



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

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 6:00 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

SAFETY GUIDELINES



Parishioners are required to bring and wear a mask while in the worship space. The faithful are encouraged to bring small bottles of hand sanitizer for their personal use.

May 31, 2020 Pentecost Sunday

Pentecost and Our Mission

Recently I listened to one of the Formed audios by Fr. Mike Schmitz titled **We Must Go Out: the Sacrament of Confirmation.** In his presentation, Fr. Mike challenges ALL Catholics to see this sacrament as a commissioning by the Holy Spirit to go out into the world and proclaim the Gospel in words and in action.

Fr Schmitz referenced Acts 1:6-8. In this scripture the apostles ask Jesus if He is going to restore the earth; but Jesus replies **“YOU will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon YOU, YOU will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”** The Catechism states that we receive the same outpouring of the Holy Spirit as granted the apostles on the day of Pentecost. CCC 1302. In other words, **WE are called** to be the hands and feet of Jesus today, to participate in His mission of bringing others to the Father.

And how will we have the strength to “be Jesus” for others? By the power of the Holy Spirit, with the fruits the Holy Spirit enables within us: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. (Gal 5:22-23) which are not to be used for ourselves, but in relationship with others so that we can show them who Christ is.

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Staff

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Paige Bacile, *PSR Coordinator*
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Rhonda Rossano, *Music Director*

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Mrs. Danette Ragusa, *Principal*
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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.

Organizations

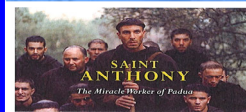
Ancient Order of Hibernians: Ronnie Crimmins 985-773-8965.
Kaycee Auxiliary: Maureen Felder 225-294-3092 or maureenfelder75@gmail.com
Knights of Columbus: Buddy Williams, 504-252-2031 (Application for new members)
Rosary Altar Society: Evelyn Lavigne 985-386-6732
St. Vincent de Paul Society: For membership 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 Threeton, 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!

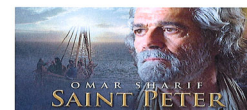
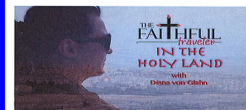
Our new St. Joseph's app is now available to download for iPhone and Android smart phones. Stay connected with our parish throughout the week with instant notifications, an easy-to-access event calendar, and the ability to quickly reply to or share messages via Facebook or Twitter. Also enjoy a bunch 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.

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



WHAT TO WATCH THIS MONTH



5/31

Pentecost

Pray: Sunday Mass

Watch: The Wild Goose with Father Dave Pivonka

Study: Lectio: Evangelization

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Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

Study: Lectio: Mary- The Queen Mother

Listen: Mary- The Indispensable Mother of God

Visit FORMED.org or search for "Formed" on your favorite app store

Pentecost and Our Mission

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CCC 1303 The sacrament of Confirmation brings an increase and deepening of baptismal grace; it gives us a special strength of the Holy Spirit to spread and defend the faith by word and action as true witnesses of Christ, to confess the name of Christ boldly, and never to be ashamed of the Cross.

Recall then that you have received the spiritual seal, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of right judgment and courage, the spirit of knowledge and reverence, the spirit of holy fear in God's presence. Guard what you have received. God the Father has marked you with his sign; Christ the Lord has confirmed you and has placed his pledge, the Spirit, in your hearts. (St. Ambrose talks about, *De myst.* 7,42:PL 16,402-403.)

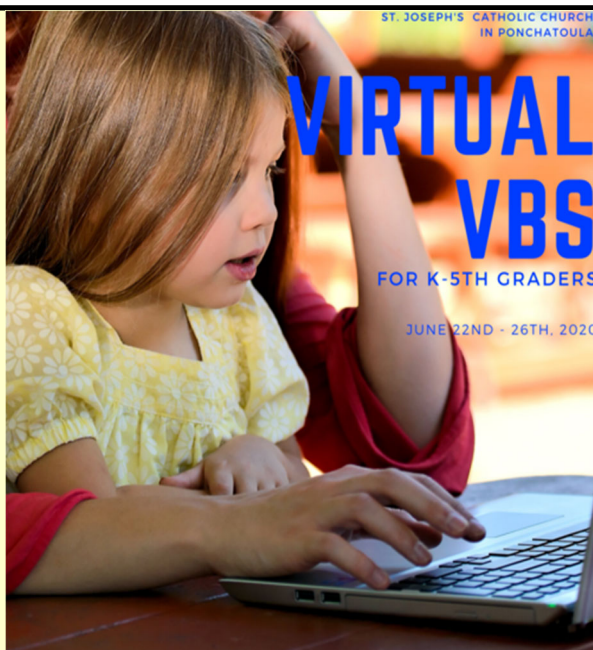
Like the apostles, we are each called to participate in the mission of Jesus. That is why at the end of Mass we hear "Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life." Do not be afraid to be bold in your faith. Renounce any lies of the enemy telling you that you don't have what it takes. We were each given what it takes at Baptism and given even more at Confirmation, not to mention the graces we receive during each Mass and Confession.

