

# st. Joseph

Roman Catholic Church  
Est. 1872



## Mary, the Holy Mother of God

January 01, 2017

### Parish Office

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### Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 8:00am - 4:00pm  
Friday: 8:00am - 12:00 Noon

[stjoerayne.org](http://stjoerayne.org)

[facebook.com/stjoerayne](https://facebook.com/stjoerayne)



### Pastor

Rev. Fr. Kevin Bordelon

### Associate Pastor

Rev. Fr. Samuel Fontana

### Deacons

Deacon Tommy Adams  
Deacon Denis LaCroix  
Deacon Barry LeBlanc  
Deacon Tim Ledet

### Director of Finance/Facilities

Albert Johnson

### Director of Youth Ministry

Jamie Orillion

### Director of Religious Ed

Georgette Richard

### Parish Secretary

Debbie Harrington

### Choir Director

David Lalande

### Organist

Kurt Boudreaux

### Facilities Keeper

John Comeaux

### Grounds Keeper

Doug Langley

### Sacristan

Flo Broussard

## Weekly Calendar

**Monday, January 2**  
9:00am - Rosary Group, Church

**Tuesday, January 3**

**Wednesday, January 4**  
9:00am - Elderberries Sr. Group, FLC  
10:00am - Rayne Guest Home Mass  
6:30pm - RCIA, FLC

**Thursday, January 5**  
No Babyberries  
6:00pm - St. Vincent DePaul Society, FLC

**Friday, January 6**  
7:00am - Benediction & Adoration, Church

**Saturday, January 7**  
8:30am - Pro Life Rosary, Church  
9:00am - First Saturday Mass, Church  
10:00am - Lay Carmelite Mtng, RCE Teacher's Lounge

**Sunday, January 8**  
6:30pm - Confirmation Sponsor/Student meeting, Church  
6:30pm - EDGE, FLC

## 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:** 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4;  
Jn 1:19-28

**Tuesday:** 1 Jn 2:29 -- 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6;  
Jn 1:29-34

**Wednesday:** 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9;  
Jn 1:35-42

**Thursday:** 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5;  
Lk 4:14-22a

**Friday:** 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20;  
Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28 [23, 31-34, 36, 38]

**Saturday:** 1 Jn 5:14-21; Sal 149:1-6a, 9b;  
Jn 2:1-11

**Sunday:** Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13;  
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

## The Sanctuary Lamp



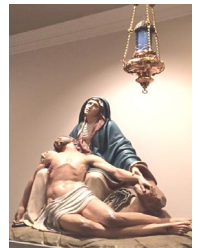
The Sanctuary Lamp burns constantly to proclaim the real presence of our Lord Jesus Christ in the Tabernacle. This week we dedicate the flame to:

**Agnes "Gene" Navarre,  
Vernice Sonnier & Family,  
and Emery, Sylvan & Inez Thibodeaux**

## The Pieta Lamp

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

**Elia & Octave Robert,  
Reggie Simoneaux,  
and Willard & Solange Simoneaux**



## Weekly Offertory

Offertory of 12/18/2016

\$10,769.00

## Baptisms

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

Jaxon Louis Faul



## Sick and Shut-In

Anais Alleman, Darrell Alleman, Linda Arceneaux, Delores Aucoin, Mary Baronet, Donald L. Bearb I, Levi Bearb, Denny Beslin, Mark Beslin, Ferrell Bordelon, Betty Boullion, Rick Briggs, Zora Boudreaux, Joseph "Blackie" Broussard, Christopher Comeaux, Kinley Comeaux, Eli Cormier, Gil Cormier, Lisa Cormier, John Thomas Crouch, James Dogua, Jacob Dogua, Jason "Cubby" Dogua, Nora Dool, Kathy Duhon, Tanya Gaspard, Steve & Nelda Guidry, Mona R. Falcon, Dano Fontenot, Karen Hebert, Mary Hebert, Tommy Hodges, Lloyd Jeffers, Leora Latiolais, James Lavergne, Jenee' Lavergne, Chris Leger, Nugie LeLeux, Mark Wayne LeMaire, Rita Logan, Janet McBride, Laura M. Meaux, Melvin Meaux, Sandra Menard, Sue Menard, Merlin & Norma Miller, Lois Myers, Joseph Ortego, Craig Richard, Dot Royer, Melvin Savoie, Edith Seaux, Linton Seaux, Layna Simon, Paige Sonnier, Dexter Theunissen, Kenneth Trahan

## Icon Workshop/Retreat

The Diocese of Lafayette Office of Worship is sponsoring a week-long residential icon painting workshop at the Jesuit Spirituality Center in Grand Coteau, La., from January 30 through February 5, 2017. Instructor is Dmitri Andreyev of the Prosopon School of Iconology. Participants will leave with a completed icon of St. Michael the Archangel, leader of the Heavenly Hosts. Cost is \$1230.00 and includes room and board for the week, 36 hours of painting instruction, and all art supplies. For more information, please contact Faye Drobnic at fdrobnic@diolaf.org or call 337-261-5554 or 337-344-7031.

