

st. Joseph

Roman Catholic Church
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Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 25, 2016

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Office Hours

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Associate Pastor

Rev. Fr. Samuel Fontana

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Deacon Denis LaCroix
Deacon Barry LeBlanc
Deacon Tim Ledet

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Director of Youth Ministry

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Parish Secretary

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David Lalande

Organist

Kurt Boudreaux

Facilities Keeper

John Comeaux

Grounds Keeper

Doug Langley

Sacristan

Flo Broussard

Weekly Calendar

Monday, September 26

9:00am - Rosary Group, Church

Tuesday, September 27

6:15pm - Choir Practice, Church

Wednesday, September 28

9:00am - Elderberries Sr. Group, FLC

10:00am - Rayne Guest Home Mass

6:30pm - RCIA, Youth Hall

Thursday, September 29

9:00am - Babyberries, Family Life Center

6:30pm - Ultreya, Church

7:00pm - Pro Life Movie Pt. 1, Family Life Center

Friday, September 30

7:00pm - Pro Life Movie Pt. 2, Family Life Center

Saturday, October 1

8:30am - Pro Life Rosary, Church

9:00am - First Saturday Mass, Church

Sunday, October 2

6:30pm - EDGE Kickoff, Youth Hall

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

Reconciliation/Confession

30 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.

Readings of the Week

Monday: Jb 1:6-22; Ps 17:1bcd-3, 6-7;
Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Ps 88:2-8;
Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16;
Ps 88:10bc-15; Lk 9:57-62

Thursday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a;
Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51

Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5;
Ps 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14ab; Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Ps 119:66,
71, 75, 91, 125, 130; Lk 10:17-24

Sunday: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9;
2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10

The Sanctuary Lamp



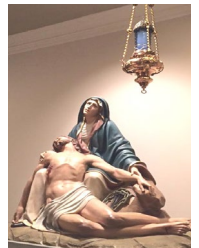
The Sanctuary Lamp burns constantly to proclaim the real presence of our Lord Jesus Christ in the Tabernacle. This week we dedicate the flame to:

**Obrey & Bertha Benoit,
Anna Trahan**

The Pieta Lamp

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

**Deceased members of
RHS Class of 1981**



Weekly Offertory

Offertory of 9/11/2016

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Baptisms

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

Jackson Russo Theunissen

and

Dylan Charles Whittington



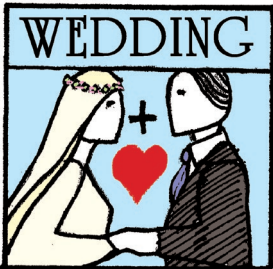
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Dearly Departed

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.

Daniel Slominsky, Ben A Meyer, Sr. and Agnes "Gene" Navarre

Weddings



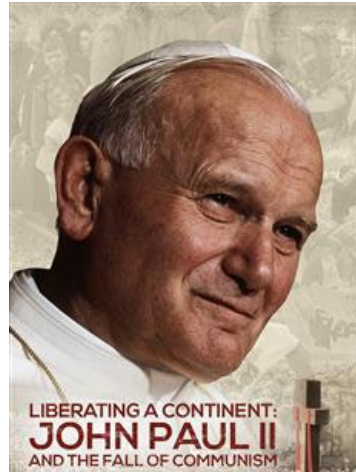
We joyfully share in the Sacramental union of:

Hunter Steven Bordelon and Kaitlyn Blaire Simon

Sick and Shut-In

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

2 Part Pro-Life Movie Nights



We the Pro-Life committee have scheduled a two night movie event and talk on the new documentary "Liberating a Continent: John Paul II and the Fall of Communism" for September 29th and 30th at 7pm in the Family Life Center. The discussion will be led by Nicole Ortego. We will discuss JP II's vision for a free people and free nation and we can apply it to Our country today.

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To get your free access code to start moving your faith forward please contact the parish office.

Rosary Pilgrimage

Catholic Daughter of the Americas Court Rayne No 844

Annual Rosary Pilgrimage

Friday Oct. 14, 2016

All are invited to join in the caravan as the Members of Court Rayne No. 844 will travel to different churches in the diocese for the Annual Rosary Pilgrimage during the month of October, the Month of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary. The churches on schedule are:

8:30 AM St. Michael the Archangel, Crowley
(Joyful Mysteries)

9:30 AM St. Anthony of Padua, Eunice
(Luminous Mysteries)

10:30 AM Annunciation of the BVM, Duralde Hwy
(Sorrowful Mysteries)

11:30 Noon Holy Spirit Chapel, Vidrine
(Glorious Mysteries)

You must provide your own transportation, carpool suggested, invite your family and friends to join you Bring a brown bag lunch.

