

# st. Joseph

## Roman Catholic Church

Est. 1872

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 15th, 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

**Connect**

[stjoerayne.org](http://stjoerayne.org)  
[facebook.com/stjoerayne](https://facebook.com/stjoerayne)

**Parish Office**

400 S. Adams Ave.  
P.O. Box 199  
Rayne, La 70578

**Contact**

337-334-2193  
[stjoseph1872@diolaf.org](mailto: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  
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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](http://rayne.weadorehim.com)

## Weekly Offertory



Weekly Offertory week of 03/02/2026 - \$20548.39  
Weekly Budget - (\$13076.92)  
Over Budget - \$7471.47

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# GO TO CONFESSION!

## Prayers for the Sick

Jackie Meche Arceneaux, Melissa Arnaud, Obrey, Jr. & Marie G. Benoit, Shannon Benoit, Laura Boudreaux, Lauren Boulet, Fr. Allen Breaux, Conrad Breaux, Flo Broussard, Shirley Cambre, Courtney Comeaux, Kinley Comeaux, Tony Comeaux, Gail Crisp, Dolores Deville, Blakley James Dogua, Stacy Dogua, Linda Durio, Abigail Leonards Duthu, Richard Ellerbe, David Faul, Donald Faulk, Racy Guidry Foreman, Katie Fruge, Barbara & Tanya Gaspard, Lurline Guidry, Rose Guidry, Monica Harrington, Karen Hebert, Curtis Janice, Janelle Kibodeaux, Harper Lancon, Sandra Lavergne, Nanette Simoneaux LeBlanc, Carla Lormond, Patsy Meaux, Judy Melancon, Mary 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 Trosclair, Chris Van Pelt, Rebecca "Becca" Vidrine, Linda Zaunbrecher

*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.*

## 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:

Sandra L. Bush  
Theunissen & Meyer  
Families  
Lydia Pellissier

## Pieta Lamp

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

Deceased Catholic  
Daughters

## Baptisms

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

Audrey Catherine Valdetero

## Dearly Departed

Our faith community remembers in prayer our dearly departed.

Hubert Ray Robichaux  
Shirley Day Domingue  
Curley Joseph Sonnier  
Cheryl Fabacher

# Help Stock our Parish Pantry during the St. Joseph Altar Celebration

SPECIFIC ITEMS REQUESTED:

- PROTEIN SHAKES
- SPAM
- VIENNA SAUSAGE
- CANNED/READY-TO-EAT CHICKEN & TUNA
- CRACKERS
- PEANUT BUTTER
- OREOS
- RAMEN
- BOXED DRIED PASTA
- MINUTE RICE
- BABY WIPES



MANY OF THOSE COMING TO US SEEKING ASSISTANCE HAVE LIMITED ACCESS TO COOKING RESOURCES SO WE ARE REQUESTING ITEMS THAT CAN BE OPENED WITHOUT CAN OPENERS AND THAT ARE READY TO EAT OR REQUIRE VERY LITTLE PREPARATION. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!



## 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.*



SPONSORED BY: ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH IN RAYNE

Grades K-5th  
*All Children Welcome*

# Children's Lenten Retreat

- PRAYER
- LENTE DISCUSSION
- STATIONS OF THE CROSS
- CRAFTS
- SINGING
- DANCING
- SNACKS

SATURDAY, MARCH 28TH  
9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.  
RAYNE CATHOLIC GYM

\$5 DONATION APPRECIATED  
Venmo St. Joseph Church  
(Note: "Children's Lenten Retreat")



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PLEASE USE QR CODE TO REGISTER BY MARCH 25TH



Sponsored by CDA Court Rayne #844

# JOIN JCDA

Girls 6-18  
JUNIOR CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

- ✝ Grow in Faith
- 🎨 Be Creative
- ❤️ Serve Others
- 😊 Build Friendships

**Interested?**  
Let us know, scan the code.  
Questions? Contact [jcda.cda844@gmail.com](mailto:jcda.cda844@gmail.com)

JCDA Interest Form

**INFORMATIONAL MEETING**  
Sunday, March 22 @ 3pm  
St. Joseph Family Life Center  
(Directly Across from Church)  
406 S. Adams Ave  
Rayne, LA 70578  
Guest Speaker:  
LA State JCDA Chairperson Adrienne Saucier

Parents and prospective members welcome!  
Membership applications available at the meeting.

*Light refreshments will be served.*



Saint Joseph Catholic Church

# WAY OF THE CROSS

EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT



5:30pm - 6:30pm

# Our Altar Rail Project is moving forward!



ST. JOSEPH CURRENTLY HAS 9 COLUMNS BUT WE NEED MORE! CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE IF YOU HAVE ANY TO DONATE!

Help us by donating any marble columns from the old altar rail for the construction of the new rail.

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

- MARCH 15 @ ST. MIKE'S (6:00)
- THE SEARCH SERIES BEGINS

## St. Mike's and St. Joe's

### JR. HIGH WINTER YOUTH NIGHTS

• MARCH 25 @ ST. MIKE'S

○ FROM THE EARTH (PALM SUNDAY)

5-6:30 p.m.

**REGISTRATION OPEN!**



**STEUBENVILLE SOUTH 2026**

**JUNE 26-28, 2026**

**COST: \$100**

**REGISTER NOW: >**

**STJOERAYNE.ORG/STEUBENVILLE**

"For the battle belongs to the Lord...    
1 Samuel 17:47

SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

## Catholic Vitality Master Plan



## BE THE FIRST TO KNOW

about improvements being considered to our Church, Family Life Center, Youth Hall and RCE.

Attend one of the following presentations:

Wednesday, March 18th - RCE Gym-6pm

Tuesday, March 24th-Family Life Center-6pm.



## 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.

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## 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.



## Discover the joy of the priesthood.

*Have you thought about the priesthood lately? Wish to learn how to discern God's Will for your life?*

Join other men ages 16+ for a weekend of prayer and fellowship with the seminarians of Saint Joseph Seminary College ("St. Ben's") in Saint Benedict, LA!

Friday, March 27 - Sunday, March 29

- Men ages 16+
- Meals & Lodging Provided
- Prayer & Fellowship

Visit our website for registration and retreat forms.



LAFAYETTE VOCATIONS

[www.lafayettevocations.com/retreats](http://www.lafayettevocations.com/retreats)

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ACADIAN COUNCIL 1897

7th ANNUAL

# LENTEN FISH & SHRIMP FRY

\$14.00 / PLATE

PLATE INCLUDES:

FRIED CATFISH & SHRIMP, FRIES, COLE SLAW, KING'S HAWAIIAN ROLL

DATES:

February 20<sup>th</sup> • February 27<sup>th</sup>  
March 6<sup>th</sup> • March 13<sup>th</sup>  
March 20<sup>th</sup> • March 27<sup>th</sup>



PRE ORDER EACH WEEK

BY CALLING OR TEXTING:

ALBERT JOHNSON 337-581-9708

DANIEL SIMONEAUX 337-581-2306

RICHIE COLONNA 337-789-1120

PICK UP EACH FRIDAY BEHIND THE KC HALL

BETWEEN 5:45 PM UNTIL SOLD OUT

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EXTRA PLATES AVAILABLE WITH LIMITED QUANTITIES