



st. Joseph

Roman Catholic Church

Est. 1872

Pastor

Rev. Brent L. Smith

Parochial Vicar

Rev. Henry Antony, HGN

Mass Times

Sat Ant: 4pm

Sun: 7am, 10am, 5:30 pm

Mon: 6:30 am

Tues: 12:05 pm

Wed: 6:30 am

Thurs: 12:05 pm

Fri: 6:30 am

First Sat: 9:00 am

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Pentecost Sunday

June 05, 2022



Pentecost SUNDAY

JUNE 5, 2022



GOD'S ONGOING WORK

In today's Gospel Luke, the author of Acts, links the "time of Pentecost" to the Jewish Feast of Weeks. This was a harvest festival, fifty days after Passover. The feast became a celebration of God's gift of the Torah, the law of Moses, remembering Exodus 19. Luke suggests that just as the Feast of Weeks was a culmination of Passover, the outpouring of the Holy Spirit was a culmination of the Resurrection. In both Passover and Easter, God's extraordinary saving action rescued God's people from oppression and death. Because of these actions, the stage was set for the gift of Torah, and similarly for Christians, the gift of the Spirit. The ongoing presence of the Spirit sustains us to face life's burdens gracefully. The Spirit also challenges us daily to mature in our capacity to love, and to take part in God's ongoing work to rescue all God's people.

WHAT GOD IS UP TO

The Christian community gathered in the Upper Room, awaiting the Holy Spirit, has long stirred the Christian imagination. In our own time, when the Church has a long history of Christian faith but now faces many challenges, we might return to this image. Like the first disciples, we often don't know what to do next. What used to work for us doesn't work as well. We need to stay together, honor diversity, reflect upon the roots of our faith, and remain rooted in prayer.

Yet there is more. Pentecost has happened and is happening. The Spirit has already burst out into the world, already stirring among those who are confused about God. The Book of Acts tells the story of a Church continually pushed out by the Spirit, to join in what God was already up to, out in the world. We too are invited not only to remember our unity and our roots, but to pay acute attention to how the Spirit is working in our local communities.

VARIETY OF GIFTS

In today's second reading, Saint Paul wrote to the Church in Corinth, a community encountering tensions and divisions over spiritual gifts. Paul reminds them that the Spirit shares a variety of gifts; none is better than any other, and all are needed by the whole Church. The Spirit is revealed in the diversity of gifts offered by individuals and by distinct groups. The Spirit desires that the Church live as an interdependent, cohesive whole, as the Body of Christ.

A parish can be a collegial partnership where parishioners, clergy, and ministry staff can confidently share God's gifts. Gifts from persons and groups of diverse backgrounds can be honored. Gifts that tend to be less visible, such as in finance, custodial work, or administration, can be celebrated as much as those in preaching and music. May we notice God's grace in this diversity.

TODAY'S READINGS

Acts 2:1-11

Psalm 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34

1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13 or

Romans 8:8-17

John 20:19-23 or 14:15-16, 23b-26

Then there appeared to them tongues
as of fire, which parted and
came to rest on each one of them.

Acts 2:3

Men's Bible Study

Fridays at 7am
In the FLC

Sacraments

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.

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Weekly Offertory

Offertory of 05/22/2022 \$11,274.52

2nd Collection next weekend is for Bishop Services Appeal Fund

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:

Thurston & Maude Duhon

The Pieta Lamp

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

Garrison Cole Gautreaux

Baptisms

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

Isaac James Lagneaux

Weddings

We joyfully share in the Sacramental union of:

Peyton Luke Landry & Margaret Ellen Beslin

Dearly Departed

Our faith community remembers in prayer our dearly departed.

