

st. Joseph

Roman Catholic Church
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Seventeenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

July 30, 2017

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Rev. Fr. Christopher Cambre

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Sacristan

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Weekly Calendar

Monday, July 31

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

Tuesday, August 1

Wednesday, August 2

6:00am - Rosary, Church
9:00am - Elderberries Sr. Group, FLC
10:00am - Rayne Guest Home Mass

Thursday, August 3

6:30pm - Ultreya, Church

Friday, August 4

7:00am - Benediction and Adoration, Church

Saturday, August 5

9:00am - First Saturday Mass, Church

Sunday, August 6

8:30am - Adult Confirmation Class Begins, RCE

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: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:19-23;
Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28;
Ps 103:6-13; Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5-7, 9;
Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84:3-6a,
8a, 11; Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37;
Ps 81:3-6, 10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8;
Mt 14:1-12

Sunday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9;
2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9

The Sanctuary Lamp



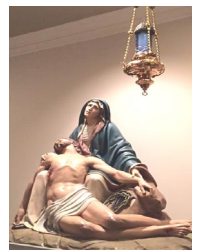
The Sanctuary Lamp burns constantly to proclaim the real presence of our Lord Jesus Christ in the Tabernacle. This week we dedicate the flame to:

May H. Hains
Joachim & Gertrude Prevost
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:

Connie Richard
Ronald "Ronnie" Thibodeaux
Ethel Leon Leger



Weekly Offertory

Offertory of 7/16/2017

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Adult Confirmation

Do you or someone you know need and desire the Sacrament of Confirmation? Maybe you received the Sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist but never got Confirmed. Confirmation completes the Sacraments of Initiation and strengthens your resolve to live out the Christian way of life. It is also a necessary sacrament for you to be a godparent within the Church.

Seminarian Blake Dubroc will be offering a Short Course during the month of August and September for those who wish to be confirmed. If you would like a faith refresher and are looking for a chance to learn more about your faith but do not need the sacrament, you are also welcome. Classes will be held every Sunday before 10:00am Mass between 8:30-9:45am in the Conference Room at Rayne Catholic Elementary beginning on August 6th. Confirmation will be held at 10:00am Mass on October 8th. Please call or come into the office to sign up for the class.

Sick and Shut-In

Anais Alleman, Darrell Alleman, Linus & Peggy Bellard, Denny Beslin, Mark Beslin, Betty Boullion, Christine Brandon, Herb Broussard Sr., Eugene Cahanin, Susie Carrier, Lima Clement, Christopher Comeaux, Kinley Comeaux, Eli Cormier, John Thomas Crouch, Peggy Deville, James Dogua, Jason "Cubby" Dogua, Elgie Dupuis, Frannie Dupuis, Kat Dupuis, Mona R. Falcon, Dano Fontenot, Racy Foreman, Judy Gautreaux, Mike Guidry, Karen Hebert, Hubert Hoffpauir, Kathryn Istre, Lloyd Jeffers, Deanna Lavergne, Jenee' Lavergne, Mark Wayne LeMaire, Noremia Lowenstien, Paul Matte, Terri H. Matte, Janet McBride, Ruth McBride, Laura M. Meaux, Sandra Menard, Shirley Menard, Troy Menard, Ian Miller, Merlin & Norma Miller, Rita Monceaux, Joseph Ortego, Scott Pharr, Rita Rayon, Craig Richard, Ruth Saloom, Edith Seaux, Linton Seaux, Layna Simon, Michelle Simon, Jeanette Simoneaux, Dexter Theunissen, Jr. Thibodeaux, Billy Towry, Kenneth Trahan, Sherman Trahan, Kurt Venable

Fete-Dieu du Teche



Fete-Dieu du Teche will host the third annual Eucharistic Procession down Bayou Teche on Tuesday, August 15. The date is important for Roman Catholics as it is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is also a day that marks the bicentennial of St. Martinville and the 252nd anniversary of the arrival of French Canadian immigrants who brought the Catholic faith to Acadiana after enduring great trials and suffering. Hundreds will travel by boat to celebrate this occasion in honoring the Blessed Sacrament and Acadian heritage. Last year thousands travelled from throughout south Louisiana to gather along Bayou Teche.

For more information, visit the website:

www.fetedieuduteche.org or contact:

Fr. Michael Champagne, CJC, by telephone at

(337) 394-6550 or email at fetedieuduteche@gmail.com

End of Life Matters

Whose life is it, anyway? Must we do everything? Who decides? Does a living will help? These and other questions will be discussed at a seminar to be offered by Fr. Keith LaBove, Pastor of St. Patrick Church and long-time hospital chaplain. We will explore basic church teaching on the stewardship of life and end of life care, look at some specific issues that arise, and talk about advanced directives. This one night session will be repeated at 4 locations: Tuesday, August 1 (6:00-7:30 p.m.): St. Michael the Archangel Church (Parish Hall), Crowley; Wednesday, August 2 (6:00-7:30 p.m.): St. Patrick Church, Lafayette; Tuesday, August 8 (6:00-7:30 p.m.): Holy Ghost Church (Parish Hall), Opelousas; Wednesday, August 9 (6:00-7:30 p.m.): Sacred Heart of Jesus Church (Parish Hall), New Iberia. All are invited and welcome to attend any of the presentations. Pre-registration is not required and there is no cost to attend. These workshops are presented in partnership between St. Patrick Church and Hospice of Acadiana. For more information, please contact Mary Bergeron, Hospice of Acadiana (w: 337-232-1234; m: 337-344-3885; mbergeron@hospiceacadiana.com). Please join us!

