



# St. Joseph's

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Founded 1875

255 North 8th St. (P. O. Box 368) Ponchatoula, LA 70454

Church Phone Number: (985) 386-3749

Church Web site: [www.stjosephsonline.com](http://www.stjosephsonline.com)

Church Office Hours: Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

**January 26, 2020 The Third Sunday of Ordinary Time**

**Sunday Mass Schedule:**

Sat. Vigil 5:00 pm  
Sun. 8:00 am & 11:00 am

**Week Day Mass Schedule:**

M-Th 8:00 am

**Confession:**

Sat. 4:00 pm  
T & Th after Mass or by appointment.

**Baptism:**

Couples who would like their child baptized need to contact Ramona at the office, 985-386-3749 to register for baptism preparation.

**Marriage:**

Contact a priest or deacon of the parish at least 6 months before the wedding at 985-386-3749.

**Anointing of the Sick:**

Please notify the office as soon as a Catholic is seriously ill or is having surgery.

**Adoration:**

Wed. 9:00 am to 10:00 pm  
- Divine Mercy: 3:00 pm  
- Vespers & Benediction: 6:00 pm

**Catechetical Programs:**

PSR-Gr. K-5; Sun 9:30-10:30 am  
Ablaze-Gr. 6-8; Sun 9:30-10:30 am  
High School Formation  
Gr. 9-12; Sun. 5:00-7:00 pm



**Catholic Schools**  
Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed.

St. Joseph School  
will celebrate  
Catholic Schools Week!  
1/27/20 – 1/31/20



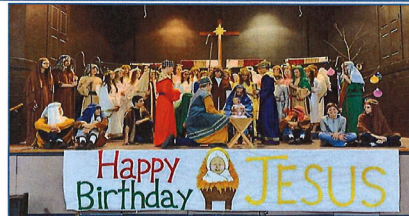
Everyone is invited to view our Religion Fair projects on Tuesday, January 28<sup>th</sup> from 5-6 pm in the gym.

Thanks to everyone in our school and parish community who continue to support St. Joseph School. Your love and support throughout the years continues to help us flourish in our faith, academics, and extra-curricular activities.

**St. Joseph Catholic School**  
**Open House**  
**Thursday, January 30, 2020**  
**6:00pm in the cafeteria**

175 N 8th St. Ponchatoula, LA 70454  
985-386-6421  
[www.sjscrusaders.org](http://www.sjscrusaders.org)  
Open Registration will begin Monday, February 3, 2020

St. Joseph School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national, or ethnic origin.



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## Staff

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Mrs. Danette Ragusa, *Principal*  
Phone Number, 985-386-6421  
Website: www.sjscrusaders.org

## Mission Statement

St. Joseph's Parish is a rapidly growing faith community that serves the spiritual and temporal needs of Southernmost Tangipahoa Parish through its various ministries.

St. Joseph's develops, supports, nurtures and educates Catholic Christians while offering to this entire expanding community a caring environment and a welcoming spirit of Christ present.

## Parish Ministries and Contact Persons

**Altar Servers:** Michele & Glen Ernst, 985-386-6618. sj\_altar\_server@bellsouth.net  
**Bible Studies:** Monday at 6 p.m.—Stephanie Waguespack, 985-981-9859  
**Children's Liturgy Ministry:** Paige Bacile 985-386-3749.  
**Cooking Ministry:** Cook a plate of food for our Priest one day each month, call Linda Guagliardo 985-345-8409.  
**Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion:** Angela Pevey (Call / text) 985-507-5757.  
**Readers:** Larry Ernst, 985-386-5731. lernst1@bellsouth.net  
**Marriage Ministry:** Ed & Julie Hanks, 985-351-3143.  
**Mass Greeters:** Barbara Martino, 985-386-3622.  
**Music Ministry:** Rhonda Rossano 985-386-3749 - Choir Practice-Wednesday's at 6:30 pm.  
**Parish School of Religion:** Grades K-12; Paige Bacile 985-386-3749  
**Special Education PSR:** B. J. Nepveux, 985-370-7548.  
**RCIA:** Ed or Julie Hanks, 985-351-3143.  
**Small Christian Community:** Clay Nepveux at 985-634-8805.  
**St. Joseph Bereavement Food Ministry:** Cheryl Laiche, 985-386-2033 or Ann Phillips, 985-386-3863  
**Stephen Ministry:** Anita or Ronnie Perrin, 985-687-4458 or 985-386-3016.  
**Ushers:** Contact Joseph Jason, 985-386-8639.  
**Widowed Friends of St. Joseph:** Barbara Guy at 985-507-9966.  
**Word & Worship Prayer Ministry:** Fernando Morales: 985-662-2844.  
**Women's Ministry:** Mary Vedeckis, 225-294-6631.  
**Youth Ministry:** Sarah Stoehr, 504-270-3451.

