



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

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

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

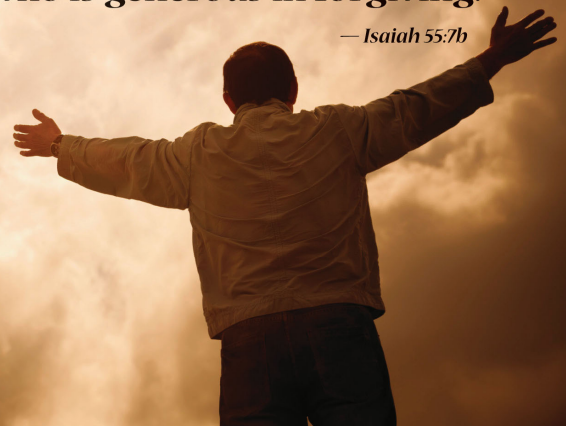
March 1, 2020 The First Sunday of Lent

Our Savior has left us a beautiful gift as we see in the Gospel of John 20:22-23

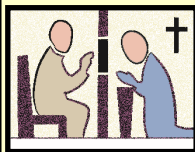
²²And when Jesus had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the holy Spirit. ²³Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained.

Turn to the LORD for mercy;
to our God, who is generous in forgiving.

— Isaiah 55:7b



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Fr. McDuffie will be hearing Confessions every Wednesday evening during Lent at St. Joseph's from 6 pm to 7:30 pm

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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, 985-969-2700
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.

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.

Download our app today at myparishapp.com or search your phone's app store for my parish.



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, Rebecca Smith, 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.

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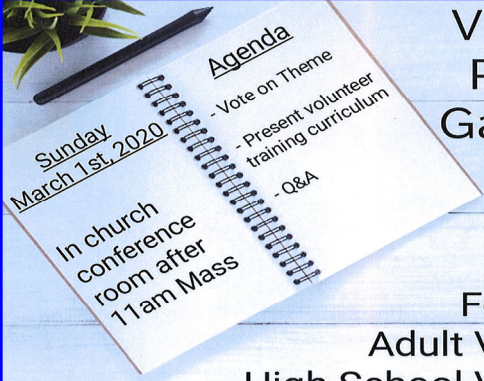
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Treasures From Our Tradition

When the custom of the stational liturgies was revived in the city of Rome in the early days of the twentieth century, the papal liturgy for Good Friday was appropriately housed in the stational church of *Santa Croce in Gerusalemme*, the Holy Cross of Jerusalem.

The church is off the tourist track today, but true pilgrims would never miss it. It stands on the grounds of the Sessorian Palace, the home of the Empress St. Helena, mother of Constantine. She dedicated her life to finding the true cross of Christ in Jerusalem, and desired to found a church in Rome for people who could not make the long and dangerous trip to the Holy Land. Eventually, it came to house relics of the cross. When the pope fled the city of Rome for Avignon, the religious institutions of Rome collapsed and the church was abandoned. Centuries later it was given into the care of monks. Amazingly, it concealed a forgotten treasure. In 1492 repairmen took down a brick wall and discovered a niche with the inscription "Title of the Cross," and within, an ancient wooden tablet on which was carved the inscription dictated by Pilate for the cross of Christ in Hebrew, Latin, and Greek. No one is certain that this is authentic, although its discovery was enough to give the church great prestige among pilgrims. The veneration of the relic of the cross located here was a factor in shaping our restored Holy Week.

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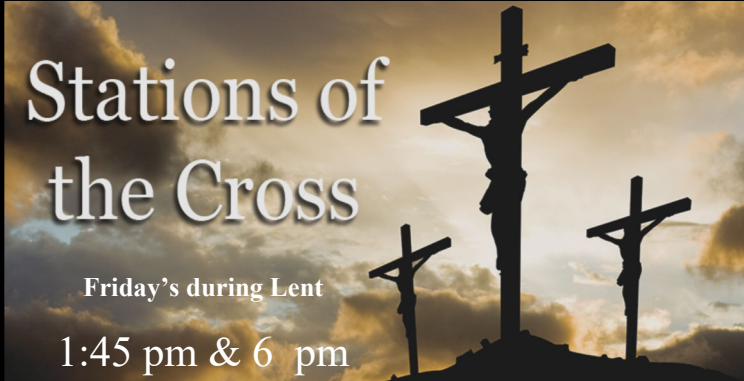
**VBS 2020
Planning
Gathering**

