

**POSTGAME NOTES AND QUOTES** GREG BENSEL + SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT OF COMMUNICATIONS

## NEW ORLEANS SAINTS VS NEW YORK JETS SATURDAY, AUG. 24, 2019 • METLIFE STADIUM SAINTS POSTGAME NOTES

• The Saints defeated the Jets, 28-13, improving their preseason record to 2-1 for the third consecutive season. New Orleans will return to action on Thursday, August 29 when they play the Miami Dolphins at the Mercedes-Benz Superdome. Kickoff is set for 7:00pm CST.

• The Saints finished the game with 405 total net yards, including 80 rushing yards and 325 net passing yards. New Orleans outgained New York in the air; New York finished with 95 rushing yards and 205 passing yards.

• QB **Drew Brees** started the game in his first preseason action in 2019 and finished 4-of-6 for 68 yards on the Saints' opening drive. The eight-play, 72-yard drive lasted 3:08 and resulted in a 19-yard touchdown pass from Brees to WR **Michael Thomas**. Thomas finished the game with two receptions for 39 yards and a touchdown reception.

• RB **Alvin Kamara** caught two passes for 29 yards and carried twice for four yards on the Saints' opening drive.

• QB **Teddy Bridgewater** entered the game in the first quarter and played the remainder of the first half. Bridgewater finished 15-of-26 for 146 yards and led New Orleans on two scoring drives resulting in two field goals by K **Wil Lutz**.

• Lutz converted field goals of 39, 40, 38, and 34 yards in the game and added two extra points, finishing the game 4-of-5 on field goals and 2-of-2 on extra point attempts.

• QB **Taysom Hill** played the entire second half for New Orleans, leading New Orleans on two scoring drives resulting in two field goals from Lutz. Hill completed 8-of-13 passes for 127 yards

• TE Dan Arnold led the team in receptions and receiving yards with five catches for 83 yards.

• WR **Cyril Grayson Jr.** caught the Saints' longest offensive gain on a 49-yard reception from Hill. Grayson finished with two catches for 53 yards.

• RB **Dwayne Washington** led New Orleans in rushing and carries, rushing eight times for 29 yards and a long of eight yards.

• CB **Marshon Lattimore** forced the only turnover of the game, stripping and recovering the ball from Jet's RB Ty Montgomery.

• DB J.T. Gray led New Orleans with six tackles.

• LB Porter Gustin and LB Vince Beigel each recorded a sack.

• New Orleans LB **Will Compton** tallied four tackles. New Orleans' CB **Ken Crawley**, S **Chris Banjo**, LB **Darnell Sankey**, and LB **Kaden Elliss** all tallied three tackles.

• WR **Deonte Harris** returned a punt 79 yards for a score in the fourth quarter. Harris finished with four punt returns for 93 yards (23.3 avg.) and a long of 79. Harris also returned three kickoffs for a total of 61 yards (20.3 avg) and a long of 28 yards.

• Collectively, New York and New Orleans accounted for 270 penalty yards on 31 penalties.