Tracie Trosclair

Prayers for the Sick

Brenda Albarado, Dale Alleman, Natalie Alleman, Helen Boudreaux, Nessie Boudreaux, Ricky Boudreaux, Zora Boudreaux, Willie Bourque, Darla Comeaux Bryson, Courtney Comeaux, Nola Comeaux, Preston Comeaux, Denise Constantin, Marvin Constantin, Phoebe Deshotel, Susan Dollison, Kerry Doucet, Theresa Cramer Doucet, Margie Dubois, Zubaïda Elahi, Diego Escandon, Cheryl Fabacher, Martha Fontenot, Paula Fontenot, Shannon Fontenot, Debra Fusilier, Barbara & Tanya Gaspard, Laura Gautreaux, Eula Granger, Laurie Guenther, Keylonna Guidry, Raymond & Deanean Guidry, Karen Hebert, Sammy Hernandez, Martha Hodge, Lloyd Jeffers, Mona LaCroix, Candi Hebert Latino, Leslie Leger, Callan LeJeune, Jessica F. Miller, Loretta Miller, Judy Mouton, Ronnie Myers, Kristian Navarre, Mark Navarre, Francis Pellissier, Claudia "Pie" Richard, Darrell (Bubba) Richard, Jr., Judy Richard, Quentin Rowe, Hayden Ruffner, Myrtle Servat, Jeanette Simoneaux, Carita Sonnier, Mary Trahan, Rose Venable, Linda Viale, Becca Guidry Vidrine, Norris Webb, Dot Comeaux Wright, Marguerite Wyble

Standing on the Shoulders of Giants...

St. Joseph Parish Family,

It's with much gratitude that I offer this bulletin article on behalf of the 150th Anniversary of our parish and my ordination to the priesthood of Jesus Christ. To be an ordained priest of Jesus Christ is to stand on the shoulders of giants. Beginning with Our Lord and His twelve chosen men, called Apostles, then handed down through the Sacred Rite of Ordination until our present-day, priests of Jesus Christ come from a great lineage of men. One of those great men, Fr. O'Neil "Chicky" Landry, is a native son of St. Joseph Church and celebrated his 75th Anniversary as a priest of Jesus Christ! In an act of generosity, he has allowed me to use his chalice as I begin my own priesthood. The chalice was given to him by the late Msgr. Hubert Lerschen, former pastor of St. Joseph Church on the day of Fr. Landry's ordination, June 7, 1947. This chalice will be used at my first Mass of Thanksgiving. It's incredible to witness the ways in which God has providentially set up this 150th year for our parish: to have a new priestly vocation, a 75th anniversary of priesthood, and the chalice passed down to connect generations. This, shows the continued fruit being borne by the prayers of our parishioners. We have so much to be thankful for as parishioners of St. Joseph's Parish. God will continue to provide for us as He has done in so many ways over the last 150 years. I am so fortunate to be invited by Christ to labor in the vineyard that has been cultivated and tilled by Fr. Landry for so many years. I truly am standing on the shoulders of giants. May God continue to bless us as we all labor in his vineyard.

In Christ,

Dcn. (Soon-to-be) Fr. Nick Ware



Photo of Dcn Nick Ware and Fr O'Neil "Chicky" Landry

Garden Mausoleum

We are pleased to announce that arrangements have been completed with American Cemetery Consultants LLC to build the beautiful new Garden Mausoleum in St. Joseph Cemetery. The program has the full approval of His Excellency, the Most Reverend J. Douglas Deshotel, D.D., Bishop of Lafayette. Sales representatives of American Cemetery Consultants will be contacting families in the Rayne area over the next few weeks to answer questions about the mausoleum and determine who is interested. The number of crypts selected before construction will determine the size of the mausoleum. Spaces are reserved on a first come basis; therefore, anyone seeking information should either mail in the postage paid reply card from the brochure mailer that was mailed to your home or call (337) 347-6989.

FATHER & SON EXCURSION

FISHING + GAMES + BBQ

SATURDAY | JUNE 18
9:00 AM-NOON
LOCATION TBD


Please call the Parish Office to sign up 337.334.2193

DID YOU KNOW?



The first renovation was conducted in 1972, 20 years after it was constructed, under the direction of Fr. Emery Labbe for \$107,090.

