



# st. Joseph

## Roman Catholic Church

Est. 1872

October 22, 2023

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Pastor

Very Rev. Brent L Smith, VF

### Deacons

Deacon Denis LaCroix  
Deacon Tim Ledet

### Mass Times

Sat Ant: 4pm

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

Mon: No Mass

Tues: 12:05 pm

Wed: 6:30 am

Thurs: 12:05 pm

Fri: 6:30 am

First Sat: 9:00 am

### Connect

[stjoerayne.org](http://stjoerayne.org)

[facebook.com/stjoerayne](https://facebook.com/stjoerayne)

### Parish Office

400 S. Adams Ave.

P.O. Box 199

Rayne, La 70578

### Contact

337-334-2193

[stjoseph1872@diolaf.org](mailto:stjoseph1872@diolaf.org)

### Office Hours

M, T, Th: 8am - 4pm

W: 8am - 2pm

F: 8am - Noon





# FAMILY CATECHESIS

## Guest Speaker

### Prayer

**Speaker: Deacon Tim Ledet**

Sunday | November 5th  
Family Life Center  
9:00 AM



St. Joseph Catholic Church  
Contact: Shelby Fuselier at [shelby@stjoerayne.org](mailto:shelby@stjoerayne.org)

SCAN ME



### SEPTEMBER 27 – NOVEMBER 5

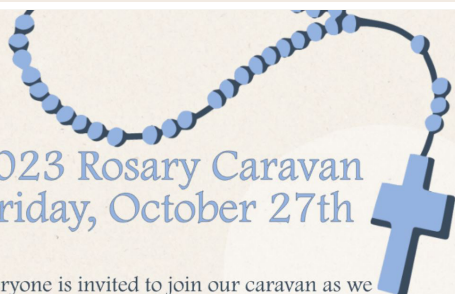
YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN OTHER CHRISTIANS FOR 40 DAYS FOR LIFE - 40 DAYS OF PRAYER AND FASTING FOR AN END TO ABORTION.

YOU ARE ALSO INVITED TO STAND AND PEACEFULLY PRAY DURING A 40-DAY VIGIL AND ALSO TO HELP SPREAD THE WORD ABOUT THIS IMPORTANT COMMUNITY OUTREACH.

VIGIL LOCATION: WALGREENS IN RAYNE

VIGIL HOURS: 7AM-7PM

Sign up for devotionals and prayers at [40daysforlife.com/Rayne](http://40daysforlife.com/Rayne)



## 2023 Rosary Caravan

### Friday, October 27th

Everyone is invited to join our caravan as we travel and pray a rosary at each church we visit for world peace, vocations and an end to abortion. Scan the QR Code for the schedule.



Sponsored by:  
CDA Court Rayne #844



SCAN ME

## WAYS TO HELP KEEP OUR CEMETERIES LOOKING THEIR BEST

Our ultimate goal in maintaining the appearance of our cemeteries is to show respect for our loved ones who've gone before us and comfort those visiting their final resting place.

THE PLACEMENT OF A U S FLAG IN FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS AND/OR VASES IS ALLOWED BUT WE ASK THAT THE ARRANGEMENT AND/OR FLAG BE REMOVED AND DISPOSED OF ONCE IT HAS BECOME WEATHERED.

Thank you for doing your part!

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH  
PARISHIONERS

## 8TH & 9TH GRADE CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

*All current 8th & 9th grade St. Joseph parishioners  
will be receiving the  
Sacrament of Confirmation this coming  
May 2024*

**DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS  
JANUARY 28, 2024**

Important dates:

January 28, 2024: Parent Meeting in the FLC at 6:30.

Classes will be held from 3:30pm until 5:15pm on these Sundays:

- Feb. 18, Feb. 25, March 3, March 10, March 17, March 24, April 7, April 14, April 21, and April 28.

May 4, 2024: Confirmation Retreat.

May 5, 2024: Confirmation Mass at 5:30pm.

