

st. Joseph

Roman Catholic Church

Est. 1872

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 6th, 2026



Pastor

Very Rev. Brent L Smith, VF

Parochial Vicar

Rev. Bret Lee

Deacons

Deacon Denis LaCroix
Deacon Barry LeBlanc
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





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. SHELBY FUSELIER, PRINCIPAL
FATHER 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



17,963.53 Total
(13,076.92) Weekly Budget
4,886.61 Over

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2nd Collection next weekend is for St. Joseph Parish Insurance Fund

GO TO CONFESSION!

Prayers for the Sick

Jackie Meche Arceneaux, Katherine Arceneaux, Melissa Arnaud, Marie G. Benoit, Shannon Benoit, Laura Boudreaux, Lauren Boulet, Fr. Allen Breaux, Flo Broussard, Shirley Cambre, Allison & Kinley Comeaux, Chasty Comeaux & Family, Courtney Comeaux, Tony Comeaux, Gail Crisp, Dolores Deville, Blakley James Dogua, Stacy Dogua, Abigail Leonards Duthu, Richard Ellerbe, David Faul, Donald Faulk, Racy Guidry Foreman, Bobby Foret, Katie Fruge, Barbara & Tanya Gaspard, Lurline Guidry, Rose Guidry, Jim & Monica Harrington, Karen Hebert, Wayne Hebert, Janelle Kibodeaux, Luke Kibodeaux, Harper Lancon, Mary Langley, Sandra Lavergne, Monica LeBlanc, Nanette Simoneaux LeBlanc, Kaely Leckelt, Carla Lormond, Patsy Meaux, Judy Melancon, Berna Menard, Kay Michaud, 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, Michelle Soileau, Earline Pastor Spell, Lula St. Germain, Ronald Stutes, Juanette Suire, Veronica Terro, Dexter Theunissen, Aline Thibodeaux, Jeremy Trahan, Lorena Trosclair, 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:

Freida D. Simoneaux
Gerald "Gabe" Alleman
Toboy Benoit

Pieta Lamp

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

Thelma Alleman

Baptisms

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

Thomas Edward Simon

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



Babyberries is Back!

Bring your little ones on Friday
mornings for Jesus and FUN!

📍 **Family Life Center**
🕒 **9:00-9:45am**

SINGING
DANCING
STORIES
SCRIPTURE
CRAFTS
SNACKS

Questions? Email josette@stjoerayne.org

2026-2027 Schedule

October 2 nd · 9 th · 23 rd	January 8 th · 15 th · 22 nd · 29 th
November 6 th · 13 th · 20 th	February 5 th · 19 th · 26 th
December 4 th · 11 th · 18 th	March 5 th · 12 th
April 2 nd · 9 th · 16 th · 23 rd · 30 th	



PLEASE USE
QR CODE TO
REGISTER



TMIY! (That Man Is You!)

is a great program that meets you right where you are, no matter where you are, and takes you further towards becoming the man you want to be with Jesus.

Come join other men becoming better men.
All men are welcome. You will be glad you did.

Tuesday mornings 5:00-6:30am
Family Life Center

Sign up by using the QR Code or click
<https://programs.paradisusdei.org/join/812138>

begins September 8



LADIES SMALL GROUP STUDY
SATURDAY MORNINGS
OCTOBER 3 THROUGH NOVEMBER 21ST
FAMILY LIFE CENTER 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM



Lectio: Mary with Dr. Brant Pitre

In this study group we will watch and discuss an 8-part video series where Dr. Brandt Pitre examines what the Old and New Testaments, the life of Christ, and the early Church fathers reveal about the life and identity of Mary.

Contact Allison Gray at 337-581-2648 to sign up and for instructions for obtaining the study guide.



