

st. Joseph

Roman Catholic Church

Est. 1872

5th Sunday of Easter

April 28, 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

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Office Hours

M, T, Th: 8am - 4pm
W: 8am - 2pm
F: 8am - Noon





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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

Weekly Offertory



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Offertory week of 4/14/24 \$12,112.69
Weekly Budget -\$12,230.00
Under Budget -\$117.31

2nd Collection next weekend is for
Building & Maintenance Fund

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:

James H. Comeaux

Pieta Lamp

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

Deceased Knights of
Columbus

Dearly Departed

Jacob Andrew Alleman
Janell McBride Henry
Gloria Broussard Cormier
Phyllis Hoffpauir Besse

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 Fauchaux, 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

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



KINDLY JOIN US FOR A
MOTHER DAUGHTER TEA

SATURDAY, MAY 11
TWO THOUSAND TWENTY FOUR
TWO O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON



PARISH HALL
ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH
RAYNE, LOUISIANA

scan QR code to register
deadline May 4th



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*



Confessions begin at 6:30pm


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



Invite you!



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



Scan the QR Code to register!



Women's ACTS Retreat

We are happy to announce that the JMJ Coalition Women's ACTS Retreat is August 22-25, 2024! The name of our program is The JMJ Coalition ACTS Retreat. This name is a result of Fr. Andrew Schumacher and Fr. Brent Smith teaming up to provide ACTS retreats to parishioners of their parishes: St. John the Evangelist in Mermentau, LA, St. Margaret of Scotland in Estherwood, LA, and St. Joseph's in Rayne, LA.

ACTS is a parish-based retreat in which parishioners serve parishioners. The ACTS Retreat, an acronym for Adoration, Community, Theology and Service, began in the 1980's in San Antonio, Texas. The retreat's goals are to strengthen our faith and its application in our daily life, to renew ourselves spiritually, to build strong, lasting friendships, and to grow in our relationship with our Lord, our parish and one another. The ACTS weekend is presented by lay Catholics, with support provided by a Spiritual Director/companion or clergy. Parishioners who serve on ACTS retreats strive to provide the opportunity for our parish community to experience, become, and share the Body of Christ. Once parishioners attend a JMJ Coalition ACTS Retreat, they can help serve in future retreats. Please consider this wonderful gift for yourself or someone you love.

Are you interested in deepening your faith and finding a community of faith to help support you on your faith journey? If so, consider attending a JMJ Coalition ACTS Retreat. Typically held twice a year for both men and women, the retreats begin Thursday evenings with check-in at 5:15 p.m. Retreatants return on Sunday in time for Mass.


Registration for a retreat opens a few months before it is scheduled to take place, usually at noon on Sundays. Registration remains open until all spots have been filled. Those interested may register online by filling out an application. Registration links will be published in the bulletin, website and/or Facebook.

The cost is \$325.00 per person for St. John, St. Margaret & St. Joseph parishioners and \$375 for anyone that is not a parishioner of one of the JMJ parishes. Payment instructions are given to those who are accepted into the retreat. For more information, call the Parish Office at 337-334-2193.


The JMJ Coalition Women's ACTS Retreat will be held August 22-25, 2024. The retreat begins Thursday evening, August 22nd. Retreatants will return to St. Joseph's in Rayne for Mass on Sunday, August 25, 2024 for Mass at 10:00 am. Registration will open Sunday, April 28, 2024 at 12:00 pm and will remain open until all spots have been filled. You may register online using the QR code below or visiting our website.

WOMEN'S ACTS RETREAT


The JMJ Coalition



ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST - ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND - ST. JOSEPH
CATHOLIC CHURCHES



AUGUST 22-25, 2024



PARISH FORMATION

Anointing of the Sick

What is anointing of the sick?

A sacrament instituted by Christ that bestows spiritual healing and comfort to the sick, and potentially physical strength and healing.

Why is this sacrament called anointing of the sick, or extreme unction?