FMI Contact Jeanette Leger at (337) 334-2186

1st-5th Religious Ed

CCD classes begin October 2nd 2016.
8:30am - 9:30am at Rayne Catholic

Please visit the parish website to register.
www.stjoerayne.org/ccd

Safe Environment

Wednesday, September 28, RCE Campus

Hosted by Georgette Richard

Initial Training at 6:00p.m. in Room 11

Continuing Training at 6:30p.m. in Room 12

Tuesday, October 25, Notre Dame Campus

Hosted by Mandy Miller

Call Notre Dame for information of Room Number and time.

Monday, February 20, RCE Campus

Hosted by Ky Bergeron

Initial Training at 6:00p.m. in Room 11

Continuing Training at 6:30 in Room 12

Wednesday, March 22, RCE Campus

Hosted by Georgette Richard

Initial Training at 6:00p.m. in Room 11

Continuing Training at 6:30p.m. in Room 12

These are the only classes that will be offered this year. If you need initial training you will have to attend one of these. If you need continuing and cannot attend one of these you can go online to virtus.org and do your training online.

Life Teen

Life Teen next Sunday October 2nd after
the 5:30pm mass.

High School Youth Ministry

A weekly gathering for high school students
focusing on fellowship, worship, and bible study.



Mondays at 8pm

For details and regular updates
text @ltgather to 81010

Youth Spotlight



What does being Catholic mean to you? It wasn't until last year, that I figured that out myself. I'm Madeleine Deville, and I am an upcoming member of the Rayne Life Teen group. I have been in Edge for the past 3 years, and each year has taught me more about how to become closer to God. I have learned so much about how to become a better human being, along with being a better Catholic in the previous years, thanks to Ms. Ricky, Ms. Georgette, and the amazing Core Team. Each year in Edge, we attended very inspirational retreats,

however, last year's had the biggest impact on the way I saw things in life. The theme of the entire retreat was "Why Catholic?", and for me that was a question I really didn't know the answer to. We were accompanied by a group of teenagers who have travelled throughout the United States preaching about how God has impacted their lives, each person told us their own personal feelings about what being a Catholic, and serving God meant to them. Hearing their stories, and how they overcame their life struggles, was truly inspiring. It taught me that I wasn't the only one struggling to find God, or to become closer to him. Since then, I have learned that being Catholic means that you are open to God's grace; everyone has that one moment in their lives when the goodness of God is shown, many people have witnessed the grace of God in several different forms. Being in Edge has given me the strength to become a better person, and learn about God's many different ways of saying that no matter what's going on within my life, all I need to do is turn to him, and my problems will be solved.

- Madeleine Deville

High School & Jr. High Ministry

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

Registration is available online at:
stjoerayne.org/registrations

Church Humor



"Our growth has been impressive...
It wasn't too long ago when our small group was just an itty bitty group."

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Deacon Tim Ledet



How time flies when you're having fun and my first 21 years in Rayne certainly have been fun. Christy and I first moved to Rayne because housing costs were so much cheaper than Lafayette (haha). Shortly thereafter, my first introduction to a large number of people from Acadia Parish was at a Notre Dame Alumni (Christy) softball tournament. I was amazed how friendly and down to earth everyone were and knew we had made the right choice. Then I met St. Joseph Parish and it didn't take long to recognize how Rayne wasn't about what school you attended or neighborhood you lived in, faith easily transcended those shallow boundaries.

Today, as I account my experiences as a deacon and parishioner at St. Joseph Parish the only starting point is to express my profound appreciation and acknowledgement of so many mentors and friends. Who can forget Conrad Breaux leading the Carpenter's Choir on Sunday mornings, both downstairs and upstairs. Or Fr. Bill, how he could reach into any heart with the wisdom of the Holy Spirit and leave you wondering what it was you were worried about in the first place. I smile when thinking of Fr. Joe Stemmons; if you were two minutes early for mass you may have already missed half his homily. I cherish the memories of deceased friends such as Delton Meche, Raymond Thevis, Charles Dupont,

Claude Guidry, Floyd Gautreaux, Terry Gautreaux and many others. How blessed we are to be a part of something as incredibly holy and inspiring as St. Joseph Parish.

A spiritual friend from Rayne recounted how as a young man he asked his dad "when we'd finish building the church?" His dad answered, "NEVER" because he knew how miserable life would be without the opportunity to love and be loved. Pray for me as I continue praying for you. I love the life of service, St. Joseph Parish and am blessed by everyone I meet. May God always bless you and St. Joseph Parish!

Pope Francis

In the midst of spiritual turbulence and feeling abandoned by the world, faithful always have a refuge: their mother, Mary.

According to Vatican Radio, the Pontiff gave this advice during his daily morning Mass, on the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows, at Casa Santa Marta, as he stressed that in a "world that suffers the crisis of a great orphanhood," we have a Mother that accompanies and defends us.

Today's Gospel, the Jesuit Pope stressed, brings us to Calvary, when all the Lord's disciples fled, except for St. John and a few women.

