



st. Joseph

Roman Catholic Church

Est. 1872

Pastor

Very Rev. Brent L Smith, VF

Parochial Vicar

Rev. Henry Paul 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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Parish Office

400 S. Adams Ave.

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Rayne, La 70578

Contact

337-334-2193

stjoseph1872@diolaf.org

Office Hours

M, T, Th: 8am - 4pm

W: 8am - 2pm

F: 8am - Noon

Third Sunday of Advent

December 11, 2022

Advent

~ a time for preparation ~



Get Involved at St. Joe!

Come Lord Jesus/Bible study/Anyone/Group 1
Meets Tuesdays at 9:00 am
Contact: Debra Fusilier | Debra3757aol.com|337-315-0086

Come Lord Jesus/Bible study/Anyone/Group 2
Meets Wednesdays at 6:30 pm
Contact: Mary Terro | mtvip40@yahoo.com | 337-224-1898

Ultreya
(Must have made Cursillo retreat to join)
Meets Thursdays | Rosary begins at 6:30 pm | Meetings begin at 7:00 pm
Contact: Dr. Neal Duhon | nduhon@msn.com | 337-581-0110

Sisterhood of St Joseph/Women/Group 1
(book studies, devotionals, spiritual support, etc)
Coordinator: Alison Privat
CURRENTLY FULL

Sisterhood of St Joseph/Women/Group 2
Coordinator: Tessa Himel
CURRENTLY FULL

Looking for coordinators to start other similar women's small groups. Please contact Fr. Brent at the St. Joseph Parish Office.

Men's Bible Study Group
Meets every Friday morning after mass (except on First Fridays)
Contact: Dcn. Denis LaCroix at the St. Joseph Parish Office

Elderberries/Seniors
Meet Wednesdays | 8:30 am - Noon
Stop in anytime for as long as you like. Fun activities like card games, line dancing, sewing, etc.
Contact: Carol Menard | jmenard433@cox.net | 337-581-2661

Rayne in the Desert/Young Adults
Ages 18 - 35 yrs old
Formation meetings every other Thursday at 6:30 pm
Fun, social outings planned between formation meetings
Contact St. Joseph Parish Office for more information.

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.

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:

Myron Joseph Meche
Simon & Nero Families
Norman Pharr

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
Roger Dale Fusilier
James H. Breaux

Baptisms

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

Emerson Claire Reiners

Weddings

We joyfully share in the Sacramental union of:

There were no weddings at the time of publishing.

Dearly Departed

Our faith community remembers in prayer our dearly departed.

Connie Melancon

Prayers for the Sick

Dale Alleman, Betty Bellard., Nessie Boudreaux, Ricky Boudreaux, Zora Boudreaux, Mabel Louise Broussard, Courtney Comeaux, Kinley Comeaux, Tony Comeaux, Denise Constantin, Gloria Cormier, Joseph Mel Daigle, Phoebe Deshotel, Elizabeth Deaville, Dolores Deville, Theresa Cramer Doucet, Margie Dubois, Cheryl Edwards, Zubaida Elahi, Diego Escandon, Cheryl Fabacher, Paula Fontenot, Shannon Fontenot, Debra Fusilier, Barbara & Tanya Gaspard, Laura Gautreaux, Laurie Guenther, Keylonna Guidry, Raymond & Deanean Guidry, Karen Hebert, Wayne Hebert, Dana Hernandez, Martha Hodge, Candi Hebert Latino, Nanette LeBlanc, Leslie Leger, Jessica F. Miller, Loretta Miller, Eddie Morrison, Bonnie Sue Navarre, Kristian Navarre, Francis Pellissier, Mary Alice Petitjean, Deacon Richard Picard, Darrell (Bubba) Richard, Jr., Judy Richard, Quentin Rowe, Hayden Ruffner, Myrtle Servat, Cade Siebold, Jeanette Simoneaux, Lorraine Soileau, Carita Sonnier, Angela Stelly, Ronald Stutes, Mary Trahan, Linda Viale, Becca Guidry Vidrine, Marguerite Wyble

Weekly Offertory

Offertory of 11/27/2022 \$8,501.55
Monthly Offertory EFT/Credit Card 28.00%
Total Building & Maintenance \$3,058.47
2nd collection next weekend is for
Retirement for the Religious

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Series on the Eucharist



In response to Pope Francis' call for Eucharistic Revival, St. Joseph Parish will offer this enlightening 10 part series on the Eucharist hosted by Dr. Brant Pitre on select Monday evenings in the Family Life Center beginning in Advent. Advent dates for this series are December 5th and 19th. Light refreshments will be served at 6:30pm followed by the video presentation and discussion. Please join us as we begin this study on the role the Eucharist plays in our salvation history.

