

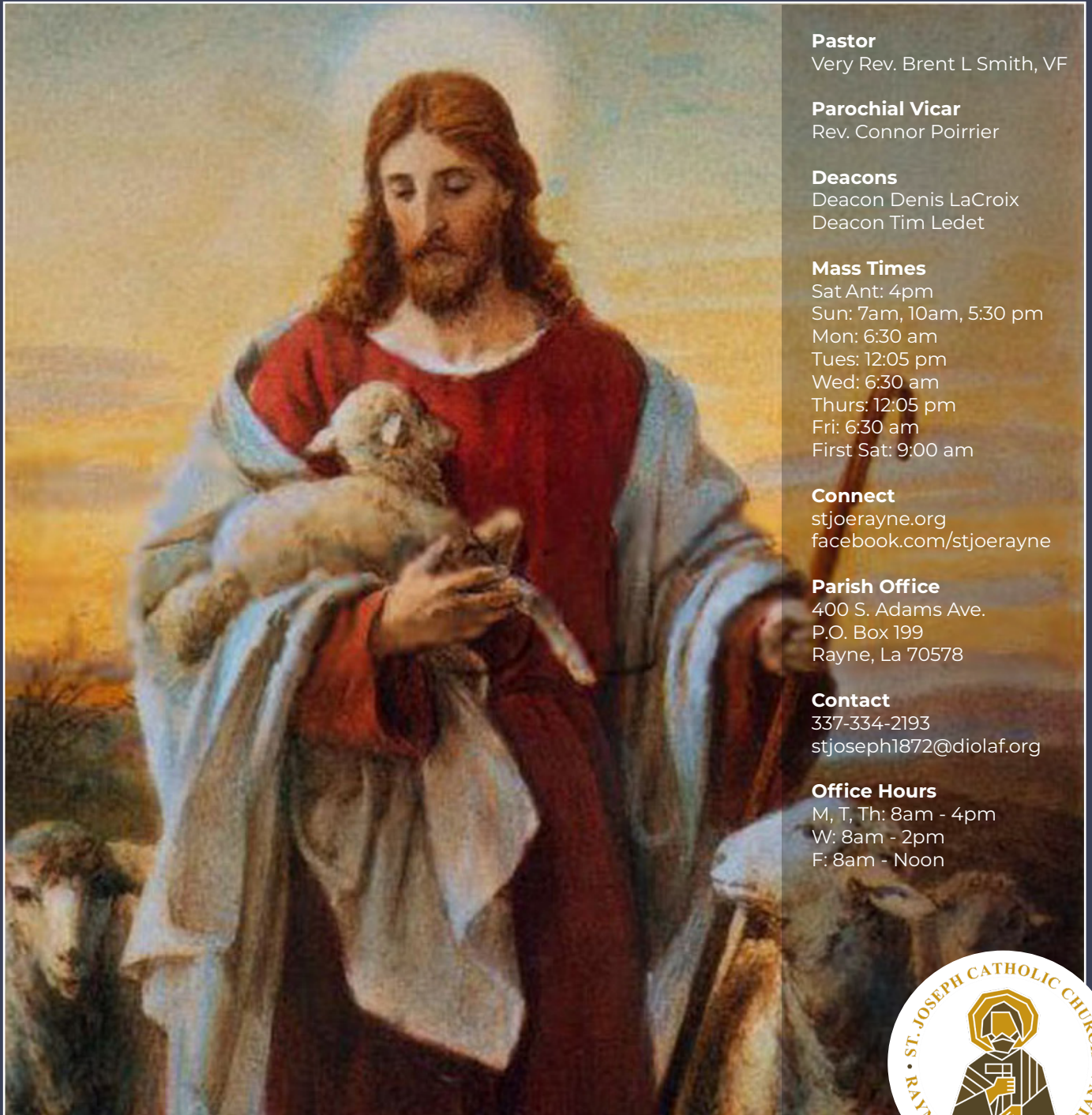
# st. Joseph

## Roman Catholic Church

Est. 1872

**Good Shepherd Sunday**

April 21, 2024



**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







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 FR. BRENT SMITH, PASTOR

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**PASTORAL CARE Service**

In an effort to provide timely pastoral care to our St. Joseph parishioners who are suffering from an extended illness or an extended hospital stay or receiving palliative care, we ask the family to please notify the Parish Office to arrange a visit from our clergy.

**OUR CLERGY:**

- ✓ Very Rev. Brent L. Smith, VF
- ✓ Rev. Connor Poirrier
- ✓ Denis LaCroix – Deacon

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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!

### 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.

### Serve in the Liturgy

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

### Holy Hour Sign Up

Sign up for Adoration  
rayne.weadorehim.com

### 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:

Nathan I. Mouton

### Pieta Lamp

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

Roy & Alton Myers

### Baptisms

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

Jolie Elaine Abshire

### Weddings

We joyfully share in the Sacramental union of:

James Randal Horton & Caroline Ann Stewart

### Dearlly Departed

Our faith community remembers in prayer our dearlly departed.