## Organizations

**Ancient Order of Hibernians:** Ronnie Crimmins 985-773-8965.  
**Kaycee Auxiliary:** Maureen Felder 225-294-3092 or maureenfelder75@gmail.com  
**Knights of Columbus:** Buddy Williams, 504-252-2031 (Application for new members)  
**Rosary Altar Society:** Evelyn Lavigne 985-386-6732  
**St. Vincent de Paul Society:** For membership contact the church office, 985-386-3749. For assistance call 985-370-5459.  
**Core Group:** Ronnie Perrin (Chairman), Lawton Hotard, Barbara Martino, Larry Melancon, Angelique Richardson, Larry Wilson  
**Finance Committee:** Dennis James (Chairman) Michelle Ernst, Mike Fulmer, Larry Melancon, Brian Steib, Barbara Theriot .  
**Council of Ministries:** Vance Balado, Melissa Henderson, Lisa Kennedy, Harry LeBlanc, Rachael Perrin, Stephanie Reggio, Rodney Schmaltz, Mary Threton, Wayne Vedeckis, Stephanie Waguespack, Tom Waller, Bill Wheat. Ad Hoc Council Members: Fr. McDuffie, Deacon Larry Melancon, Danette Ragusa. Stacy Randazzo.

## Download Our New Parish App!

Our new St. Joseph's app is now available to download for iPhone and Android smart phones. Stay connected with our parish throughout the week with instant notifications, an easy-to-access event calendar, and the ability to quickly reply to or share messages via Facebook or Twitter. Also enjoy a bunch of additional features like prayers, daily readings, helpful reminders to silence your phone before Mass or Confession, and much more.

Help foster a stronger parish life at St. Joseph's and better engage the New Evangelization.

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# BLOOD DRIVE

**YOU'RE SOMEBODY'S TYPE**

St. Joseph's Parish

Sunday, February 9th 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

**PLEASE SIGN UP TO DONATE!**

Email: [srandazzo@sjscrusaders.org](mailto:srandazzo@sjscrusaders.org)

Online: [stjosephs.ochsnerbloodbank.org](http://stjosephs.ochsnerbloodbank.org)

Phone: 985-386-3749

[www.stjosephsonline.com](http://www.stjosephsonline.com)

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16 years old must have written parental consent to donate.

**YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE A MEMBER OF ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH TO DONATE**

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## Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Two readings today refer to the northeast region of ancient Israel: "the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali." Upon hearing these names, some of us might consult maps and determine exactly where these regions lie. Others might let the unfamiliar names drift by unnoticed. If no maps are handy—but we don't want to ignore the references completely—consider this: we might not know the latitude and longitude of Zebulun and Naphtali, but God does. We praise God for watching over every inch of land and sea, caring perfectly for each creature on the planet. While Isaiah celebrates the depth of God's care with "abundant joy and great rejoicing," Saint Paul begs us to remember how the Lord shows this loving care: through the cross. In today's Gospel, Jesus calls Peter, James, and John to follow him. We follow too, confident that God accompanies us, wherever we are.

