

## POSTGAME NOTES AND QUOTES

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## NEW ORLEANS SAINTS VS SEATTLE SEAHAWKS SUNDAY, SEPT. 22, 2019 • CENTURYLINK FIELD SAINTS POSTGAME NOTES

- With the win, the Saints move to 2-1 on the season and help them avoid their first road losing streak since dropping the last three regular season road contests of 2017.
- The win gives New Orleans an 8-6 all-time regular season record against Seattle, keeping the Saints as one of nine teams they have an all-time winning record against.
- The win also moves the Saints into first place in the NFC South after losses by Atlanta and Tampa Bay.
- Head Coach Sean Payton has 128 career victories (regular season and postseason), moving him past former Chicago Bears and Saints Coach Mike Ditka for sole possession of 30<sup>th</sup> all-time.
- Payton now has a 3-1 regular season record against Seahawks Head Coach Pete Carroll and a 23-15 regular season mark against Super Bowl-winning head coaches.
- New Orleans scored an offensive, defensive, and special teams touchdown in a single game for the first time since November 8, 1998 at Minnesota when Saint's RB Aaron Craver returned a kickoff 100 yards for a touchdown and later S Sammy Knight returned an interception 91 yards for a touchdown.
- With two, the Saints now have one more return touchdown than all of 2018.
- Offensively, New Orleans racked up 265 yards with 177 passing yards and 92 rushing yards on the way to scoring 20 points.
- QB Teddy Bridgewater started the game and completed 19-of-27 passes for 177 yards, two touchdowns, and 112.7quarterback rating. Bridgewater led the Saints on three scoring drives resulting in three touchdowns.
- WR **Michael Thomas** finished with 54 receiving yards on five receptions and a touchdown. With his touchdown grab, Thomas has moved into sole possession of tenth in the all-time club touchdown list. Thomas now has 4,053 receiving yards for his career, making him the seventh Saint to reach the 4,000-yard mark.
- With 346 receptions for his career, Thomas has tied Lance Moore (2006-13) for fifth in club history.
- RB **Alvin Kamara** finished with 161 yards from scrimmage and two touchdowns, leading the team in rushing and receiving. Kamara gained 69 yards on 16 rushes with a touchdown and 92 yards on nine receptions and a touchdown.
- Primarily blocked by RT Ryan Ramczyk, Seattle DE Jadaveon Clowney was held to 0 sacks, 1 assisted tackle, and 0 quarterback hurries.
- The Saints offensive line did not surrender a sack for the first time this season.
- The Saint's defense scored their first defensive touchdown since October 28, 2018 at
  Minnesota when CB Eli Apple forced a fumble from Seahawks RB Chris Carson,
  which S Vonn Bell returned 33 yards for his first NFL touchdown. The fumble return for a
  score was the first for New Orleans since October 15, 2017 vs. Detroit.
- The Saints also forced three turnovers on downs for the first time since December 26, 2011 against Atlanta.
- CB Marshon Lattimore led the team in tackles with 12 (ten solo), setting a career high.
- LB Demario Davis and Bell each recorded nine tackles.
- Lattimore, Bell, and CB P.J. Williams each recorded a pass defense.
- DE **Cameron Jordan** played in his 131th career game, moving him into a tie for 25<sup>th</sup> all-time with T William Roaf on the club's all-time games played list.
- Playing in his 161th career game, P **Thomas Morstead punted** six times for 324 yards (54.0 avg.) and four inside the 20-yard line.
- K Wil Lutz added three extra points, going 3-of-4 in the game. Lutz now has 433 career points.
- WR **Deonte Harris** returned a punt 53 yards for a touchdown in the first quarter. Harris' score was the first for the Saints since September 27, 2015 at Carolina. Harris finished the game with three punt returns for 53 yards.
- The Saints have now scored three special teams touchdowns in Seattle. New Orleans returned a fumble five yards for a score on October 14, 2007 in a game they won 28-

- 17. The Saints also blocked a field goal, whichwas returned 58 yards for a score by Dave Waymer in a 20-19 win at the Kingdome on October 16, 1988.
- DB **J.T. Gray** recorded a career-high three special teams tackles.
- The Saints extended their NFL-leading streak to 275regular season games without being shut out. The streak dates back to September 6, 2002 when New Orleans defeated the Tampa Bay Buccaneers 26-20 at Raymond James Stadium.