To learn more about Confirmation please contact the Church office. We also have Called and Gifted gatherings for adults wanting to discern their spiritual gifts. We would love to grow as the body of Christ with you.

Paige Bacile, PSR Coordinator

Eucharistic Adoration

Adoration resumed on **Wednesday, May 27th** from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. it concludes with Vespers at 6 p.m. Volunteers are needed for each hour to be present with the Lord in order to continue this ministry. Can you keep watch for an hour? Interested parishioners who would like to sign up are invited to call Donna Clause at 985-502-0309. We will inform you when the time for Adoration reverts back to the normal schedule of 9 a.m. to 10 p.m.



ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
IN PONCHATOLA
**VIRTUAL
VBS**
FOR K-5TH GRADERS
JUNE 22ND - 26TH, 2020

VIRTUAL
Vacation
Bible School

June 22nd-
June 26th

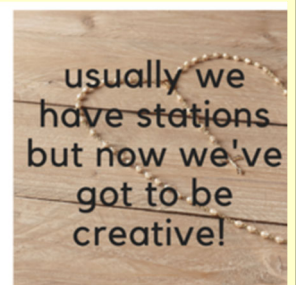
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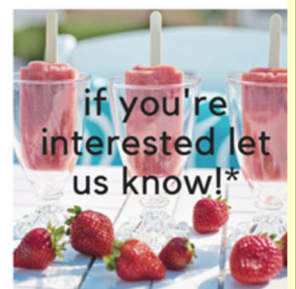
**volunteers
needed!**

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we'll provide the content, and editing, we
just need your smiling faces!



usually we
have stations
but now we've
got to be
creative!



if you're
interested let
us know!*

The GIRM: Playbook for the Mass



Have you ever wondered how the priests, deacons and lay ministers know what to do and when to perform the rituals of the Mass? How is it that the Mass is celebrated nearly the same way throughout the world? This information is contained in “playbook” of sorts and, in the English-speaking world, it is called *The General Instruction of the Roman Missal* or “GIRM.” The GIRM contains instructions for the Priest who celebrates Mass, for the Deacons and lay ministers, and for the people—everything from when to bow and when to sing to when to observe Sacred Silence is included in these instructions. Below are the primary instructions regarding the singing of the Mass.

The Importance of Singing

39. The Christian faithful who come together as one in expectation of the Lord’s coming are instructed by the Apostle Paul to sing together psalms, hymns, and spiritual canticles (cf. Col 3:16). Singing is the sign of the heart’s joy (cf. Acts 2:46). thus St. Augustine says rightly, “Singing is for one who loves,”⁴⁸ and there is also an ancient proverb: “Whoever sings well prays twice over.”

40. Great importance should therefore be attached to the use of singing in the celebration of the Mass, with due consideration for the culture of peoples and abilities of each liturgical assembly. although it is not always necessary (e.g., in weekday Masses) to sing all the texts that are in principle meant to be sung, every care should be taken that singing by the ministers and the people not be absent in celebrations that occur on Sundays and on Holydays of Obligation.

