the vestibule. [www.rosarycongress.org](http://www.rosarycongress.org)

**CLADDAUGH GROUP COLLECTION FOR OZANAM INN**

In an effort to assist Ozanam Inn, the Claddaugh Group will be collecting pasta, grits, oatmeal, red and white beans, can goods, hygiene items and paper products. Please bring items during Mass the weekends of **October 3-4 and October 10-11, 2009**. For more information, please call the rectory at 525-4413.

**HOLIDAY SHOPPING WITH THE SERVANTS OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST—IN THE NARTHEX**

The Servants of the Holy Eucharist (St. Patrick's guild of altar servers) is offering a 2010 illustrated Saints Calendar and Daily Planner containing both the Ordinary (Novus Ordo) and the Extraordinary (Tridentine) liturgical year, feasts and solemnities of the Church, plus abundant material on saints and liturgical seasons. These compact-sized spiral-bound calendars open flat with room for daily notes as well as monthly planner pages. Suitable for kitchen counter, desk, or briefcase, they make excellent gifts and Christmas stocking-stuffers. Attractively priced at \$15. Proceeds will support our parish's guild.

More Info: Mary Ramirez at 899-3048, or to place an order.

**FIRST TUESDAYS—SPIRITUALITY IN THE CITY**

The Jesuit Church of the Immaculate Conception

Lenes Hall, 130 Baronne St., 12:30-1:30 p.m.

*First Tuesdays* series: Tuesday, October 6, 2009 - May 4, 2010

All are Welcome, A Simple Lunch Provided, Admission is Free.

Graduate and CEU Credit Available through the Loyola Institute for Ministry

**PRAYERS FOR THE FAITHFUL**

For the sick of our parish and those who have asked for our prayers especially: Tom Alexander; Del Barry; Patricia Berrigan; Brett Bradley; Barbara Brennan; Randall Cashio; Tony Clesi; Colleen Collet; Rene Crane; Carol Daigle; Tom Darcy; Ralph DeBlanc; Raymond DeBlanc; Elizabeth DeBuys; Al Duroncelet; Katherine Eagan; Bryan Evans; Mimi Finley; John Fulcher; Marie Gattuso; Glenn & Christine Harper; Bob Held; Howard Henriques; Milton J. Hock, Jr.; Karen Ibraheim; Joyce Kelly; Joan Kimball; Belinda Lazaro; Joseph; Stephen Losee; Michael McCarthy; Mary A. McKay; Buddy McInnis; Sally Ann Main; Maudie Megeeson; Lucille Ogden; Beverly Orillion; Karen Paprocki; J. Van Provosty; Tom Roach; Elisabeth Robert; Larry Schapiro; M. Schuss; Eleanor Smith; Joseph M. Sonne; Pierre Stouse; Stephanie Summers; Joy Trapani; Alyssa Vingan

## TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### ANGELS

Sacred Scripture identifies by name three angels, who are the great messengers of God — Sts. Michael, Raphael and Gabriel. They are called archangels because of their important roles in God's plan. St. Michael, whose name means, "one who is like God," led the army of angels who cast Satan and the rebellious angels into Hell; at the end of time, he will wield the sword of justice to separate the righteous from the evil (cf. Rv 12:7-0). St. Gabriel, whose name means "strength of God," announced to Mary that she had been chosen as the Mother of the Savior (cf. Lk 1:26-38). St. Raphael, whose name means "remedy of God," cured the blind man Tobit (cf. Tobit 5).

The angels are also our guardians. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states, "From infancy to death human life is surrounded by their watchful care and intercession" (No. 336). St. Basil (d. 379) asserted, "Beside each believer stands an angel protector and shepherd leading him to life" (*Adversus Eunomium*, III, 1). Most of us at an early age learned the little prayer to our guardian angel: "Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here. Ever this day be at my side, to light, to guard, to rule and to guide." Some of the saints were able to see angels, like St. Peter (Acts 12:1-19), or their guardian angel, like St. Pio (Padre Pio) and St. Elizabeth of Hungary.

