



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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M, T, Th: 8am - 4pm

W: 8am - 2pm

F: 8am - Noon

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
June 19, 2022



THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

JUNE 19, 2022

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THE ABUNDANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

The crowd that followed Jesus to the deserted place was fed, body and spirit. Jesus wanted them to know that in his presence they would find care and compassion. He would not let them go hungry. Like Abram who encountered God in the bread and wine offered by Melchizedek, they experienced first-hand the abundance of God's love. These sacred meals prefigured the meal most profound, the supper shared by Jesus and his disciples on the night before he died, the feast in which we share in the Eucharist. Today we celebrate the solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. On this day, we appreciate anew the great love of Jesus Christ for us and for the world and experience first-hand the presence of Christ in the sacred meal.

TAKEN, BLESSED, BROKEN, SHARED

We do it so often, we could take it for granted. Yet, the mystery of the Eucharist, our participation in, reception of, and being sent to live as Christ's Body and Blood is a gift beyond measure. In the desert with the crowd and on the night of the Last Supper, Jesus took bread, gave thanks, said a prayer of blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to those who hungered for physical and spiritual nourishment. Scripture scholars and theologians often remind us that we are to repeat Jesus' actions of taking, blessing, breaking, and giving—with our lives, resources, and gifts—so that others may know the love of Christ. As Eucharistic people, we are meant to be changed, to become more like the One whom we receive.

GIVE THEM SOME FOOD YOURSELVES

Notice that Jesus sent his disciples to give the crowd the food they needed. Jesus could have done this alone. We could say he didn't need the disciples to participate in the feeding of the great crowd. But Jesus did not act alone then, and Christ relies on us now, to feed those who hunger and thirst physically, spiritually, and emotionally. When we grow weary and want nothing more than to satisfy our selfish and self-centered impulses, it is good for us to remember who we are and whose we are. It is crucial that we hear in the depths of our hearts, "Give them some food yourselves," and be ready to do so. On this solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, let us celebrate Christ's living presence with and for us and recognize our call to share that presence with others.

TODAY'S READINGS

Genesis 14:18–20
Psalm 110:1, 2, 3, 4
1 Corinthians 11:23–26
Luke 9:11b–17

Men's Bible Study

Fridays at 7am - except for 1st Friday
(due to 1st Friday holy hour) 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 06/05/2022 \$12,561.19

Special Collection next weekend is for
Peter's Pence

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 H. Comeaux
Deynoodt Richard
Willie, Edward & James Leger
Robert "Bob" Myers

The Pieta Lamp

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

Robert Delahoussaye , Percy Boudreaux & Family
Roy, Charles & Arthur Myers
Ronnie & Lebodier Lavergne

Baptisms

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

There were no baptisms this week.

Weddings

We joyfully share in the Sacramental union of:

Ivy Joseph Thibodeaux & Whitney Marie Fontenot

Dearly Departed

Our faith community remembers in prayer our dearly departed.

Myron Joseph Meche, Dorothy Comeaux Wright,
Preston Comeaux, Taylor Brooke Price
Clarence J. Arsement

Prayers for the Sick

Brenda Albarado, Dale Alleman, Natalie Alleman, Helen Boudreaux, Nessie Boudreaux, Zora Boudreaux, Willie Bourque, Darla Comeaux Bryson, Courtney Comeaux, Nola Comeaux, Denise Constantin, Marvin Constantin, Phoebe Deshotel, Susan Dollison, Kerry Doucet, Theresa Cramer Doucet, Margie Dubois, Zubaida 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, Dana Hernandez, Sammy Hernandez, Martha Hodge, Lloyd Jeffers, Mona LeBlanc LaCroix, Candi Hebert Latino, Leslie Leger, 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, Marguerite Wyble

Cross Catholic Outreach

Last weekend we were blessed to have a visiting priest from Cross Catholic Outreach. More than ever, poor families in developing countries are depending on Catholic missions for assistance with food, water, shelter, medical care and spiritual nourishment. It's not too late to support Cross Catholic Outreach and the efforts of these vital international missions. To participate, please go to CrossCatholic.org/outreach, text BLESSINGS to 474747.

Young Adults Retreat

Our Lady of the Oaks in Grand Coteau is sponsoring a Young Adults Retreat for men, women and couples ages 18-30 from Friday (dinner), July 8th to Sunday (lunch), July 10th. The retreat will be directed by Fr. Jason Brauninger. The total cost of the retreat is \$200 for individuals and \$300 for couples which includes a \$25 deposit. To register, either contact Our Lady of the Oaks at (337) 662-5410 ext. 200 or visit their website at ourladyoftheoaks.com.

Chili Cookoff



The graphic is a colorful promotional poster for the Chili Cookoff 2022. At the top, the text "Calling all" is in a blue script font, followed by "COOKING TEAMS" in large, bold, brown block letters. In the center, there is a cartoon illustration of Saint Joseph with a halo, holding a chili spoon, standing behind a large, stylized chili pepper. The chili pepper has a white label that reads "SAINT JOSEPH CHILI Cookoff 2022" with a small illustration of a cooking pot. To the left of the chili pepper is a circular seal for "ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH" celebrating its 150th anniversary (1872-2022). To the right is a blue circular badge with a trophy and the words "CASH PRIZES". Below these elements are three rectangular boxes: "Sunday | Nov 13", "\$25.00 Entry Fee", and "Scan to Register" with a QR code. At the bottom, the text "Register to compete!" is in large, bold, brown letters, followed by "REGISTRATION ONLINE ONLY AT STJOERAYNE.ORG/CHILICOOKOFF" in smaller, bold, brown letters.

Calling all COOKING TEAMS

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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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