

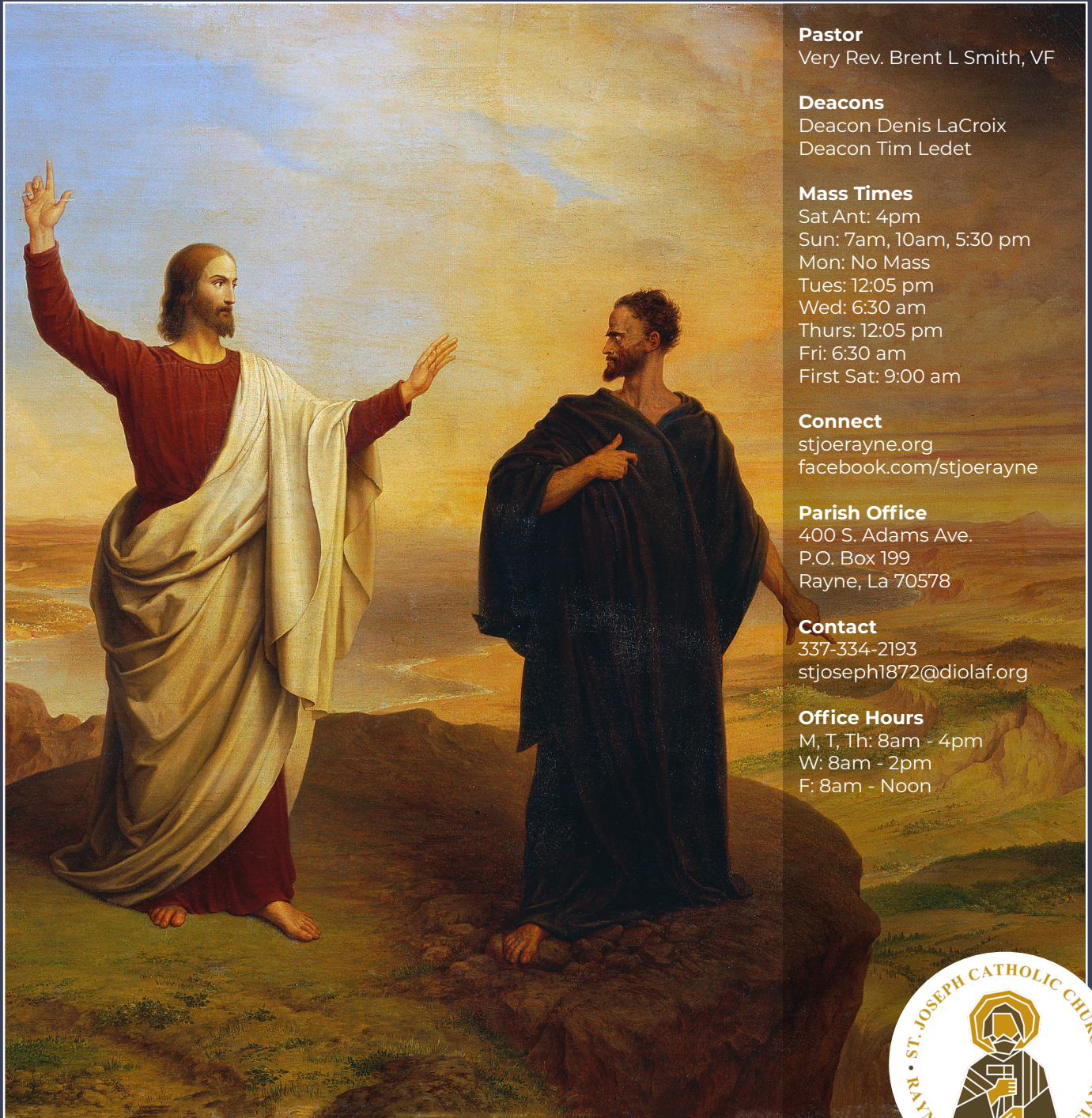
st. Joseph

Roman Catholic Church

Est. 1872

First Sunday of Lent

February 22nd, 2026



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.

