

# st. Joseph

Roman Catholic Church  
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## Second Sunday of Lent

March 12th, 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

### Ministries and Outreach Coordinator

André Landaiche

### Choir Director

David Lalande

### Organist

Kurt Boudreaux

### Facilities Keeper

John Comeaux

### Grounds Keeper

Doug Langley

### Sacristan

Flo Broussard

## Weekly Calendar

### Monday, March 13

9:00am - Rosary Group, Church  
6:00pm - Cub Scouts, Youth Hall

### Tuesday, March 14

6:15pm - Choir Practice, Church

### Wednesday, March 15

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

### Thursday, March 16

9:00am - Babyberries, FLC  
6:30pm - Ultreya, Church

### Friday, March 17

*No Morning 6:30am Mass*  
5:30pm - Mass for St. Joseph in Church followed by  
St. Joseph Altar in Family Life Center  
6:00pm - Joe's Café, Youth Hall

### Saturday, March 18

### Sunday, March 19

8:15am - Adult Faith Formation, FLC  
8:30am - CCD Classes, RCE  
6:30pm - EDGE, Family Life Center

## 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:** Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13;  
Lk 6:36-38

**Tuesday:** Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17,  
21, 23; Mt 23:1-12

**Wednesday:** Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16;  
Mt 20:17-28

**Thursday:** Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6;  
Lk 16:19-31

**Friday:** Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a;  
Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

**Saturday:** Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4,  
9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

**Sunday:** Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2,  
5-8; Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

## The Sanctuary Lamp



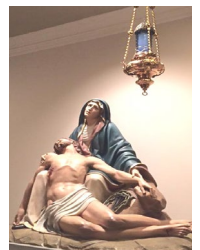
The Sanctuary Lamp burns constantly to proclaim the real presence of our Lord Jesus Christ in the Tabernacle. This week we dedicate the flame to:

**Orise Boudreaux**  
**Linda P. Arceneaux**  
**Ricky Briggs, Jr.**

## 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**  
**Amanda Briggs**



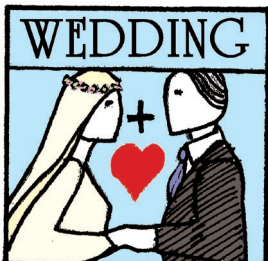
## Weekly Offertory

<b>Offertory of 2/26/2017</b>	<b>\$8,760.70</b>
Monthly Offertory EFT	4.70%
Total Building & Maintenance	\$2,903.86

## Adult Faith Formation

Next Sunday, March 19th, we will continue the Interactive Faith Formation Series for Adults in our Parish, This program led by Fr. Bordelon and Fr. Fontana will be held 8:15- 9:15am in the Family Life Center. It will continue every third Sunday of the month. This our seventh session will cover "God's Divine Life Within Us". All are invited. Please join us for coffee, donuts, fellowship, knowledge, and grace.

## Weddings



We joyfully share in the Sacramental union of:

**Willis James Meaux &  
Alaina Ann Savoy**

## 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.

**Laura B. Venable  
Ricky Briggs Jr.**

## Sick and Shut-In

Anais Alleman, Darrell Alleman, Mary Baronet, Denny Beslin, Mark Beslin, Betty Boullion, Zora Boudreaux, Christine Brandon, Allen & Susie Carrier, Christopher Comeaux, Comeaux Family, Kinley Comeaux, Eli Cormier, Gil Cormier, John Thomas Crouch, James Dogua, Jacob Dogua, Jason "Cubby" Dogua, Kathy Duhon, Elgie Dupuis, Frannie Dupuis, Kat Dupuis, Tanya Gaspard, Dano Fontenot, Helen Foreman, Karen Hebert, Tommy Hodges, Lloyd Jeffers, Leo LaCroix, Sr., Leora Latiolais, Jenee' Lavergne, Chris Leger, Ethel Leger, Mark Wayne LeMaire, Janet McBride, Laura M. Meaux, Melvin Meaux, Dylan Menard, Sandra Menard, Troy Menard, Ian Miller, Merlin & Norma Miller, Rita Monceaux, Patty Nugent, Joseph Ortego, Mufide Mary Rende Family, Craig Richard, Ruth Saloom, Edith Seaux, Linton Seaux, Layna Simon, Dexter Theunissen, Billy Towry, Kenneth Trahan, Rebecca Williams

## St. Joseph Mass, Altar & Dinner

On March 17th St. Joseph will be hosting a parish Mass in church for St. Joseph's Day followed by blessing of the St. Joseph's Altar and a free dinner in the Family Life Center.

