



Pastor

Rev. Fr. Kevin Bordelon

Parochial Vicar

Rev. Fr. Christopher Cambre

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

Elementary Faith Formation

Josette LeBlanc (*Parish and School*)

Parish Secretary

Debbie Harrington

Ministries and Outreach

Coordinator

André Landaiche

Choir Director

David Lalande

Organist

Kurt Boudreaux

Facilities Keeper

John Comeaux

Grounds Keeper

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Sacristan

Flo Broussard

st. Joseph

Roman Catholic Church

Est. 1872



Second Sunday of Advent

December 10, 2017

Parish Office

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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 11

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

Tuesday, December 12

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

Wednesday, December 13

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

Thursday, December 14

6:30pm - Ultreya, Church

Friday, December 15

8:15am - RCE School Mass, Church

Saturday, December 16

Sunday, December 17

8:15am - Adult Faith Formation, FLC
8:30am - Catechism Class, 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 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 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14;
Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47, or any readings from the Common of The Blessed Virgin Mary, nos. 707-712

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10;
Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1, 9-13ab;
Mt 11:11-15

Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11; Lk 1:46-50, 53-54;
1 Thes 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

The Sanctuary Lamp



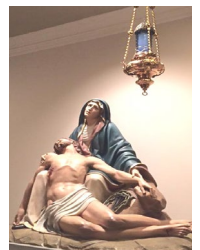
The Sanctuary Lamp burns constantly to proclaim the real presence of our Lord Jesus Christ in the Tabernacle. This week we dedicate the flame to:

**Linda P. Arceneaux
Logan Meche
Juaita Pellerin Alford**

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
Ronald "Ronnie" Thibodeaux
Ethel Leger**



Weekly Offertory

Offertory of 11/19/2017 \$10,468.65

Offertory of 11/26/2017 \$9,010.37

Monthly Offertory EFT/Credit Card 6.00%

Total Building & Maintenance \$2,410.00

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.

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.

Prayers for the Sick

Peggy Bellard, Elsie Besse, Betty Boullion, Madilyn Claire Boyer & Family, Susan Kibodeaux Bourque, Christine Brandon, Debbie Breaux, Gladdie 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, 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.**

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.

Engaged Couples

Spend a weekend away from the cares and distractions of everyday living. Attend a Catholic Engaged Encounter Weekend. The weekend is open to any engaged couple wanting to prepare for a deeper more meaningful life together in a marriage recognized by the Catholic Church according to its Church law.

Upcoming weekend dates are January 12-14, March 9-11, and April 27-29. For cost of weekends, other dates, and to learn more, visit our website at www.lafayettecee.org or contact Paul & Carolyn Trahan at (337)254-8947 or (337)898-9257, or cee.trahan@gmail.com.

Facebook

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

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Dear Youth, Love Core

Celebrating Advent as a Catholic

If you've been out shopping recently, you have surely seen a plethora of advent calendars. Advent calendars help you to count down the days to Christmas. Most include decadent chocolates, mini toys, socks, you name it. Do you see the problem here?

Advent is most definitely a time to count down the days to Christmas, but, as Catholics, we do not celebrate Advent to count down the days to the commercial holiday. Advent is a season of preparation, where we prepare ourselves for the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ. I'm sorry, but your Ghirardelli Advent Calendar, no matter how decadent the chocolate, just will not do.

If Advent is truly a season of hopeful longing, joyful expectation, prayerful penance, and spiritual preparation to ready our hearts for Jesus, then we are going to need a lot more than what secular "Advent calendars" can provide. Might I provide some suggestions?

- Add devotional reading to your daily routine.
- Donate your time, money, or resources to the needy.
- Pray an advent novena.
- Get a REAL advent calendar, or make one yourself with daily prayers or small sacrifices.
- Go to confession.
- Go to daily mass.
- Spread joy and Jesus' love this season.

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



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"Your sermon really hit home today, Pastor."

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

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.

Serious Sins that need to be Confessed

Abortion	Failure to Support Church Parish
Blasphemy	Murder
Sacrilege	Excessive Greed
Superstition	Excessive Gambling
Neglect/Disrespect of Parents	Deliberate Drunkenness
Violence toward the innocent	Use of illegal drugs
Lying	Abuse of prescription drugs
Causing Scandal	Pornography
Gossip	Impure acts alone
Stealing	Skipping Sunday Mass
Fraud	Not observing Holy Days of Obligation
Entertaining Impure Thoughts	Not fasting
Premarital Sex	Receiving Eucharist unworthily
Artificial Contraception	Adultery

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 11 Rev. T.J. Hebert
Sem. Rev. Mr. Brent Smith
- Dec 12 Rev. Matthew Higginbotham
Sem. Michael Vidrine
- Dec 13 Rev. Joseph Hund, OFM
Sem. Nicholas Ware
- Dec 14 Rev. Godwin Imoru
Sem. Rev. Mr. Kyle White
- Dec 15 Bishop Sam Jacobs
Rev. Kevin Bordelon
- Dec 16 Rev. Thomas James, SVD
Rev. Patrick Broussard
- Dec 17 Rev. Johnathan Janise
Parents, Benefactors and Seminary Faculty

RCE Asks: Did You Know?

Around 107 AD St. Ignatius of Antioch became the first of many to refer to the entire community of Christians as the Catholic Church.



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