### DAILY DOSES OF LIGHT

Jesus assures us: "God is light, and in him there is no darkness at all" (1 John 1:5b). But how, exactly, does God's light overcome the darkness that we still experience? Saint Paul shows us how: through the cross. Today's reading from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians implores Jesus' followers to get along with one another, to "be united in the same mind and in the same purpose." We believe that two thousand years ago, Jesus saved the world and destroyed darkness; but until Jesus comes again, we must unite as the Body of Christ to continue pushing back the gloom of sin and division. As followers of Jesus, we work against these evils in simple ways. We intentionally attempt genuine conversation with a person we find irritating; we ignore gossip and refuse to talk behind someone's back; we befriend an awkward or needy individual. These daily doses of light bring hope to our world, which is both redeemed and not yet finished. Jesus wants our help. Like Peter, James, and John in today's Gospel, we are called by Christ to participate in salvation. Jesus chooses us, calls us, and invites us to accompany him—and imitate him—as we live in, and wait for, the Light of the World.

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**Thank you to everyone who made it possible for us at attend the Baton Rouge Diocesan March for Life Pilgrimage! Because of you we are able to fight for the sanctity of every human life. Please be sure to ask us how our trip went and what it means to us when we return!**



## Stewardship

### "I Know Who You Are, and Saw What You Did"

"For God is not unjust so as to overlook your work and the love you have demonstrated for his name by having served and continuing to serve the holy ones. We earnestly desire each of you to demonstrate the same eagerness for the fulfillment of hope until the end, so that you may not become sluggish, but imitators of those who, through faith and patience, are inheriting the promises."

A recent professional football running back received a significant award for his record-breaking season. The recognition came with its share of acclaim, an extra headline or two, and a bonus his agent had written into his recent contract. It was the product of hard work and years of dedication. It was also the product of a veteran team and an outstanding offensive line. To the player's credit, he acknowledged their work on his behalf. "Couldn't have done it without them," he told a reporter, shortly after he presented them with new sound systems for each of their homes in gratitude.

## World Day for Consecrated Life



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## World Day of Consecrated Life

St. Joseph's will be hosting a **Rosary for Seminarians** of the Diocese of Baton Rouge and their families on Saturday, **February 1st**. All parishioners are welcome to join us to pray the rosary for our Seminarians and vocations. Social will begin at 3 pm in the Narthex followed by the Rosary in the Chapel at 3:30 pm. Contact Linette Wylie for more information at



## New Adult Formation Class Starting Soon

**The Turning Point-Eight Encounters with Jesus That Will Change Your Life:** Feb 2nd, 9th, 16th, March 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, April 5th  
9:30 am—School Library—Monee Sheridan

Please join us as we go through Dr. Allen Hunt's study of the Gospel of John called "Turning Point". In this study, we will focus on eight people who encounter Jesus in John's Gospel. Your goal will be to personally meet Jesus yourself—to discover that He is your one true spiritual home and to develop a more significant relationship with Him in your everyday life. Please RSVP to Monee Sheridan at 985-351-2047 as the book sets are recommended and will be preordered. *It is ok for attendees to still participate even if you have to miss some of the classes.*



## 'LORD TEACH ME TO PRAY'

Spring 2020 Schedule,  
St Joseph Church

PART 1, Praying Christian Virtues  
Wednesdays 6:30 – 8:00 PM, St Joseph Ministry Building  
January 22 – April 8, 2020

Praying Christian Virtues teaches how to listen, how to further develop your prayer life, what to do for dryness and obstacles in prayer, as well as how to meditate and contemplate using the method of prayer devised by St Ignatius of Loyola. This will be done in a group experience, meeting once a week. (15 minutes daily prayer time is required)

**To Register:** (Men) Ron Huguet 504-232-2484  
(Women) Terri Huguet 504-450-5459  
Paula Jarrell 985-429-8977  
Connie Triolo 985-507-7164

## Be a Blessing to Others

There's a lot of work to do in God's kingdom. Care giving is one of the most important jobs God call us to do. He says to love others in his name. Our congregation's Stephen Ministry is one way we accomplish God's caring work Perhaps God has blessed you and you are at a place where you can give something back by serving and blessing others. Roll up your sleeves and explore your role in Stephen Ministry by contacting Anita Perrin (985) 687-4458 or Ronnie Perrin (985) 507-9765. Be a working Christian.