## Lenten Activities

**Stations of the Cross - Confessions following 5pm-6pm on 3/24, 3/31, 4/7**  
(note 3/17 is our parish Mass for St. Joseph's Day followed by blessing of altar and dinner)

### Lenten Mission by Fr. Clinton Sensat

*Topic: "St. Joseph: Christ's Model and Ours"*  
6pm-7pm on 3/27, 3/28, 3/29

## Novena To St. Joseph

In anticipation of the St. Joseph Altar celebration, there will be a nine-day Novena said to St. Joseph fifteen minutes prior to each daily mass beginning Sunday, March 12th through Monday, March 20th. A Prie Dieux and locked petition box will be placed at the foot of the St. Joseph Statue in Church for your prayer requests. Listed below are times of each daily Novena. Morning Mass on Friday, March 17th has been moved to 5:30 PM and will serve as the Mass for the Solemnity of St. Joseph, Husband of Mary, and will be followed by the blessing of the beautiful St. Joseph Altar. Please make an effort to participate in this beautiful devotion to our patron saint.

Sunday, March 12 - 9:45 AM Novena, prior to 10:00 AM Mass  
Monday, March 13 - 6:15 AM Novena, prior to 6:30 AM Mass  
Tuesday, March 14 - 11:45 AM Novena, prior to Noon Mass  
Wednesday, March 15 - 6:15 AM Novena, prior to 6:30 AM Mass  
Thursday, March 16 - 11:45 AM Novena, prior to Noon Mass  
Friday, March 17 - 5:15 PM Novena, prior to 5:30 PM Mass  
Saturday, March 18 - 3:45 PM Novena, prior to 4:00 PM Mass  
Sunday, March 19 - 9:45 AM Novena, prior to 10:00 AM Mass  
Monday, March 20 - 6:15 AM Novena, prior to 6:30 AM Mass

## St. Joseph Altar Candles

Candles in memory of your loved ones or for special intentions may be purchased at the Parish Office for \$3.00 each. They will be labeled with the name of your loved one or special intention and blessed as part of the beautiful St. Joseph Altar. They will be available for you to pick up at the end of the St. Joseph Altar celebration. Those candles remaining on Monday, March 20th will be placed in the Adoration Chapel to be burned.

Preparations for the St. Joseph Altar will begin after Noon Mass on Thursday, March 16 and continue throughout the day Friday, March 17. If you are interested in donating your time or talent to help with this set up process or would just like to learn more about this tribute to our patron saint, please contact Linda Ancona at [linletters@hotmail.com](mailto:linletters@hotmail.com) or #337-660-5314.

## Facebook

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

## Joe's Café

This upcoming Friday night, March 17th, 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.



## EDGE

We have EDGE next Sunday March 19th after the 5:30pm mass in Family Life Center. ALL 6th-8th graders welcome.



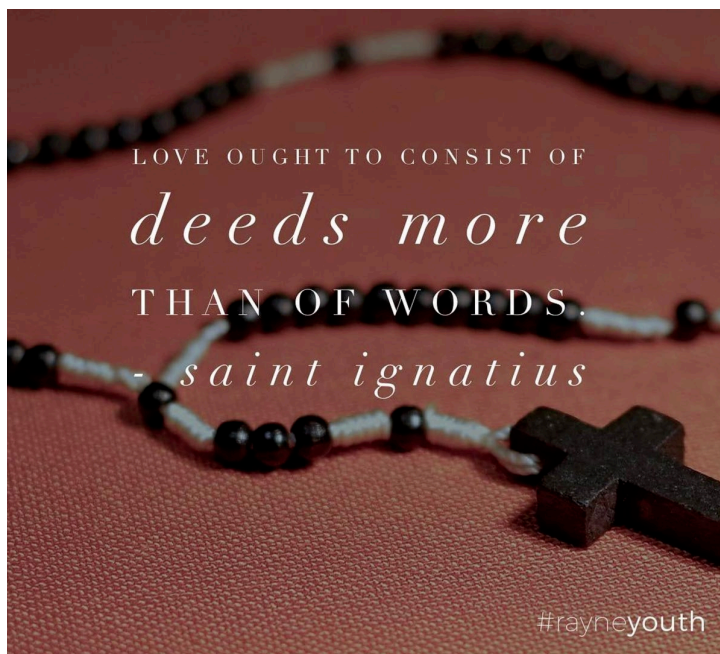
FIRE FALL

## TRANSFORMATION

### 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)



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## Youth Spotlight



**What's your favorite part about Edge?**  
I just like being able to come here and interact with everyone and hearing different discussions through lessons. It's cool to be able to apply that to my life.

**Do you have a favorite part of each Edge night?**

I like doing the activities because it actually gives us a clue about what the lesson will be on that night.

