

st. Joseph

Roman Catholic Church

Est. 1872

First Sunday of Advent

November 30, 2025



Pastor

Very Rev. Brent L Smith, VF

Deacons

Deacon Denis LaCroix
Deacon Tim Ledet

Mass Times

Sat Ant: 4pm
Sun: 7am, 10am, 5:30 pm
Mon: No Mass
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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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





THE MISSION OF ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH *is to form disciples who come to know, love and experience God in His truth, beauty and goodness, and then share with others what we have come to know.*



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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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
- ✓ Denis LaCroix – Deacon

CONTACT US AT:

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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 11/16/2025 - \$13900.68
Weekly Budget - (\$13076.92)
Over Budget - \$823.76

2nd Collection next weekend is for Building & Maintenance Fund

Prayers for the Sick

Connie Credeur Anderson, Melissa Arnaud, Marie G. Benoit, Obrey "Toboy" Benoit, Jr, Rosa Benoit, Shannon Benoit, Laura Boudreaux, Fr. Allen Breaux, Conrad Breaux, Flo Broussard, Naomi Faul Carriere, Courtney Comeaux, Kinley Comeaux, Tony Comeaux, Gail Crisp, Dolores Deville, Linda Durio, Abigail Leonards Duthu, Tom Ehni, Richard Ellerbe, Cheryl Fabacher, Donald Faulk, Racy Guidry Foreman, Katie Fruge, Kathy Pellerin Fruge, Debra Fusilier, Barbara & Tanya Gaspard, Laura Gautreaux, Lurline Guidry, Raymond, Keylonna, & Denean Guidry, Rose Guidry, Monica Harrington, Karen Hebert, Wayne Hebert, Sammy & Dana Hernandez, Martha Hodge, Janelle Kibodeaux, Harper Lancon, Sandra Laverne, Nanette Simoneaux LeBlanc, Blakely James Leger, Dina Lejeune, Carla Lormond, Noreima Lowenstein, Dianna Meaux Doty, Patsy Meaux, Judy Melancon, Mary Melancon, Berna Menard, Loretta Miller, Patrick Miller, Bonnie Sue Navarre, Brannon O'Connor, Amelia Grace Pellerin, Mary Alice Petitjean, Deacon Richard Picard, Clyde Reed, Clifford Richard, Edward Richard, Emmett Richards, Dee Rogers, Glenda Meaux Rogers, Quentin Rowe, Hayden Ruffner, Theresa Savoie, Courtney Schexneyder, Linton Seaux, Myrtle Servat, Ashley & Kade Siebold, Earline Pastor Spell, Angela Stelly, Gladys Stutes, Ronald Stutes, Juanette Suire, Dylan Terro, Veronica Terro, Christina Thevenet, Joel Thevenet, Rita Trahan, Chris Van Pelt, Rebecca "Becca" Vidrine, Linda Zaunbrecher

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:

Reggie & Jeanette
Simoneaux
Carol M. Smith

Pieta Lamp

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

Keith Anthony Alleman
John Lee Istre, Sr.

Baptisms

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

Rhett Christopher Duhon
Axel Paul Johnson

Dearly Departed

Our faith community remembers in prayer our dearly departed.

Helena Rochester Mouton
Ruth Ann Leger
Joseph Mel Daigle
Della Stelly Alleman
Kraig John Stutes

Bishop Service Appeal

As of October 31, 2025

Goal - \$46269.00
Total Collected - \$46019.00
Under Goal of (\$250.00)
% of Goal 99%

Thank of you for your continued support

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



Solemnity
of the
Immaculate Conception
Holy Day of Obligation

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**Monday
December 8th**

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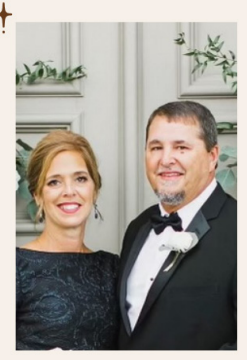
Mass Times
12:05pm
5:30pm

The Holy Day obligation may be fulfilled by attending Mass on Sunday, Dec. 7th at 5:30pm
IF ONE ATTENDS ANOTHER MASS TO SATISFY THE SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION

FAMILY CATECHESIS GUEST SPEAKERS

Navigating Through A Sacramental Marriage

DECEMBER 7
9:00-9:45AM
RCE GYM



DREW & RACHAEL DAVID

childcare provided
all parishioners are invited

MEN'S ACTS RETREAT

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FEBRUARY 19-22, 2026

ACTS



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DECEMBER 2, 2025

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



Bambinelli Sunday
Sunday, December 14th - 10am Mass



Children are invited to bring the baby Jesus from your nativity set with you to Mass for a special blessing from Father Brent!

Belltower Project
COMPLETED

Final Cost:
\$22,723

**FULLY FUNDED
AND PAID OFF
THROUGH
DONATIONS!**

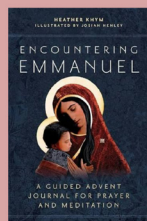


THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!



Encountering Emmanuel

Heather Khym



Journey through Advent with this beautiful guide to experiencing God's presence in the waiting.