## Seeking the Light

In today's readings we find ourselves being drawn more deeply into relationship with Jesus. We are getting to know more about him as we see how he struggles with the news of his cousin John's arrest. His first response is to withdraw, to leave Nazareth and go to Capernaum. There he is perhaps both consoled and challenged by the words of Isaiah that Matthew quotes: "the people who sit in darkness have seen a great light, / on those dwelling in a land overshadowed by death / light has arisen" (Matthew 4:16). Jesus contemplates his cousin's death, perhaps his own death, and he seeks the light. Maybe it is these words of Isaiah that move Jesus out of his withdrawal and into action. He begins to preach, teach, cure disease and illness, and proclaim the gospel of the kingdom.

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### Today's Readings

**First Reading** — God has restored the land, and brought great joy to the people (Isaiah 8:23 — 9:3).

**Psalm** — The Lord is my light and my salvation (Psalm 27).

**Second Reading** — Paul exhorts the believers at Corinth: As there is one Christ, so too must there be no divisions among you (1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17).

**Gospel** — After calling his first disciples, Jesus goes throughout Galilee (Matthew 4:12-23 [12-17]).

### Monica's Journey

"Monica's Journey" is a ministry of St. Joseph Catholic Church for women who struggle to find answers in the midst of difficult relationships or traumatic experiences in their lives. This ministry gives them a welcoming and non-judgmental place to find the hope and healing they need. Meetings are held in the evening during the week for 90 minutes. Members of other denominations are welcome. **This is a strictly confidential group and a confidentiality statement must be signed by all members.** The place and time of meetings will be disclosed after initial contact is made with the group facilitator. Voicemail: *Please leave a message and your call will be returned as soon as possible. (985) 467-9520.*

### Healing Hearts

Healing Hearts: A Catholic support group for WOMEN, whose relationships have been negatively impacted by the pornography addiction or sexual addiction of a loved one. This may include a spouse, boyfriend, family member or friend. Strict confidentiality is observed by all members. Meetings are held on a weekly basis. Contact 985-401-2010 for more information and respond to the prompting.



### Healing from Divorce Group

If you are separated or divorced, the Church cares about you. The loss of a relationship through separation or divorce poses one of the most difficult transitions a person can face. As people journey through a divorce, they face the stress of emotions, life changes, and developing a way to live a new life. As a Church, we are called to imitate Jesus Christ, who always sought to heal the brokenhearted. St. Joseph now has a new ministry for this purpose. For more information please contact Angela Perrin at 985-318-4927.

