

st. Joseph

Roman Catholic Church
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Divine Mercy

April 23rd, 2017

Parish Office

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Office Hours

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

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Parish Secretary

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Coordinator

André Landaiche

Choir Director

David Lalande

Organist

Kurt Boudreaux

Facilities Keeper

John Comeaux

Grounds Keeper

Doug Langley

Sacristan

Flo Broussard

Weekly Calendar

Monday, April 24

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

Tuesday, April 25

6:00pm - Choir Practice

Wednesday, April 26

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

Thursday, April 27

9:00am - Babyberries
6:00pm - First Communion Rehearsal, Church

Friday, April 28

6:00pm - Joe's Café, Youth Hall

Saturday, April 29

10:00am - First Communion, Church

Sunday, April 30

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: Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-9; Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21

Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; 1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

The Sanctuary Lamp



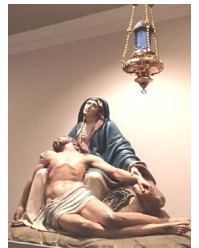
The Sanctuary Lamp burns constantly to proclaim the real presence of our Lord Jesus Christ in the Tabernacle. This week we dedicate the flame to:

Betty Ann Fontenot

The Pieta Lamp

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

Those who have no one to pray for them.



Weekly Offertory

Offertory of 4/09/2017 \$9,396.61

Baptisms

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

Hudson Michael Hebert



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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.

Ronald "Ronnie" Thibodeaux

Sick and Shut-In

Anais Alleman, Darrell Alleman, Mary Baronet, Denny Beslin, Mark Beslin, Betty Boullion, Christine Brandon, Rodrick Broussard, Eugene Cahanin, Susie Carrier, Lima Clement, Marcia Coleman, 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, Anthony Emmons, Dwayne Gallager, Tanya Gaspard, Dano Fontenot, Helen Foreman, Karen Hebert, Kathryn Istre, Lloyd Jeffers, Leora Latiolais, Deanna Lavergne, Jenee' Lavergne, Chris Leger, Ethel Leger, Mark Wayne LeMaire, Noremia Lowenstien, Paul Matte, Janet McBride, Laura M. Meaux, Melvin Meaux, Dylan Menard, Sandra Menard, Troy Menard, Ian Miller, Merlin & Norma Miller, Rita Monceaux, Joseph Ortego, Alison Reed, Craig Richard, Garry Rivers, Ruth Saloom, Edith Seaux, Linton Seaux, Layna Simon, Jeanette Simoneaux, Dexter Theunissen, Billy Towry, Kenneth Trahan, Rebecca Williams, Scott Pharr

Parish Office Hours Changing

Beginning May 3rd the parish office will be closed at 2pm on Wednesdays for public business. Much of what our parish staff does (especially sacramental and financial recording) requires some period without interruption. I have decided to work 2 hours of that time into their regular work week. Access to a priest in case of an emergency anointing will not be affected. Please plan accordingly and I thank you in advance for your understanding.

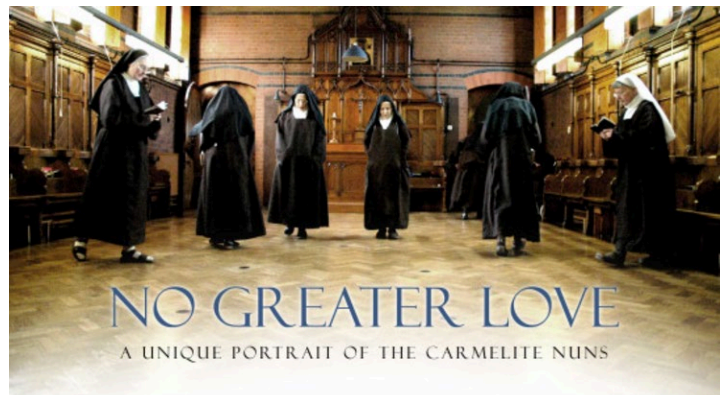
- Fr. Bordelon

FORMED: Catholic Faith On Demand

St. Joseph has purchased a parish account at Formed.org. There you will have access to Hundreds of Hours of Watching, Reading, and Listening to the Best Catholic Content online.

Here is your free access code to start moving your faith forward: **Q668NF**

Make sure to check out this Carmelite Documentary!



Little White Books

The Little White Book (reflections on the Resurrection narrative of Mark) are now available for only \$1.00 at the parish office.