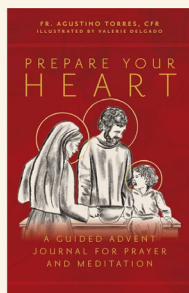
Fridays at 8:30 a.m.
December 5, 12, & 19

• Ginger and Ivy Beauty Parlor
226 N. Parkerson, Crowley

To join, contact Hannah Fulgium
337-581-6451

Prepare Your Heart

Fr. Agustino Torres



Start your Saturdays in Advent with prayer, reflection, and community as we ready our hearts to welcome Christ anew.

Saturday mornings at 8:00 a.m.

November 29 – December 20

Contact Danielle Duhon & Claudette Boudreaux
to learn more and sign up!
cssmith2011@gmail.com

UPDATED! TAKE ANOTHER LOOK

Rejoice!

Fr. Mark Touns



Come and journey together with Mary as we walk closer and closer in preparing for the person of Jesus.

3-week series • December 2, 9, & 16

At the home of Cheryl Guidry – Rayne

Two group options:

- Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m.
- Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.

Call or text Cheryl at 337-298-6519 to join a group

Reading and journaling material will be provided

Pursuing Truth, Beauty and Goodness

God's love certainly unites us!

This is evident in the parish response to our recent annual stewardship outreach. THANK YOU! I am humbled and grateful for your commitment to St. Joseph Catholic Church, especially during challenging times. Through your commitment, our parish remains vibrant, engaged and Christ-centered in the Eucharist and in serving one another.

God's work is never done! Your prayerful response both materially and spiritually is setting the groundwork for a path forward as we plan for the future of our parish and continuation of critical ministries and service programs. St. Joseph Catholic Church continues to grow as a strong, faith-filled stewardship community because of parishioners like you!

Thank you for your generosity, prayers, and commitment to St. Joseph's!

In Christ,

Fr. Brent Smith

Very Rev. Brent Smith, VF

NOTE OF GRATITUDE



SAINT JOSEPH
CATHOLIC PARISH



Highlights

\$80,451
in additional offertory
commitments
(contributions not
yet realized)

\$34,535
committed in
one-time gifts

33%
response rate
from those actively
supporting the parish

36
new families
welcomed into our
parish community

20
additional electronic
giving participants

If you have not yet renewed your commitment to our parish, please return your commitment card within the next few weeks. We are looking for 100% participation from our parish families! Each response makes a huge impact!

We Invite You To:

Our Mission

Joyfully worship and make the Eucharist our core and Summit

- Attend Mass
- Attend Adoration
- Actively participate in the Liturgy
- Pray with others

Our Community

Develop and grow a personal relationship with Christ

- Through scripture and Bible study
- Celebrate the Sacraments
- Join a book study, small group, or class
- Pray to find Christ in everything and to grow in faith

Our Witness

God asks us to share our gifts for the good of others

- Join a parish ministry
- Volunteer to charitable causes
- Practice corporal works of mercy
- Give in faithful response as a generous steward

St. Mike's and St. Joe's

JR. HIGH FALL YOUTH NIGHTS

- **DECEMBER 3 @ ST. JOE'S**
 - MARY, STAR OF HOPE
- **DECEMBER 29 @ ST. MIKE'S**
 - CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA
- **JANUARY 7 @ ST. JOE'S**
 - HOW CAN I KNOW RIGHT FROM WRONG?
- **JANUARY 26 @ ST. MIKE'S**
 - IS ANYONE REALLY BAD?
- **FEBRUARY 4 @ ST. JOE'S**
 - WHY DO I NEED A SAVIOR?
- **FEBRUARY 23 @ ST. MIKE'S**
 - WHAT IF I NEED FORGIVENESS?

5-6:30 p.m.

St. Mike's & St. Joe's

HIGH SCHOOL FALL YOUTH NIGHTS

- **DECEMBER 7 @ ST. MIKE'S (6:00)**
 - LIVING A MORAL LIFE/ HOLINESS/ SAINTHOOD
- **DECEMBER 21 @ ST. JOE'S (6:30)**
 - HOPEFUL ANTICIPATION
- **JANUARY 4 @ ST. MIKE'S (6:00)**
 - LOS POSADAS
- **JANUARY 18 @ ST. JOE'S (6:30)**
 - THE EVIDENCE: PROOFS OF THE RESURRECTION
- **FEBRUARY 1 @ ST. MIKE'S (6:00)**
 - FAITH LEADS TO HOPE
- **FEBRUARY 15TH @ ST. JOE'S (6:30)**
 - HOPE VS. DESPAIR

ST JOSEPH MARIAN PROCESSION



Commemorating the Solemnity of
The Immaculate Conception

Sunday, December 7
immediately following 10am Mass

CHRISTMAS

MASS
SCHEDULE

DECEMBER 24 CHRISTMAS EVE	4PM 6PM (HOSTED BY RCE)
DECEMBER 25 CHRISTMAS DAY	MIDNIGHT 8AM

The Light is ON  for You.
Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation

CONFESSION AVAILABLE

WEDNESDAYS 6:30-8:00PM
December 3th
December 10th
December 17th



FIRST SATURDAY MASS

06 9 AM
DECEMBER

Christmas Flower Donation

In Memory of: _____

Donated by: _____

Amount: _____ Phone: _____

*Thank You and may the Lord Bless you and yours during
this Christmas Season and throughout the coming year.*

Please return this form with your donation to the parish office
or place it in the collection basket by **December 14th.**

