St.Joseph Roman Catholic Church Est. 1872



Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 04, 2016

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Monday - Thursday: 8:00am - 4:00pm

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Rev. Fr. Kevin Bordelon

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Choir Director David Lalande

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Facilities Keeper John Comeaux

Grounds Keeper Doug Langley

Sacristan

Flo Broussard

Weekly Calendar

Monday, September 5

9:00am - Rosary Group, Church

Tuesday, September 6

6:15pm - Choir Practice, Church

Wednesday, September 7

9:00am - Elderberries Sr. Group, FLC 10:00am - Rayne Guest Home Mass 6:30pm - RCIA, Family Life Center

Thursday, September 8

9:00am - Babyberries, Family Life Center 6:30pm - Ultreya, Family Life Center

Friday, September 9

8:15am - RCE Mass, Church

Saturday, September 10

Sunday, September 11

Weekly Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 7:00 am, 10:00 am & 5:30 pm

Monday: 6:30 am Tuesday: 12:05 pm Wednesday: 6:30 am Thursday: 12:05 pm

Friday: 6:30 am

First Saturday: 9:00 am

Readings of the Week

Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-7, 12; Lk 6:6-11, or, for Labor Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Blessings of

Human Labor," nos. 907-911

Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b;

Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-17; Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps

13:6; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23] **Friday:** 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27;

Ps 84:3-6, 12; Lk 6:39-42 **Saturday:** 1 Cor 10:14-22;

Ps 116:12-13, 17-18; Lk 6:43-49

Sunday: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32 [1-10]

The Sanctuary Lamp



The Sanctuary Lamp burns constantly to proclaim the real presence of our Lord Jesus Christ in the Tabernacle. This week we dedicate the flame to:

> Jasper P. Johnson, Vernice Sonnier Family

The Pieta Lamp

Mother of Sorrows, You who held Jesus in your arms, please intercede with your Divine Son on behalf of:

Deceased Catholic Daughters



Reconciliation/Confession

 $30\ \mathrm{minutes}$ prior to Mass or any other time by appointment.

Baptism

Baptisms are held each Sunday after 10 AM Mass. Contact the Parish Office (334-2193) to schedule the sacrament. Preparation Classes are held the 4th Sunday of each month after 10 AM Mass.

Marriage

Call the Parish Office at least 6 months in advance of desired wedding date to schedule an appointment and begin the preparation process.

Funerals

Funeral home personnel will contact the parish office for you to make all the necessary arrangements.

Anointing of the Sick

Contact the parish office to schedule the sacrament of anointing with one of our priests.

Weekly Offertory

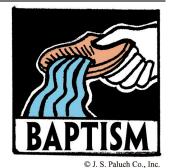
Offertory of 8/21/2016

\$11,820.00

Baptisms

We welcome those who entered our Catholic faith through the waters of Baptism:

Paul Major Gagliano



Weddings



We joyfully share in the Sacramental union of:

Phillip James Dupuis & Katherine Naomi Nero

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Dearly Departed

Our faith community remembers in prayer our dearly departed. We pray that they will find joy & peace in the Lord's presence. We extend our sincere sympathy to their families and friends.

Ruby Credeur & Wanda Kedinger

Sick and Shut-In

Darrell Alleman, Linda Arceneaux, Mary Baronet, Donald L. Bearb l, Jamie Bergeron, Denny Beslin, Mark Beslin, Denis Breaux, Percy Breaux, Ruth Ann Breaux, Rick Briggs, Gabrielle Broussard, Joseph "Blackie" Broussard, Harry Lee Comeaux, Kinley Comeaux, Gil Cormier, Lisa Cormier, James Dogua, Jacob Dogua, Jason "Cubby" Dogua, Susan Dupuis, Tanya Gaspard, Gussie Guidry, Steve & Nelda Guidry, Karen Hebert, Tommy Hodges, Lloyd Jeffers, Janelle Kibodeaux, Bobby Langley, Joyce LeBouef, Nugie LeLeux, Mark Wayne LeMaire, Dennis Leonard, Laura M. Meaux, Daniel Melancon, Pat Melancon, Richard Melancon, Sandra Menard, Merlin & Norma Miller, Bruce Moreaux, Lois Myers, Joseph Ortego, Craig Richard, Alice Roche, Dot Royer, Melvin Savoie, Edith Seaux, Linton Seaux, Dexter Theunissen, Carroll Verrette

Bourré Tournament

Elderberries Semi-Annual Bourré Tournament

Saturday Sept. 24, 2016 10 AM - 3:30 PM

\$20.00 Registration

Advance registrations requested.

St Joseph Family Life Center Sandwiches chips beverage for lunch available \$5.00. You do not have to be a professional, invite your friends, play with your neighbors, come enjoy a fun day.

