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Roman Catholic Church

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First Sunday of Lent

March 10, 2019

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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

Check Out Current and Future Dates Online!
stjoerayne.org/events/

Monday, March 11

5:30pm - Cub Scouts, FLC

Tuesday, March 12

6:00pm - Book Club, FLC

Wednesday, March 13

8:00am - Elderberries, FLC

6:00pm - Holy Hour with Confessions, Church

Thursday, March 14

9:00am - Babyberries, FLC

10:00pm - AARP Safe Driver Course, FLC

6:30pm - Ultreya, Church

Friday, March 15

Saturday, March 16

Sunday, March 17

8:30am - CCD, RCE

6:30pm - EDGE, 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.

Prayers for the Sick

Christy Alleman, Nessie Boudreaux, Fr. Joe Breaux, Madilyn Claire Boyer & Family, Susan Thibodeaux Bourque, Marie Broussard, Susie Carrier Family, Lisa Chaumont, Dawn Clostio, Lucille Cormier, Donald & Mary Credeur, Bonita Demmette, Kathy & Robert Duhon, Elgie & Mary Dupuis, Fr. Kendal Faulk, Abigail Foreman, Barbara & Tanya Gaspard, James Michael Guidry, Raymond Guidry, Amanda Hebert, Karen Hebert, Lloyd Jeffers, Candi Hebert Latino, Jeanette Leger, Bridget Lonseth, Hubert Matte, Melvin Meaux, Enola D. Melancon, Sandra Menard, Loretta Miller, Lynn Issac Mire, Nihla Molbert, Rita Monceaux, Ruby Mooney, Rachelle Thibodeaux Mouton, Ron Myers, Jimmy Pellerin, Donald Petitjean, Rita Rayon, Alice Roche, Fr. Bill Ruskoski, Ruth Saloom, Dudley Simon, Jeanette Simoneaux, Jerome & Hilda Simoneaux, Carita Sonnier, Chasity Stakes

The Sanctuary Lamp



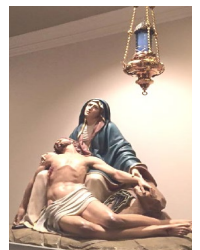
The Sanctuary Lamp burns constantly to proclaim the real presence of our Lord Jesus Christ in the Tabernacle. This week we dedicate the flame to:

James Constantine

The Pieta Lamp

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

Ronald "Ronnie" Thibodeaux
Deceased Catholic Daughters
Betty Ann Fontenot



Weekly Offertory

Offertory of 02/24/2019	\$8,792.98
Monthly Offertory EFT/Credit Card	9.60%
Total Building & Maintenance	\$3,186.00

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.

Stanley LaPoint

Easter Flowers

Donation for Easter Flower, in memory of a loved one, can be made at the parish office through April 12th.

Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross will be held each Friday in Lent at 5:30pm in church. Please join us each Friday in remembering Jesus' Passion and Death in anticipation of his Resurrection at Easter.

Lent Daily Reflection Books

Reflection Books for the Lenten season "Not by Bread Alone" are available and can be purchased for \$1.00 at the parish office.

St. Joseph Altar

The Feast Day of St. Joseph, which includes the tradition of the St. Joseph Altar, will be celebrated on Tuesday, March 19th. Festivities begin with the Tupa Tupa (Italian for "knock, knock") Ritual at 9:00am in the church. The celebration will then move to the Family Life Center for the blessing of the beautiful St. Joseph Altar. The Family Life Center will remain open throughout the day for viewing of the Altar as well as for tours explaining the history and significance of all aspects of the Altar. The Solemnity of St. Joseph Mass will be celebrated at 6:00pm in church. A traditional Italian meal will be served immediately following the Mass at no charge.

Donations of cookies, cakes, breads, fruit and vegetables along with flowers either purchased or fresh cut from your garden (lilies especially) will be accepted at the Family Life Center on Monday, March 18th from 8:00am to 4:00pm. Canned goods and non-perishable food items can also be donated and will be distributed to area organizations that provide food to the poor and needy. Seven day votive candles may be purchased ahead of time at the Parish Office or at the Family Life Center on the day of the event for \$3.00 each. The candles will be labeled with the name of your loved one or special intention, blessed and become part of the beautiful St. Joseph Altar.