## Please Pray for Sick and Shut-Ins

Jason Abernaghy, Joseph Agnello, Deacon Mike Agnello, Stephanie Alexander, Ray Aleman, Sr., Patrick Bailey, Gloria Bennett, Mildred Bittick, Ray Boihem, Michelle Bossier, Hazel Boudreaux, Larry Boudreaux, Ranice Bourg, Angel Braun, JoAnne Brisset, Janet Brown, Baby David Burris, Eric Campos, Morgan Carel, Christine Castjohn, Carol Castle, Dennis Charbonnet, Rita Charbonnet, Julian Chiro, Gavin Cieutat, PJ Clause, Phillip Connelley, Ken Davidson, Lucille Davidson, Kitty Derveloy, Larry Deslatte, Alexis Dionne, Stacey Dolan, Lawrence Dominguez, Beverly Dominique, Carol Dominguez, John Dufreche, Andrew Dzuryachko, Pam Guichet Elder, Veronica Fannally, Joey Fortenberry, Marge Frahm, Eva Francois, Lenny George, Nittie Gilliland, Malissa Gonzalez, Joan Gurganus, Brian Guichet, Myrthus Guichet, Anne Guidry, Sue Quave Guildner, Jean Guitreau, John Gullo, Diane Gunther, Katherine Harris, Warren Heckmann, Kalee Henderson, Sherry Hill, Elaine Hoover, Tammy Perrin Horn, Peggy Howes, Jimmy Hubert, Tara Huguet, Grace Innerarity, Joseph Jason, Jennifer Jernigan, Sena Kilbert, Ronnie Klug, Norma Kraemer, David Kraft, Charles Gregory Kraft, Sis Kyzar, Wayne Laurent, Doris Lavigne, Ruby Drude Lee, Sally LeJeune, Margie Liuzza, Hilton Lloyd, IV, Elsie Major, Mary Twickler Mann, Francis Martino, Amelia McCulla, Patricia McKigney, Cole McMillion, Morris Meyer, Barry Mince Sr., Anna Mae Mixon, Rose Mitchell, Patricia Monteleone, Andrew Morales, Ed Murray, Betty Olsen, CJ Otilio, Carol Ott, Ruth Ourso, Wanda Pandarvis, George Peltier, Bert Perilloux, Fran Poche, Ann Prine, Mary Prine, Mike Raiford, Dale Roberts, Bryan Rodick, A. J. Roig, Jr., Linda Ryan, Rosa Maria Santos, Beverly Schatzle, Judy Schilling, Avery Shaw, Ruby Shaw, Joseph Shaw, Thomas Shaw, Bob Simoneaux, Bristol Rose Smith, Dale Allen Smith, Kayla Smith, Wylene Remy Taylor, Madeline Thibodeaux, Tracy Todd, Mike Tournillon, Sam Vilardo, Sam Viola, Carla Van Vrancken, June Villa, Glen Walker, Danny Wall, Francis Waguespack, Rodney Wempren, Peggy West. **Names submitted will be included for 4 weeks. Please call the Church office to renew.**

**Please pray for members of our parish family serving our country in the armed forces and remember also their families:**

CM Sgt Christopher Castle, Col. Brad Duplessis, Col. Brian Duplessis, Col. David, Duplessis- Commander, Mason Joiner Sgt Major in Army, Capt. Kathleen Keller, Jacob Milton, Commander Eric Olsen, US Navy. **Names submitted will be included for 4 weeks. Please call the Church office to renew.**

### Saints and Special Observations

Sunday: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catholic Schools Week  
Monday: St. Angela Merici  
Tuesday: St. Thomas Aquinas  
Friday: St. John Bosco  
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday



PAL (Parents of Addicted Loved-ones) is a support group of parents helping parents. PAL is also open to spouses and other family members and friends (18 or older) who have a loved one struggling with addiction. .

A local PAL group meets in the St. Dominic room of St. Joseph's Ministry Building on the corner of 8<sup>th</sup> and Pine St. every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday from 6-7:30 pm.

We look forward to sharing this program of hope and support with you. For questions or information contact Mary Jo B. at 985-320-3010 or Paige B. 985-981-8010 or review the website [www.palgroup.org](http://www.palgroup.org). All inquiries are held in strict confidence. **You are not alone There is HOPE.**

## Readings for the Week of

January 27, 2020

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Ps 89:20-22, 25-26; Mk 3:22-30  
 Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Ps 24:7-10; Mk 3:31-35  
 Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-30; Mk 4:1-20  
 Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Ps 132:1-5, 11-14; Mk 4:21-25  
 Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Ps 51:3-7, 10-11; Mk 4:26-34  
 Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-17; Mk 4:35-41

### Next Sunday Readings (February 2, 2020)

First Reading..... Malachi 3:1-4  
 Second Reading..... Hebrews 2:14-18  
 Gospel..... Luke 2:22-40 or 2:22-32  
 Psalm..... 24:7, 8, 9, 10

## Mass Intentions

### Monday, January 27, 2020

8:00 AM (L) Greg Fletcher

### Tuesday, January 28, 2020

8:00 AM Mr. Villere C. Reggio, Sr.