> FMI call Jeanette Leger 334-2186 Elaine Myers 334-9496

Update on Seminarians

Father Kevin Bordelon, Director of Vocations and Seminarians for the Diocese of Lafayette, reports that with the start of the Fall Semester, the Diocese of Lafayette has fifty (50) seminarians representing every area of the Diocese. Four gentlemen are scheduled to be ordained to the priesthood in June 2017. The Lafayette seminarians are enrolled at St. Joseph Seminary College (St. Ben's) in Covington (29); Notre Dame Seminary in New Orleans (13); Theological College in Washington, D.C. (3); Mount Saint Mary Seminary in Emmitsburg, Maryland (3); and the Pontifical North American College in Rome (2).

Of the fifty current seminarians representing the Diocese of Lafayette, the following thirteen men are from or may be sponsored by the West Deanery (Acadia & Vermilion Parishes):

- 1 Deacon Matthew Hebert (St. Mary Magdalen, Abbeville)
- 2 Korey LaVergne (Our Lady of Lourdes, Erath)
- 3 Andrew Schumacher (Crowley Our Lady of Wisdom, Lafayette)
- 4 Nicholas Hebert (St. Michael, Crowley)
- 5 Seth Lemaire (St. Mary Magdalen, Abbeville)
- 6 Dexter Thibodeaux (Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church Point)
- 7 Nicholas Ware (St. Joseph, Rayne)
- 8 Brent Didier (St. Leo IV, Roberts Cove)
- 9 Riley Maturin (St. Alphonsus, Maurice)
- 10 Jace Gyles (Kaplan sponsored by Holy Cross, Lafayette)
- 11 Alexander Hargrave (Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, Kaplan)
- 12 Joshua LaFleur (Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, Church Point)
- 13 Calvin LeMaire (sponsored b: St. Mary Magdalen, Abbeville)

Please pray for these and all seminarians of the Diocese of Lafavette:

Father, in your plan for our salvation you provide shepherds for your people. Fill your Church with the spirit of courage and love. Raise up worthy ministers for your altars and eager but gentle servants of the gospel. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Babyberries

Thursdays at 9am

Babyberries is a faith-based. fun-filled hour of Bible stories, singing, dancing, crafts & prayer. Parents, Grandparents, Caregivers & Children 0-5 years old are invited to the Family Life Center on Thursdays at 9:00am, beginning on August 25th.

Proverbs 22:6 For more information contact Marian Lormand at 334-8984

EDGE and Life Teen Registration



Youth Ministry registration for EDGE and Life Teen is now open.

Registration is available online at: stjoerayne.org/registrations



Confirmation Registration



Confirmation registration for High School Juniors is now open.

Registration is available online at: stjoerayne.org/registrations

1st-5th Religious Ed

CCD classes will be held during the 2016-2017 School Year from 8:30am to 9:30am on Sunday mornings.

Specific days and times will be available soon.

For your convenience we have opened **Online** registration for 1st-5th grade. Please visit our website at www.stjoerayne.org/ccd to register.

Youth Ministry



Pure, beautiful, everlasting, and true. Those are the first words that come to mind when I think of God's love. The feeling of his love is so unbelievable and irreplaceable. It feels like the

spring breeze hitting my skin as I watch the sun slowly set onto the ocean. Pure happiness. Youth group has made it possible for me to feel this love by the support from everyone and them just being there through all of the wonderful times. Not only do I experience God's love, but the love of everyone else around me experiencing his love too. It makes a big difference when your youth minister and core team are as great as Rayne Life Teen's. They practice relational ministry, developing a relationship with every single person in youth group and brings everyone together so easily. Youth group has really impacted my life in such a positive way that nothing else could ever compare to the love I have found.

- "Queen" Susan Quibodeaux

Church Humor



Church conflict is normal.. but throw in a couple of lightsabers, and it just gets weird.

Pope Francis

We often see pilgrims journeying to shrines and places dear to popular piety. These days, many of them are making their way to the Holy Door opened in all the cathedrals of the world and in many shrines. But the most beautiful thing which emerges from the word of God today is that the whole family goes on pilgrimage. Fathers, mothers and children together go to the house of the Lord, in order to sanctify the holy day with prayer. It is an important teaching, which is meant for our own families as well. Indeed, we could say that family life is a series of pilgrimages, both small and big.

For example, how comforting it is for us to reflect on Mary and Joseph teaching Jesus how to pray! This is a sort of pilgrimage, the pilgrimage of education in prayer. And it is comforting also



to know that throughout the day they would pray together, and then go each Sabbath to the synagogue to listen to readings from the Law and the Prophets, and to praise the Lord with the assembly. Certainly, during their pilgrimage to Jerusalem, they prayed by singing the Psalm: "I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord!' Our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem (122:1-2).

