

st. Joseph

Roman Catholic Church

Est. 1872

Lent – 1st Sunday

March 9, 2025



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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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

Office Hours

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





O, COME LET US ADORE HIM

Sign up today for Eucharistic Adoration
<https://rayne.weadorehim.com>

Your generosity contributes to our mission:
 Providing opportunities for others to Encounter Christ, Share His love
 & Become more like Him.

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ONLINE GIVING

To give electronically, use the camera on your phone, hover over the code above and tap the link that pops up.

Rayne Catholic Elementary

Our students will learn together, work together, and pray together in answering the call to a faith-filled life of service.

MRS. ALICIA ARDOIN, PRINCIPAL
 FR. BRENT SMITH, PASTOR

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EDUCATING ITS STUDENTS IN MIND, BODY, & SOUL WITH THE LOVE OF JESUS, THE DISCIPLINE OF JOSEPH, & THE FAITH OF MARY

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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 Landaiache 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 2/23/25 \$ 11,794.68 .
Weekly Budget \$ (12,230.00)
Under Budget \$ (435.32)

Monthly Offertory EFT/Credit Card 26%
Monthly Building & Maintenance \$ 4,020.01

Prayers for the Sick

Connie Credeur Anderson, Melissa Arnaud, Marie Benoit, Obrey "Toboy" Benoit, Jr, Shannon Benoit, Diane Bergeron, Laura Boudreaux, Fr. Allen Breaux, Conrad Breaux, Flo Broussard, Bobby Caldwell, Courtney Comeaux, Kinley Comeaux, Tony Comeaux, Denise Constantin, Joseph Mel Daigle, Emma Lavergne Danna, Scott Daspit, Dolores Deville, Peggy Deville, Harry Dogie, Linda Durio, Diego Escandon, Cheryl Fabacher, Joanne Fauchaux, Linda Credeur Faul, Katie Fruge, Kathy Pellerin Fruge, Debra Fusilier, Barbara & Tanya Gaspard, Judy Gautreaux, Laura Gautreaux, Laurie Guenther, Keylonna Guidry, Raymond & Deanean Guidry, Catherine Meaux Hardy, Monica Harrington, Karen Hebert, Wayne Hebert, Sammy & Dana Hernandez, Martha Hodge, Clyde Hunter, Charlotte Istre, Albert Johson, Janelle Kibodeaux, Alex LaCroix, Harper Lancon, Sandra Lavergne, Dina Lejeune, Garland LeJeune, Carla Lormond, Noreima Lowenstein, Patsy Meaux, Judy Melancon, Mary Melancon, Berna Menard, Loretta Miller, Elaine Myers, Ron Myers, Bonnie Sue Navarre, Kristin Navarre, Dorothy Nelams, Natalie New, Brannon O'Connor, Sandy Parks, Amelia Grace Pellerin, Mary Alice Petitjean, Deacon Richard Picard, Shirley Quebodeaux, Edward Richard, Emmett Richards, Dee Rogers, Glenda Meaux Rogers, Quentin Rowe, Hayden Ruffner, Linton Seaux, Myrtle Servat, Ashley & Kade Siebold, Jeanette Simoneaux, Angela Stelly, Kraig Stutes, Ronald Stutes, Juanette Suire, Veronica Terro, Christina Thevenet, Joel Thevenet, 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:

Lois Myers

Pieta Lamp

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

Bart Guidry

Dearly Departed

Our faith community remembers in prayer our dearly departed.

Ellender Murrell Boudreaux

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



ANNOUNCING
**THE ROSARY
IN A YEAR
PODCAST**



BEGINNING MONDAY, MARCH 24

MONDAY MORNING MASS WILL NO LONGER BE OFFERED

LOCAL CHURCHES THAT OFFER MASS
ON MONDAY INCLUDE:

- ST. MICHAEL-CROWLEY - 12:05PM
- OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART-CHURCH POINT-12:05PM
- STS. PETER & PAUL-SCOTT-12:10PM
- ST. LAWRENCE-MOWATA-5PM
- ST. BENEDICT THE MOOR-DUSON - 6PM



**CALLING ALL
Married Couples**

Interested in being a Mentor Couple for Witness to Love?