Agenda

- Sunday
March 1st, 2020
- Vote on Theme
- Present volunteer training curriculum
- Q&A

In church conference room after 11 am Mass

**For Parents
Adult Volunteers
High School Volunteers**



**Stations of
the Cross**

Friday's during Lent

1:45 pm & 6 pm

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St. Joseph's 2020 Lenten Parish Challenge

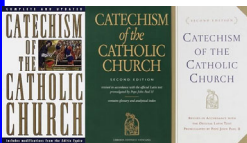
We want to challenge our parish family to dive deeper into Scripture this Lent. You can find many more resources on our website's *Lent Resource page* but we want to do something together as a parish community.

Challenge #1: Everywhere Your Cell Phone Goes, So Does Your Bible



What would happen if we treated our Bible like we treat our cell phones? What if we carried it around? Turned back if we forgot it? Flipped through it several times a day? Use it to receive messages? Treat it like we couldn't live without it? Gave it to our kids as gifts? Used it as we traveled? Used it in case of emergency? Upgraded it to include 24/7 tech service from the Holy Spirit? This is something to make you go ...hmmm...where is my Bible? Oh, and one more thing. Unlike our cell phone, we don't ever have to worry about our Bible being disconnected because Jesus already paid the bill!

Challenge #2: Read Your Catechism Along With Your Bible



What came first? The Bible or the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)? Jesus didn't leave a newly printed copy of the Bible behind as He ascended into Heaven. It took about 400 years for the Bible to be put together! So, how did the early Church know how to live? *Tradition*. The Catechism may have been published hundreds of years after the Bible, but Catholics have been living by that tradition *alongside* the Sacred Scripture. Crack open your Catechism and read the Scripture it references. When you read your Bible, check the footnotes and look up the Catechism references!

Challenge #3: Share Your Daily Prayer



Whether you are giving up social media for Lent or not, whether you're on social media or not, share your daily prayer with someone. Post something on your feed, text a friend, or share with the person next to you. We'll be posting scripture each day you can use, you can follow the daily Mass readings, or randomly stroll with the Holy Spirit through scripture until something pops out. Just meditate on the Word, ask the Lord what He has to tell you, and share it.

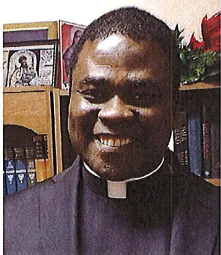
EASTER GIVEAWAY! You can enter to win our Easter giveaway in the Narthex. Put your name, contact info (to contact you if you win!), and which challenge you're doing. Check out next week's bulletin, our website, or social media, to see the prize!

Stewardship

"For a Time Such as This"

" 'All the servants of the king and the people of his provinces know that any man or woman who goes to the king in the inner court without being summoned is subject to the same law—death. Only if the king extends the golden scepter will such a person live. Now as for me, I have not been summoned to the king for thirty days.' When Esther's words were reported to Mordecai, he had this reply brought to her: 'Do not imagine that you are safe in the king's palace, you alone of all the Jews. Even if you now remain silent, relief and deliverance will come to the Jews from another source; but you and your father's house will perish. Who knows—perhaps it was for a time like this that you became queen?' Esther sent back to Mordecai the response: 'Go and assemble all the Jews who are in Susa; fast on my behalf, all of you, not eating or drinking night or day for three days. I and my maids will also fast in the same way. Thus prepared, I will go to the king, contrary to the law. If I perish, I perish! "

The Old Testament Book of Esther offers one of the most compelling stories in the Scriptures. Faithful to God, Esther had become queen to a king not altogether supportive of her Hebrew kinsmen. And yet, her kin needed her to speak on their behalf. The king, it seems, had strict rules limiting access to the throne. She chose to speak up regardless, and her courageous support saved her people. She believed God had placed her in her role "for just such a time."



Attention FAMILIES

Joins us, as we welcome

Rev. Anthony Odiang for

Mass and Healing Service St. Joseph's Church

Sunday, March 29, 2020

Confession: 2:00 p.m.

Mass: 3:00 p.m.

***Adoration & Prayers of Healing
following Mass***

Bring all your sorrows, pains, and desires for healing to the Altar of Our Lord and allow Fr. Anthony to intercede for you to Jesus. Please join us for an afternoon of prayer, praise, and worship, and healing of mind, body, and soul through Jesus Christ, Our Lord and Savior!