How important it is for our families to journey together towards a single goal! We know that we have a road to travel together; a road along which we encounter difficulties but also enjoy moments of joy and consolation. And on this pilgrimage of life we also share in moments of prayer. What can be more beautiful than for a father and mother to bless their children at the beginning and end of each day, to trace on their forehead the sign of the cross, as they did on the day of their baptism? Is this not the simplest prayer which parents can offer for their children? To bless them, that is, to entrust them to the Lord, just like Elkanah and Anna, Joseph and Mary, so that he can be their protection and support throughout the day. In the same way, it is important for families to join in a brief prayer before meals, in order to thank the Lord for these gifts and to learn how to share what we have received with those in greater need. These are all little gestures, yet they point to the great formative role played by the family in the pilgrimage of every day life.

At the end of that pilgrimage, Jesus returned to Nazareth and was obedient to his parents (cf. Lk 2:51). This image also contains a beautiful teaching about our families. A pilgrimage does not end when we arrive at our destination, but when we return home and resume our everyday lives, putting into practice the spiritual fruits of our experience. We know what Jesus did on that occasion. Instead of returning home with his family, he stayed in Jerusalem, in the Temple, causing great distress to Mary and Joseph who were unable to find him. For this little "escapade", Jesus probably had to beg forgiveness of his parents. The Gospel doesn't say this, but I believe that we can presume it. Mary's question, moreover, contains a certain reproach, revealing the concern and anguish which she and Joseph felt. Returning home, Jesus surely remained close to them, as a sign of his complete affection and obedience. Moments like these become part of the pilgrimage of each family; the Lord transforms the moments into opportunities to grow, to ask for and to receive forgiveness, to show love and obedience.

In the Year of Mercy, every Christian family can become a privileged place on this pilgrimage for experiencing the joy of forgiveness. Forgiveness is the essence of the love which can understand mistakes and mend them. How miserable we would be if God did not forgive us! Within the family we learn how to forgive, because we are certain that we are understood and supported, whatever the mistakes we make.

Let us not lose confidence in the family! It is beautiful when we can always open our hearts to one another, and hide nothing. Where there is love, there is also understanding and forgiveness. To all of you, dear families, I entrust this most important mission - the domestic pilgrimage of daily family life - which the world and the Church need, now more than ever.

September 2016 Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Day	Time	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers
Sat.	4:00 pm	Debra Reed, Larry Van Pelt	Dr. Neal Duhon, Zubaida Elahi, Jimmy Fontenot, Annette Gossen	Peyton Menard Parker Menard James Charles
Sun.	7:00 am	Clinton Boullion, Dolores Deville	Mary Guidry, Becky Miller, Pat Miller, Brunella Reed	Lizzie Prevost
	10:00 am	Janet Bertrand, Allison Gray	Larry LeBlanc, Liz Deaville Nathan Mouton, Margaret Young, Eva Simon	Allie Gray Boyd Gray
	5:30 pm	Shawn LaCroix	Albert Johnson, Erin Breaux, Mike Ortego, Andy Richard	Emma Landaiche Drew Sikat

Pray For Priests and Seminarians

Eternal Father, we lift up to You these and all the priests and seminarians of the world. Sanctify them. Heal and quide them. Mold them into the likeness of Your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be



pleasing to You. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

- Sept 5 Rev. William Massie Seminarian Casey Dugas
- Sept 6 Rev. Kenneth Mayne Seminarian John Dugas
- Sept 7 Rev. Louis McCabe, SJ Seminarian Adam Fenstermaker
- Rev. Garrett McIntyre Sept 8 Seminarian Sean Fontenot
- Sept 9 Rev. Neil McNeill Seminarian Andrew Furka
- Sept 10 Rev. Bert Mead, SJ Seminarian Jace Gyles
- Sept 11 Rev. Glenn Meaux Seminarian Alexander Hargrave

Eucharistic Adorers



Please consider scheduling one hour a week in the adoration chapel with our Lord.

For more information please call or text Cathy Breaux at 337-501-1404 or email stjoe24.7@gmail.com to schedule your time.

Pro-Life Rosaries for November Elections

In 2012, several months before the presidential elections, we began praying the Rosary in church on First Saturdays for the elections of pro-life leaders. After the elections, we continued to pray a pro-life Rosary for the ending of abortions in Louisiana, in our country, and around the world. We are now facing another presidential election that will affect abortions, religious freedoms, family life, our Constitution, new Supreme Court judges, etc. You are urgently invited to join St. Joseph Parish in praying a pro-life Rosary at 8:30 am every First Saturday of the month for the election of pro-life leaders. For those who are unable to join us in church, please join us in spirit when you pray your Rosary. Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of the unborn, pray for us.

Anniversary Pilgrimage

Fr. Michael Russo, pastor of Our Lady of Fatima Church in Lafayette, will lead a pilgrimage to the Shrine of Fatima (and other sites connected to the Shepherd Children) to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Fatima apparitions, June 21 through June 29, 2017. Brochures with detailed information can be obtained by calling our Lady of Fatima Parish Office, 337.232.8945. There is limited availability, so securing your "seat" should be done as soon as possible.