MENTOR COUPLES MUST BE:

- 1 Married in the Church 5+ years.
- 2 Actively involved in St. Joseph Parish
- 3 Committed to growing spiritually with an engaged couple for 6 months

For more information, contact aprimeaux@diolaf.org witness to love.org

Witness To Love

Jonah Bruno and Natalie Thomas will be united in Holy Matrimony on April 26, 2025 with Deacon Denis LaCroix presiding over the ceremony. They met in grade school and have been together for 7 years. Jonah is a self employed diesel mechanic and attended college at Lone Star in Texas and Natalie works in the Neonatal ICU at Ochsner Lafayette General Medical Center and attended college at ULL. Their favorite thing to do together is travel. Once married, the couple plans to reside in Duson. Their mentor couple is Dillon and Claire Gatte. They have been married for 7 years and have 2 children, Grace and Jude.

Please join us in praying for their marriage- Heavenly Father, through the intercession of the Holy Family, help this couple to treasure the gift of marriage and bless their family graciously. Lord, inspire in them the unity, peace and the same mutual love that you found in your own family. Amen



**CATHOLIC CHARITIES
OF ACADIANA
1-1-1 FOOD DRIVE
INITIATIVE**

- 1 Church
- St. Joseph Catholic Church
- 1 School
- Rayne Catholic Elementary
- 1 Business
- Cajun Fitness

MARCH 9TH-19th, 2025

Kick-off on March 9th @
Donuts at the Gazebo after
10:00 a.m. Mass

THIS IS AN ITEM SPECIFIC DRIVE
AND THESE ARE THE REQUESTED
ITEMS:

- SPAGHETTI SAUCE - *IN A CAN NOT IN A JAR
- SPAGHETTI NOODLES
- CANNED GREEN BEANS



**3/9
TO
3/19**

Look for the FoodNet
Collection Bins located at St.
Joseph Church, Rayne
Catholic and Cajun Fitness.

NOT ALL OF US CAN DO GREAT THINGS.
BUT WE CAN DO
SMALL THINGS WITH
GREAT LOVE.
-Mother Teresa

ST. JOSEPH ALTAR

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 2025

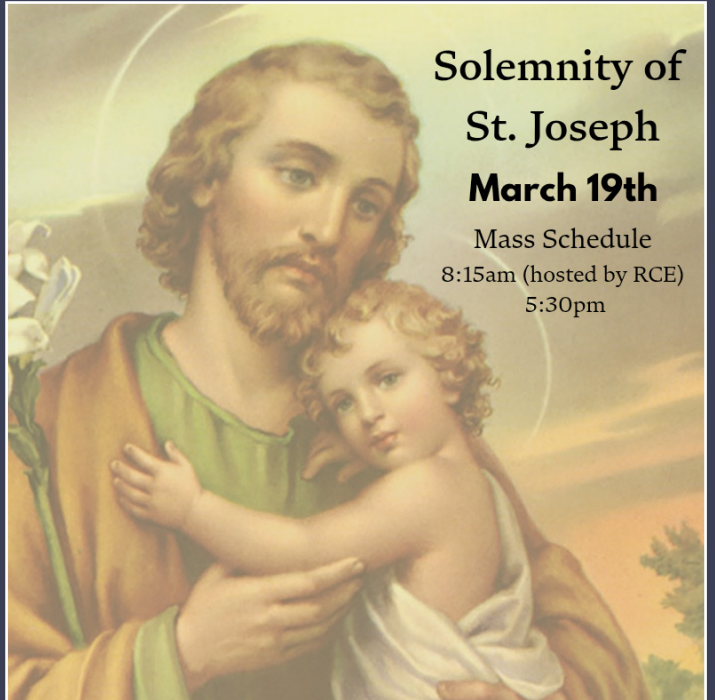
8:00 AM - 6:30 PM

Seven day votive candles available in the St. Joseph Parish Office

Also available in the Family Life Center starting March 18th-19th \$5.00/each

Candles, labeled with the names of your loved ones or special intentions, are blessed and placed on the St. Joseph Altar. After the celebration, you may take them home or leave them to burn in St. Joseph Church.

