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st. Joseph

Roman Catholic Church

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First Sunday of Advent

December 03, 2017

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Office Hours

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

Wednesday: 8:00am - 2:00pm

Friday: 8:00am - 12:00 Noon

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Weekly Calendar

Monday, December 04

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

Tuesday, December 05

6:30pm - Choir Practice, Church
6:30pm - Legion of Mary Meeting, Cry Room

Wednesday, December 06

6:00am - Rosary, St. Joseph Society, Church
9:00am - Elderberries, FLC
6:30pm - RCIA, FLC
6:30pm - Confessions, The Light Is On For You, Church

Thursday, December 07

No Noon Mass
5:30pm - Mass, Anticipated for Feast of Immaculate Conception
6:00pm - Family Movie Night, FLC
6:30pm - Ultreya, Church

Friday, December 08

6:30am - Mass, Feast of Immaculate Conception
8:15am - RCE School Mass, Feast of Immaculate Conception
12:00noon - Mass, Feast of Immaculate Conception

Saturday, December 09

Sunday, December 10

8:00am - Coffee and Donut Social, Church Lawn
8:30am - Catechism Class, RCE
10:00am - CDA Anniversary Mass and Banquet
3:45pm - EDGE Christmas Caroling, FLC
6:30pm - Life Teen Christmas Caroling, 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 scheduled through the Parish Office. Please call 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: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35 -- 10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 85:9-14; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8

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:

**Linda P. Arceneaux
Yolande Breaux Pellerin
Darrel J. Dugas**

The Pieta Lamp

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



**Frank Broussard
Ronald "Ronnie" Thibodeaux
Mary Annette Mier Comeaux**

Baptisms

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

Thayer Joseph Duplichain
Ashleigh Lucille Mitchell



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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.

George Gross, Jr.

Advent Books

Advent and Christmas Season Little Blue Books have arrived and can be purchased at the parish office for \$1.00. This Book will take a short Scripture passage and simply let God speak to us through the words, guiding us to reflection that could possibly change our day.

Prayers for the Sick

Peggy Bellard, Elsie Besse, Betty Boullion, Madilyn Claire Boyer & Family, Susan Kibodeaux Bourque, Christine Brandon, Debbie Breaux, Jim Breaux, Sheila Breaux, Herb Broussard Sr., Marie Broussard, Betty Bush, Eugene Cahanin, Susie Carrier, Martin Chatelain Jr., Lima Clement, Ronald Clement, Christopher Comeaux, Kinley Comeaux, Eli Cormier, John Thomas Crouch, Peggy Deville, James Dogua, Wesley Doucet, Fr. Benoit Drapeau, Kathy Duhon, Elgie Dupuis, Frannie Dupuis, Paula Dupuis, Mary Dugas, Daniel Fontenot, Racy Foreman, Elizabeth Freeman, Barbara Gaspard, Judy Gautreaux, Mike Guidry, Roberta Mier Guidry, Karen Hebert, Hubert Hoffpauir, Kathryn Istre, Lloyd Jeffers, Deanna Lavergne, Jenee' Lavergne, Malcolm Landry, Elaine LeBlanc, Mark Wayne LeMaire, Noremia Lowenstien, Paul Matte, Ruth McBride, Walter McCoy, Sandra Menard, Shirley Menard, Ian Miller, Norma Miller, Rita Monceaux, Joseph Ortego, Scott Pharr, Derek Plaisance, Janell Quibodeaux, Craig Richard, Ruth Saloom, Edith Seaux, Linton Seaux, Layna Simon, Michelle Simon, Jeanette Simoneaux, Dexter Theunissen, Jr. Thibodeaux, Billy Towry, Connor Trahan, Sherman Trahan, Kurt Venable, Margaret Zaunbrecher

The Light Is On For You

"The Light Is On For You" has been a tradition in our Diocese for several years. It is a program of welcome and reconciliation during the Advent season, as we prepare to celebrate the birth of our Savior and to receive Him in our hearts at Christmas time. We "make straight the way of the Lord" by repentance and reconciliation in the Sacrament of Confession. In addition to our regularly scheduled confessions we will host confessions on **December 6th and 13th from 6:30-8:00pm in Church.**

Life Teen Giving Tree

A tree has been placed in the back of church with household items for the less fortunate. Please show your support by taking an ornament and returning with the item listed. Items can be returned under the tree through December 10th.