St. Joseph's Church
255 North 8th Street
Ponchatoula, LA 70454



It's Not Too Late!!!

If you were unable to attend one of our question and answer sessions for Stephen Ministry and you have questions you need answered just call Ronnie Perrin 507-9765 or Anita Perrin 687-4458. It is not too late to think about joining the class. If God has placed a calling on your heart but you need more information about Stephen Ministry now is the time to call. Classes will be starting soon.

Easter Lilies

Join in the decorating of our church by donating \$8.00 to purchase an Easter Lily. The donation can be in honor of a living or deceased individual or family. To donate, place your donation and intention in the flower offering envelope, located in the narthex or an envelope marked "Easter Lilies" any weekend between now and Easter Sunday. Place envelope in the collection basket, or bring envelope to the Church Office. Make sure you list the name of the individual or family to be honored and how you want your name listed in the bulletin. The Easter lilies will NOT be available for pickup after the Easter Season. Questions call Barbara Martino at 386-3622 or Roberta Connelley at 386-9711. Thank you for your generosity.

Strength Against Temptation

The first Sunday of the season of Lent always includes a Gospel account of the temptation of the Lord Jesus in the desert by the devil. This year, the story is set against the backdrop of the first reading from Genesis, which recounts the very first temptation by the devil. That story is set in a garden of delight. The Gospel story is set in the desert. As believers, we know that temptation comes our way in our own gardens of delight as well as the deserts of our lives. As Lent begins, our attention is drawn to that temptation within each of us to become like God—we want control, power, and answers to all of life's difficult questions. As communities of faith, we are given this season of repentance so that we can join our hearts with others on the difficult journey of conversion. We look to God and to one another for strength against temptation.

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Today's Readings

First Reading — The man and the woman ate the fruit of the one tree that God had told them to avoid, and their shame overtook them (Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7).

Psalm — Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned (Psalm 51).

Second Reading — Death reigned from Adam to Moses, but now grace and life abound in Christ Jesus (Romans 5:12-19 [12, 17-19]).

Gospel — Jesus was led into the desert by the Spirit and there he fasted for forty days and forty nights (Matthew 4:1-11).

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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, Ockie Baldassoro, Sr., Patrick Bailey, Gloria Bennett, Mildred Bittick, Ray Boihem, Michelle Bossier, Hazel Boudreaux, Larry Boudreaux, Ranice Bourg, Barbara Bourgeois, Elna Ernest Bowman, Angel Braun, JoAnne Brisset, Janet Brown, Baby David Burris, Eric Campos, Christine Castjohn, Carol Castle, Dennis Charbonnet, Rita Charbonnet, Julian Chiro, Gavin Cieutat, PJ Clause, Phillip Connelley, Ken Davidson, Lucille Davidson, Stan & Joyce Dell, 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, Geraldine Freeman, Lenny George, Nittie Gilliland, Malissa Gonzalez, Joan Gurganus, Brian Guichet, Myrthus “Twinkle” Guichet, Anne Guidry, Sue Quave Guildner, Jean Guitreau, Katherine Harris, Warren Heckmann, Kalee Henderson, Sherry Hill, Elaine Hoover, Tammy Perrin Horn, Peggy Howes, Jimmy Hubert, Tara Huguette, 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, Hilton Lloyd, IV, Elsie Major, Mary Twickler Mann, Francis Martino, 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, Beverly Pinion, Fran Poche, Ann Prine, Mary Prine, Mike Raiford, Dale Roberts, Bryan Roddick, A. J. Roig, Jr., Linda Ryan, Rosa Maria Santos, Beverly Schatzle, Judy Schilling, 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, Stanley Williams, Faith Rose Wiltz. **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: First Sunday of Lent
Tuesday: St. Katharine Drexel
Wednesday: St. Casimir
Friday: World Day of Prayer; Abstinence; First Friday
Saturday: Ss. Perpetua and Felicity; 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 8th and Pine St. every 2nd and 4th 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. All inquiries are held in strict confidence. **You are not alone There is HOPE.**

Readings for the Week of

March 2nd 2020

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
 Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
 Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
 Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
 Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
 Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48

Next Sunday Readings (March 8, 2020)

First Reading.....Genesis 12:1-4a
 Second Reading.....2 Timothy 1:8b-10
 Gospel.....Matthew 17:1-9
 Psalm.....323:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 2, 2020