Facebook

For frequent updates and spiritual discussions please follow us on facebook: facebook.com/stjoerayne

VBS

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

May 29th through June 2nd, 2017



Completed Pre-K through 12th Grade REGISTRATIONS are being mailed out the week of April 10th. If your child did not attend last year you can get the forms to register at www.stjoerayne.org/vbs.

Joe's Café

This upcoming Friday night, April 28th, 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.



VBS Needs Your Help

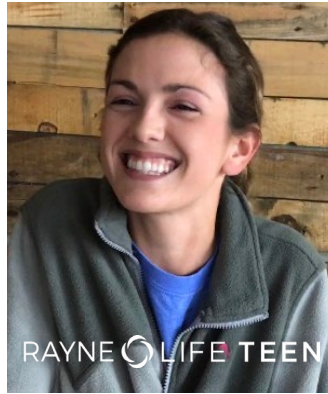
SUPPLIES ARE NEEDED:

Starting next weekend at all entrances of the church there will be a poster board with some BUDDIES on it that has the supplies that we need for vacation bible school. There is also a box provided for you to put the supplies in. Some of the BUDDIES just say monetary donation which we need to buy special craft supplies with. Supplies and donations are needed by May 19th.

BAKED GOODS ARE NEEDED:

Other BUDDIES will have baked goods on them. Please contact Georgette Richard at 337-735-4568 or email me at georgette@stjoerayne.org. if you can help with this. If your child did not attend last year or your address hanged and you didn't get your registration, go to www.stjoerayne.org/VBS, or pick them up at the Rectory, CCD Office or RCE office. Any questions call the CCD Office at 337-735-4568.

Youth Spotlight



RAYNE LIFE TEEN

The Gathering on Monday nights is my favorite part of Rayne Youth. It's very casual and comfortable; we just get to sit around our youth minister's living room doing some praise and worship as well as focusing

on scripture. I love that we can talk about scripture in the context of our lives and how it relates to us. Jamie even cooks for us sometimes, so good food is added to the mix. It's such a wonderful way to start your week and I've very thankful for that! - *Emily Savoy*



Church Humor



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FLETCHER

"Believe me, none of us enjoys church discipline ... OK, maybe a little."

Pope Francis

Christianity is the religion of the living.

“Of all the days in the year that the Liturgy celebrated in various ways, there is not one that is more important of the feast of Easter because, in the Church of God, this day makes holy all the other solemnities. Also the birth of the Lord is directed towards this mystery: the meaning of the birth of Christ is for Him to be nailed to the cross. In the womb of the Virgin he took mortal flesh; in this mortal flesh the design of passion is realized completely; and so it happened that, for an ineffable plan of God’s mercy, this became for us redeeming sacrifice, abolition of sin and beginning of the resurrection to eternal life” (St. Leo the Great, Sermon XLVIII, 1 – PL 54, 298 A – 299 TO). It was right and proper to prepare ourselves for Easter with the Lent journey (= the exodus) that has made us more aware that we are a people “established by Christ as a communion of life, charity and truth” (Lumen Gentium, 9), and taken by Him as the instrument of salvation for all humanity.



Today begins the Easter exodus so that we can walk “in the world in search of a future and permanent city (see Heb 13, 14), bring to the world “Jesus as the author of salvation and the source of unity and peace”, and establish us “the Church that for each and all may be the visible sacrament of this saving unity”. (Lumen Gentium, 9).

Who guides us on this journey? Christ risen from the dead, a death to which he had been condemned absurdly because he had told the world the truth and loved it.

Jesus, the Good Shepherd, guide us using as a pastoral the cross on which he died. Jesus’ dying on the Cross among insults and ill-treatment suffered by him until his death, has been a dying for us, poor creatures, taking our place for our benefit. While he was suffering the hatred of men, he took this hatred upon himself removing it from them and welcoming it in his mercy. His death was a death of the love that never dies.

Christ, the Good Shepherd, not only leads his sheep, but takes the lost one on his shoulders and carries it home. If we are clenched to his Body we live, and in communion with his Body we reach the heart of God.

This infinite heart was revealed to us by Christ who, through his resurrection, demonstrates that love is stronger than death, stronger than evil. This is the force by means of which He brings us to himself, holding us tight on his shoulders. United to his love, let’s go with him to the house of Heaven, the abode of Life in love.