For more information, contact Jamie Prevost 337-658-3006 or Ellaine Turner 337-258-3658



Solemnity of St. Joseph March 19th

Mass Schedule
8:15am (hosted by RCE)
5:30pm

Lenten Fish Fry

Knights of Columbus, Acadian Council 1897 – Rayne, LA - Join us for the 6th Annual Lenten Fish Fry! Plates are \$12.00 each and include fried catfish, fries, coleslaw, and a King's Hawaiian roll. Dates: March 7th, March 14th, March 21st, March 28th, April 4th, and April 11th. Pre-order your plates each week by calling: Albert Johnson – 337-581-9708 Daniel Simoneaux – 337-581-2306 Richie Colonna – 337-789-1120 Pick-up location: Behind the KC Hall at 300 S. Adams Ave, Rayne Time: Fridays from 5:45 PM until sold out. Extra plates will be available in limited quantities. Don't miss out!



ST. JOSEPH ALTAR

Wednesday, March 19, 2025

8:00am - 6:30pm

Everyone is invited

- 8:15 am: Celebration of the Holy Mass
- 9:00 am: Tupa Tupa Ritual
- 9:15 am: Blessing of the St. Joseph Altar
- 11:00 am - 1:30 pm: Free traditional Italian Meal
- 8:00 am - 6:30 pm: Public visitation of Altar

Your donations are needed.

Please consider donating a pair of cakes, bread, cookies, flowers, fruits or vegetables; either store bought or handmade. Monetary donations are also welcome. Donations can be brought to the Family Life Center on Tuesday, March 18th from 1:00pm-6:00pm

Any religious items you would like displayed & blessed on the Altar can be brought in on Tuesday, March 18th from 1:00pm-6:00pm

For more information:

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Mothers Day Women's Retreat

Join us for a transformative weekend of prayer and reflection with Mary. Together, we'll untangle the wounds and burdens we carry, surrendering them to Jesus. Through shared experiences, we'll discover how to love deeply, following Mary's example of trust and devotion. Allow this time to be a journey of healing and renewal in our spiritual lives.



"Unraveling Our Wounds" through Mary Undoer of Knots

FEATURED PRESENTERS



ANNE TRUFANT
Speaker



FATHER POIRRIER
Celebrant



BEHOLD MUSIC
WORSHIP TEAM

RETREAT HIGHLIGHTS

- Community Prayer
- Inspiring Talks
- Praise and Worship
- Eucharistic Adoration
- Mass & Confession
- and more!



MAY 9-10, 2025

Retreat Cost: \$180.00
Our Lady of the Bayous
Retreat Center, Abbeville LA
Registration Opens
03.01.25 at 7 am

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Questions - BeholdCatholicMinistries@gmail.com

LENTEN MISSION



*A two-night Lenten Mission with
Fr. J. Patrick Hough, SJ
featuring Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction*

Presenting:

"Triumph of Grace over Tribulation"



REV. J. PATRICK HOUGH, SJ
Retreat Director, Jesuit Spirituality Center

NIGHT ONE

MONDAY
March 31st

6 PM - 7 PM

NIGHT TWO

TUESDAY
April 1st

6 PM - 7 PM

Location: St. Joseph Catholic Church

ABIDE
CATHOLIC MINISTRIES
PRESENTS



MARCH 22, 2025
8:00 AM – 5:30 PM

CAJUNDOME CONVENTION CENTER
LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA

WHAT IS RESCUE LIVE? TO PURCHASE TICKETS OR LEARN MORE

A one-day gospel revival where thousands of people come together for a powerful experience including worship, fellowship, and the call to mobilize for mission. Come experience the gospel message with Fr. John Riccardo, worship led by Damascus Worship, and beautiful hospitality.



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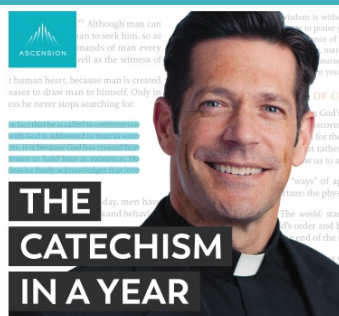


Saint Joseph Catholic Church

WAY OF THE CROSS
EVERY FRIDAY IN LENT



5:30 PM – 6:30 PM



THE CATECHISM IN A YEAR

WITH FR. MIKE SCHMITZ

