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Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 1, 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, September 2

Tuesday, September 3

Wednesday, September 4

6:00am - Rosary, Church

8:00am - Elderberries, FLC

6:00pm - First Communion Parent Meeting, FLC

Thursday, September 5

9:00am - Babyberries, FLC

5:30pm - Cub Scouts Meeting, FLC

6:30pm - Ultreya, Church

Friday, September 6

8:15am - RCE Benediction, Church

Saturday, September 7

9:00am - First Saturday Mass, Church

Sunday, September 8

11:00am - Donut and Coffee Social, Church Lawn

6:30pm - Confirmation Parent Meeting, FLC

6:30pm - EDGE Parent Orientation / Social Night, Youth Hall

Weekly Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 7:00 am, 10:00 am & 5:30 pm

Monday: No Mass

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, Sherry Avery, Nessie Boudreaux, Martin Chatelain, Jr, Samuel Chatelain, Lisa Chaumont, Judy Chester, Dawn Clostio, Kinley Comeaux, Patricia A. Comeaux, Ricks Peter Comeaux, Denise Constantin, Marvin Constantin, Gloria Cormier, Lucille Cormier, Mary Jane Cormier, Sister Clare Cramer, Donald & Mary Credeur, Susan Dollison, Theresa Cramer Doucet, Kathy Duhon, Elgie & Mary Dupuis, Fr. Kendal Faulk, Norma Faulk, Paula Fontenot, A.D. & Abigail Foreman, Suzette Forestier, Barbara & Tanya Gaspard, Laura Gautreaux, Bertrand Guidry, Keylonna Guidry, Paul Guidry, Raymond Guidry, Karen Hebert, Lloyd Jeffers, Albert Johnson, Patsy Johnson, Martin LaCroix, Rachel Leger, Shan Leger, Lopez/Guidry Families, Enola D. Melancon, Loretta Miller, Ron Myers, Barbara Pellerin, Jimmy Pellerin, Rita Rayon, Duke B. Romero, Ula Rea Romero, Fr. Bill Ruskoski, Ruth Saloom, Edith Seaux, Dudley Simon, Jeanette Simoneaux, Jerome & Hilda Simoneaux, Carita Sonnier, Evelyn Sonnier

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:

Reva & Alvin Savoy

Ronald "Ronnie" Thibodeaux

M/M Marion Foreman & Walter McCoy

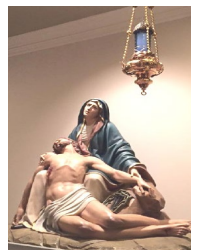
The Pieta Lamp

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

Vernice Sonnier & Family

Tony Robichaux

M/M Lebodier Lavergne



Weekly Offertory

Offertory of 8/18/2019

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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.

Naomi McBride Bordelon

ACTS Retreat Men's Retreat



Registration for our first St. Joseph's Parish Men's ACTS Retreat will be held September 28th and 29th following all weekend Masses. Registration will be open for only two weeks so please be sure to register early. ACTS is a retreat experience that builds community while inspiring intentional Christ-centered discipleship. The retreat will be held at the ABC Retreat Center in Richard from Thursday evening, November 7th until Sunday morning, November 10th. ACTS team members will be present during registration the weekend of September 28th and 29th to answer any questions concerning the retreat.

RCIA



RCIA has begun!

If you know of anyone wishing to become Catholic, or a baptized Catholic, wishing to complete their sacraments; go to

stjoerayne.org/rcia

We also welcome all Catholics wishing to learn more about the faith to join us each Wednesday night.

First Sacrament Parent Meeting

There is a mandatory parent meeting for all who wish to receive their First Confession and First Communion at St Joseph. The meeting will be held in the FLC on September 4 at 6pm.

Retreat for Grieving Mothers

Red Bird Ministries is offering an overnight weekend retreat at Our Lady of the Bayou Retreat House (1318 S Henry St, Abbeville, LA) for grieving mothers to experience hope, healing, and fellowship. ARISE will be held on Friday, October 18 - Saturday, October 19, 2019. Check in will be held on Friday from 4:30 - 6:00 PM. Retreat concludes on Saturday at 5 PM. Early Bird Registration - \$125 by 9/15/19. Late Registration - \$150 by 10/1/19. Sponsorships are available. Space is limited. Register now at redbird.love/retreats.