### Wednesday, January 29, 2020

8:00 AM Philomena Aliberti Pompeo DiDanato

### Thursday, January 30, 2020

8:00 AM Raoul Laurent, Jr.

### Saturday, February 1, 2020

5:00 PM Dudley & Geraldine Berthelot  
 Tony Castjohn  
 Living & Deceased Members of Louis Costanza  
 Geraldine Desplas  
 Dominick DiCarlo  
 Jessica Galatas  
 (L) Lenny George  
 (L) Emily Guagliardo  
 John Jackson  
 Buddy & Henrietta Joiner  
 Ella Mae Melancon  
 Bill Perrin  
 Rufus Poche  
 (L) Rhonda Rossano  
 Liz Sanderson  
 (L) Monee Sheridan  
 Joy Steib

### Sunday, February 2, 2020

8:00 AM For the People of the Parish  
 11:00 AM Mary Sue Drude  
 Richard & Clotilde Drude  
 Noel Dzuryachko  
 John Jackson  
 Ella Mae Melancon  
 Mr. Joseph Pepitone  
 Darryl Pinion, Sr.  
 Ronald Steib

(L) Indicates Living

## Altar Flowers

The Flowers on the Altar are donated:

For the Living & Deceased Members  
 of the **Braun Family**

By: *Kevlin Braun*



## Ministry Schedules

### Saturday, February 1st & Sunday February 2nd

	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Ushers</u>
5PM	Bill Spansel 7b Millie Spansel 8b	Jesse Bergeron Francis Martino Elaine Schatzle Durald Pinion Vincent Poche John Yeargain Michael Chiasson Joseph Jason William Mathes Ronnie Reggio Pete Peterson Francis Waguespack Sidney Alexander Randy Bennett Earl Hoover Joseph Ragan Jeff Ryan
8AM	Harry LeBlanc 7b Jason Hotard 8b	
11AM	Betty Nepveux 7b Clay Nepveux 8b	
	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
5PM	Camryn Ernst Chloe Ernst Hunter Layrison	5 PM Elaine Landry 8AM Buddy Pugh 11 AM Buddy Williams
8AM	Sienna Guillot Nathan Palisi Travis Turner, II	<u>Lectors</u>
11AM	Eli Kinchen Jonah Nepveux Julie Wells	5PM Barbara Guy 8AM S. Waguespack 11 AM Savannah Phillips

## Financial News

YTD	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Difference</u>
1/19/2020	\$ 606,697.47	\$551,000.00	\$ +55,697.47
Church Support	\$ 30,009.19		
Misc. Collections	\$ 258.00		
	\$ 30,267.19		

### Second Collections

January 26th	Church in Latin America
February 9th	St. Joseph School
February 16th	Church in Eastern Europe

## VOCATION CHALICE



**Take** the Chalice home for a week  
**Put** it in a place of honor in your home  
**Pray** for Vocations (prayers included)  
**Talk** about Vocations with your family

*If you would like to participate in this ministry, call Linette Wylie at 985-981-1154.*

## Rosary Altar Society

The Rosary Altar Society will meet on Monday, February 3rd at 1:30 pm in the Ministry Building. All ladies of the parish are invited.

## A Great Big Thank You to Our Decorating Volunteers!

We appreciate all the continued help we have from the Knights of Columbus and other volunteers from our parish. All these decorations would not be possible without your continued support!! Sometimes, I get a little nervous, but I should know by now—things always come out great! Thanks for “hanging in” with me and Francis. God bless all of you.