8:00 AM Joy Steib

Tuesday, March 3, 2020

8:00 AM Wayne Lavigne

Wednesday, March 4, 2020

8:00 AM Lillian Foret

Thursday, March 5, 2020

8:00 AM Ella Mae Melancon

Saturday, March 7, 2020

5:00 PM (L) Denise Armondin
 Dudley & Geraldine Berthelot
 Barry Bleakley, Sr.
 Living & Deceased Members of Louis Costanza Family
 Mathilda "Tilly" Cutrer
 Dominick DiCarlo
 Living & Deceased Members of Ethridge & Ernst Family
 Jessica Galatas
 Connie Garaudy
 Buddy & Henrietta Joiner
 Susan Klar
 Ella Mae Melancon
 Bill Perrin
 (L) Mark Wilson Phillips
 Rufus Poche
 Liz Sanderson

Sunday, March 8, 2020

8:00 AM Franklin Borgerson
 Frank Bova
 Mathilda "Tilly" Cutrer
 (L) Deacons & Wives & Families
 Mary Sue Drude
 Richard & Clotilde Drude
 Ann Hayles
 (L) Michael John Huszar
 Joyce Keller
 (L) David Kraft
 Cotton & Louana Kraft
 DD Kraft
 Lily Kraft
 Edna Landry
 Vincent Latino, Sr.
 Raoul Laurent, Jr.
 Glenn Louque
 Ella Mae Melancon
 Craig Pavageau
 Joseph A. Pepitone
 Mrs. Renee Breaux Pulsinelli
 Lester Richoux, Jr.
 Ronnie Steib
 Souls In Purgatory
 Barbara Troxler

11:00 AM For the People of the Parish

(L) Indicates Living

Widowed Friends

The next outing will be *March 3rd* at B & J Seafood, 2504 W. Church St. Hammond. All events start at 11:30 am.

Ministry Schedules

Saturday, March 7th & Sunday March 8th

	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Ushers</u>
5PM	David Raiford 7b Dianne Raiford 8b	John Laiche Philip LeCompte Chris Marmillion Francis Martino Vincent Poche Elaine Schatzle
8AM	Rachel Perrin 7b Jason Hotard 8b	Michael Chiasson Joseph Jason Roland Terrebbonne Ronnie Reggio Jacob Schmaltz Francis Waguespack Sidney Alexander Randy Bennett Earl Hoover Barbara Guy Buddy Williams Jeff Ryan
11AM	Veronica Pierson 7b Pat Alexander 8b	<u>Greeters</u> 5 PM Elaine Schatzle 8AM Buddy Pugh 11 AM DeShea Johnson
	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>
5PM	Luke LaCroix Sophie LaCroix Landry Smith	5PM Larry Ernst 8AM S. Waguespack 11 AM Shirley Adams
8AM	Gracie Allen Abby Foster Anna Foster	
11AM	Elly Gatilin Savannah Johnson Seth Swanner	

Financial News

YTD	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Difference</u>
2/23/2020	\$ 699,526.30	\$646,000.00	\$ +53,526.30
Church Support	\$ 12,357.98		
Misc. Collections	\$ 116.00		
	\$ 12,473.98		

Second Collections

Black & Indian Mission: March 8th
 St. Joseph School March 15th

Note: Online Giving was experiencing a problem on Sunday, 2/23. Contributions made on Sunday 2/23 will be listed on next weeks total.

Ecumenical Lenten Lunches

During the season of Lent, area churches will be coming together each Wednesday to offer a brief worship service, followed immediately by lunch. All are welcome, no need to RSVP. Suggested donation of \$5 for lunch.

March 4- Hosted by First Baptist Church, 325 E. Pine St.

March 11- Hosted by First United Methodist Church, 201 E. Pine St.

March 18- Hosted by First United Methodist Church (Deacon Larry from St. Joseph's) leading worship.

March 25- Hosted by First Presbyterian Church, 197 S. 4th St.



Lent: One Day at a Time for Catholic Teens

"Walk through the Lenten desert with purpose, focus, and a real desire to meet Jesus and be changed by him."

Meetings will be **February 16, March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, and April 5.**

Where: St. Catherine Room

When: Sunday Mornings 9:30 – 10:30

If you would like to participate please contact Mary Hanks (985) 507-4868 ASAP.