Retreat for Grieving Dads

Red Bird Ministries is offering an overnight weekend retreat at The Lodge in Butte La Rose (1031 La Salle St, Breaux Bridge, LA) for grieving fathers to experience hope, healing, and fellowship. Follow Me, will be held on Friday, September 20 - Sunday, September 22, 2019. Check in will be held on Friday from 5:30 - 7:00 PM. Retreat concludes on Sunday at 11 AM. Men who have experienced any form of child loss are invited (including miscarriage, still birth, and the loss of an infant, child, adolescent, or adult child). Early Bird Registration - \$125 by 8/15/19. Late Registration - \$150 by 9/8/19. Sponsorships are available. Space is limited. Register now at redbird.love/dadsretreat.

Facebook

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Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition

“The Vatican International Exhibition of Eucharistic Miracles”

The week of September 16-20, 2019
(Mon thru Fri)

5-8 p.m.

Wine, cheese,
and
hors d'oeuvres
will be served.

St. Joseph
Family Life
Center



St. Joseph's Parish will be hosting the Vatican International Exhibition of the Eucharistic Miracles of the World the week of September 14th through 20th.

A portion of the exhibition will be displayed in the church for viewing after the weekend Masses. The full exhibition will be on display in the Family Life Center beginning Monday, Sept. 16th through Friday, Sept. 20th from 5pm – 8pm each evening. St. Joseph's parishioners as well as church parishes and groups from the surrounding areas are invited to attend this extraordinary exhibit.

The official exhibition includes 151 panels that are used to explain 153 Eucharistic Miracles. Because of space constraints, St. Joseph's will display approximately 60 of these panels. With an extensive assortment of photographs and historical descriptions, the exhibition presents some of the principal Eucharistic Miracles that have taken place throughout the ages in various countries of the world and which have been recognized by the Church. By means of the panels, you can “virtually visit” the places where the miracles took place.

Regarding the Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition, Monsignor Raffaello Martinelli explains, “Our faith is not founded on Eucharistic miracles...however, Eucharistic miracles can encourage us to understand, appreciate and love the Eucharist...they can help a person discover the mystery, the beauty and the riches of the Eucharist.”

Please join us for this very special event. No registration is required and viewing of the exhibit is free.

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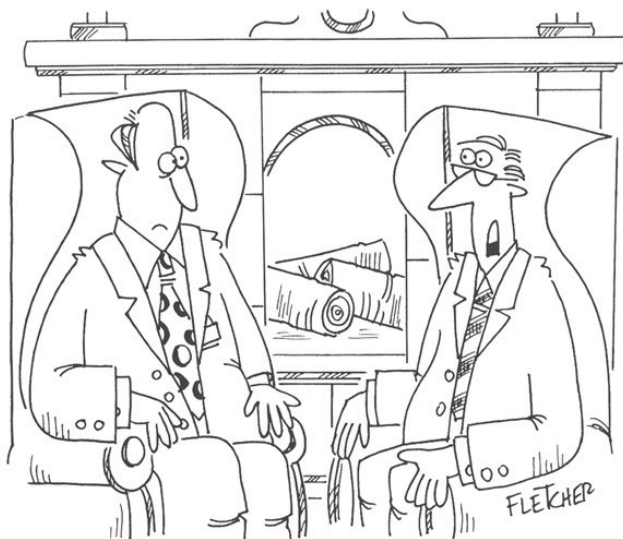
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“Yes, I would say mine is a giving church. They give me advice. They give ultimatums. They give me ulcers.”

Praying with Friends... it Doesn't Have to be Awkward

Part 1 of 2

by Nick Bernard

Imagine this: you're walking down the sidewalk on your school's campus, and you run into one of your friends. You ask, "how are you?" and your friend says that one of his family friends passed away last week, and he's taking the loss really hard. You express your condolences, he thanks you, and he asks if you'd be able to pray for him. Of course you would. He thanks you again, and you two go your separate ways. Later in the day you remember to pray for your friend — you've done something simple and good.