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Alexandria is sponsoring a

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WEEKEND!**

Offering hope
to those
grieving the
loss of a
marriage



FOR
MEN
AND
WOMEN
WHO ARE
SEPARATED,
DIVORCED,
OR
WIDOWED

📅 Date From/To: September 25-27, 2026
📍 Location Address: 600 Mary Hill Road, Pineville LA 71360
👤 BE Contact Person : Anna Sweat
📞 Phone # 318-452-2678
✉️ BE Email Address: asweat7@aol.com

Pre-Registration is Required

Diocese of Lafayette
PARISH CENSUS



- ✦ Every Family
- ✦ Every Generation
- ✦ Every Household

Participate in the
Parish Census.



Depot Square Rosary Rally

Dear Parishioners: Please join us at a public rosary rally taking place at 12 noon, Saturday, Oct. 11. We will meet at the Rayne Depot Square and will pray for the repentance and conversion of our great nation, asking God to save America through the rosary of His Most Holy Mother. RSVP by emailing cindyorillion@cox.net or Hwiltz@live.com. Please consider volunteering to help us make this rosary rally a success.



The
Rosary Rally
Come Pray with us...

VERITAS CATHOLIC TEEN CONFERENCE

"Do not lag in zeal..."
Romans 12:11

"ZEAL FOR THE TRUTH"

Mass with Bishop Douglas Deshotel | Two Keynote Speakers | One Breakout Session | Lunch Provided

Watch Video
How To Register
with QR



SCAN HERE

WHEN: Saturday, September 26, 2026

TIME: 8:00AM - 3:30PM

WHO: High School Students

WHERE: Fusilier Auditorium Chancery
1408 Carmel Dr.
Lafayette, LA 70501

COST: \$20 for individuals;
Contact the Diocese for families
of 3 or more children

REGISTRATION DEADLINE:
Friday, September 11, 2026 at 4:30 PM

Registration is Required

Space is limited to 200 high school teens.

"For we cannot do anything against the
truth, but only for the truth." — 2 Cor 13:8

Contact: Catholic Diocese of Lafayette
Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry

kmelancon@diolaf.org
337-261-5555

Supported by donations to the Bishop's Services Appeal

High School Youth Ministry Kick-Off

Calling all high school students! Join the Diocese of Lafayette for the Veritas Catholic Teen Conference on Saturday, September 26, 2026, from 8:00 AM–3:30 PM at the Fusilier Auditorium Chancery, 1408 Carmel Dr., Lafayette.

This year's theme is "Zeal for the Truth" with the Scripture verse, "Do not lag in zeal..." (Romans 12:11). The day will include Mass with Bishop Douglas Deshotel, two keynote speakers, a breakout session, lunch, and opportunities to grow in faith and fellowship.

Cost: \$20 per student. Families with 3 or more children should contact the Diocese for family pricing.

Registration Deadline: Friday, September 11, 2026, at 4:30 PM

Space is limited to 200 high school teens, and registration is required.



For registration information, scan the QR code on the event flyer or contact the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry at 337-261-5555 or kmelancon@diolaf.org.

"For we cannot do anything against the
truth, but only for the truth." — 2 Corinthians 13:8

She Shall Be Called Woman

— SEASON ONE —

MASTERPIECE of CREATION

*A transformative journey
for women*



WEDNESDAYS

Sept. 16th – Nov. 18th



6:00 – 7:30 PM



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Rayne, LA 70578

A PROGRAM FOR ALL WOMEN BY

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SCAN TO REGISTER!



♥ *All women
are welcome!*

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

📞 Stephanie T. 337-278-0895
📞 Trudy R. 337-581-0064
📞 Michelle S. 337-581-0184

📞 Jamie B. 337-344-0150
📞 Jessica H. 225-620-6888

GROW IN FAITH. BUILD FRIENDSHIPS.
BECOME WHO GOD CREATED YOU TO BE.

JOIN THE CHOIR!

*Offer your singing voices
in praise to the Lord!*

Sings at 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass
Rehearses Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.
Welcomes adults and teens of all experience levels

DENISE BRIGNAC, DIRECTOR

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**BUSY
AND
TIRED?**

Fall into Trivia

SAVE THE DATE: NOVEMBER 21ST

MORE INFO TO COME!

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FOR
ST. JOSEPH
PARISH



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YOUR TEAM**



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RIGHTS**



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