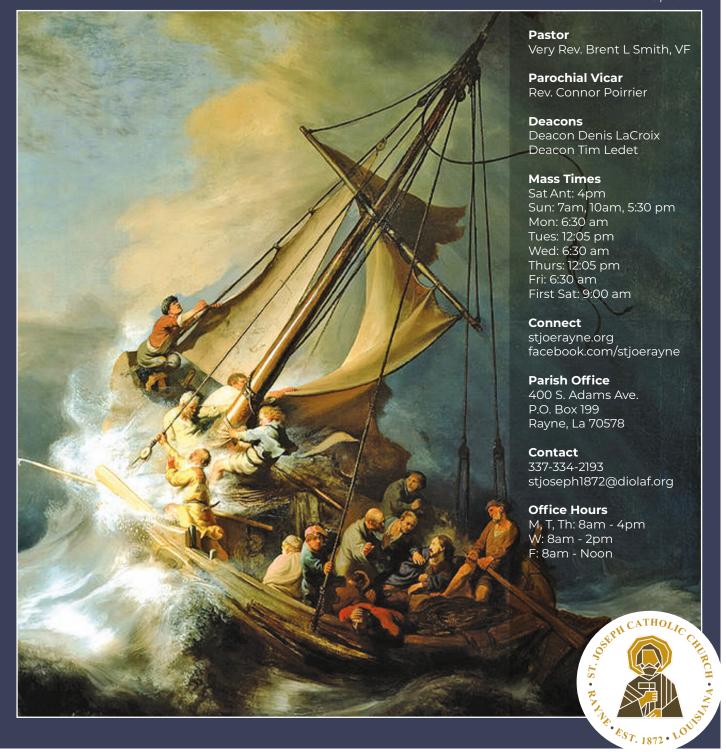
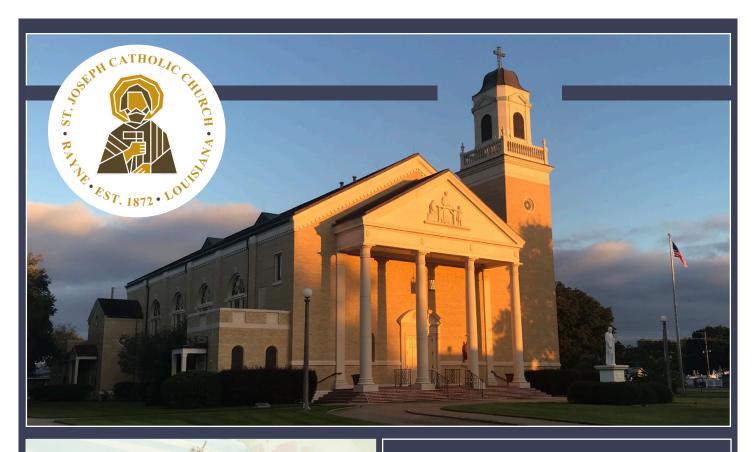
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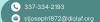
In an effort to provide timely pastoral care to our St. Joseph parishioners who are suffering from an extended illness or an extended hospital stay or receiving palliative care, we ask the family to please notify the Parish Office to arrange a visit from our clergy.



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.

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Weekly Offertory



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Offertory week of 6/9/24 \$11,897.87 Weekly Budget -\$12,230.00 Under Budget -\$332.13

Diocese of Sivagangai \$ 4,860.09

Prayers for the Sick

Patsy Aucoin, Marie Benoit, Obrey "Toboy" Benoit, Jr, Shannon Benoit, Laura Boudreaux, Fr. Allen Breaux, Conrad Breaux, Bobby Caldwell, Courtney Comeaux, Hollie 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, Vinice Matte Jr., 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, Edward Richard, Linda Robichaux, Quentin Rowe, Hayden Ruffner, Myrtle Servat, Jeanette Simoneaux, Angela Stelly, Ronald Stutes, Juanette Suire, Veronica Terro, Christina Thevenet, 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:

Freida Simoneaux A D Foreman Raymond Domingue

Pieta Lamp

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

James H. Comeaux Joni Price Yvonne C. Price

Dearly Departed

Our faith community remembers in prayer our dearly departed.

Ethel Breaux Broussard Mary Alice Stelly

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

Baby Bottle Campaign

St. Joseph will host a PRO-LIFE BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN starting this weekend for the DESORMEAUX FOUNDATION. Donations will be collected from Saturday, July 22nd until Sunday, July 30th to benefit our local pregnancy resource center, maternity home, and mother & baby boutique which provides necessary items for both mothers and children. You may place donations in the plastic baby bottles in the baskets at the back of the church or drop off bottles at the parish office. Please return all baby bottles, so that they may be re-used for future campaigns.



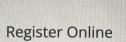
Witness To Love

Congratulations to Alex and Gracie Dupre who were united in marriage on May 31, 2024. Officiating the ceremony was Father Brent Smith & Father John Dugas.

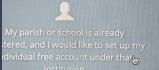


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Recently Completed Projects around the Parish:

Sidewalk Cracks Repaired: \$6400

Stained Glass windows repaired and sealed: \$24,000

Repair rotten church window frames: \$1,056

Landscaping Church Grounds: \$5,000

Replace rectory door: \$1,824

New Covered Trailer purchased: \$6,219

Pressure washing grounds/cemetery: \$2,370

Upcoming projects:

Replace roof at parish office soon: \$8000 Evaluate church roof for possible repair vs replacement "Waterproofing" the church is usually done every 10 years. This will be due in 2027 with usual cost of \$100,000

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Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus Will Calm Your Inner Storm

Today, in the Gospel of Mark, we read that Jesus calmed the storm when He and the apostles were out at sea. We all know this story. Jesus had fallen asleep when a storm began to brew. The apostles, fearing they would capsize and drown, became terrified. So they woke up Jesus and said to Him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" Jesus then calmed the storm and asked them, "Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?"

Jesus didn't ask "Do you not have faith?" He asked, "Do you not yet have faith?" The word yet is an integral part of that question. We could ask the same question to ourselves when we encounter difficulties in life or when we feel sad and alone. These are the times when we may feel like we are perishing. And sometimes we may even feel like God doesn't care.

How many times, out of despair, have we asked Him, "Jesus, where are you?" We allow fear to take over. We allow the outside world to convince us that God doesn't care, that we are not lovable, and that we are all alone. But we are never alone. No matter what we go through in life, Christ is there for us. Christ is there with us. In those times, He could ask us the same question, "Do you not yet have faith?"

So how do we build that trust we should all have in God? We get to know Him. We read stories in the Bible or other religious books. We talk to Him in prayer. We count our blessings. We think about the love we have for our children or the love our parents have for us, and we multiply that love by a thousand.

Our Heavenly Father loves us more than we can even begin to imagine. And that love should calm our inner storm. That love should keep us from giving in to sadness, anxiety, and fear. Yes, we may still feel these emotions, as they are a normal part of being human. But the difference between having faith and not having faith is the ability to acknowledge those feelings, lay them at the foot of the cross, and simply say, "Jesus, I trust you to calm this storm." And then believe that He will.

By Susan Ciancio