As Mary, Mother of Jesus, is at the foot of the Cross, Francis observes, "Everyone is looking at her, saying, 'That's the mother of this delinquent! That is the mother of this subversive!'"

Never Denies

"And Mary heard these things. She suffered terrible humiliation. And she also heard the dignitaries, even some priests, whom she respected, because they were priests, saying "You who are so good, come down! Come down!" With her Son, naked, there on the Cross. And Mary had such great suffering, but she didn't go away. She didn't deny her Son! He was her flesh."

The Argentine Pontiff recalled the poor women, who waited in Buenos Aires, to visit prisoners in the jails.

"They were moms. But they were not ashamed: their flesh was there inside. And these women suffered not only the shame of being there – "Look at her! What did her son do?" — but they also suffer the ugly humiliation of the searches they had to undergo before entering. But they were mothers, and they went to find their own flesh. And so it was with Mary: she was there, with her Son, with that very great suffering."

Not to Be Left Orphans

Jesus, the Pope said, has promised not to leave us orphans, and on the Cross he gives us His Mother as our Mother, who cares for and defends us.

"We Christians have a Mother, Jesus' [Mother]; we have a Father, Jesus' [Father]. We are not orphans! And she gives birth to us in that moment with such great sorrow: She is truly a martyr. With a pierced heart, she accepts giving birth to all of us in that moment of sorrow. And from that moment she becomes our Mother, from that moment she is our Mother, the one who takes care of us and is not ashamed of us: she defends us."

Francis recalled how the mystics of the early centuries counsel us to take refuge under the mantle of the Mother of God in moments of spiritual turbulence: "The devil can't enter there." Under her protection, we are safe, he underscored.

"In a world we could call an orphan, in this world that suffers the crisis" of a great experience of being orphaned," Francis said, "perhaps our help lies in saying 'Look to your Mother!'"

"We have a mother "who defends us, teaches us, accompanies us; who is not ashamed of our sins. She is not ashamed, because she is our Mother," Pope Francis concluded, praying, "May the Holy Spirit, this friend, this companion along the way, this Paraclete or advocate Whom the Lord has sent, make us understand this very great mystery of the maternity of Mary."

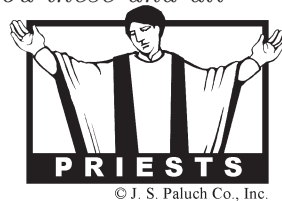


October 2016 Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Day	Time	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers
Sat.	4:00 pm	Mary Comeaux, Annette Gossen	Charmin Broussard, Peggy Lake, Barbara Nugent, Larry Van Pelt	Elise Gossen Marley Traub
Sun.	7:00 am	Dan Landry, Becky Miller	Keith Vienne, Mona Vienne, Betty Bellard, Charmin Broussard	Parker Menard Caleb Calhoun Elise Calhoun
	10:00 am	Faye Jeffers, Connie Richard	Angelo Ancona, Linda Ancona, Randy Bertrand, Janet Bertrand, Liz Deaville	Alli Mouton Luke Kibodeaux
	5:30 pm	Laila Wyatt	Lance Abshire, Logan Abshire, Michael Abshire, Denise Breaux	Alaysha Dupont Hayden Thomas

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 guide 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 26** Rev. Jerome Neyrey, SJ
Seminarian Riley Maturin
- Sept 27** Rev. Leon Ngandu, SVD
Seminarian Scott Mitchell
- Sept 28** Rev. James Nguyen
Rev. Mr. Rene Pellessier
- Sept 29** Rev. Thomas Nguyen
Seminarian Stephen Pellessier
- Sept 30** Rev. Gayle Nunez
Seminarian Ben Pitre
- Oct 1** Pope Francis
Seminarian Matthew Pitre
- Oct 2** Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI
Seminarian Connor Poirrier

Knights of Columbus Raffle



Fr Bordelon buys the first book of raffle tickets for the annual Knights of Columbus Raffle! Tickets can be purchased at the parish office or through any Knight. Thank you for supporting your local council.

Domestic Church Evangelization Retreat

Domestic Church provides long term help and formation for sacramentally married couples who want to grow in holiness together. What began in Poland over forty years ago with the help and support of St. John Paul II is now available to English speaking couples here in Louisiana. Although we know that true holiness is supposedly possible within the midst of the daily demands of marriage and parenthood, it can be very difficult to know how to access it and take advantage of the fact that marriage is a sacrament. Domestic Church gives couples and families real, concrete help to tap into what God has in store for us in the blessed vocation of marriage.

If you are interested in experiencing what Domestic Church can do for your marriage and your family, there will be an evangelization retreat September 29th -October 3rd at the Acadiana Baptist Center in Eunice. For more information or to register please go to the website, domesticchurchfamilies.com. You may also contact Laura Sowels at 337-962-9870.

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.