Altar Server Training



Altar Server Training On Sunday, March 8th, 2020, at 1:15 pm, there will be registration and initial training for new Altar Servers. Those interested in becoming Altar Servers must currently be enrolled in the 4th through 12th grade (born prior to September 30, 2010) and practicing their Catholic faith (Baptized and have received the Sacrament of First Communion). Registration will take place in the narthex of church. We ask that at least one parent accompany their child; there are registration forms to be completed and also information necessary for parents throughout this initial training. Subsequent training sessions will be coordinated prior to end of this session. We look forward to seeing you, Glen and Michele Ernst

School News

Congratulations to 5th grade student Brock Guidry and 2nd grade student Amelia Emmons for being chosen as our February Crusaders of the Month. Students were recognized at assembly and presented with a certificate and a basket of goodies donated by Berrytown Produce! We are so proud of you!

Congratulations to our St. Joseph School 4-H Club who competed at the Beef and Cookery in February. We are so proud of their accomplishments!

Cookie Division: Jules Arteaga-blue ribbon, Gabriella Cieutat- blue ribbon.

Pies: Jules Arteaga-blue ribbon, Mario Baglio-blue ribbon, Gabriella Cieutat-blue ribbon, and Gavin Cieutat- blue ribbon.

Cakes: Mario Baglio-red ribbon, Gabriella Cieutat-red ribbon, and Maddie Cieutat-blue ribbon and OVERALL WINNER- competes at District

Beef/Quick Dish: Gavin Cieutat-blue ribbon and Maddie Cieutat-blue ribbon

Maddie Cieutat also entered the Home-Sewn Items Fashion Show and modeled her pajama bottoms for the crowd. She placed OVERALL in the pajama bottom category. Congratulations.

State Contests:

Gabriella Cieutat competed at the Seafood Ambassador Talk on February 12th in Gonzales and earned a participation certificate.

Beau Ostendorf competed at the Livestock Contest in Gonzales the second weekend in February and placed in several categories. He won 10 Year Old Showmanship, 1st Place in his December Heifer Class, Louisiana Reserve Junior Champion, and Louisiana Bred Reserve Junior Champion!



Pictured L to R: Beau Ostendorf, Trace Sceroler, Gavin Cieutat, Jules Arteaga, Mario Baglio, Gabriella Cieutat and Maddie Cieutat.

Day of Reflection

The Rosary Altar Society of Holy Ghost Parish will sponsor it's annual Day of Reflection on Thursday, March 12, 2020 from 8:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. at Holy Ghost Catholic Church. Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. in the church gathering area. Fr. Ryan Hallford, Parochial Vicar, of St. Aloysius Parish will conduct the Day of Reflection. The day will begin with Mass at 8:30 a.m. followed by Fr. Ryan's talk on "Lent-Growing in Holiness". Our Day will conclude with the rosary and lunch. The offering for the day is \$20.00 which includes lunch. Please call Bridget Fugarino at 985-320-8498 to RSVP no later than March 9th.

Mark Your Calendar

Saturday, Feb. 29th & Sunday, March 1st
KC's Selling Fish Fry Tickets- Before & After all Masses

Sunday, March 1st
Lent: One Day at a Time for Catholic Teens- 9:30 am in St. Catherine Room

Sunday, March 1st
PSR, Ablaze 9:30-10:30 am

Sunday, March 1st
8 Encounters with Jesus-School Library 9:30-10:30

Sunday, March 1st
RCIA-Ministry Building-9:30-10:30 am

Sunday, March 1st
Teen/Young Adult Choir Practice-9:30 am

Sunday, March 1st
VBS Planning Meeting- After the 11am Mass in the Church Conference Room

Monday, March 2nd
Rosary Altar Society Meeting-1:30 pm in the Ministry Building

Tuesday, March 3rd
Widowed Friends- B&J Seafood- 11:30 am



Tuesday, March 3rd
Word & Worship-Chapel-7:00 pm

Wednesday, March 4th
Divine Mercy-Chapel-3:00 pm

Wednesday, March 4th
Reconciliation- 6pm-7:30 pm

Wednesday, March 4th
Choir Practice-Choir Room-6:30 pm

Wednesday, March 4th
Lord Teach Me To Pray-Ministry Building-6:30pm

Friday, March 6th
Stations of the Cross- 1:45 pm & 6 pm



Saturday, March 7th
Men's Morning Prayer-6 am in the Chapel



Saturday, March 7th
1st Saturday Rosary-10 am in the Chapel

Sunday, March 8th
Adult Server Training- 1:15 pm in the Church

Sunday, March 29th
Mass & Healing Service

Intentions of the Holy Father

We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