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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

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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



Offertory week of 02/09/26 - \$10497.38
Weekly Budget - (\$13076.92)
Under Budget - (\$2579.54)



2nd Collection next weekend is for Building & Maintenance Fund

GO TO CONFESSION!

Prayers for the Sick

Connie Credeur Anderson, Melissa Arnaud, Obrey, Jr. & Marie G. Benoit, Laura Boudreaux, Fr. Allen Breaux, Conrad Breaux, Flo Broussard, Shirley Cambre, Naomi Faul Carriere, Courtney Comeaux, Kinley Comeaux, Tony Comeaux, Gail Crisp, Dolores Deville, Blakley James Dogua, Stacy Dogua, Linda Durio, Abigail Leonards Duthu, Richard Ellerbe, Cheryl Fabacher, Donald Faulk, Racy Guidry Foreman, Katie Fruge, Barbara & Tanya Gaspard, Lurline Guidry, Raymond, Keylonna, & Denean Guidry, Rose Guidry, Monica Harrington, Karen Hebert, Martha Hodge, Curtis Janice, Janelle Kibodeaux, Harper Lancon, Sandra Lavergne, Nanette Simoneaux LeBlanc, Patsy Meaux, Judy Melancon, Berna Menard, Loretta Miller, Patrick Miller, Ronnie Myers, Martha Pierret, 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, Lula St. Germain, Ronald Stutes, Juanette Suire, Veronica Terro, Lorena Troclair, Chris Van Pelt, Rebecca "Becca" Vidrine, Linda Zaunbrecher

Bishop's Services Appeal

BSA Goal - \$46,269.00
Total Collected as of 12/31/25
106% of Goal \$49,240.00

Thank all 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

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:

Andrew Habetz, Jr.

Pieta Lamp

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

Thurston & Maude Duhon
Myron Joseph Meche
Gabe Alleman

Dearly Departed

Our faith community remembers in prayer our dearly departed.

Otis Joseph Romero III
Antoinette Marie Doucet
Rosa Mae Benoit

In an effort to grow the connection between St. Joseph's community of adorers and all parishioners, a prayer intention box has been placed at the adoration chapel entrance door. Please feel free to write your petitions and place them in the box. Supplies are provided in the table drawer for your convenience.



Lenten Healing Service

featuring

Fr. Manny

Friday, March 27



Way of the Cross • 5:30 PM



Healing Service with Adoration
& Confessions • 6:00 PM

Friday, March 27th

*Out of care and respect, the first three pews will be reserved
for the seriously ill and elderly.*

St. Mike's & St. Joe's HIGH SCHOOL WINTER YOUTH NIGHTS

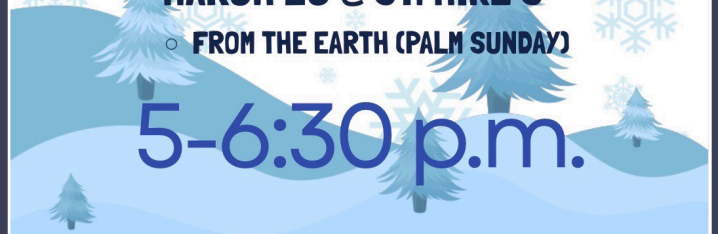
- **FEBRUARY 1 @ ST. JOE'S (6:30)**
 - CREDIBLE WITNESS
- **FEBRUARY 15 @ ST. MIKE'S (6:00)**
 - FIRSTHAND
- **MARCH 1 @ ST. JOE'S (6:30)**
 - SEE FOR YOURSELF
- **MARCH 15 @ ST. MIKE'S (6:00)**
 - THE SEARCH SERIES BEGINS



St. Mike's and St. Joe's JR. HIGH WINTER YOUTH NIGHTS

- **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?
- **MARCH 2 @ ST. JOE'S**
 - DESERT-ED (LENT)
- **MARCH 25 @ ST. MIKE'S**
 - FROM THE EARTH (PALM SUNDAY)

5-6:30 p.m.