**Is there a topic that we've discussed that you liked the most so far?**

My favorite so far was the night that we had to clean paint off of plates and then the lesson was about purifying our souls. I like talking about confession like that.

**What keeps you coming back?**

I come because I want to be able to learn more about God and apply it to my life. I know that coming here will allow me to do that.

## Church Humor



**"How can I love my enemies when I don't even like my friends?"**

# Pope Francis

**Lent is a time for us to no longer be slaves, but to be free and full of hope.**

Pope Francis stressed this during the General Audience at 9:30 a.m. today, Ash Wednesday, in St. Peter's Square. Continuing with the series of catecheses on Christian hope, in his address in Italian, the Pope focused his meditation on the theme: "Lent, Journey of Hope" (Exodus 3:7-8.10)

Francis recalled how the Church instituted Lent as a time of preparation for Easter and, therefore, the whole meaning of these 40 days draws light from the paschal mystery, to which it is oriented. "We can imagine the Risen Lord, Who calls us to come out of our darkness, and we set out on the way to Him, who is the Light," Francis said, reminding: "Lent is a journey towards the Risen Jesus." Lent is, by its nature, a time of hope, he stressed.

To understand better what this means, the Jesuit Pope highlighted, we must remember the exodus of the Israelites from Egypt, narrated in the Book of Exodus in the Bible. While the point of departure is the condition of slavery in Egypt, he noted, the Lord has not forgotten His people and His promise. "He calls Moses and, with a powerful arm, has the Israelites leave Egypt and guides them through the desert to the land of freedom."

"And these 40 days are, for all of us also," Francis said, "a going out from slavery, from sin, to freedom, to the encounter with the Risen Christ. Every step, every effort, every trial, every fall and every recovery, all make sense only within the plan of salvation of God, who wants life for His people and not death, joy and not sorrow." Jesus' Easter is His exodus, the Pope said, with which He has opened the way for us to attain full, eternal and blessed life. To open the way for us to eternal life cost Him all His blood, and, thanks to Him, we are saved from the slavery of sin.

"But this does not mean that He did everything and we have nothing to do, that He went through the Cross and we "go to Paradise in a carriage."

"It's not so," Francis clarified, saying, "Our salvation is certainly His gift, but, because it is a story of love, it requires our "yes" and our participation in His love, as our Mother Mary shows us and, after her, all the Saints."

Lent, the lives of this dynamic, the Holy Father said, noting namely that in which Christ precedes us with His exodus, and we go through the desert thanks to Him and behind Him.

"Lent is a "sacramental sign of our conversion" (Roman Missal, Collect, First Sunday of Lent); one who undertakes the way of Lent is always on the way of conversion. Lent is the sacramental sign of our journey from slavery to freedom, ever to be renewed — a journey that is certainly demanding, as it is right that it should be, because love is demanding, but it is a journey full of hope."

Rather, I will say more: the Lenten exodus is the journey in which hope itself is formed.

"The exhaustion of crossing the desert — all the trials, the temptations, the illusions, the mirages . . . , all this is useful to forge a strong, solid hope on the model of that of the Virgin Mary, who in the midst of the darkness of the Passion and Death of her Son continued to believe and to hope in His Resurrection, in the victory of God's love." Pope Francis concluded, praying, "Let us enter Lent today with a heart open to this horizon. Feeling ourselves part of the people of God, we begin with joy this journey of hope."

"Today, Ash Wednesday," Pope Francis said, "the Lord indicates the path of hope to follow. May the Holy Spirit lead you to fulfill a true journey of conversion, to rediscover the gift of the Word of God, to be purified from sin and to serve Christ present in brothers."



## Married Couples

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7 STEPS

TO A SUPERABUNDANT MARRIAGE

If you are a married couple looking to grow with your spouse in your faith journey, "The Choice Wine" program consisting of 9 sessions is open free of charge to married couples and future couples beginning on March 12th from 5 – 7 PM at the City of Rayne Green Room. All sessions will be at this time on Sundays. Couples will learn the 7 steps to experiencing a superabundant marriage that generates more love and happiness while virtually divorce-proofing your marriage. Please sign up today by filling form in pews or call the rectory at 334-2193. God is inviting you to come grow with Him in this special church community journey. Come meet your friends here.

