# Mary, Mother of Jesus Roman Catholic Church

## PARISH OFFICES

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#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

# **ALL ARE WELCOME**

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, no matter what your current family and marital situation, no matter what your personal history, age, background, race, etc., you are invited, welcomed, loved, and respected here.

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# **OUR MISSION Statement**

To live, love, forgive, and serve the needs of others in the example of Jesus Christ.

# SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

Reconciliation/Confession
30 minutes before every weekend Mass.

#### Baptism

Celebrated during any weekend Mass or other convenient time. Contact the church office.

#### Holy Matrimony

Contact the pastor at least six months in advance.

#### Anointing of the Sick and Communion Calls

Please call the office when a parishioner is confined at home, is in the hospital, or placed in a nursing home or hospice. Holy Communion is brought weekly to all shut-ins.

#### Mass of Christian Burial

All arrangements should be made directly with the funeral home who will then contact the church.

# MASS INTENTIONS

# **WEEK OF MAY 31, 2025**

REG. COLLECTION: SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS

SATURDAY, MAY 31

4:00PM - Fr. Paul M. LaPalme 28<sup>th</sup> Ordination

Anniversary

Lector: G. Patty Server: A. Schexnyder

SUNDAY, JUNE 1

8:00AM - Larry Robin, Sr. 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday

Remembrance

Lector: E. Lohman Server: C. Lohman

10:30AM - Stacy Methvin

Lector B. Lowe Server: J. Moreau

5:00PM - For Our Parish Family

Lector: J. Reynolds Server: B. Winegeart

Monday, June 2

7:00AM - Felicity Moore

Tuesday, June 3

7:00AM - Stephen Rodeback Birthday

Remembrance

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4

7:00AM - Jacquelyn Brown

THURSDAY, JUNE 5

7:00AM - Billy Jean Prestidge

# SANCTUARY CANDLE BURNS THIS WEEK



Larry Robin, Sr. 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Remembrance By His Family

If you would like to have a loved one or special intention remembered by providing for the sanctuary candle, please contact the parish office. The suggested donation is \$7.00 per candle.

# **WEEK OF JUNE 7, 2025**

REG. COLLECTION: SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH

SATURDAY, JUNE 7

4:00PM - Rita A. LaPalme 102<sup>nd</sup> Birthday Remembrance, Kristian Louviere

> Lector: M. Leleux Server: J. Louviere

SUNDAY, JUNE 8

8:00AM - Deceased members of the Kathy

Monroe Family

Lector: E. Lohman Server: J. Schexnyder

10:30AM - Helen Mathews Smart, Fr. Terry Allen

Lector: M. Brundrett Server: V. Montalvo

5:00PM - For Our Parish Family

Lectors: J. Reynolds Server: H. Reynolds

Monday, June 9

7:00AM - Zachary Veillon

Tuesday, June 10

7:00AM - Cheryl Armour

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11

7:00AM - Raymond "Sonny" Tucker

THURSDAY, JUNE 12

7:00AM - Marty Doiron

If you are a victim or survivor of sexual abuse by members of the Catholic clergy or representatives of the Catholic Church and you want to make a formal complaint of abuse to the diocese, arrange a personal meeting with the bishop or his representative, and/or to obtain support for the needs of the individual and families, call Dr. Lee Kneipp, Victim Assistance Coordinator (318) 542-9805 or the LA Child Abuse **HOTLINE** (855) 452-5451. Diocesan Protecting our Children - Understanding, Reporting, and Preventing Child Abuse" brochures are available in the narthex bookcase. Both the Diocesan Policy for the Protection of Minors, and the Diocesan Code of Pastoral Conduct are in the safe environment section at <a href="https://www.diocesealex.org">www.diocesealex.org</a>

#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

#### **OUR PERMANENT DEACON CANDIDATE**

Brad Gadel

## OUR SICK, RECOVERING, CONVALESCING

After two weeks names are removed unless notification to retain someone is received in the collection, at secretary@mmjchurch.org, calling 487-9894x1200 or by mail. Exceptions can be made, of course.

Alfred Cook III, Brian Dobard, Jam Downs, Celia Halbert, Thomas Hickman, Annie Johnson, Daniel Jones, Brad Kohler, Pearl LaFleur, Fr. Paul LaPalme, Cecilia "Tookie" Liotta, Terry Melancon, Deacon Doug Moreau, James Moser, Laura Strange, Jo Tassin, Tonya Wood

## **OUR HOMEBOUND**

Faye Connella, Butch Doiron, Cecilia "Tookie" Liotta, Joan McLure, Richard Milano, Sr., Beverly Jane Richey, Joe & Irene Thompson, Constance Weil

#### **OUR NURSING HOME RESIDENTS**

Michael Flynn, LaVerne Fortenberry, Adrienne Stevens, Donna White

# **OUR ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY**

Parker Barrett, Brandon Coreil, Dustin Guillory, Daniel Keely, Kelley Perry, Robin Perry, Chuck Williams



Please inform us if you know of anyone who should be included or removed. You may also use a pew envelope for this purpose.