Scan this QR Code to Register:



Any questions please Call Father Brent at the Parish Office: 337-334-2193

Find us on Social!  
[facebook.com/stjoerayne](https://facebook.com/stjoerayne)

## 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:

**Joseph, Darrell, Ben, & Christine  
Ellen Stutes & Annette S. Bruner  
Darrell & William Alleman**

## The Pieta Lamp

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

**Sue Simoneaux Arceneaux  
Constance & Robert Myers**

## Baptisms

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

**Everleigh Terese Dailey**

## Weddings

We joyfully share in the Sacramental union of:

**Bradley Daniel Abraham & Mary Mouton Abraham**

## Dearly Departed

Our faith community remembers in prayer our dearly departed.

**Florence "Flo" Domingue  
Michael Stelly**

## Prayers for the Sick

Carol M. Arceneaux, Getty Benoit, Marie Benoit, Obrey "Toboy" Benoit, Jr, Zora Boudreaux, Courtney Comeaux, Kinley Comeaux, Tony Comeaux, Denise Constantin, Rhena V. Cramer, Joseph Mel Daigle, Sherrie David, Phoebe Deshotel, Elizabeth Deaville, Dolores Deville, Peggy Deville, Cheryl Edwards, Zubaida Elahi, Diego Escandon, Cheryl Fabacher, Jennifer Falcon, Joanne Fauchaux, Michael "Micky" Fontenot, Debra Fusilier, Barbara & Tanya Gaspard, Laura Gautreaux, Laurie Guenther, Keylonna Guidry, Raymond & Deanean Guidry, Roxanne Hardy, Ruby Harrington, Karen Hebert, Wayne Hebert, Susie Helo, Sammy Hernandez, Martha Hodge, Janelle Kibodeaux, Alex LaCroix, Harper Lancon, Leslie Leger, Dina Lejeune, Patsy Meaux, Richard Melancon, Larry Mire, Loretta Miller, Merita Mouton, Ron Myers, Bonnie Sue Navarre, Kristian Navarre, Dorothy Nelams, Natalie New, Jim Orillion, Mary Alice Petitjean, Francis Pellissier, Deacon Richard Picard, Emmett Richard, Judy Richard, Quentin Rowe, Gracie Ann Sanchez, Myrtle Servat, Jeanette Simoneaux, Lisa Soileaux, Carita Sonnier, Angela Stelly, Rose "Sis" Stelly, Ronald Stutes, Juanette Suire, Veronica Terro, Betty Theriot, Natalie Alleman Touchet, Linda Viale, Josh Wyble

## Weekly Offertory

Offertory information will be available in a future bulletin.

St. Joseph Church  
Electronic Offering

**ONLINE**



**OFFERTORY**

SCAN THE CODE TO GIVE



venmo



Thank you for your generosity!

# Men's ACTS Retreat

Are you interested in deepening your faith by finding a community of faith to help support you on your faith journey?

If so, consider signing up for the next JMJ Men's ACTS Retreat. Retreat is January 11th – 14th 2024 at the ABC Center in Richard. Registration opens online from Sunday, September 10th at noon until all spots have been filled.

(Registration is now open until all spots have been filled.)  
Cost is \$300.

Retreatants will depart from St. John the Evangelist Parish Center in Mermentau late afternoon on Thursday, January 11th and return for the 10:00am Mass on Sunday January 14th at St. Joseph Parish. ACTS is an acronym for Adoration, Community, Theology and Service. ACTS is a lay led, parish-based retreat in which parishioners serve parishioners with the goals of strengthening our faith, renewing ourselves spiritually, building strong lasting friendships, and growing in our relationship with our Lord, our parish and one another.

Please consider this wonderful gift for yourself or someone you love. To register, simply open the QR Code and complete the form or go to our website, [stjoerayne.org](http://stjoerayne.org) and register with the link provided.

