

st. Joseph

Roman Catholic Church
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Third Sunday of Easter

April 30th, 2017

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Office Hours

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

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Rev. Fr. Kevin Bordelon

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Deacons

Deacon Tommy Adams

Deacon Denis LaCroix

Deacon Barry LeBlanc

Deacon Tim Ledet

Director of Finance/Facilities

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Director of Religious Ed

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Debbie Harrington

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André Landaiche

Choir Director

David Lalande

Organist

Kurt Boudreaux

Facilities Keeper

John Comeaux

Grounds Keeper

Doug Langley

Sacristan

Flo Broussard

Weekly Calendar

Monday, May 1

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

Tuesday, May 2

6:15pm - Choir Practice

Wednesday, May 3

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

Thursday, May 4

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

Friday, May 5

6:30am - Mass and Benediction
6:00pm - Joe's Café, Youth Hall

Saturday, May 6

9:00am - First Saturday Mass, Church
10:00am - Lay Carmelite Meeting, RCE

Sunday, May 7

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 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29 or, for the memorial, Gn 1:26 -- 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24;

Ps 90:2-4, 12-14, 16; Mt 13:54-58

Tuesday: Acts 7:51 -- 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69

Sunday: Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Ps 23:1-6; 1 Pt 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10

The Sanctuary Lamp

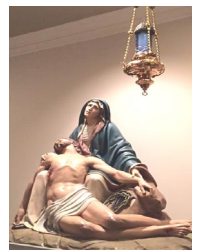


The Sanctuary Lamp burns constantly to proclaim the real presence of our Lord Jesus Christ in the Tabernacle. This week we dedicate the flame to:

Lucile Drapeau

The Pieta Lamp

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



Jed Toups

Weekly Offertory

Offertory of 4/16/2017 \$10,525.60

Baptisms

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

Zoe Kate Romero



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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.

**Dorothy Royer, Darrell Stutes, Sr.,
Joy Eaglin, Rose V. Bearb**

Sick and Shut-In

Anais Alleman, Darrell Alleman, Denny Beslin, Mark Beslin, Betty Boullion, Christine Brandon, Eugene Cahanin, Susie Carrier, Lima Clement, Christopher Comeaux, Kinley Comeaux, Eli Cormier, Gil Cormier, John Thomas Crouch, James Dogua, Jacob Dogua, Jason "Cubby" Dogua, Kathy Duhon, Elgie Dupuis, Frannie Dupuis, Kat Dupuis, Dwayne Gallagher, Tanya Gaspard, Trampus Gaspard, Dano Fontenot, 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, Ruth McBride, Laura M. Meaux, Melvin Meaux, Dylan Menard, Sandra Menard, Troy Menard, Ian Miller, Merlin & Norma Miller, Rita Monceaux, Joseph Ortego, Scott Pharr, Alison Reed, Craig Richard, Garry Rivers, Ruth Saloom, Edith Seaux, Linton Seaux, Layna Simon, Jeanette Simoneaux, Dexter Theunissen, Billy Towry, Kenneth Trahan, Rebecca Williams

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.

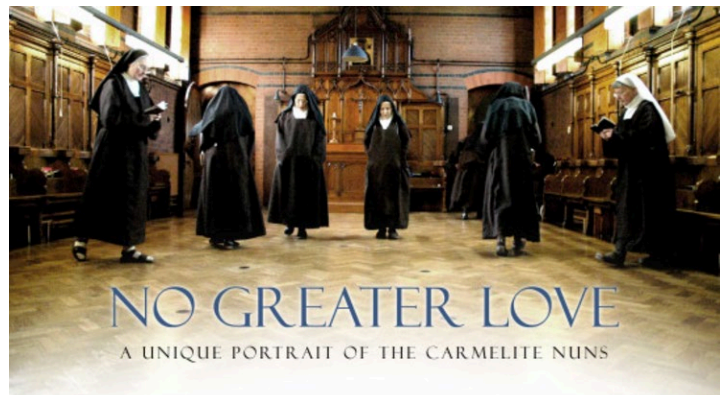
- Fr. Bordelon

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



REGISTRATIONS were mailed out. If your child did not attend last year or your address changed 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.

Joe's Café Summer Kickoff

This upcoming Friday night, May 5th, Joe's Café will be open for all 6th-8th graders starting at 6pm in the youth hall. Passing 5th graders are welcome to attend.



VBS Needs Your Help

SUPPLIES ARE NEEDED:

At all entrances of the church there is 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.

Volunteer Spotlight

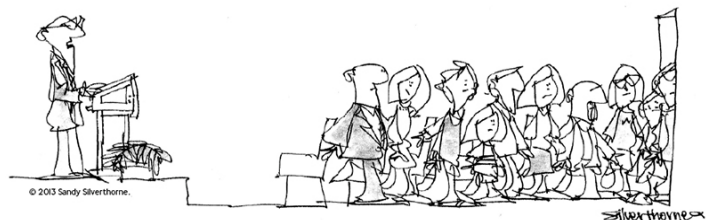


I have been in core team for four years, and it has been a truly amazing and life changing experience. I have been with Life Teen since my freshman year of high school. Through Life Teen, I got to encounter and develop a deeper relationship with Christ, and now that I am a part of core team I get to witness my experience through teens. Helping them develop their own relationship with God is such a blessing that I never could have imagined if I wasn't a part of this experience. I am so blessed to be a part of an amazing and supportive core team at St. Joseph Catholic Church. I would like to thank Jamie Orillion for supporting his core team and making it the great experience that it is. Without his support and leadership, I would not be where I am today.