The Young Men of St. Joseph

The Young Men of St. Joseph (YMSJ) is a new group in our parish for young men in their senior year of high school through the age of 30.

Our Motto: "Esto Vir" is Latin for "Be a man." This is our simple mission and calling.

Our Purpose/Mission: The YMSJ exists at St. Joseph's parish to form men into mature Christian disciples. This formation process focuses on how to live a life of virtue. The virtuous life is the manly life as opposed to the childish life of vice and selfishness. Our formation efforts will include spiritual, intellectual, service, and fraternal activities. This group will provide members attainable spiritual goals, accountability, and fraternal support.

Monthly meeting format: First Tuesday of each month beginning December 7th from 6-7:30pm in the rectory. Meetings begin with supper. Followed by a prayerful study and discussion of the Sunday scripture readings.

CDA 94th Anniversary Mass & Banquet



Catholic Daughters of The Americas
Court Rayne No. 844 Celebrating 94 years
of service to the Lord and to St. Joseph
Parish (1923 - 2017):

You are invited to attend the 94th
Anniversary Mass & Banquet on Sunday,
December 10, 2017. Mass at 10:00 am, followed by banquet
at Chef Roy's. Advance reservations only. Please RSVP by
Dec. 1st. Cost is \$25.00 per person. Call Elaine Miller
(334-7726) or email cda.rayne844@gmail.com.

Facebook

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



You are Cordially Invited

Transitional Diaconate Ordination

Saturday, December 16, 2017
10 am, St. John Cathedral

BLAKE STEVEN DUBROC



Light Reception to Follow
Reserved seating for priests, deacons, deacons' spouses, religious, and central office personnel as well as family of ordinandi

Choosing Your Confirmation Saint

Have you ever wondered why we choose saints when we make the sacrament of Confirmation? According to the Catechism, we choose these saints to be our “models and intercessors.”

Now let's take a step back. Who do we normally model our lives after? Actors, musicians, athletes, internet personalities? Modeling your life after someone like this doesn't have to be a bad thing, especially when they live their lives for Christ. However, there's one clear difference between modeling your life after a celebrity and an actual saint.

Saints are people who have led extraordinary lives, whether they changed their lives around with an incredible conversion or they suffered great torture defending their faith. They are also people that we know made it to heaven. How do we know this if we're on Earth? For the same reason modeling your life after them is far more rewarding than a celebrity. Saints are people who can intercede for us. Through their intercession, we are prayed for intensely and our prayers and petitions are assuredly brought to God.

When we choose a Confirmation saint, we are choosing a saintly role model and delegating a saint that we can regularly intercede for us upon our request. Do you research. Pray about it. Choose a saint that you relate to or is a patron saint of your chosen career, hobby, or circumstances. Remember, also, that this saint is not only chosen for this season in your life as you make your Confirmation, but will act as your role model and can intercede for you always. Who needs the Kardashians or Stephen Curry when you can have St. Agnes or St. Francis?!

Steubenville Early Bird Open

Steubenville Early Bird Registration is Now Open to all students entering high school through graduating seniors next year. stjoerayne.org/steubenville

Youth Ministry Christmas Caroling

Next Sunday December 10th both Life Teen and Edge are going Christmas Caroling. Edge will meet at 3:45pm and will carol from 4-5pm. Life Teen will meet at the hall at 6:30pm and carol from 6:45-7:45pm. Please make sure to dress appropriately for the evening. You must be registered with Life Teen or Edge to attend. Liability forms are a part of the registration process. If you haven't registered you still can online at stjoerayne.org/lifeteen or stjoerayne.org/edge