However, in the choosing of the parts actually to be sung, preference is to be given to those that are of greater importance and especially to those which are to be sung by the Priest or the Deacon or a reader, with the people replying, or by the Priest and people together.⁴⁹

41. The main place should be given, all things being equal, to Gregorian Chant, as being proper to the Roman Liturgy. Other kinds of sacred music, in particular polyphony, are in no way excluded, provided that they correspond to the spirit of the liturgical action and that they foster the participation of all the faithful.⁵⁰

Since the faithful from different countries come together ever more frequently, it is desirable that they know how to sing together at least some parts of the ordinary of the Mass in Latin, especially the profession of faith and the Lord’s prayer, according to the simpler settings.⁵¹

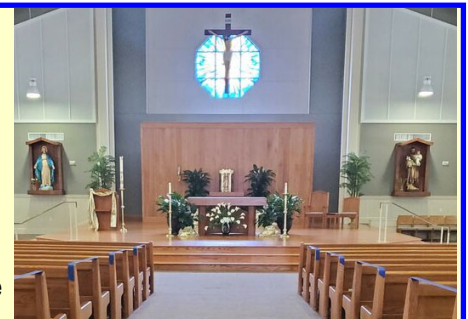
44. Among gestures are included also actions and processions, by which the priest, with the Deacon and ministers, goes to the altar;...[to the ambo] before the proclamation of the gospel; [as] the faithful bring up the gifts and come forward to receive communion. It is appropriate that actions and processions of this sort be carried out with decorum while the chants proper to them are sung, in accordance with the norms laid down for each.

The quest for knowledge and understanding the many aspects of our Faith and the practice of our Faith may lead to more questions. If you have questions about Sacred Music, please feel free to speak to me after Mass or call the office: 985-386-3749.

Rhonda Rossano, Music Director

Guidelines for Mass Attendance

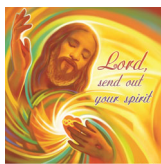
- We can only hold 25% capacity as state mandated.
- Must have a mask to enter the church building. There are no masks available for people who do not bring their own.
- No congregating in the Narthex before or after Mass.
- There will be no hymn sheets, or books handed out. You can follow along with Mass readings on MyParishApp or the free resources found on our Coronavirus Resource Page.
- There will be no collection baskets passed person to person like usual. Instead, you will notice a container in the middle aisle. We ask that you place your offering in the slot on top of the container. And we thank you for your generosity.



Please see our website for additional information.

The Richness of the Spirit

Students, and most adults recalling their school days, are familiar with the phrase “compare and contrast” that shows up from time to time on tests. Today we hear two different accounts of the giving of the Holy Spirit to the church. Let’s contrast, then compare. Luke’s account from Acts is filled with arresting details: the mighty wind from heaven, the tongues of flame, the miracle of different languages. John’s account seems timid: fearful disciples, the wounded Christ, the expelling of breath from his risen body, not from the sky. Our literal, modern minds wonder which way it happened; our noisy culture probably makes us prefer the former. But if we compare the two, we find that the dazzling richness of the Spirit fills both accounts, for it is the very breath of the risen Christ, ascended to the sky in Luke, that appears to his disciples in John and sends his followers forth to carry on his mission of forgiving sin and proclaiming the mighty acts of God. Copyright © J. S. Paluch



Today's Readings

First Reading — Filled with the Holy Spirit, the apostles begin to speak in tongues (Acts 2:1-11).

Psalms — Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth (Psalm 104).

Second Reading — In one Spirit we are baptized into one body and given to drink of one Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13).

Gospel — Jesus Christ appears to the disciples and sends them on their mission with the power to forgive or retain sins through the Holy Spirit (John 20:19-23).