- Kendi Wyatt



Church Humor



"Or another interpretation might be ..."

Pope Francis

Pope Gives Off-the-cuff Homily During Easter Sunday Mass

'The Resurrection of Christ is not a feast with many flowers. This is beautiful, but it isn't this, it's more; it is the mystery of the discarded stone that ends up being the foundation of our existence'

The Holy Father's Homily

Today, the Church repeats, sings, cries: "Jesus is risen!" But how can this be? Peter, John, the women went to the sepulcher and it was empty; He wasn't there. They went with their hearts closed by sadness, the sadness of a defeat: the Teacher, their Teacher, He whom they so loved, was executed, is dead. And no one comes back from death.



This is the defeat; this is the path of defeat, the path to the sepulcher. However, the Angel says to them: "He's not here, He is risen." It is the first announcement: "He is risen." And then confusion, the heart closed, the apparitions. However, the disciples remained closed in the Cenacle the whole day, because they were afraid that the same would happen to them that happened to Jesus. And the Church does not cease to say to our defeats, to our closed and fearful hearts: "Stop, the Lord is risen." But if the Lord is risen, how is it that these things happen? How is it that there are so many tragedies, sicknesses, trafficking of persons, traffic of persons, wars, destructions, mutilations, vendettas, hatred?

But, where is the Lord?

Yesterday, I telephoned a young man with a grave illness, an educated youth, an engineer and to give him a sign of faith, I said to him: "There are no explanations for what is happening to you. Look at Jesus on the cross, God did this with His Son, and there is no other explanation." And he answered me: "Yes, but He asked the Son and the Son said yes. I wasn't asked if I wanted this." This moves us, no one of us has been asked: "But are you happy with what happens in the world? Are you ready to carry this cross ahead?" And the cross goes on, and faith in Jesus goes down. Today, the Church continues to say: "Stop, Jesus is risen."

And this isn't a fantasy; the Resurrection of Christ is not a feast with many flowers. This is beautiful, but it isn't this, it's more; it is the mystery of the discarded stone that ends up being the foundation of our existence. It means Christ is risen. In this disposable culture where what isn't useful goes the way of the used and is thrown away, where what isn't useful is discarded, that stone – Jesus – is discarded and <yet> is the source of life. And we also, pebbles on the ground, in this land of sorrow, of tragedies, with faith in the Risen Christ have meaning, in the midst of so many calamities.

The meaning of looking at the other, the meaning of saying: "Look, there isn't a wall; there is a horizon, there is life, there is joy, there is the cross with this ambivalence. Look ahead; don't 'close' yourself. You, pebble, have a meaning in life because you are a pebble next to that stone, that rock that the evil of sin has discarded." What does the Church say to us today in face of so many tragedies? Simply this. The discarded rock is not really discarded. The pebbles that believe and attach themselves to that rock aren't discarded, they have meaning and with this sentiment the Church repeats from the depth of her heart: "Christ is risen."

Let's think a bit, let each one of us think, of the daily problems, of the sicknesses we have lived through or that one of our relatives has; let's think of the wars, the human tragedies and, simply, with a humble voice, without flowers, alone, before God, before ourselves we say: "I don't know how this is so, but I'm sure that Christ is risen and I bet on this." Brothers and sisters, this is what I wanted to say to you. Return home today, repeating in your heart: "Christ is risen."

May 2017 Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Day	Time	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers
Sat.	4:00 pm	Peggy Lake Allison Gray	Larry LeBlanc, Larry Van Pelt, Dr. Neal Duhon, Brenda Hooper	Marley Traub Elise Gossen Allie Gray
Sun.	7:00 am	Betty Bellard Connie Miller	Albert Johnson, Keith Vienne, Mona Vienne, Patrick Miller	Caleb Calhoun Elise Calhoun
	10:00 am	Paul Molbert Luke Beslin	Nathan Mouton, Liz Deville, Mike Ortego, Margaret Young, Hubert Matte	Evan Hebert Lane Comeaux James Orillion Ashton Orillion
	5:30 pm	Linda Swinkey	Denise Breaux Andy Richard	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

- May 01 Pope Francis
Sem: Brent Smith
- May 02 Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI
Sem: Dexter Thibodeaux
- May 03 Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel
Sem: Michael Vidrine
- May 04 Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell
Sem: Nicholas Ware
- May 05 Rev. Steven LeBlanc
Sem: Kyle White
- May 06 Rev. Louis Ledoux
Rev. Kevin Bordelon, Director of Vocations
- May 07 Rev. Jerome Ledoux, SVD
Parents of Seminarians

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?

Catholics rely more on ritual and ceremony than do most other Christian religions. The intent of the rituals is to create an experience in which faith is felt and religion literally comes to life, with God's presence in the here-and-now world.



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.