All are invited to come and help us honor our Patron, St. Joseph, in this centuries old traditional celebration. For more information about the St. Joseph Altar or to find out how you can help, please contact Linda Ancona at linletters@hotmail.com or (337) 660-5314.

CDA Spring Salad Bingo

The CDA SPRING SALAD BINGO is on Monday, April 8 in the Family Life Center. A delicious meal of Salad and Dessert, Prize Bingo Games & Great Door Prizes! Doors open at 5:30pm - Meal served at 6:00pm - Bingo starts at 7:00pm. Tickets are \$12.00 (includes meal, drink, dessert and 10 games of bingo). Sorry, tickets will not be sold at door. You can get your ticket from any Catholic Daughter of Court Rayne or at the Parish Office. Deadline to buy a ticket is April 3. Proceeds will support the 2018-19 Irene M. Petitjean Scholarships and charitable works of the Court.



Irene M. Petitjean Memorial Scholarships

CDA Court Rayne 844 is now accepting applications for scholarship. Applications can be obtained by calling the Scholarship Chairperson, Louise Broussard (337) 334-7446, or Regent, Annie Leger (337) 581-4881, or by emailing cda.rayne844@gmail.com.

Wednesday Evening Masses - Lent

In an effort to assist parishioners who would like to add weekday Mass attendance to their Lenten activities, St. Joseph's Parish will be offering Mass each Wednesday afternoon at 5:30 pm during Lent. Confessions will be heard each Wednesday beginning at 5:00 pm followed by Mass at 5:30 pm. Immediately after Mass a Holy Hour will be offered from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in church. Confessions will also be heard during the Holy Hour. Please join us as we journey through this Lenten season preparing to encounter Jesus in His passion, death and resurrection at Easter.

Ultreya

Want something more in Lent?

Come join us at ULTREYA in the Cry Room on Thursday nights at 7:00 PM.

Optional Rosary @ 6:30 PM

We need each other to help us grow in our spiritual journey.

Facebook

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

Feeding Our Faith

St. Joseph's will be hosting a new series entitled "Feeding our Faith" beginning on Tuesday, March 26th at the Family Life Center. The series will be held on Tuesday evenings (March 26th, April 2nd, 9th, 16th, 30th, and May 7th) from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm. Each session will begin with a free supper followed by a video presentation and discussion. No pre-registration is required. The topic of this initial series is "Why We Believe".

The "Why We Believe" video series will answer questions such as Is Catholicism true or just made up? How can I explain the Catholic faith to my family or friends who no longer believe? In this eye opening series, Dr. Brandt Pitre takes up the most commonly asked questions about the Catholic faith and provides clear and compelling biblical answers. He begins at the beginning – with the existence of God – and walks you step-by-step through the foundations of the faith.

Along the way, Dr. Pitre explains: Does God Exist? – How can we know it? Is Jesus God? – Did Jesus claim to be God... and why should we believe Him? Peter and the Papacy? Did Jesus establish the Catholic Church... what is the historical evidence? How did we get the Bible? From where did the Bible come and who decided which books got in and which didn't? Is the Eucharist Jesus' Real Presence? What does the Bible teach about Jesus' Real Presence in the Eucharist? Why Confess to a Priest? Did Jesus arrange for us to confess our sins to a priest of the new covenant? Do Catholics Worship Mary? What does the Bible teach about her? Purgatory and Prayers for the Dead? Where is Purgatory in the Bible and why do Catholics pray for the dead?

If you are a cradle Catholic and never really understood why the Church teaches what she teaches – or if you've ever been asked questions about the faith but weren't quite sure how to answer – or if you know someone who has left the Church and no longer believes, then buckle up: this Bible study is for you. In it, you'll discover just how reasonable, biblical and beautiful the Catholic faith really is.

For more information contact Deacon Denis LaCroix at (337) 735-1864.

Lenten Opportunities

LENT

Lenten Faith Formation and Devotions at St. Joseph's in Rayne

Mass/Confessions/Adoration

5:30 pm Wednesday afternoon Mass
(In addition to the 6:30 am Mass)
(March 6, 13, 20, 27; April 3, 10, 17)

6:00-7:00 pm Holy Hour after Mass
(Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in Church)

Confessions will be heard 5:00-5:25 pm
and during the Holy Hour 6:10-6:50 pm

Stations of the Cross

Stations will be prayed every Friday of Lent at 5:30 pm
(March 8, 15, 22, 29; April 5 and 12)

Feeding our Faith

Supper and Study
Four Tuesdays during Lent (March 26; April 2, 9, 16)
6:00-7:30 pm in the Family Life Center

Topics:

1. Does God exist?
2. Is Jesus God?
3. Peter and the Papacy
4. How we got the Bible

Flocknote



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Church Humor



"Nobody move!"