**MEN'S ACTS RETREAT**

The JMJ Coalition



FROM THE PARISHES OF: ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND - ST. JOHN - CATHOLIC CHURCHES

**JANUARY 11-14, 2024**




# Witness to love

Congratulations to Hunter & Karleigh Theriot who were united in marriage on September 23rd, 2023. Officiating the ceremony was Dcn Denis LaCroix.



*Come know the joy of friendship, the support of a faithful community, and the confidence of His love by joining us on*

## FEBRUARY 2-4, 2024

DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel in Lafayette, Louisiana

FEATURING



CHAPLAIN  
Fr. Blake Dubroc



KEYNOTE  
Mary Bielski



KEYNOTE  
Sr. Josephine



WORSHIP LEADER  
Danielle Noonan

This conference was born out of the desire for all women in Acadiana to come together under one roof to experience true, Catholic community. Hundreds of women gather to learn, pray, listen, worship, laugh, and so much more! The Abide Women's Conference is a conference that feels like a retreat.

Celebrate Alumni Night and support Notre Dame High School by attending this fun, family event!

Notre Dame Practice Field

Thursday, October 26 ~ 6:00 pm



\$5 per person in advance or at the event!

Admission includes all the gumbo you can eat!

Soft Drinks and Water will be available for purchase.

Tickets can be purchased at Notre Dame or by calling Mandy Miller at 783-7143  
[mmiller@ndpios.com](mailto:mmiller@ndpios.com)

TICKETS ON SALE AT  
[abidewomensconference.org](http://abidewomensconference.org)



**\$295 PER TICKET**  
*hotel stay not included*

**YOUR TICKET INCLUDES:**

- Several opportunities for Confession, Adoration, and Mass
- 5 talks given by nationally-recognized speakers
- Three meals on Saturday and a Sunday brunch
- Two community socials
- Beautiful praise and worship led by an incredible worship team
- Pietra Fitness Class
- Access to wonderful Catholic vendors and artisans
- Fellowship with your sisters in Christ
- and, of course, whatever else the Holy Spirit has for you this weekend!

# Notre Dame Day

NOTRE DAME DAY is an opportunity for 8th grade students to learn more about Notre Dame High School of Acadia Parish. On Tuesday, November 7th, 8th graders will meet Notre Dame Students, attend mass, visit classes and be part of a program that introduces them to Notre Dame.

All participants must be pre-registered. Students attending Our Mother of Peace (Church Point), Rayne Catholic Elementary (Rayne), St. Francis (Iota) and St. Michael (Crowley) are already pre-registered. Students attending any other school may register by calling Mandy Miller in the Development Office at Notre Dame at 783-7143 by November 3 (or by email ... mmiller@ndpios.com) We regret we are unable to accommodate "walk-ins".

Parents will have the opportunity to learn more about Notre Dame by attending a Parent Information Social on Tuesday, November 7th at 6:00 PM in the school chapel (individual appointments also available). The administration will present a short program and be available to answer questions. Please call the Development Office (783-7143) or email mmiller@ndpios.com by November 3 to register.

FALL 2023

# NOTRE DAME DAY

NOVEMBER 7



NOTRE DAME  
HIGH SCHOOL  
of ACADIA PARISH

For more info →  
Mandy Miller 337.783.7143

Find us on Social!  
[facebook.com/stjoerayne](https://facebook.com/stjoerayne)