I would run out of fingers and toes if I tried to count the number of times a situation like the one above has happened to me. Pretty often, my friends and I will ask for each others prayers over specific situations in our lives, asking for certain virtues or strengths that we need. And it's wonderful for friends to pray for each other. But, today, I present the idea of taking a step further. Beyond praying for one another, there is a special, incarnate beauty in praying with one another.

Don't think I'm knocking the importance of silent intercession for our friends — I'm not. But, I do believe that there's a unique beauty and intimacy that comes in the unique situation of two people praying out loud together in person. To be physically and spiritually present to one another and to open our hearts together to the Lord is an experience unlike anything else. Even in the gospels we see that Christ values His physical presence to those He loves and heals. So many of Jesus's healing miracles involve a physical encounter with another, with words shared aloud and some incarnate sign of love — think of the hemorrhaging woman who is healed merely by touching Christ's cloak (Luke 8:43-48).

As we strive to live and love as Christ in the world, it's important to recognize the power that lies in our physical presence and of the breath and sound of our words. Praying together, in person with another is powerful. But, it can also be uncomfortable. Maybe you don't feel empowered or equipped to pray out loud with a friend at all, let alone to do so well. So, in this blog today, I hope to offer some practical advice on how we might go about praying with others.

Invite the Holy Spirit

At His Last Supper, Christ tells us, "I will not leave you desolate; I will come to you" (John 14:18). Um, excuse me? That's beautiful! Christ promises that He will continue to be with us, not in the form of a human person, but through the presence of His Holy Spirit flowing among us. And, when Christ promises to send His Spirit, He really does! When the Apostles gathered in the upper room at Pentecost, "a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them tongues as of fire, distributed and resting on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance" (Acts 1:2-4). Moreover, St. Paul says in his letter to the Romans, "the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words" (Romans 8:26).

The Holy Spirit teaches us how to pray, for He knows best the voice of God and exists as the eternal communication of love between the Father and the Son. When we pray out loud with others, invoking the help of the Holy Spirit can bring to our words a new life and light. The Lord delights in our invitation to Him to speak through us, not because He's egocentric, but because He knows that we actualize our fullest human nature in entering into a relationship of love with Him through the Spirit He's given us. If you're praying out loud with a friend (or a family member or a stranger or an arch nemesis), it's more than appropriate to begin your prayer with, "come, Holy Spirit, teach us how to pray." The Spirit rejoices at this invitation to come into our lives to communicate the Lord's love through our words, for it's in His very nature to communicate the love of God.

September 2019 Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Day	Time	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers
Sat.	4:00 pm	Debra Reed Allison Gray	Brenda Hooper, Annette Gossen, Mary Comeaux, Dr. Neal Duhon	Emma & Anna Guidry Katherine Gossen Boyd Boudreaux
Sun.	7:00 am	Connie Speyrer	Betty Bellard Becky Miller	Jackson Casanova Sam Casanova
	10:00 am	Luke Beslin Paul Molbert	Larry LeBLanc, Brooke Thomas, Thomas Hebert, Peggy Deville	Lane Comeaux Carson Houston Austin Judice
	5:30 pm	Leah Guidry	No Servers for this Mass	Angelle Bourgeois Alaysha Dupont Tatum Hill

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

- Sept 02** Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI
Rev. Patrick Broussard, Director of Voc
- Sept 03** Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel
Sem. Faculty, Parents and Benefactors
- Sept 04** Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell
Sem. Connor Poirrier
- Sept 05** Abbot James Liprie, OSB
Sem. Seth Ransonet
- Sept 06** Rev. Albert Louapre, SJ
Sem. Matthew Romero
- Sept 07** Rev. Thomas Madden, SJ
Sem. Michael Vidrine
- Sept 08** Very Rev. Msgr. W. Curtis Mallet, VG
Sem. Nicholas Ware

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