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Dear Youth, Love Core

In a world full of distractions, our society is practically begging for peace of mind. We're never turned off, even with the coolest fidget-spinner in hand. The truth is, true peace of mind is calm throughout the storm. No matter how busy your life is or what struggles you're going through, we have the opportunity for peace with Christ, though we hardly take advantage of this fact. We turn to entertainment for that peace, but what about that entertainment actually allows you to shut your mind off and focus on the task ahead, coming to peace with your life as it is?

The truth is, it doesn't and we further spend our lives trying to find that peace. We take breaks from school work when it gets too overwhelming and vacations over the summer because we need to relax. It's the cool thing to do and we're all professional procrastinators as a result. Though these breaks offer small bursts of clarity and relaxation, we go back to our work or our lives with a miserable attitude because these quick-fixes offered only temporary relief. Christ offers us relief as soon as we ask for it, when we're willing enough to open our hearts and live for someone other than ourselves.



Tips:

- Instead of taking an hour-long break from school work to watch YouTube, go to the chapel. Talk to Jesus about what you're struggling with and ask for clarity of the mind so you can focus on your work.
- Replace your fidget toy with a rosary and ask Mary for her guidance in enduring the difficult tasks of life while still living for Christ. Trust me, she's an expert.
- Replace your study playlist with a praise and worship playlist. You might be surprised at how many you can find on streaming services like Spotify.
- Pray. Every. Day. It might seem taxing, but talking to Jesus like he's your bff (honestly, name a better best friend) will change your attitude and refocus your priorities.
- Remember that every struggle makes you stronger and every hardship teaches you a lesson. You live because of Him, so live now for Him.

RCIA

Are you or someone you know interested in becoming Catholic?

Beginning Wed. August 16, 2017 @ 6:30pm

Where: Family Life Center

Contact: Randy Bertrand

Phone: 337-356-1909

Email: rnjbert@gmail.com



Church Humor



2 Dennis Fletcher. More at LeadershipJournal.net/Caroons

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2017-2018 Youth Ministry

HEART OF GOD



RAYNE LIFE TEEN

Pope Francis

Does Your 'Soil' Bear Fruit?

'Let us ask ourselves if our heart is open to receive the seed of the Word of God with faith.'

Pope Francis gave this invitation to the pilgrims in St. Peter's Square during his Sunday, July 16, 2017, Angelus address at noon as he reflected on yesterday's Gospel which recounts the parable of the sower.

While reminding that Jesus is the sower, the Pontiff pointed out that since the parable speaks more about the land, it concerns us personally.

This soil, where the sower throws the seeds, the Jesuit Pope explained, can bear fruit, or, if 'stony' or 'thorny,' can be completely wasted.

"Jesus effects, so to speak, a 'spiritual x-ray' of our heart," Pope Francis explained, "which is the soil on which the seed of His Word falls. Our heart, like the soil, can be good and then the Word bears fruit – and so much — but it can also be hard, impermeable."

If it is hard and impermeable, the Pope warned, when we hear the Word, "it bounces off, like, as [it does] on a road: it does not enter us."

"Jesus invites us today to look within ourselves: to be grateful for our good soil and to work on the soil that is not yet good," the Pope said, offering those present some questions to consider.

"Let us ask ourselves if our heart is open to receive the seed of the Word of God with faith. Let us ask ourselves if the stones of laziness are still numerous and large in us; let us identify and call by name the brambles of vices."

The Pope encouraged faithful "to find the courage to make a good 'soil remediation,' a good remediation of our heart, by bringing to the Lord in Confession and prayer our stones and our brambles."

Thus Jesus, the good sower, he noted, "will be happy to carry out an additional work: to purify our heart, removing the stones and thorns that choke the Word."

Pope Francis prayed that Our Lady of Mount Carmel, whose feast day was celebrated yesterday, July 16, help all faithful to purify their hearts and keep the Lord always present in their minds.

As usual, Pope Francis concluded, telling those present to have a good Sunday and good lunch.



August 2017 Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Day	Time	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers
Sat.	4:00 pm	Allison Gray Annette Gossen	Erin Breaux, Barbara Nugent, Diana Duhon, Lyn Guidry	Allie Gray Katherine Gossen Elise Gossen
Sun.	7:00 am	Dan Landry Betty Bellard	Becky Miller, Patrick Miller, Albert Johnson, Mary Guidry	Peyton Menard Parker Menard Ivy Credeur
	10:00 am	Luke Beslin Paul Molbert	Nathan Mouton, Mike Ortego, Charmaine Lawless, Liz Deaville	Evan Hebert Lane Comeaux JC and Ashton Orillion Gianni Colonna
	5:30 pm	Laila Wyatt	Leah Guidry, Randy Guidry	Nasyr Billy Allie Mouton Aiden Mouton

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.*



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*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

- July 31** Rev. Mark Thibodeaux, SJ
Sem: Rev. Mr. Brent Smith
- Aug 01** Pope Francis
Sem: Michael Vidrine
- Aug 02** Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI
Sem. **Nicholas Ware**
- Aug 03** Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel
Sem. Rev. Mr. Kyle White
- Aug 04** Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell
Rev. Kevin Bordelon, Director of Vocations
- Aug 05** Rev. Jude Thierry
Parents of Seminarians
- Aug 06** Rev. Clint Trahan
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 to schedule your time.

RCE Asks: Did You Know?

While the exact date of the beginning of the Roman Catholic Church is indeterminable, the Church can trace its origin to Jesus of Nazareth during the period of Roman occupation in early A.D. 30.



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