Moreover, as Catholics, we remember the important role of St. Michael in defending us against Satan and the powers of evil. Toward the end of the 19th century, Pope Leo XIII (d. 1903) had a prophetic vision of the coming century of sorrow and war. In this vision, God gave Satan the choice of one century in which to

do his worst work. The devil chose the 20th century. So moved was the Holy Father from this vision that he composed the prayer to St. Michael the Archangel: "St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle! Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into Hell Satan and all the other evil spirits who roam about the world seeking the ruin of souls." For many years, this prayer was recited at the end of Mass to bring about the fall of communism. All of the faithful should again invoke the aid of St. Michael to combat the great evils we see present in our world — abortion, euthanasia, terrorism, genocide, same-sex marriage and the like.

As members of the Church, we are conscious of the angels in our liturgical practices. At Mass, in the Preface before the Eucharistic Prayer, we join with all of the angels and saints to sing the hymn of praise, "Holy, holy, holy ..." In Eucharistic Prayer I, the priest prays, "Almighty God, we pray that your angel may take this sacrifice to your altar in Heaven." In the Final Commendation of the Funeral Liturgy, the priest prays, "May the angels lead you into paradise; may the martyrs come to welcome you and take you to the holy city, the new and eternal Jerusalem." Moreover, we celebrate in our liturgical calendar the Feasts of the Archangels (Sept. 29) and Guardian Angels (Oct. 2).

In our daily prayers and activities, we should be mindful of these servants of God who by His love keep our lives safe from harm and guide us on the path of salvation.

*Fr. William P. Saunders*

### MUSICIANS IN CATHOLIC WORSHIP

The pipe organ is the instrument named by the Fathers of the Second Vatican Council as the traditional instrument for our worship.

... vocal soloists were not envisioned by the Council; choirs were. And the choirs were to be led by the most suitable instrument to lead a congregation: ... the pipe organ is to be held in high esteem, for it is the traditional musical instrument which adds a wonderful splendor to the Church's ceremonies and powerfully lifts up man's mind to God and to higher things. (*Sacrosanctum Concilium*, 1963, chapter VI, #120).

Pope Paul VI's 1967 Instruction *Musica Sacram* repeats this. And in the General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM), once again the pipe organ is reaffirmed as the instrument to be afforded first place. And "it is appropriate that... the organ be blessed according to the Roman *Rituale*" (GIRM 313). So important a part of the church is the organ that the instrument has its own special blessing rite!

Instruments are mentioned in the Old Testament, particularly in the psalms. In the temple's Holy of Holies, however, music was provided by specially trained priests. When the temple of Jerusalem was destroyed, and synagogues became the only center of worship, the human voice alone was retained for praise. While this is still true of Orthodox Jewry, today the organ can be found in Reform and some Conservative synagogues.

In Christianity, too, only the unaccompanied voice was used in worship for several centuries. Early gatherings were, by necessity, small. But as Christianity grew and emerged into society, larger houses of worship were built. The larger congregations did not stay together well when it came time to sing.

Sometime between 600 and 800 AD the pipe organ was introduced into a monastic house. The immediate response of the

brothers was... revolt! The early instrument was a noisy, wheezy thing: the keys were large and had to be struck with the fist, and in the absence of electricity, the bellows had to be pumped by hand. The brothers felt it covered the sound of their singing. Well, it did, but it also gave a strong lead for the congregation, who could hear it in all corners of the larger churches, and a tradition was born. The organ is still the very best way to lead a congregation. It can be powerful and authoritative in a way no other instrument can. It can play all the voice parts simultaneously from soprano through bass, thus encouraging all voice parts to sing.

... The pipe organ is not only powerful and authoritative because of its depth and volume, but because it mimics the human voice, a fact alluded to by Pope Saint Pius X. That is, air is pumped through pipes (organ pipe/human windpipe) via a wind chest (lungs and diaphragm) and follows a nice straight path out the round opening (pipe opening/human mouth). This means that, like a singer, a pipe organ can actually breathe.

There is an old saw about organists that says: *the better the training, the louder one plays!* This may come as a shock, even evoke a few complaints, but it is a proven way to get the congregation to sing!

*Lucy Carroll, D.M.A.*

*Excerpt: Where Have All the Organists Gone?*

#### **FATHER KLORES LEADS EUCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE**

Father Stanley Klores will be conducting a four day Eucharistic pilgrimage to the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament and EWTN in Culman, Alabama, October 5-8, 2009. Our prayers for a safe and prayerful pilgrimage go with the group as they pray for us before the Most Blessed Sacrament.