A Message From Fr. Bordelon

Friends,

In November, I spoke at all the Masses and gave an update on the major happenings in the life of our parish. As we begin the season of Lent, I want to follow up on a couple of those items previously mentioned and some others as well.

1. Deacon Tommy Adams retired due to the health issues. We thank him for his many years of service and wish him well.
2. Jamie Orillion resigned his position as Youth Minister. He took a position in another parish as a media director. I am very grateful to Jamie for his tireless work with our young people. I am also happy that he will continue to serve our parish as our communications consultant assisting with the bulletin and digital communications.
3. We are currently working to hire a qualified youth minister to build upon the program already in place.
4. During the annual report, I challenged us all to model our stewardship keeping in mind the 4 Ps. (1) Our giving should be Planned. (2) It should be a Priority. (3) It should be Progressive (increase over time). (4) And it should be a Percentage of our income. Many of you responded to the challenge. We have seen a significant increase in giving via monthly bank draft as well as via credit card. THANK YOU.
5. Because of your generosity, we have been able to pave the parking area on the south side of the church with concrete.
6. Also, we expect to be able to purchase the dentist office across the street (for use as our parish office) within the next month or so. Again, because of your generosity, we will be able to do so without borrowing any money! I simply ask that you continue to support our regular collections and fulfill your Centennial Campaign pledges.

In conclusion, a word about Lent. The church invites us to embrace the ancient disciplines of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving during these 40 days. These observances are not ends in themselves. They are meant to increase our capacity to love. Prayer – increases our love for God. Fasting – brings the love we have for ourselves (our own comfort) in right order. Almsgiving – increases our love for others, especially the poor.

To assist everyone in this effort to grow in love, St. Joseph's parish is offering a number of opportunities for prayer, study, confessions, and community. First, the Stations of the Cross will be prayed every Friday afternoon at 5:30.

Secondly, an evening Mass will be added every Wednesday of Lent at 5:30. Following the Mass we will have a Eucharistic holy hour from 6-7. Confessions will be heard before Mass and during the holy hour. Being able to make an additional Mass during the week is a common Lenten practice. It's difficult to make an early morning or noon Mass for working people with school age children. This Mass is added with families in mind.

Lastly, we are having a Supper and Study group the last four Tuesdays of Lent (beginning March 26th). We will meet in the Family Life Center from 6-7:30. Topics: "Does God exist?", "Is Jesus God?", "Where did the bible come from?", and "Peter and the Papacy".

God Bless you all!

Rev. Kevin Bordelon

March 2019 Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Day	Time	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers
Sat.	4:00 pm	Allison Gray	Dr. Neal Duhon, Brenda Hooper, Annette Gossen, Mandy Miller	Allie Gray Katherine Gossen Michael Zaunbrecher Kate Trahan
Sun.	7:00 am	Dolores Deville	Betty Bellard, Sylvia Alleman	Jackson Casanova Sam Casanova
	10:00 am	Anthony Emmons Layna Thibodeaux	Peggy Deville, Liz Deaville, Janet Bertrand, Larry LeBlanc	Lane Comeaux Caleb Calhoun Sidnee Soeseno Bremilin Minnix
	5:30 pm	Leah Guidry	Mike Abshire, Denise Constantin	Nasyr Billy Nylan Billy Luke Monk

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

- Mar 11 Rev. Gregory Simien
Sem. Jonathan Harris
- Mar 12 Rev. Brent Smith
Sem. Evan Hebert
- Mar 13 Rev. Cedric Sonnier
Sem. Rev. Mr. Sal Istre
- Mar 14 Rev. John Stacer, SJ
Sem. Andrew Killeen
- Mar 15 Rev. Joseph Stemann
Sem. Luke Kirk
- Mar 16 Rev. Michael Sucharski, SVD
Sem. Joshua LaFleur
- Mar 17 Very Rev. Jared Suire, VE
Sem. Alex Lancon

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6PM CASH BAR OPENS

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7PM DINNER & PROGRAM

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We need you as an Extraordinary Minister.

Call André Landaiche for more information. 337-250-1332