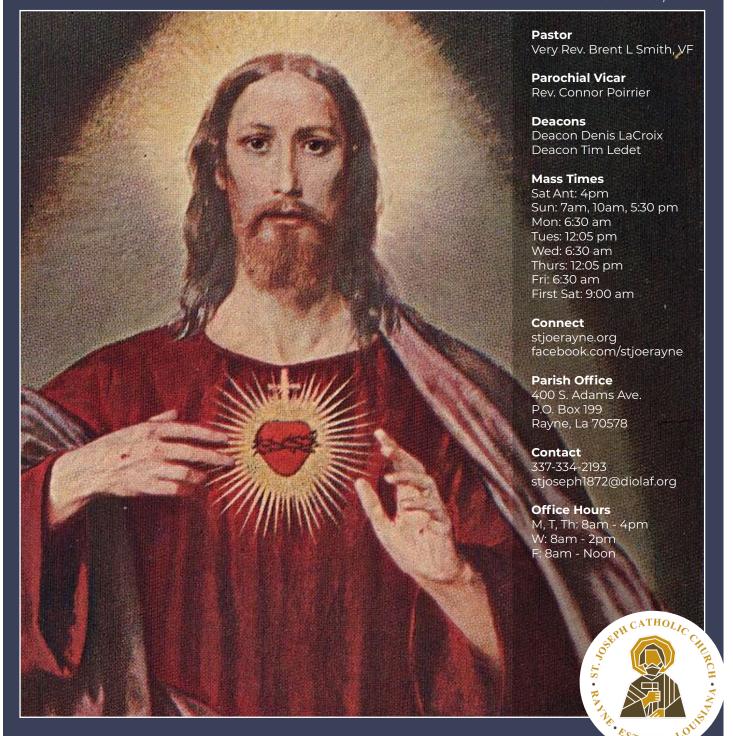
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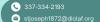
In an effort to provide timely pastoral care to our St. Joseph parishioners who are suffering from an extended illness or an extended hospital stay or receiving palliative care, we ask the family to please notify the Parish Office to arrange a visit from our clergy.



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

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Prayers for the Sick

Patsy Aucoin, Marie Benoit, Obrey "Toboy" Benoit, Jr, Laura Boudreaux. Fr. Allen Breaux. Conrad Breaux, Bobby Caldwell, Courtney Comeaux, Kinley Comeaux, Tony Comeaux, Denise Constantin, Rhena V. Cramer, Joseph Mel Daigle, Sherrie David, Dolores Deville, Peggy Deville, Cheryl Edwards, Zubaida Elahi, Diego Escandon, Cheryl Fabacher, Joanne Faucheaux, Katie Fruge, Debra Fusilier, Barbara & Tanya Gaspard, Judy Gautreaux, 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, Carla Lormond, 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, 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, Josh Wyble

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:

Thurston & Maude Duhon Edward & Willie Leger

Pieta Lamp

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

Buella & Calvin Guidry Wallace Hanks Family

Baptisms

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

Ethan Glenn-Henry Pitre Aria Rose Thibodeaux Chance Aidan Thibodeaux Mackenzie Charlene Louviere

Weddings

We joyfully share in the Sacramental union of:

Luke Thomas Miller & Brayton Ann Hammes

Dearly Departed

Our faith community remembers in prayer our dearly departed.

Isabella Broussard Aucoin Allen Bertrand Lorraine LeBlanc Myers

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

Witness to Love

Congratulations to Luke and Brayton Miller who were united in marriage on May 25, 2024. Officiating the ceremony was Father Brent Smith.



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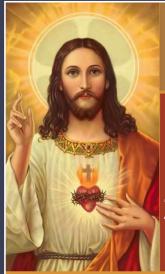
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<u>Fr. Poirrier</u>

Topic:

<u>The Sacred Heart</u> <u>of Jesus</u>

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REFLECTION HOPE AT THE END OF THE STRUGGLE

"Amen, I say to you, there is no one who has given up house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not receive a hundred times more now in this present age . . . with persecutions, and eternal life in the age to come" (Mark 10:29–30). The above words of Christ from Mark's Gospel tie our readings together by reminding us that both trial and hope coexist in this life.