Witness to Love

Congratulations to Legend and Jasmine Cormier who were united in matrimony on October 1, 2022.



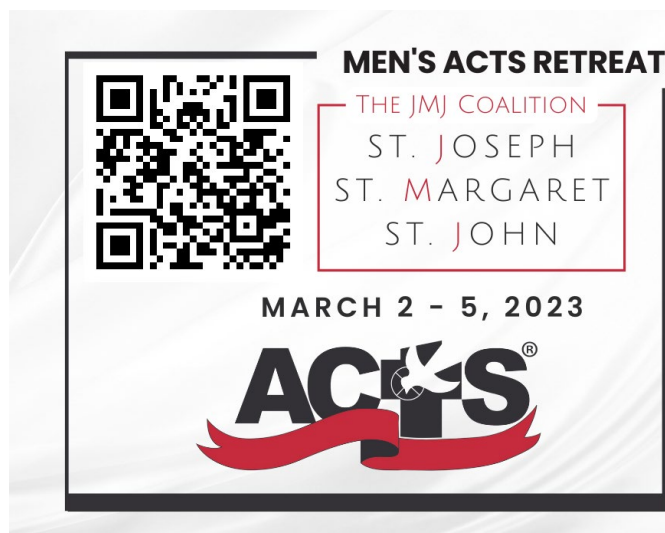
Advent Meditation Books

The books for Daily reflections for the Advent & Christmas season are now available. They can be found on usher tables in church or purchased at the parish office.

Men's Acts Retreat

Registration for the upcoming JMJ Coalition (St. Joseph - Rayne, St. Margaret - Estherwood, and St. John - Mermentau) Men's ACTS Retreat to be held March 2-5, 2023 at the Acadian Baptist Center is currently underway. Registration is online only.

Please register by utilizing the QR Code or the following link: <https://forms.gle/6ucYGPfEhL7CNnDb9>



Christmas Flower Donations

In Memory of: _____

Donated By: _____

Amount: \$ _____ Phone: _____

Please return this form and your donation to the Parish Office or place it in the collection basket by December 11th.

Thank You and may the Lord Bless you and yours during this Christmas Season and throughout the coming year.



ST. JOSEPH PARISH

CHRISTMAS MASS

SCHEDULE

SATURDAY | DEC 24
4:00 PM | 6:00 PM | MIDNIGHT

SUNDAY | DEC 25
7:00 AM | 10:00 AM

The Light is
ON for You.



Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions will be offered from 6:30
- 8:00 PM, coinciding with Eucharistic
Adoration this Wednesday.



Eucharistic REVIVAL EVENT

WITH BISHOP DESHOTEL

SUNDAY | JANUARY 15 | 4:00 PM

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NOV. 27- DEC. 13TH

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Who Me?

Do you love God's holy word? Do you love the Holy Eucharist? We need you as a Lector proclaiming his Word. We need you as an Extraordinary Minister bringing Christ's Body and Blood to his people.

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

Prayer before Receiving Holy Communion

I believe, O Lord, and I confess that You are truly the Christ, the Son of the living God, who came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am first. I believe also that this is Your own immaculate Body, and that this is Your own precious Blood. I pray: have mercy upon me, and forgive my offenses both voluntary and involuntary, of word and of deed, committed in knowledge or in ignorance. And make me worthy to partake of Your immaculate Mysteries, unto the forgiveness of my sins and life everlasting. Amen.

St. John Chrysostom



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



Ministers Schedule

December 2022

Sat. 4pm: Lector - Debra Reed
Extraordinary Ministers - Mary Comeaux, Ramona Besse Altar Servers - 4 o'clock Team

Sun. 7am: Lector - Andrea Gossen
Extraordinary Ministers - Eddie Ware, Randy Bertrand, Phil Speyrer Altar Servers - 7 am Team

Sun. 10am: Lector - Mandy Miller
Extraordinary Ministers - Gracie Mouton, Charmaine Lawless, Donna Levy - Choir Altar Servers - 10 am Team

Sun. 5:30pm: Adela Leger Lector
- Extraordinary Ministers - Emma Landaiche, Jimmy Fontenot, Sub - TBD Altar Servers - 5:30 Team

Adoration Sign Up

Sign up for Adoration

rayne.weadorehim.com



Rayne Catholic Elementary

Our students will learn together, work together, and pray together in answering the call to a faith-filled life of service.

MRS. ALICIA ARDOIN, PRINCIPAL
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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!