## Retrouvaille Weekend

Retrouvaille will be held on January 20th-22nd in the Acadiana area. Retrouvaille is a ministry for couples in troubled marriages. Retrouvaille is French for rediscovery or reawakening. You may be more familiar with marriage encounter, which is intended to enrich good, stable marriages. Retrouvaille is more like a lifeline for troubled or broken marriages and hurting couples. It is for married couples who are anxious about their marriage, alone or distant from their partner, disillusioned or bored in their marriage, or who are experiencing coldness or conflict.

Locally, Retrouvaille of Acadiana hosts 3 weekends per year followed by the six post-weekend sessions on Sunday afternoons.

The weekends involve intensive work on communication skills and provide the foundation for the forgiveness and trust essential for rebuilding broken marriages. The six post-sessions frame up the concepts and provide practical solutions such as a method to resolve conflicts in a way that avoids the hurts of the past.

Retrouvaille is a peer ministry, meaning that all of the presenting couples are past attendees who came to Retrouvaille with marriages in trouble and who have firsthand experience of the benefits that can result.

*Retrouvaille is a Catholic ministry and encourages individual and spiritual growth and the ultimate goal is to reinstall in hurting couples the joy and satisfaction of sacramental marriage.*

*For more information or to register for the weekend, please contact:*

Stacy or Donea Benandi  
Community Coordinators  
985-714-2442-/2443

or

Bill and Andi Says  
337-298-5170

Please visit our website:  
[www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com)

## Facebook

For frequent updates and spiritual discussions please follow us on facebook: [facebook.com/stjoerayne](https://www.facebook.com/stjoerayne)

## Confirmation Sponsor Meeting

There is a mandatory Sponsor and Candidate meeting for Confirmation on January 8th after the 5:30pm mass in Church. All sponsors are required to register.

Registration is available online at:  
[stjoerayne.org/confirmation/sponsor](http://stjoerayne.org/confirmation/sponsor)



## High School & Jr. High Ministry

**You are always welcome! It's never too late to sign up for Youth Ministry. Registration for EDGE and Life Teen is OPEN. All High School and Jr. High students welcome.**

Registration is available online at:  
[stjoerayne.org/registrations](http://stjoerayne.org/registrations)

## CCD Classes

Classes will resume on January 8, 2017. Wishing you and your family a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

## Steubenville Early Bird Registration

STEUBENVILLE SOUTH  
JUNE 23-25

REGISTER NOW!

Early Bird Registration Through Jan 15  
[stjoerayne.org/steubenville](http://stjoerayne.org/steubenville)

## Youth Spotlight



**What's your favorite thing about Rayne Youth Ministry?**

I love that you get to learn about Christ and the salvations of life. I love that we get to play games, too. We did this really fun game where you had to dress up in costumes and run a relay race. It was awesome.

**What keeps you coming back every Edge night?**

I just love that we can all have fun together as a group

while learning about our faith.

**What was your most memorable experience this semester?**

We played a version of Duck Duck Goose called Shepherds and Angels and, when I was the Shepherd, I picked Mr. Jamie thinking that he'd be really slow. He wasn't slow! It was like basketball and he just ran right past me! It was the best.

**If you were to tell your friends that don't attend about Rayne Youth Ministry, what would you say to them?**

I would say that there are amazing people that can change and inspire your life. Why wouldn't you come?! -Victoria Peltier

## Joe's Café

Our next Joe's Café will be on January 20, 2017. Joe's Café will be open for all 6th – 8th graders starting at 6pm in the Youth Hall. For more information and a schedule of Joe's nights, please see the Joe's Café section on the ministries page of the parish website.



## Church Humor

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(See Genesis 3)

12-30-2013

REMEMBER THAT NEW YEAR RESOLUTION YOU MADE TO TRY NEW THINGS?

# Pope Francis

**The hope that comes to us at Christmas is a different kind of hope — it is reliable and visible because it is founded on God.**

The Pope said this today as he took up a third general audience catechesis on the theme of hope.

“Today, a few days from Christmas, I would like to reflect more specifically on the moment in which, so to speak, hope entered the world, with the Incarnation of the Son of God,” he said. The Holy Father noted how hope often refers to “that which is not in man’s power and which is not visible,” something “beyond our strength” that we cannot see.

“However, Christ’s birth, inaugurating the Redemption, speaks to us of a different hope, a reliable, visible and comprehensible hope, because it is founded on God,” he said. “He entered the world and gave us the strength to walk with him: God walks with us in Jesus and to walk with Him towards the fullness of life gives us the strength to be in the present in a new way, though laborious.”

This hope is a certainty that we are with Christ on the way to the Father, Francis explained.

“This hope, which the Child of Bethlehem gives us, offers a goal, a good destiny to the present, the salvation of humanity, beatitude to the one who entrusts himself to the merciful God.”