THE FIRST 150 YEARS



Rite of Ordination to the Priesthood

DEACON NICK WARE

Saturday, June 11th, 10:00 am
The Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist in Lafayette, LA

FIRST MASS: JUNE 12 | ST. JOSEPH CHURCH | 10:00 AM

Reception to follow at The Warehouse in Rayne, LA

Monday Mass

Monday morning Mass will resume starting May 30th @ 6:30am

Cross Catholic Outreach

Father Paul Farin of Cross Catholic Outreach will be visiting our parish next weekend to speak at all the Masses on behalf of the poor in developing countries. Cross Catholic Outreach was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America.

He will share some touching stories about the amazing work Catholic missions are accomplishing worldwide. Since Cross Catholic Outreach empowers existing Catholic missions, its program are extremely cost-effective, and the majority of the resources it collects go into program services that help the poorest of the poor around the world. To learn more about Cross Catholic Outreach, please go to CrossCatholic.org/outreach, text BLESSINGS to 474747



Ministers Schedule

June 2022

Sat. 4pm: Lector - Mary Comeaux Extraordinary Ministers - Lyn Guidry, Larry Van Pelt Altar Servers - 4 o'clock Team **Sun. 7am:** Lector - Allison Gray Extraordinary Ministers - Betty Bellard, Albert Johnson, Alternating Third EM Altar Servers - 7 am Team **Sun. 10am:** Lector - Matthew Molbert Extraordinary Ministers - Richard Dupuis, Joan Gatte Altar Servers - 10 am Team **Sun. 5:30pm:** Lector - Tammy Clark Extraordinary Ministers - Leah Guidry, Crystal Moody, Jimmy Fontenot Altar Servers - 5:30 Team



Divine Mercy Ministry for the Dying

If you know someone who is in imminent danger of death, call the number below for a Divine Mercy chaplet to be prayed for that individual.

337-237-5059

A Diocesan Ministry of St. Pius X
Catholic Church available for all,
Catholic and non-Catholic

Adoration Sign Up

Sign up for Adoration

rayne.weadorehim.com

First Friday Mass & Adoration

The first Friday of the month is often marked by special devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. St. Margaret Mary Alacoque (1647-1690) reported visions of Jesus Christ directing her to promote devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus on nine consecutive First Fridays in reparation for sins and in order to show love to Jesus. In return for this act of devotion, which usually includes Mass, Communion, confession and even an hour of Eucharistic Adoration, our blessed Savior reputedly promised St. Margaret Mary the following blessings:

"In the excess of the mercy of my Heart, I promise you that my all powerful love will grant to all those who will receive Communion on the First Fridays, for nine consecutive months, the grace of final repentance: they will not die in my displeasure, nor without receiving the sacraments; and my Heart will be their secure refuge in that last hour."

Please join us every first Friday of the month for 6:30am Mass followed by Adoration from 7-8am. Sacred Heart of Jesus, make my heart like yours!

Dear Friends in Christ,

As we begin the Holy Season of Lent, we are called to fasting, prayer, and almsgiving. Let us remember in our prayers the people of Ukraine who are suffering the ravages of a brutal war of aggression by Russia. We see every day how this brutality is affecting men, women, children, the elderly and infirm. Children and the elderly are being forced from their homes in an attempt to flee destruction.

None of us can imagine our lives being upended as the Ukrainian people are enduring. In the middle of winter they are without heat, electricity, food and medicine. Many of the elderly, walking with crutches, must tread through snow, water and mud trying to find safety. We cannot help but be moved to have compassion for our fellow human beings. Please remember them in your prayers. Pray also that national leaders will be moved to seek peaceful means to resolve their differences.

Many have asked how they could help monetarily. Donations will be used to provide food, medicine and even warm clothes. If anyone wishes to help, donations may be given to your pastor or to me at the Diocesan Offices, 1408 Carmel Drive, Lafayette, LA 70501, marked "Ukrainian Relief". The United States Conference of Bishops has a close relationship with the Ukrainian Bishops and any donations will be forwarded to them for relief efforts.

Mary, Queen of Peace, pray for us.

Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel
Bishop of Lafayette



Diocese of Lafayette

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