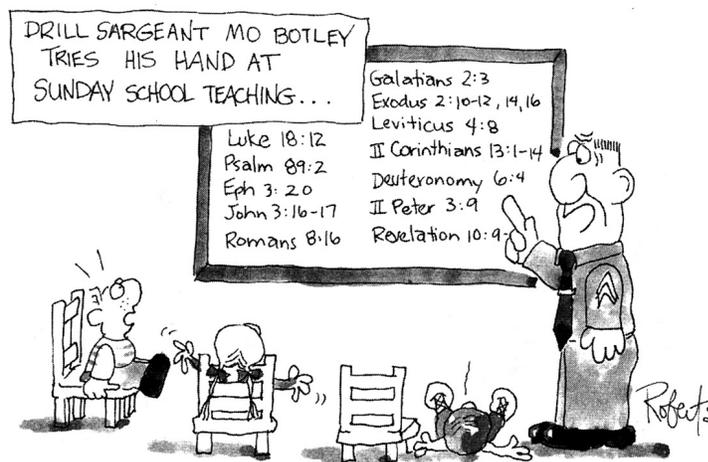
Edge: 3:45-5pm

Life Teen: 6:30-7:45pm

RUNNIN' REVS vs. SLAMMIN' SEMS

Come cheer on your favorite team when the Lafayette Diocesan Priests battle the Diocese Seminarians on Monday, December 19, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the Cathedral-Carmel Gym, 848 St. John Street, Lafayette, for their 11th annual basketball game. Sponsored this year by the Lafayette Knights of Columbus Council 1286, this always popular, fun-filled, family event helps promote and support priestly and religious vocations. Admission is \$5 per adult and \$1 for those under 18. Concessions will be available. Put it in your calendar today.

Church Humor



"Okay, kids, these verses memorized by next Sunday or you can kiss your snack time goodbye!"

Confessional Guide

Begin your confession: **In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.**

Continue: **Forgive me, Father, for I have sinned. It has been (however many days, weeks, months or years) since my last confession.**

Simply now confess your sins: **I am guilty of,.....,etc.**

Conclude: **For these and all my sins I am truly sorry.**

The priest will offer words of encouragement and then give you a penance. You are now invited to pray out loud the Act of Contrition.

O My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against you, whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with the help of your grace, to do penance, to sin no more and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Amen.

The priest will then offer the prayer of absolution and conclude by inviting you to go in peace.

Christmas Flowers

Monetary donations in memory of loved ones may be made for the purchase of Christmas flowers to beautify our Church.

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2017 Christmas Flowers In Memory of: _____

Donated by: _____

Amount: \$ _____ Phone #: _____

Please send or bring this form and your donation to the parish office or place it in the collection basket by December 15th.

Thank You and may the Lord bless you and yours during this Christmas Season and throughout the coming year.

December 2017 Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Day	Time	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers
Sat.	4:00 pm	Allison Gray Larry Van Pelt	Mary Guidry, Mary Comeaux, Diana Duhon, Lyn Guidry	Allie Gray Elise Gossen
Sun.	7:00 am	Dan Landry	Becky Miller, Patrick Miller, Janet Bertrand, Randy Bertrand	Ivy Credeur Peyton Menard Parker Menard
	10:00 am	Anthony Emmons Layna Thibodeaux	Linda Ancona, Angelo Ancona, Liz Deaville, Zubaida Elahi	Evan Hebert Lane Comeaux JC and Ashton Orillion Nasyr Billy
	5:30 pm	Laila Wyatt	Peggy Lake Jimmy Fontenot	Emma Landaiche Katherine Gossen

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.

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

- Dec 04 Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell
Sem. Joseph Marcantel
- Dec 05 Rev. Joshua Guillory, JCL
Sem. Riley Maturin
- Dec 06 Rev. Jude Halphen
Sem. Scott Mitchell
- Dec 07 Rev. Brian Harrington
Sem. Rev. Mr. Stephen Pellessier
- Dec 08 Msgr. Russell Harrington
Sem. Rev. Mr. Ben Pitre
- Dec 09 Rev. David Hebert
Sem. Connor Poirrier
- Dec 10 Rev. Matthew Hebert
Sem. Rev. Mr. Andrew Schumacher

KofC Street Drive

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a street drive on December 5th from 6:00am - 8:00pm. All proceeds will benefit the Daily Manna service center.

RCE Asks: Did You Know?

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