Nell Comeaux Hardy

### Prayers for the Sick

Patsy Aucoin, Marie Benoit, Obrey "Toboy" Benoit, Jr, Phylis Besse, Ricky Boudreaux, Fr. Allen Breaux, Conrad Breaux, Marie Breaux, Bobby Caldwell, Courtney Comeaux, Kinley Comeaux, Tony Comeaux, Denise Constantin, Gloria Cormier, Rhena V. Cramer, Joseph Mel Daigle, Sherrie David, Phoebe Deshotel, Dolores Deville, Peggy Deville, Cheryl Edwards, Zubaida Elahi, Diego Escandon, Cheryl Fabacher, Joanne Faucheaux, Debra Fusilier, Barbara & Tanya Gaspard, Laura Gautreaux, Laurie Guenther, Keylonna Guidry, Raymond & Deanean Guidry, Monica Harrington, Karen Hebert, Wayne Hebert, Sammy Hernandez, Martha Hodge, Dianne Istre, Albert Johnson, Janelle Kibodeaux, Alex LaCroix, Harper Lancon, Leslie Leger, Dina Lejeune, Noreima Lowenstein, Patsy Meaux, Judy Melancon, Berna Menard, Larry Mire, Loretta Miller, Merita Mouton, Ron Myers, Bonnie Sue Navarre, Kristin Navarre, Dorothy Nelams, Natalie New, Jim Orillion, Mary Alice Petitjean, Deacon Richard Picard, Shirley Quebodeaux, Holden Racca, Madeline Reed, Emmett Richard, Linda Robichaux, Quentin Rowe, Hayden Ruffner, Myrtle Servat, Jeanette Simoneaux, Angela Stelly, Ronald Stutes, Juanette Suire, Veronica Terro, Christina Thevenet, Blaire Boudreaux Thibodeaux, Natalie Alleman Touchet, Chris Van Pelt, Linda Viale, Rebecca "Becca" Vidrine, Fr. Richard Wagner, Josh Wyble

### Weekly Offertory



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Offertory week of 4/7/24 \$13,795.66  
Weekly Budget -\$12,230.00  
Over \$1,565.66



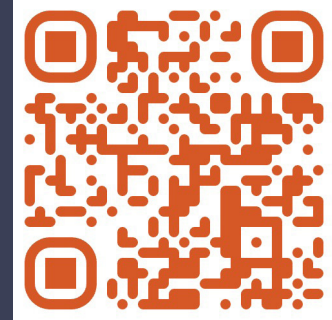


### VBS REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Registration begins on April 21st and will Close on May 10th for all Campers and Volunteers.

*No one will be accepted after May 10th.*

Register online at [stjoerayne.org/vbs](http://stjoerayne.org/vbs)



### Witness To Love

Eric Bedel and Erin Davey will be united in holy matrimony on Saturday June 22, 2024 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church with Deacon Denis LaCroix presiding over the ceremony. The couple has been together for 3 years. Eric graduated from McNeese State University with a Bachelor's degree in Finance. Erin graduated from University of Louisiana at Monroe with a Bachelor's degree in Toxicology. Eric is employed in the accounting department at Rayne Building & Loan in Rayne. Erin is a Lab Technician at The Wright Group in Crowley. The couple plans to reside in Rayne. Their mentor couple is Corey and Mandie Kibodeaux. They have been married for 27 years and have 2 children. 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



### ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Exposition at 6:00 PM*

*on Monday, May 13th*

### MINISTRY SPONSOR:

*St. Joseph Rosary Makers*

Talk by  
Father Poirrier on:

*Eucharist as  
Communion*

St. Joseph



Rosary Makers

Confessions begin at 6:30pm

### Prayer Before Receiving Holy Communion

I believe, O Lord, and I confess that Thou art truly the Christ, the Son of the living God, Who camest into the world to save sinners, of whom I am first. I believe also that this is truly Thine own most pure Body, and that this is truly Thine own precious Blood. Therefore, I pray Thee: have mercy upon me and forgive my transgressions both voluntary and involuntary, of word and of deed, committed in knowledge or in ignorance. And make me worthy to partake without condemnation of Thy most pure Mysteries, for the remission of my sins, and unto life everlasting. Amen. St. John Chrysostom

# PARISH FORMATION

## Baptism

### What is baptism?

A sacrament instituted by Christ to cleanse us from original sin and actual sin, and which makes us children of God and members of His Church.

### When did Jesus Christ institute the sacrament of baptism?

According to common teaching it was when Our Lord Himself was baptized in the Jordan River by St. John the Baptist, later commanding His disciples to baptize.

### Is baptism of very great importance?

Yes. No other sacrament can be received before baptism, it cannot be repeated, and no one can be saved without receiving its sanctifying effects.

### What obligation therefore rests on all parents?

All parents must seek baptism for their children as soon as possible, as it is a serious sin to risk the loss of a child's soul.

### Why can infants be baptized, if they do not have a personal faith?

Infants have been baptized from apostolic times, in view of the supplied faith of the Church, represented by their godparents.

### What are the effects of baptism?

1. It gives sanctifying grace, which regenerates us in Christ Jesus; 2. It gives a new birth in the Holy Spirit, making us adopted children of God the Father; 3. It makes us members of the Church; 4. It washes away all sin; 5. It imparts a sacramental character, indelibly imprinted on the soul.

### Why do defects remain after baptism?

Because our earthly life remains one of pilgrimage on the way to heaven, and these defects are opportunities to obtain greater merit and a higher degree of glory in the next life.

The St. Joseph Pro-Life Ministry -&- St. Joseph Rosary Makers

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**Invite you!**

What: Pro-Life Rosary Workshop  
When: May 4, 9-11am  
Where: the Family Life Center

Scan the QR Code to register!



### Witness To Love

Congratulations to James (Jim) & Caroline Horton on the celebration of their marriage on April 6th, 2024. The celebrant was Caroline's cousin, Deacon John Dugas.







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# revival

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