



# st. Joseph

## Roman Catholic Church

Est. 1872

January 07, 2024

### Epiphany & Baptism of the Lord

#### Pastor

Very Rev. Brent L Smith, VF

#### Parochial Vicar

Rev. Connor Poirrier

#### Deacons

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



#### Connect

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

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#### 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



**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*

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**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 St. Joseph Parish Insurance Fund

St. Joseph Church  
Electronic Offering

**ONLINE**



**OFFERTORY**

SCAN THE CODE TO GIVE



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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:

**Gloria Breaux Sanchez**

## The Pieta Lamp

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

**Ronnie Joseph Lavergne  
Freida Simoneaux**

## Baptisms

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

**There were no baptisms at the time of printing.**

## Weddings

We joyfully share in the Sacramental union of:

**There were no weddings at the time of printing.**

## Dearly Departed

Our faith community remembers in prayer our dearly departed.

**Freida Simoneaux**

## Prayers for the Sick

Carol M. Arceneaux, Patsy Aucoin, Marie Benoit, Obrey "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, Cheryl Fabacher, 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, 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 go and itinerant preaching. 300 lectors will be needed for 20-minute 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.jesuscruified.net](http://www.jesuscruified.net) and Fete-Dieu du Teche on Facebook.

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## ANNULMENT & CONVALIDATION WORKSHOP

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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# Eucharistic Adoration



*Eucharistic Adoration*

SECOND MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH  
FROM 6PM-7PM

**ADORATION SCHEDULE**

**EXPOSITION**  
6:00 PM

**TALK**  
6:05 PM

**CONFESSIONS & ADORATION**  
6:30 PM

**REPOSITION**  
6:50 PM

**SPEAKER: FR. POIRRIER**

If Ministries would like to Sponsor a night of adoration,  
please contact the parish office 337-334-2193

Fr. Poirrier will be giving talks every second Monday of each month. Ministries are needed to sponsor these nights to help spread the word of our St. Joseph Ministry Communities. If you would like to Sponsor a night of adoration, please call the Parish office 337-334-2193.

## MONDAY ADOARATION SCHEDULE 2024



Date	Topic <small>(Ministry to Sponsor)</small>	Monthly Dedication
Jan. 8th at 6pm	Eucharistic Revival <small>Ministry to Sponsor: TBA</small>	The Holy Name of Jesus
Feb. 12th at 6pm	Foundations of the Eucharist <small>Ministry to Sponsor: TBA</small>	The Holy Family
March 11th at 6pm	Eucharist as Presence <small>Ministry to Sponsor: TBA</small>	St. Joseph
April 8th at 6pm	Eucharist as Sacrifice <small>Ministry to Sponsor: TBA</small>	The Blessed Sacrament
May 13th at 6pm	Eucharist as Communion <small>Ministry to Sponsor: TBA</small>	The Blessed Virgin Mary
June 10th at 6pm	The Sacred Heart <small>Ministry to Sponsor: TBA</small>	The Sacred Heart of Jesus
July 8th at 6pm	The Most Chaste Heart <small>Ministry to Sponsor: TBA</small>	The Precious Blood
Aug. 12th at 6pm	The Immaculate Heart <small>Ministry to Sponsor: TBA</small>	The Immaculate Heart of Mary
Sept. 9th at 6pm	7 Sorrows of Mary <small>Ministry to Sponsor: TBA</small>	The Seven Sorrows of Mary
Oct. 14th at 6pm	TBD <small>Ministry to Sponsor: TBA</small>	The Holy Rosary
Nov. 11th at 6pm	4 Last Things <small>Ministry to Sponsor: TBA</small>	The Holy Souls in Purgatory
Dec. 9th at 6pm	TBD <small>Ministry to Sponsor: TBA</small>	The Immaculate Conception

## Witness to Love

Travis Schexnider & Josie Vindeola will be united in Holy Matrimony on April 12, 2024 at Sacred Heart Church in Broussard, with Deacon Denis LaCroix presiding over the wedding. Travis has been a plant operator for the last 3 years, while Josie has worked as an office lead in the dental field. They are current residents of Youngsville and hope to one day build a home near Kaplan. Josie has a 10 year old daughter, Nylah. Travis and Josie are looking forward to growing their family. Their mentor couple is Scotty and Lynn Soileau who have been married for 20 years and have one son.

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




## HEALING MASS

Wednesday January 17th  
Healing Mass at 6pm  
followed by  
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
&  
Prayers over the Sick

Special Guest:  
Fr. Manny



## 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

## 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.*

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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!*