In the crucified Christ, human suffering has a meaning, because this suffering does not seek to destroy life, but to those who knows how to accept it, serves to make life more intense and perfect: holy and redeeming.

The cross is not “scandal” for the Jews and “foolishness” for the Greeks of two thousand years ago, but even today for many it is “scandal” and “madness.” But if we contemplate with care and devotion the mystery of Easter, we understand that the “absurd” and “outrageous” act of God has, as a reason, the free, merciful and almighty love of God for men that is entirely and powerfully manifested on the Cross of Christ. In fact, this Cross has two faces: the apparent defeat and the victory, the Crucified and the Risen. In the Cross are revealed all the evil and misery of man who does not hesitate to condemn the innocent Son of God, but are also manifested the depth and effectiveness of God’s forgiveness.

In Christ crucified and risen, love and not hate has the last word. In this total charity and not elsewhere, it is to be found the true reason of the Christian hope, the good news^[1] that gives meaning and depth to life and history in spite of the failures. It is a good and happy news that demands conversion not only to a good moral life, but to the religion of true Life.

In this religion, we walk with the Risen Christ who goes from death to life, and we pass from sacrifice to glory, from abnegation to fertility, from renunciation to love, from love to life. There is no other path that leads to happiness, the complete fullness to life. It is the path traced by the Resurrection.

April 2017 Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Day	Time	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers
Sat.	4:00 pm	Cathy Breaux Mary Comeaux	Barbara Nugent, Diana Duhon, Lyn Guidry, Annette Gossen	Allie Mouton Aiden Mouton Emma Guidry
Sun.	7:00 am	Becky Miller Delores Deville	Sylvia Alleman, Betty Bellard, Mary Guidry, Brunella Reed	Jackson Casanova Dillon Lopez Ivy Credeur
	10:00 am	Devin Soeseno Margaret Young	Peggy Deville, Thomas Hebert, Jared Lawless, Linda and Angelo Ancona	Evan Hebert Lane Comeaux James Orillion Ashton Orillion
	5:30 pm	Laila Wyatt	Bryan Guidry, Lexi Babineaux, Brooke Bordelon	Emma Landaiche Katherine Gossen Nasyr Billy

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



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- Apr 24** Rev. Keith Landry
Sem: Stephen Pellessier
- Apr 25** Rev. O'Neil Landry
Sem: Ben Pitre
- Apr 26** Rev. Ralph Landry
Sem: Matthew Pitre
- Apr 27** Rev. Charles Langlois
Sem: Connor Poirrier
- Apr 28** Msgr. H.A. Larroque
Sem: Rev. Mr. David Rozas
- Apr 29** Rev. Bernard Lebiez, OSB
Sem: Peter Sahuc, Jr.
- Apr 30** Rev. Clyde LeBlanc
Sem: Andrew Schumacher

Eucharistic Adorers

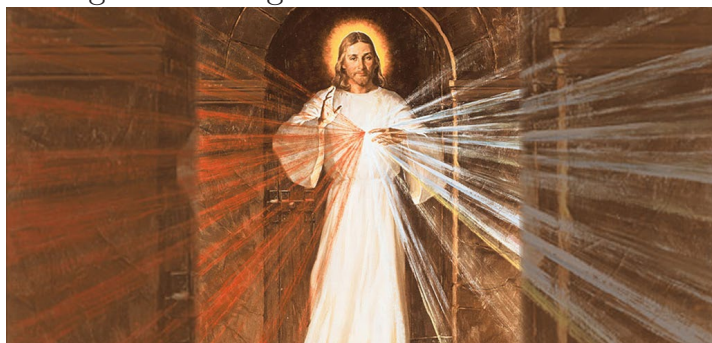


Please consider scheduling one hour a week in the adoration chapel with our Lord.

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

RCE Asks: Did You Know?

The word "Christian" was initially a derogatory name. The new religion appealed largely to the urban poor, women, non-citizens, social outcasts, and slaves because the essence of the Gospel was that they did not need money or education to belong to the kingdom.



125 Years of Catholic Ed

You are invited to join Rayne Catholic Elementary School on May 5th, 2017, as we celebrate 125 years of Catholic Education begun by St. Joseph Parish and The Sisters of Mount Carmel in 1891. Our celebration will begin with Mass at 10:00 a.m. in St. Joseph Catholic Church immediately followed by the May Crowning ceremony and a reception on the school campus. If you have any questions please call the school office at 334-5657.