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, 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, Angel Braun, Amy Brennan, JoAnne Brisset, Jeanette Brown, Carrie Burch, Jonathan Burch, Baby David Burris, Eric Campos, Christine Castjohn, Carol Castle, Dennis Charbonnet, Rita Charbonnet, Julian Chiro, Gavin Cieutat, PJ Clause, Ken Davidson, Lucille Davidson, Melissa Balado Dean, Kitty Derveloy, Larry Deslatte, Alexis Dionne, David Dionne, Stacey Dolan, Beverly Dominique, Carol Dominguez, 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, Kalee Henderson, Sherry Hill, Elaine Hoover, Tammy Perrin Horn, Peggy Howes, Jimmy Hubert, Tara Huguet, Ashley Ingolia, Grace Innerarity, Joseph Jason, Jennifer Jernigan, Lawrence Joiner, Carol Kinchen, Alan Klein, Ronnie Klug, Norma Kraemer, David Kraft, Charles Gregory Kraft, Sis Kyzar, Norma Larriou, Wayne Laurent, Doris Lavigne, Ruby Drude Lee, Sally LeJeune, Hilton Lloyd, IV, Nathan deLord, Elsie Major, Mary Twickler Mann, Francis Martino, Caitlyn Matherne, Max McCray, Cole McMillion, Morris Meyer, Barry Mince Sr., Anna Mae Mixon, Patricia Monteleone, Andrew Morales, Ed Murray, CJ Otilio, Carol Ott, Ruth Ourso, Wanda Pandarvis, George Peltier, Bert Perilloux, Fran Poche, Ann Prine, Mary Prine, Mike Raiford, Vera Ragan, Dale Roberts, Bryan Roddick, A. J. Roig, Jr., Linda Ryan, Ernest Schenck, Red Schwab, Bob Simoneaux, Bristol Rose Smith, Dale Allen Smith, Kayla Smith, Wylene Remy Taylor, Madeline Thibodeaux, Tracy Todd, Mike Tournillon, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Tartamelia, Earl Theriot, Sam Vilaro, Sam Viola, Carla Van Vrancken, June Villa, Glen Walker, Adelle Wall, Danny Wall, Danni Waugh, 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: Pentecost Sunday
 Monday: The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church; Ninth Week in Ordinary Time
 Tuesday: Ss. Marcellinus and Peter
 Wednesday: St. Charles Lwanga and Companions
 Friday: St. Boniface; First Friday
 Saturday: St. Norbert; 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.

Usually, 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. *However, during the Pandemic we are hosting ZOOM meetings every Thursday night instead.*

We look forward to sharing this program of hope and support with you. For more 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

June 1, 2020

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; Ps 87:1-3, 5-7; Jn 19:25-34
 Tuesday: 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18; Ps 90:2-4, 10, 14, 16; Mk 12:13-17
 Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Ps 123:1b-2; Mk 12:18-27
 Thursday: 2 Tm 2:8-15; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Mk 12:28-34
 Friday: 2 Tm 3:10-17; Ps 119:157, 160, 161, 165, 166, 168; 1-6; Mk 12:35-37
 Saturday: 2 Tm 4:1-8; Ps 71:8-9, 14-15ab, 16-17, 22; Mk 12:38-44

Next Sunday Readings (June 7, 2020)

First Reading.....Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9
 Second Reading.....2 Corinthians 13:11-13
 Gospel.....John 3:16-18
 Psalm.....Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55

Mass Intentions

Monday, June 1, 2020

8:00 AM (L) Matt & Christine Vicknair

Tuesday, June 2, 2020

8:00 AM Penny Poche Carter

Wednesday, June 3, 2020

8:00 AM Lawrence Dude Dominguez

Thursday, June 4, 2020

8:00 AM Sena Sicard

Saturday, June 6, 2020

5:00 PM Dudley & Geraldine Berthelot
 Patricia Boudreaux
 Phillip Wyatt Connelley
 Robert Connelley
 (L) Deacon Byrd Corbett
 Living & Deceased Members of Louis Costanza Family
 Dominick DiCarlo
 Larry Dominguez
 Richard Eleser
 (L) Karen Falk
 Jessica Galatas
 (L) Linda Guagliardo
 (L) Lisa Kennedy
 Joseph Ralf LeSaicherre
 Ella Mae Melancon
 (L) Clay Nepveux
 (L) Amanda O'Neill
 (L) Anita Perrin
 Bill Perrin
 Rufus Poche
 Souls in Purgatory
 (L) Rodney Schmaltz

Sunday, June 7, 2020

8:00 AM Franklin Borgerson
 Phillip Wyatt Connelley
 Michael Digby
 Mary Sue Drude
 Richard & Clotilde Drude
 Ann Hayles
 Joseph Ralf LeSaicherre
 Mallory Grace Reggio
 Lester Richoux, Jr.
 Raphael Vito Sabella
 Liz Sanderson
 Poor Souls in Purgatory
 Barbara Troxler

11:00 AM For the People of the Parish

Stewardship

“Give Me a Reason to Go”

Imagine the most meaningful visit with your favorite friend or relative. The last thing you want is for that individual to leave. You never want a great visit to end. You certainly wouldn't suggest that the taillights of that person's car are the sight you most want to see. Not at all. What, then, might the disciples have thought when Jesus told them they'd be better off when he left? Confused? At least. But then, he gave them a reason.