The Pontiff suggested that we ask ourselves, “Do I walk with hope or is my interior life stopped, closed? Is my heart a closed drawer or a drawer open to hope, which has me walk with Christ, and not alone?”



Immersed in hope

The Holy Father then turned to the Christmas crib, saying it transmits hope and that each of the people represented there are “immersed in this atmosphere of hope.”

He reflected on each of the personages, starting with the place itself:

— Bethlehem. A small borough of Judea where a thousand years earlier David was born, the shepherd chosen by God as King of Israel. Bethlehem is not a capital, therefore it is preferred by Divine Providence, which loves to act through the little ones and humble ones.

— Mary, Mother of Hope. With her “Yes” she opened the door of our world to God ... She, who for nine months was the Ark of the new and eternal Covenant, contemplated the Child in the cavern and saw in Him the love of God, who comes to save His people and the whole of humanity.

— Joseph, descendant of Jesse and David ... looking at Jesus in the manger, he meditated that that Child came from the Holy Spirit, and that God Himself ordered him to call him thus, “Jesus.” In that name is every man’s hope, because through that son of woman, God will save humanity from death and sin.

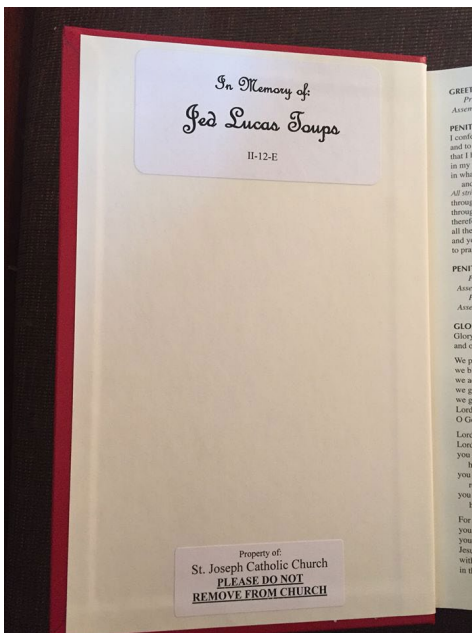
— The shepherds, who represent the humble and the poor ... In that Child they saw the fulfilment of the promises and they hope that God’s salvation will finally reach each one of them. (Regarding the shepherds, and the tendency to put one’s trust in material things, the Pope emphasized: “Let’s get this in our head: our securities will not save us; the only security that saves us is that of hope in God.”

— The choir of Angels proclaims from on high the great design that the Child carries out: “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men with whom He is pleased” (Luke 2:14). Christian hope is expressed in praise and thanksgiving to God, who has inaugurated His Kingdom of love, justice and peace.

The Pope concluded by saying that the celebration of Christmas will “be truly a celebration if we receive Jesus, seed of hope that God deposits in the furrows of our personal and communal history.”

“Every ‘Yes’ to Jesus who comes is a seed of hope,” he said. “Let us have confidence in this seed of hope, in this yes: ‘Yes, Jesus, you can save me, you can save me.’ A Happy Christmas of hope to all!”

# Parish Hymnals



In preparation for the new liturgical year you will notice hard back hymnals in the pews this weekend. In an effort to offset the cost of these new hymnals you can sponsor a book for \$20 “In Memory” or “In Honor” of a loved one.

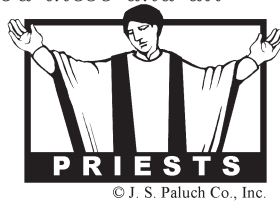
There are only 200 sponsorships available and will be sold on a first come first serve basis. Please call the parish office for more details.

# January 2017 Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Day	Time	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers
Sat.	4:00 pm	Larry Van Pelt Cathy Breaux	Charmin Broussard, Erin Breaux, Diana Duhon, Lyn Guidry	Caleb Calhoun Elise Calhoun Peyton Menard
Sun.	7:00 am	Becky Miller	Sylvia Alleman, Betty Bellard, Pat Miller	Alaysha Dupont Ivy Credeur
	10:00 am	Paul Molbert Debra Reed	Peggy Deville, Thomas Hebert, Jared Lawless, Hubert Matte, Faye Jeffers	Lane Comeaux Noah David
	5:30 pm	Linda Swinkey	Mike Abshire, Brian Guidry, Jimmy Fontenot, Andy Richard	Lizzie Prevost 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*



- Jan 02** Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI  
Seminarian Joshua LaFleur
- Jan 03** Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel  
Seminarian Alex Lancon
- Jan 04** Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell  
Seminarian Korey LaVergne
- Jan 05** Rev. Conley Bertrand  
Seminarian Cade LeBlanc
- Jan 06** Rev. Kenneth Bienvenu  
Seminarian Calvin LeMaire
- Jan 07** Rev. Paul Bienvenu  
Seminarian Seth Lemaire
- Jan 08** Rev. William Blanda, VF  
Seminarian Brent Lyons

## 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](mailto:stjoe24.7@gmail.com) to schedule your time.

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