The World's Greatest Mystery

Exploring the Shroud of Turin



St. Joseph Catholic Church

Monday, March 2nd | 6pm

Presented by Noted Shroud Expert: Dr. Cheryl White

Lenten Mission

Cheryl H. White, Ph.D. is a professor of history at Louisiana State University at Shreveport and a nationally recognized scholar of the Shroud of Turin. She serves on the board of the Shroud of Turin Education and Research Association (STERA) and has conducted original research in the Vatican Secret Archives on the history of the Shroud. Dr. White has presented on the Shroud of Turin at World Youth Day in Lisbon, the National Eucharistic Congress, and at churches and conferences across the United States and internationally. She has served as historical consultant for the Shroud of Turin exhibit at the Museum of the Bible and appears in documentaries and media programs exploring the Shroud. More information can be found on the website: shroudstudiesproject.org



Welcome!

**BRANT BROUSSARD
ORGANIST**

Brant Broussard is a 14-year-old musician who began piano lessons in 2016 and immediately demonstrated a strong passion for music. Over the years, he has continued to develop his skills and musical understanding through consistent study and practice.

In 2023, Brant began studying organ at St. Pius X Catholic Church, where he started filling in on select hymns and several full masses. He has also had the opportunity to substitute for masses at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, further expanding his experience as a young church musician.

Brant's growing involvement in liturgical music reflects both his dedication to his studies and his enthusiasm for serving the Church through music.



Saint Joseph Catholic Church

WAY OF THE CROSS

EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT



5:30pm - 6:30pm



ST. JOSEPH ALTAR

Thursday, March 19, 2026

8:00am - 4:00pm

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 - 4:00 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 Wednesday, March 18th from 12:00pm - 5:00pm

Any religious items you would like displayed & blessed on the Altar can be brought in on Wednesday, March 18th from 12:00pm - 5:00pm

For more information:

Jamie Prevost 337-658-3006 or Ellaine Turner 337-258-3658

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

2026 Irene M. Petitjean Memorial Scholarships

CDA Court Rayne 844 is now accepting applications for the 2026 Irene M. Petitjean Memorial Scholarships. Applications can be obtained by calling the Scholarship Chairperson, Ellaine Turner (337) 258-3658, or by downloading from Court Rayne's website: <https://sites.google.com/view/cda-rayne-844>. Deadline to receive applications is 03/25/26 at 5pm.



Go to CDA Court Rayne Website

See application for submission requirements.



Consecration to St. Joseph Meeting Dates:

Sunday, February 15th, 4-5:30 pm

Saturday February 21st, 28th, 8-9:30 am

Saturday March 7th, 17th, 8-9:30 am

Consecration Day: Thursday, March 19th, TBD

Leaders: Allison Gray and Chasity Cahanin

Book required: Consecration to St. Joseph by

Donald H. Calloway, MIC

Available online and at Acadiana Religious

This consecration can be completed individually or as a group. If you cannot make every group meeting it's ok, you can still complete the consecration. It does require a 33 day commitment on specific dates. We have chosen February 15th – March 19th so the consecration date coincides with the Feast of St. Joseph, our patron saint. Contact Allison at 581-2648 or Chasity at 344-1176 if you would like more information.

Why Are ALTAR RAILS

Used in a Catholic Church?

Reverence & Humility

Encourages kneeling in prayer before the Eucharist.

Sacred Space

Distinguishes the Sanctuary from the rest of the church.

Focus on the Holy

Draws attention to the Divine Mystery

Tradition & Devotion

Emphasizes the Church's tradition and respect for the Eucharist.

Tradition & Devotion