St. Joseph
Roman Catholic Church
Est. 1872

First Sunday of Advent
November 29th, 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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337-334-2193
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Office Hours
M, T, Th: 8am - 4pm
W: 8am - 2pm
F: 8am - Noon



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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.*



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.

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PASTORAL CARE *Service*

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH • RAYNE • EST. 1872 • LOUISIANA

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

14229.38 Total
-13076.92 Weekly Budget
1152.46 Over Budget

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2nd Collection next weekend is for Building & Maintenance Fund

Prayers for the Sick

Marie G. Benoit, Laura Boudreaux, Fr. Allen Breaux, Flo Broussard, Shirley Cambre, Allison & Kinley Comeaux, Chasty Comeaux & Family, Peter Comeaux, Tony Comeaux, Dolores Deville, Curtis Dogua, Racy Guidry Foreman, Bobby Foret, Barbara & Tanya Gaspard, Doug Gonsoulin, Jim & Monica Harrington, Karen Hebert, Wayne Hebert, Paul Kedinger, Janelle Kibodeaux, Luke Kibodeaux, Harper Lancon, Nanette Simoneaux LeBlanc, Kaelly Leckelt, Tyler Leger, Cynthia Levey, Glenda Meaux, Kaleb Meaux, Berna Menard, Patrick Miller, Nihla Molbert, Ronnie Myers, Rita Rayon, Emmett Richards, Dee Rogers, Patsy Rogers, Hayden Ruffner, Carrie Savoy, Theresa Savoie, Courtney Schexneyder, Myrtle Servat, Shirley C. Simon, Carolyn Simoneaux, Michelle Soileau, Lula St. Germain, Ronald Stutes, Dexter Theunissen, 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:

Walton & Ruby Thibodeaux

Pieta Lamp

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

Reggie & Jeanette Simoneaux
Wallace Dupuis
Simon & Nero Family

Baptisms

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

Anniston Ruth Brown
Jack Thomas Fontenot

Weddings

We joyfully share in the Sacramental union of:

Matthew McNeely Murla & Madison Claire Thibodeaux

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

Share the Warmth—Spread the Word!
JCDA is teaming up with Gifting Grace Project of Acadiana for a Coats and Socks Drive benefiting children experiencing homelessness in Acadiana. Help keep our kids warm and healthy by donating new socks and new OR clean gently used coats, beanies, gloves, and sleeping bags. Every donation can make a difference!

The weekend of Nov 29 is the last weekend to leave donations in the church lobby collection boxes. Let's turn generosity into warmth for our children. Donate, spread the word, and help make this drive a success! Thank you for making a difference in their lives.

Learn more about this project and ways you can volunteer: Scan QR Code or go to https://giftinggraceproject.com/coats-and-socks/



Witness to Love
Congratulations to Matthew & Madison Murla who were united in marriage on November 14, 2026. Officiating the ceremony was Father Urey Mark, Chaplain & Director-Lyke House- Catholic Newman Center at AUC, Archdiocese of Atlanta.



Men's ACTS Retreat

The JMJ Coalition



February 25-28, 2027
https://forms.gle/hbVSWtPLqBWLE8fz7

ACTS®

ADULT CONFIRMATION

registration now open for anyone 18 years and older, who would like to receive the sacrament of confirmation

Preparation will consist of a two-day retreat (Jan 15-16) at Grand Coteau Retreats

Sacrament of Confirmation to be administered on Sunday, January 17 at 10am Mass.

Sign up and Fr. Brent will meet with each candidate to discuss details and answer any questions

Bambinelli Sunday

Sunday, December 13th - 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!

OCIA REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Interested in becoming Catholic or want to learn more about the faith?

Classes begin January 6





Married Couples Retreat

Sponsored by St Joseph (Rayne, La)

ATTENTION MARRIED COUPLES:

Would you like to spend quality time enriching your marriage?

Then join us on our parish sponsored married couples retreat at the beautiful **St. Joseph Abbey Retreat Center in Covington, La**

Brought to you by Faith and Marriage. The Faith & Marriage Apostolate of the Willwoods Community is dedicated to promoting the Sacramentality of marriage and providing for married couples opportunities for growth, enrichment, and support.

Join us for our April 9-11, 2027 Retreat!

Reserve your room at **faithandmarriage.org/retreats**

SCAN ME TO REGISTER

THE PRECEPTS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

1. **Attend Holy Mass** on all Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation.
2. **Observe days of fasting and abstinence** as prescribed by the Church.
3. **Confess your sins** at least once each year.
4. **Receive Holy Communion** at least once each year during the Easter season.
5. **Support the Church** in her material needs and observe the laws of the Church concerning Marriage.

*These precepts form the **minimum obligations** for Catholics, helping the faithful live a sacramental and moral life.*

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 you donation to the parish office or place it in the collection basket by December13th.

The Light is ON for You.

Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation

CONFESSION AVAILABLE

WEDNESDAYS 6:30-8:00PM

December 2nd

December 9th

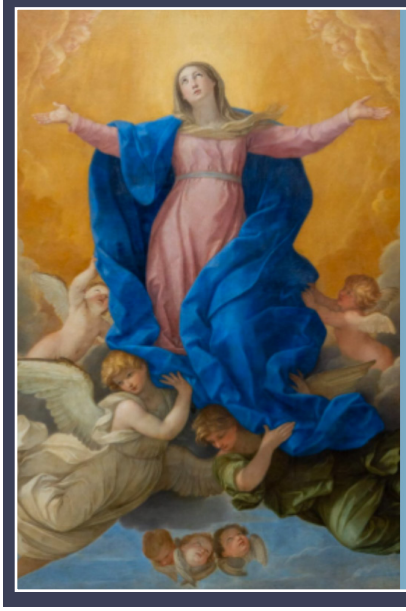
December 16th

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lafayette.igivecatholic.org/organizations/stjoerayne



Solemnity of the **Immaculate Conception**

Holy Day of Obligation

Tuesday December 8th

Mass Times

12:05pm

5:30pm





Babyberries is Back!

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

For children under 5 years old

SINGING
DANCING
STORIES
SCRIPTURE
CRAFTS
SNACKS

Family Life Center

9:00-9:45am

Questions? Email josette@stjoerayne.org

2026-2027 Schedule

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

PLEASE USE QR CODE TO REGISTER