Because this holy unction, or "anointing" with blessed oil, is made upon the faithful in extreme cases, e.g., dangerous illness or possible death. Different names were used for this sacrament in the first millennium: holy oil, the unction, unction of the sick, the blessing of consecrated oil, unction of God, the office of the unction, etc. Extreme unction became general in the Latin Church from the twelfth century, and after the Council of Vatican II, it has commonly been called anointing of the sick.

Who may be the minister of anointing of the sick?

Only a bishop or a priest can administer this sacrament.

What conditions are necessary for receiving this sacrament validly?

The recipient must: 1. Be a Catholic; 2. Have at least the potential use of reason; 3. Begin to be in some danger from sickness or old age.

Why must the recipient have the use of reason?

Because "the form of this sacrament does not apply to children, since they have not sinned by sight and hearing, as expressed in the form. Therefore this sacrament should not be given to them."

Must we be in immediate danger of death to receive extreme unction?

No, indeed, it would be a serious failure in charity to delay the sacrament until all hope of recovery is lost, or the person is approaching unconsciousness.

How should the recipient conduct himself during this sacrament?

As much as possible, he should unite his intention and sentiments to the prayer of the priest, confidently offering God the sacrifice of his life, if this be His will.

How should we assist a dying person in his last moments?

We should pray with and for him, frequently offer him the crucifix to kiss, excite him to hope in God, suggest pious aspirations, repeat the blessed names of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, and at his last moment, recite the prayers for recommending a departing soul.

What is a suitable prayer for accepting one's death?

O Lord God, with true contrition for having offended You, I accept from Your hands, with faith, hope, and love, this death with all its pains, anguish, and suffering, in reparation for my sins and for love of You and for Your greater glory, through Jesus Christ Our Lord. O Mary, my seat heavenly Mother, St. Joseph, and my dear Guardian Angel be with me, protect me, and accompany me as I come before the face of God. Jesus, Mary, Joseph!

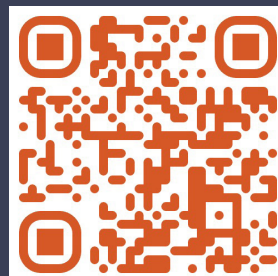


VBS REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

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





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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Pastoral Letter for the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker
(To be read at all masses on the weekend of April 27-28, 2024)

My Dear People of the Diocese of Lafayette,

Wednesday, May 1st, the Church celebrates the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker. It is also designated by resolution, St. Joseph the Worker Day in the State of Louisiana. We look to the example of St. Joseph to remind us that human labor is noble, creative and a means of enriching the lives of others. The human person, given reason and free will by God, imitates the creative power of God, sustains the human life he is given by God, meets the needs of his family and enriches the community he lives in.

In the miracle of the incarnation, God became one of us in the person of Jesus Christ our Savior. He entered our world in the Holy Family under the care and support of St. Joseph His foster father. The Bible tells us that St. Joseph worked as a carpenter providing for the needs of the Holy Family. St. John Paul II reminds us that after Jesus was found by Mary and Joseph in the temple, “He returned with them and came to Nazareth and was obedient to them”. The Pope remarks that it should be understood that Jesus shared in the work of his father and He was known in the Gospels as, “the carpenter’s Son”.

Work is part of God’s plan for the human person. To this end, Pope Pius XII established the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker on May 1, 1955. He wrote, “The humble craftsman of Nazareth not only personifies to God and the Holy Church the dignity of the laborer, but St. Joseph is also always the provident guardian of us and our families.” The Pope saw the danger of unbridled capitalism or atheistic socialism. Both demean the nobility of human labor by reducing human labor to only a servant to company profits or an impersonal servant of the state.

On the feast of St. Joseph the Worker, we are reminded that for the laborer, St. Joseph is a just man, a faithful spouse and father and a hard worker. He cares for his family, he guarded and protected Mary and Jesus, was obedient to God and faithful to his calling. On May 1st, we pray that St. Joseph inspire and pray for all who labor in this life.

Faithfully yours,

Most Reverend J. Douglas Deshotel, D.D.
Bishop of Lafayette

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