“Jesus said, ‘Now I am going to the one who sent me, and not one of you asks me, *Where are you going?* But because I told you this, grief has filled your hearts. But I tell you the truth, it is better for you that I go. For if I do not go, the Advocate will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes he will convict the world in regard to sin and righteousness and condemnation: sin, because they do not believe in me; righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will no longer see me; condemnation, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.’ ”

Financial News

| YTD | Actual | Budgeted | Difference |
|-------------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| 5/17/2020 | \$ 897,052.17 | \$874,000.00 | \$ +23,052.17 |
| Church Support | \$ 23,1636.45 | | |
| St. Joseph School | \$ 294.00 | | |
| Mis. Collections | \$ 215.00 | | |
| | \$ 23,672.45 | | |
| 5/24/2020 | \$ 915,898.67 | \$893,000.00 | \$ +22,898.67 |
| Church Support | \$ 18,846.50 | | |
| Communications | \$ 172.00 | | |
| Mis. Collections | \$ 243.00 | | |
| | \$ 19,261.50 | | |

Second Collections

St. Joseph School: June 14th
 Peter's Pence: June 28th

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, June 6th & Sunday June 7th

| | <u>Eucharistic Ministers</u> | <u>Ushers</u> |
|--------------|--|--|
| 5PM | Cheryl Laiche 7b Tom Waller 8b Ronald Perrin 9b | John Laiche Francis Martino Elaine Schatzle James Wittenberg John Yeagain |
| 8AM | Benjamin Perrin 7b Harold Thibodeaux 8b Melisa Hedrick 9b | Michael Chiasson Ronnie Reggio Roland Terrebonne Jacob Schmaltz William Mathes Peter Peterson |
| 11AM | Clay Nepveux 7b Betty Nepveux 8b Veronica Pierson 9b | Sidney Alexander Randy Bennett Joseph Ragan Jeff Ryan |
| | <u>Lectors</u> | |
| 5PM | Larry Ernst | |
| 8AM | Dennis James | |
| 11 AM | Shirley Adams | |

Crowning of Our Blessed Mother

Braylee Summers crowned our Blessed Mother on May 26th. Braylee also received her First Communion on that date.



Coping With the COVID Crisis Turning Trauma Into Growth

The Diocese of Baton Rouge is offering an on-line workshop to provide some insights and recommendations for dealing with the current COVID crisis. Social Workers from Catholic Charities and the Office of Marriage and Family Life have teamed up with Catholic Life Television to help the faithful of the Diocese understand how they might use the opportunity of this pandemic to actually grow through this experience by focusing on what psychologists call Post-Traumatic Growth. The workshop will outline the factors that hinder such growth as well as the factors that facilitate this growth. This free workshop can be accessed on-line anytime through the following link: <https://youtu.be/R-qUMJZ2LVA>



Mark Your Calendar

Sunday, May 31st
Total Consecration Ceremony— 9:30 am .

For anyone who has been preparing over the past few weeks to make or renew a Consecration, the time is near! We invite you to join us as we gather (*six feet apart, wearing masks*) in front of the Blessed Mother statue in front of the school. If you have been preparing for the Consecration but are unable to join us, please feel free to do a personal Consecration at your earliest convenience, perhaps in front of Our Lady's statue in the church.

If it rains on the morning of the 31st, we will move to the inside of the church in front of our Blessed Mother's statue (*again, six feet apart, wearing masks*). For more information, call Ron or Terri at 504-450-5459, or Connie at 985-507-7164.

Tuesday, June 2nd
Word & Worship—Church-7:00 pm

Wednesday, June 3rd
Adoration—Church 8:30 am to 6:00 pm

Wednesday, June 3rd
Divine Mercy—Church-3:00 pm

Wednesday, June 3rd
Vespers—Church - 6:00 pm

Saturday, June 6th
Confession—4:00 pm

Saturday, June 6th
First Communion—begins

June 22nd—June 26th
Virtual VBS

Our Stephen Ministers Are Ready To Care For You!

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First Communion

Begins June 6th

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Seraphim Angels

A big thanks goes to Lane Drude and his mom Sarah for their help in continuing to keep St. Joseph neat. Gardening Angels has temporarily shut down and Buddy and I are struggling to keep the entire campus weeded. So we have asked for volunteers to come out with a parent and adopt a certain plot of land! These Seraphim Angels are the highest ranking angels receiving heavenly credit only! **Still have plots waiting to be adopted!** Thanks.





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