## Parish Hymnals

**We have received donations for 43% of the hymnals thus far!** *If you would still like to make a donation towards a Hymnal in the name of a loved one please contact the parish office. Below is a list of current sponsorships. Please keep these individuals in your prayers.*

### In Memory of:

Wanda Keding, Russell Menard, Leo & Rita Melancon, Jed Lucas Toups, Earl & Theresa Leger, Roy & Agatha Comeaux, Joey Thennissen, Charles W. Bingham, Sr., Don Deville & Family, M/M David Trahan, M/M Hugh Miller & Jamele Saloom, Tony Signorelli, Jr., Albert LeBlanc, Bill Caldwell, Willie Leger, J. Curney Haure, Daren "Pope" Guillot, Reggie Simoneaux, Deus & Margaret Monceaux, Amanda Claire Briggs, Leland & Alberta Hebert, Jr., Chadwick Pellerin, Jason John & Jason Blake Petitjean, Irvin "Stub" Bernard, Loula Bernard, Beverly Bernard, Olivia Bernard, Transquillian Bernard, Sherry Bernard, Wilfred "Red" Bernard, Irene Bernard, Raleigh Bernard, Faye Bernard, Buella & Calvin Guidry, Carrol Lynn Stutes, Claudia & Al Peltier, Celina D. Normand, Herbert Hebert, George & Winnie Larriviere, Henry & Rita Gossen, Sr. Ann Pauline Gossen, C.D.P., Sisters of Mount Carmel, Priests of St. Joseph Parish, The Eudists Priests, Dr. & Mrs. J. P. Mauboules, M/M Emery Jagneaux, Clarence & Adia Stutes, Golden & Mildred Stutes, Chet Oliver, Claby & Winnie LeBlanc, Tenom & Lillian Borne, Joseph Verley LeBlanc, Robert Anthony Gossen Sr., M/M Isaac C. Domingue, M/M Nathan J. Mouton, Clyde & Hilda Breaux, Lawrence & Evelyn VanPelt, Conrad Breaux, All Deceased Choir Members

### In Honor of:

Jasper & Matilda Johnson, Darrell Dugas, Jeanette Leger, Dudley & Shirley C. Simon, R.J. Consulting Services, Dalford & Joyce Alleman, Simon Family, Christopher Comeaux, Cecilia & Raoul LeBlanc, L. J. & Debbie Harrington

## March 2017 Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Day	Time	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers
Sat.	4:00 pm	Allison Gray Leah Guidry	Leah Guidry, Charmin Broussard, Larry Van Pelt, Erin Breaux	Allie Gray Charlie Cantrell Emma Guidry Elise Gossen
Sun.	7:00 am	Clinton Boullion	Becky Miller, Patrick Miller Janet Bertrand, Randy Bertrand	Ivy Credeur Peyton Menard Parker Menard
	10:00 am	Luke Beslin Debra Reed	Margaret Young, Liz Deaville Mike Ortego, Linda Ancona, Angelo Ancona	Evan Hebert, Lane Comeaux, James and Ashton Orillion, Justin Dupuis
	5:30 pm	Linda Swinkey	Peggy Lake, Lexi Babineaux, Brooke Bordelon, Logan Abshire	Alaysha Dupont Lizzie Prevost

### 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.*



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- Amen

- Mar 13** Rev. Peter Emusa  
Seminarian Dexter Thibodeaux
- Mar 14** Rev. Cyprian Eze  
Seminarian Michael Vidrine
- Mar 15** Rev. Richard Fabre  
**Seminarian Nicholas Ware**
- Mar 16** Rev. Joel Faulk  
Seminarian Kyle White
- Mar 17** Rev. Kendal Faulk  
**Rev. Kevin Bordelon**, Director of Vocations
- Mar 18** Rev. Emmanuel Fernandez  
Parents of Seminarians
- Mar 19** Rev. Thomas Finley  
Benefactors and Seminary Faculty

### 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.

### Decorative Cakes and Breads

The celebration of the Solemnity of St. Joseph which includes the tradition of the St. Joseph Altar is a huge undertaking where all of the food and labor is derived from the generosity of volunteers.

The Altar is adorned with approximately 50 hand-made cakes and breads that are blessed during the impressive ceremony and donated to the poor and needy of our area at the close of the celebration. We are requesting that individuals please consider providing a pair of decorative cakes or breads that will become a part of the Altar. The Family Life Center will be open after Noon Mass on Thursday, March 16th and throughout the day Friday, March 17th to receive these offerings.

For more information on the St. Joseph Altar or to find out how you can help, please contact Linda Ancona at [linletters@hotmail.com](mailto:linletters@hotmail.com) or #337-660-5314.

### Flower Donations

Flowers cut from the yards of parishioners have traditionally been used to adorn the beautiful St. Joseph Altar as a devotion to our patron saint. Again this year we are requesting individuals please consider donating flowers, either cut from their yard or purchased. All variety of flowers will be accepted, but lilies most appreciated. All donations may be brought to the Family Life Center after Noon Mass on Thursday, March 16th and throughout the day Friday, March 17th.