As we read about the Fall of man, we are reminded of the grave sin of Adam and Eve. Their sin ushers in a long age of shame, darkness, and confusion, marked by enmity between mankind and the devil. The dejection resulting from this punishment is expressed by the psalmist, who says, "If you, O Lord, mark iniquities, Lord, who can stand?" (Ps 130:3). The state of sin in which man finds himself bears bitter fruit in the attitude of the scribes toward Jesus, who blaspheme the Holy Spirit by attributing the works of Christ to Satan.

Despite this depravity, our readings are also full of hope. At the end of the account of the Fall, God promises a Savior: "I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike at your head, while you strike at his heel" (Gen 3:15). This has been seen from the beginning of the Church as a veiled reference to the privileged "offspring" of "the woman," Jesus, the son of the New Eve, Mary. He will fight Satan and crush his head. Even in the depths of original sin, we will receive a Savior.

The psalmist, too, does not stop with darkness. "But with you is forgiveness, that you may be revered" (Ps. 130:4). St. Paul, while describing his body as "wasting away," describes his inner self as "being renewed day by day," awaiting "a dwelling not made with hands, eternal in heaven" (2 Cor 4:16; 5:1). And Jesus, despite hatred and rejection, rejoices in the kinship of those who do the will of the Father: "Here are my mother and my brothers" (Mark 3:34).

This complex picture reflects the dramatic journey of the saints toward heaven. In this life, we are corrupted by sin, weakened by the battle between light and darkness, weighed down by our iniquities, tempted to reject the love of God. Even when we sacrifice house, brothers, sisters, and all the rest for Jesus and the Gospel, we are to expect the hundredfold "with persecutions." But at the end of it all is the promise of forgiveness for the contrite of heart, the promise of the victory of Christ over the offspring of the serpent, the promise of an eternal dwelling with Our Lord in heaven.

Bv David Dashiell

PARISH FORMATION The Holy Eucharist

What is the Eucharist?

The sacrament that perpetuates the sacrifice of the Cross, in which Christ's immolated and glorified body and blood are really, truly, and substantially offered, present, contained, and received under the appearances of bread and wine.

Which three realities are signified in the Eucharist?

1. The past sacrifice of the Cross, made present through this sacrament; 2. The present heavenly grace, imparted by this sacrament to nurture and preserve the soul; 3. The future joy and eternal glory, pledged in this sacrament.

What does the word Eucharist mean?

Thanksgiving, because Jesus Christ gives perfect thanks to His Father in this sacrament, and offers us the means to offer pleasing worship to God. It also means good grace, because it contains Jesus Christ, the author and source of all grace.

What great miracle occurs when the priest speaks the words of consecration?

When the priest pronounces these words, Our Lord Jesus Christ becomes instantly, really, truly, personally, and substantially present under the appearances of bread and wine.

How does Holy Scripture attest to the Real Presence?

In addition to many Old Testament preparations and foreshadowings, there are the remarkable accounts of its promise (see Jn 6:47-58), institution (see Mt 26:26-29; Mk 14:22-25; and Lk 22:15-20), and use (see I Cor 11:23-30)— texts that are clear and unequivocal.

How does Tradition bear witness to the Real Presence?

Since the days of the apostles, every Father and Doctor of the Church has held and taught the fact of Our Lord's Real Presence in the Eucharist and its sacrificial character.

Has this dogma also been confirmed by miracles?

Yes. Our Lord has at times made Himself known in this mystery by visible wonders, recorded throughout the world, as when sacred hosts have bled, levitated, been preserved from fire, etc. St. Thomas Aquinas asks: "Can anything be more marvelous than this sacrament?" and adds that the Eucharist is "the greatest of the miracles which Christ ever wrought (miraculorum maximum)"

Excerpts taken from CREDO by Bishop Athanasius Schneider



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When - Sunday June 9th
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Coach Lewis Cook

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