**Calling all COOKING TEAMS**

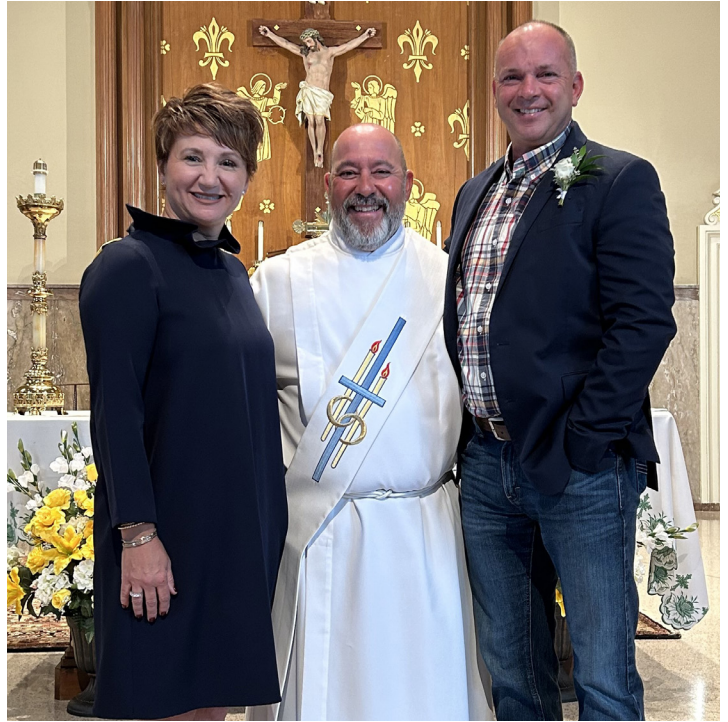
**CHILI Cookoff**  
2023

Sunday | Nov 12      \$25.00 Entry Fee      Scan to Register

**Register to compete!**  
REGISTRATION ONLINE ONLY AT [STJOERAYNE.ORG/CHILICOOKOFF](https://STJOERAYNE.ORG/CHILICOOKOFF)

# Witness to love

Congratulations to John & Mandy Miller who recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on September 25, 2023. Officiating their vow renewal was Deacon Denis LaCroix.



ST. JOSEPH'S  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

# All Saints Day

### All Saints Day Mass Schedule:

- 10/31-Tuesday 5:30pm All Saints Day Vigil Mass
- 11/1-Wed. 7:00am All Saints Day Sunrise Mass  
(Located at Cemetery II- weather permitting)
- 11/1-Wed. 12:00pm All Saints Day Mass in Church

### All Saints Day Cemetery Blessings:

- 10/31-Tuesday Cemetery I
  - (after 5:30pm Mass)
- 11/1-Wed. Cemetery II
  - (after Sunrise 7:00am Mass)
- 11/1-Wed. Arceneaux & Leger at 10:00am

## 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

### October 2023

**Sat. 4pm:** Lector - Annette Gossen  
Extraordinary Ministers - Diana Duhon, Lyn Guidry, Larry Van Pelt  
Altar Servers - 4 o'clock Team

**Sun. 7am:** Lector - Mike Reynolds, Dan Landry  
Extraordinary Ministers - Erica Zaunbrecher, Betty Bellard, Damian D'Augereaux  
Altar Servers - 7 am Team

**Sun. 10am:** Lector - Meagan Molbert, Paul Molbert  
Extraordinary Ministers - Linda Ancona, Angelo Ancona, Donna Levy  
Choir Altar Servers - 10 am Team

**Sun. 5:30pm:** Lector - Tessa Himel  
Extraordinary Ministers - Tammy Clark, Emma Landaiche, Ramona Besse  
Altar Servers - 5:30 Team

## Adoration Sign Up

### Sign up for Adoration

[rayne.weadorehim.com](http://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  
FR. BRENT SMITH, PASTOR

main office | 337.334.5657  
cafeteria | 337.334.3247  
fax | 337.334.3301



## NOTRE DAME HIGH SCHOOL of ACADIA PARISH

.....home of the **PIONEERS**

*EDUCATING ITS STUDENTS IN MIND, BODY, & SOUL WITH THE LOVE OF JESUS, THE DISCIPLINE OF JOSEPH, & THE FAITH OF MARY*

WENDALL PRUDHOMME, PRINCIPAL  
FR. BRENT SMITH, CHANCELLOR

main office | 337.783.3519  
athletics | 337.783.8776  
fax | 337.788.2115



## 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!*