

 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{Pastor} \\ \text{Very Rev. Brent L Smith, VF} \end{array}$

Parochial Vicar Rev. Connor Poirrier

Deacon Denis LaCroix Deacon Tim Ledet

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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St.Joseph Roman Catholic Church Est. 1872

December 31, 2023 Holy Family



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

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.

Weekly Offertory

Offertory week of 12/17/23 \$15,420.41 Weekly Budget -\$12,230.00 Over Budget \$3,190.41

2nd Collection next weekend is for Building & Maintenance Fund



Thank you for your generosity!

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:

> Chad Dupuis Louie & Faye Cook's 50th Anniversary

The Pieta Lamp

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

Martin Petitjean II

Amedia & Sybil Meche

Baptisms

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

Davie James Canezaro

Weddings

We joyfully share in the Sacramental union of:

Logan Paul Peltier & Beth Claire Bearb

Dearly Departed

Our faith community remembers in prayer our dearly departed.

There were no deaths at the time of printing.

Prayers for the Sick

Carol M. Arceneaux, Patsy Aucoin, Marie Benoit, Obrev "Toboy" Benoit, Jr, Zora Boudreaux, Marie Breaux, 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, Chervl Fabacher, Joanne Faucheaux, 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, Albert Johnson, Janelle Kibodeaux, Alex LaCroix, Harper Lancon, Leslie Leger, Dina Lejeune, Noreima Lowenstein, 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, Shirley Quebodeaux, Emmett Richard, Judy Richard, Quentin Rowe, Hayden Ruffner, Gracie Ann Sanchez, Myrtle Servat, Jeanette Simoneaux, Lisa Soileaux, Carita Sonnier, Angela Stelly, Rose "Sis" Stelly, Ronald Stutes, Juanette Suire, Veronica Terro, Betty Theriot, Christina Thevenet, Natalie Alleman Touchet, Chris Van Pelt, Linda Viale, Rebecca "Becca" Vidrine, Josh Wyble

Thank You

Due to the tremendous generosity of our St. Joseph parishioners and friends, we surpassed our goal and collected over \$27,000 through the iGiveCatholic campaign to refurbish our Adoration Chapel! We also won a monetary prize for having the 3rd most number of donors in the Diocese! We asked and you responded in an overwhelming fashion!

We will be working with a designer to create a truly sacred space where adoration of our Eucharistic Lord will continue for years to come.

Thank you for your stewardship of Treasure as we continue to answer the Universal Church's call for Eucharistic Revival!

BIBLE ON FIRE!

BIBLE ON FIRE! Come warm up with the Word! Beginning on Wednesday January 17, 2024 at 12:30 PM the Bible will be read publicly cover to cover without pause in the town square of St. Martinville in front of St. Martin de Tours Catholic Church. The Bible Marathon will conclude on Word of God Sunday January 21 at 4:30 PM. This year's Bible Marathon will feature the Friar Truck, a mobile pulpit for reading the Bible on the geaux and itinerant preaching. 300 lectors will be needed for 20minute intervals. Lectors from churches from throughout Acadiana and others interested in reading are encouraged to sign up for a reading slot during the Bible Marathon. All are encouraged to come listen and Marinate in the Word! To register as a lector or obtain more information, please contact St. Martin de Tours Catholic Church at (337) 394-6021 or CJC at (337) 394-6550 or email us at fetedieuduteche@gmail.com. More information is available at www.jesuscrucified.net and

Fete-Dieu du Teche on Facebook.



ANNULMENT & CONVALIDATION WORKSHOP

#igiveca Holic

Sat. January 20th 9am-11am in the FLC



All the parish clergy will be available to assist and advise anyone who may need an Annulment or Convalidation. (Commonly referred to as blessing)

For example, anyone who is: -Divorced -Married outside of the Church -Divorced and remarried

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Witness to Love

Michael and Elizabeth Fielden will be united in Holy Matrimony on January 20, 2024 with Deacon Denis LaCroix presiding over the ceremony. They have been together almost 15 years, and civilly married for almost 12 years. They have 4 children, Rylea,(11) Greyson, (8) Alaric, (5) and Forrest, (2). They met each other while working at McDonald's. Elizabeth's grandmother always told her, "You never know where you will meet your future spouse". Michael works for an Alarm company, and Elizabeth is a stay at home mom. They moved to Rayne about 9 months ago and love it here.

Their mentors are Nicholas and Erika Blumrich. They have been married for 5 years, and have 2 little boys, and a baby on the way.

Please join us in praying for this couple.

We praise you, Lord for your gentle plan draws together your children in love for one another.

Strengthen their hearts, so that they will keep faith with each other, please you in all things, and so come to the happiness of celebrating the sacrament of their marriage. Amen



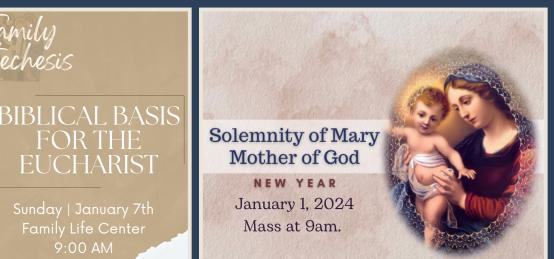
Witness to Love

Congratulations to Logan and Beth Peltier who were recently united in marriage on December 16, 2023. Officiating the ceremony was Deacon Denis LaCroix.



O, COME LET US ADORE HIM

Sign up today for Eucharistic Adoration https://rayne.weadorehim.com/



"This will be the only mass that day. Please note this is **not** a holy day of obligation this year."

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.

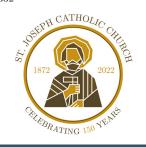


St. John Chrysostom

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

January 2024

Sat. 4pm: Lector - Debra Reed Extraordinary Ministers - Brenda Hooper, Mary Comeaux, Neal Duhon Altar Servers - 4 o'clock Team

Sun. 7am: Lector - Connie Speyrer, Dan Landry Extraordinary Ministers -Connie Leger Lee, Erica Zaunbrecher, Betty Bellard Altar Servers - 7 am Team

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

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

First Friday Mass & Adoration

Adoration Sign Up

Sign up for Adoration rayne.weadorehim.com



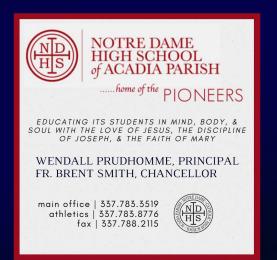
Rayne Catholic Elementary

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 FR. BRENT SMITH, PASTOR

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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!