## Knights of Columbus Fish Fry Dinner

The Knights of Columbus Fish Fry Dinner is coming up and tickets sales are starting! Where does this money go, you ask? Our local Knights of Columbus shared all they do for our parish. You will be pleasantly surprised by the list! The Fish Fry funds are dispersed to the following ministries:

### Services to Church and Community

- Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers & Greeters for St. Joseph’s Church
- Groundkeepers for school, and rectory
- Pressure washing church sidewalks and parking area
- Assist with church cleaning
- Decorating the church
- Donuts after Masses
- Repairs for Stations of the Cross
- Altar boys for daily Masses
- Financial support to seminarians, currently Nick Wylie
- Monetary support for special projects when asked for support to numerous ministries



### Services to School and Community

- Cook for the fair & perennial Gold sponsor
- Host the St. Joseph 8th grade breakfast and awards— donate the KC hall and provide cooking and serving the breakfast
- Sponsor the Right to Life poster contest at St. Joseph’s and other local schools. Includes free hall rental, judging the posters, providing, cooking and serving food, beverages and funding prizes.

### Services to our Community

- Support St. Vincent de Paul with donations for school uniforms
- Donate hall to St. Vincent de Paul for their annual banquet including setup and cleanup
- Donate hall to other service organizations
- Support local first responders—police and firefighters
- Sponsor a child in Nicaragua
- Support local organizations like Serenity House and Peter’s House

The Knights of Columbus do not have these dinners to line their pockets. They are behind the scenes as a strong support, just as St. Joseph did the Holy Family. With all the support our Knights give us, consider coming out and supporting the fish fry!

## Widowed Friends

The next outings, **February 4th**, Chookie’s Seafood and Oyster Bar, 45654 University Park Dr. Hammond, **February 18th**, El Jimador, 265 S. Morrison Blvd, Hammond, **March 3rd** B& J Seafood, 2504 W Church St. All events start at 11:30 am



## Mark Your Calendar



**Saturday Jan 25th & Sunday Jan 26th**  
KC Selling Fish Fry Tickets after all Masses

**Sunday, January 26th**  
PSR, Ablaze 9:30am –10:30 am

**Sunday, January 26th**  
The Armchair Mystic—Being a Prayer—9:30am in the School Library

**Sunday, January 26th**  
RCIA—9:30 am in the Ministry Building

**Sunday, January 26th**  
Teen/Young Adult Choir Practice—9:30 am

**Tuesday, January 28th & February 11th**  
St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting—6:30pm in the Ministry Building

**Tuesday, January 28th**  
Word & Worship 7pm in the Chapel

**Wednesday, January 29th**  
Divine Mercy Chaplet —3pm in the Chapel

**Wednesday, January 29th**  
Choir Practice— 6:30 pm in the Choir Room.

**Wednesday, January 29th**  
Lord Teach Me to Pray—6:30 pm in the Ministry Building

**Thursday, January 30th**  
St. Joseph School—Open House 6pm



**Saturday, February 1st**  
Men’s Morning Prayer Group— 6am in the Chapel



**Saturday, February 1st**  
First Saturday Rosary— 10am in the Chapel

**Monday, February 3rd**  
SJS- Open Registration

**Monday, February 3rd**  
Rosary Altar Society Meeting— 1:30 pm in the Ministry Building



**Tuesday, February 4th**  
Widowed Friends—11:30 am -Chookies Seafood & Oyster Bar



**Saturday, February 8th**  
First Reconciliation

**Sunday, February 9th**  
Blood Drive 8am– 1pm—See page 3 for more info

**Wednesday, February 12th**  
Baptism Class for Parents and Godparents— 7pm in the Ministry Building

## Wedding Anniversary Celebration

25th , 50th, 65th & Over  
Sunday, February 23, 2020 at 2pm  
St. Thomas More Church, 1441 Goodwood Blvd. Baton Rouge

Bishop Duca will celebrate a liturgy honoring couples on their 25th, 50th & 65th or greater wedding anniversary. The families of honored couples are also invited to attend the liturgy and reception afterwards at STM Activity Center. Please call the Church Office to register. Deadline is **February 6th**.