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

<b>Offertory Gifts - 05/25/2025</b>		
Regular Collection EFT Collection Weekly Goal Shortage	\$ 2,268.00 \$ 3,049.00 \$ <u>6,925.00</u> <b>\$ 1,608.00</b>	
Goal for May (4 Sundays) Received for May Short for May	\$ 27,700.00 \$ <u>26,239.00</u> <b>\$ 1,461.00</b>	
Fathers' Day	\$ 335.00	
THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!		

## MMJ CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

MERCI BEAUCOUP!!

Parish Goal	\$ 1,000,000.00
Pledges Received (128 families)	\$ 926,121.00
Monies Received	\$ 466,087.00
Balance Remaining	\$ 73,879.00

## ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL (ADA)

Parish Goal 2025

\$ 22,506.00

All that we have and all that we are comes from the Lord. "We are truly his handiwork," says St. Paul in the second reading, "created in Christ Jesus to lead a life of good deeds which God prepared for us in advance. Today is our parish's 2025 Annual Diocesan Appeal in-pew weekend. In the past weeks you might have received a letter from Bishop Marshall asking for your support of the annual appeal. After the homily parishioners who have not yet pledged to the ADA will have an opportunity join with Catholic throughout the Diocese of Alexandria to support the diocesan church.

# **ELECTRONIC GIVING**

This is a convenient, consistent way to help our church grow. It allows you to create or alter your contribution schedule at any time and see reports of your contribution history that you can use for your records. When you can't attend Mass, your electronic contributions will arrive without delay. Visit our website: www.mmjchurch.org

#### **FAITH FORMATION**

# **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2025**



## **JUNE 9 - JUNE 13**

8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Early drop off begins at 7:30 a.m.

## Register online under the Faith Formation Tab.

Volunteers are always welcome and needed! Please contact Katie Upton if you would like to volunteer. Various opportunities are available



# **CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

Every Sunday - 10:30 a.m. Mass During the Liturgy of the Word Ages 3 - 7 - Youth Center

# LIVE STREAMING

For the benefit of our homebound and/or sick parishioners, we livestream the 4:00 p.m. Saturday Mass each week. To watch it anytime on You Tube, search for MMJ Woodworth.

#### **REGISTRATION/CENSUS**

Do you consider Mary, Mother of Jesus Church "home"? Do you worship with us regularly? If you have not done so already, we ask that you please register online at <a href="https://www.mmjchurch.org">www.mmjchurch.org</a>, under the "parish forms" tab. Adult children no longer living at home and recently married couples are especially encouraged to register.

#### **CHURCH NEWS**

# WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

If you are celebrating a 25, 40, 50, 60 or 70<sup>th</sup> or other significant anniversary in 2025, we would like to honor you on Saturday, February 7, 2026 at the 4:00 p.m. Mass and present you with a Papal Blessing in honor of your marriage. If you would like to participate, please call or email the church office. Deadline is Sunday, August 31, 2025.

# FATHERS' DAY BREAKFAST

Sunday, June 15, 2025 Immediately following the 8:00 a.m. Mass Sponsored by the Pro Life Ministries

#### EASTER MEMORIAL FLOWER FUND

This fund enables us to decorate the Church during the 50 days of the Easter season. The donors and those to be remembered will be listed in the June 14-15 bulletin. The suggested donation is \$10. An envelope for this purpose is in the pews, your monthly packet, or one of your own. Don't forget to include on the envelope the name(s) of your loved one(s) to be remembered/honored.

# **ROSARY MINISTRY**

Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. in the Church.

#### **ROMEOs**

(Retired Old Men Enjoying Ourselves)
Wednesdays - 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

## **QUILTING MINISTRY**

Wednesdays beginning at 9:00 a.m. Call Brenda Mathews (318) 730-8123

#### **FORMED**

This online platform subscription service offers access to the best Catholic digital content producers - studies, films, audio, and eBooks. All parishioners of every age can access this great Catholic material. Go to **www.formed.org**, select Mary, Mother of Jesus Church, and complete the simple registration.

#### **COMMUNITY REWARDS**

Visit <u>Kroger.com</u> and sign up under Community at the bottom of their home page. Mary, Mother of Jesus will receive a percentage of your purchases. There is no charge to the shopper.