



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

October 20, 2019 Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Marian Consecration for Teens

"Mary is the safest, easiest, shortest and most perfect way of approaching Jesus." –St. Louis Marie de Montfort



Starting **November 8th** and ending with consecration ceremony on **December 12th**, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. We will meet every Sunday, 9:30am- 10:30am, location to be announced. Consecration book and notebook will be provided if you sign up early. First gathering will be November 3rd. For more information or to sign up, contact Mary Hanks 985-602-6949.



On a Sacred Note

It is generally true that the more we know about something, the better we understand it and may appreciate it. An important step in understanding our Liturgy is understanding the music of the Liturgy.

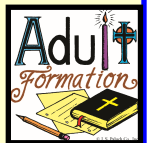
If you have ever wondered why we sing certain prayers and hymns during Mass and why we don't sing others or just have questions about Sacred Music, consider attending **Sacred Notes, the Music of the Liturgy** offered Sundays from 9:30 – 10:30 am twice monthly beginning **October 20th**.

Starts Today!!

New Adult Formation Class Starting Next Sunday

Typology: Oct 27th, Nov 3rd, 10th, 17th, Dec 1st (9:30am -10:30 am)
Mike Fulmer– School Library

Typology is the first and oldest method of Scripture study. Join Mike Fulmer as he leads a 5 part Bible class and unlocks many of the mysteries hidden in Old Testament Scripture. The first sessions will begin with an introduction to Typology and then begin with the Tree of Life in the Bible.



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Rhonda Rossano, *Music Director*

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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, 985-386-3863
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, Angeliqne 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.

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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Welcome, Lisa Kennedy to the Council of Ministries and Co-Chair of the Outreach Commission!

My name is Lisa Kennedy. I have been a resident of Ponchatoula for 24 years. I am originally from Maryland. I have two sons, Aleksander who is 26 years old and Dillon who is 22 years old. I have been a nurse for 33 years and am presently employed at North Oaks Medical Center. I joined St. Joseph Parish when my oldest son joined first grade PSR, although I did not practice the faith as a parishioner.

My faith journey began during a very dark season in my family life with the break-up of my marriage. This was a time I felt the most alone, even in a room full of people. A simple invite for me and my family to participate in the March for Life Pilgrimage with St. Joseph Parish turned the tides and offered hope and began healing in ways I did to know were possible or needed. I was forever touched in a way I can't deny. For the first time, I started to think I was worthy of the love of God. Since that time, I have been in pursuit of a more intimate relationship with Jesus.

Currently, I participate in two ministries offered at St. Joseph which are Monica's Journey and Called and Gifted. These ministries have offered me great support as well as given me a place to serve where I feel like God is calling me. I feel there are so many people in different circumstances that do not know the true love of Christ. I appreciate the invitation to be on the council and look forward to the opportunity to learn more so that I can facilitate those in need. I am a little apprehensive as I always am to step out of my comfort zone and grow deeper in my faith; however I am confident the members of this council are in this place at this time to help us all grow in The Body.



Our Lady of Fatima

Last weekend, Our Lady of Fatima was honored as Brooke Boudreaux shared the story of the miracle of the sun with the PSR and Ablaze youth. Other parishioners joined our procession from the gym to the church as we recited the rosary. If you are interested in bringing the Fatima statue to your home for a week please call Brooke at (985) 722-7386. Thank you Brooke, altar servers, 4th degree knights, Fatima children and all the youth and families who participated making this day special for Our Lady of the Rosary.



Children's Liturgy Coming to 8 am

This **November** we will start having children's liturgy at **8 am** Mass. We have catechists but could use extra adult help. Also, youth grades 6-12 can get service hours. Call Paige at the office if you can help.

Project to Restore Stations Completed

A year-long effort to restore the fourteen Stations of the Cross at St. Joseph's Church has been completed.

For some time, the colorful, lifelike ceramic sculptures lining the nave of the church have needed repairs. Chips in the paint, pieces broken off several figures during cleanings and some faded coloring inspired parishioners to undertake an extensive makeover.

Once local artist Rolly Bruce surveyed the stations and estimated the projected cost of restoring them to their original luster, parish-wide fundraising efforts began, spearheaded by Barbara and Francis Martino. Members of the church's Rosary Altar Society were the first contributors, donating all monies collected from their annual Strawberry Festival bake sale. The Father Vander Heyden Knights of Columbus Council 4874, the Father Martin Assembly 323 of Fourth Degree Knights and the Kaycee Ladies Auxiliary also contributed. Mrs. C. J. Derveloy made a donation in memory of her husband, C.J., who worked tirelessly on the design of the new church. Several other parishioners made anonymous donations. Altogether, generosity throughout the congregation fully funded the restoration campaign without using parish funds.

"It speaks volumes about our parish that our ministries, community service groups and parishioners realize the significance of keeping our beloved stations in excellent condition," Barbara noted. "Our prayers were answered. The generosity of everyone involved in this project is greatly appreciated," she added.

The actual work was completed in stages. Typically, two stations were removed from the church at a time and returned in like-new condition two weeks later. Artist Rolly Bruce gave the pieces a thorough cleaning, refreshed the coloring while repairing chips and fabricating missing parts that included several fingers, part of a head, an elbow and an entire hand. The restored stations now feature extraordinary details such as the woodgrain seen in Jesus' cross and intricate shading in the terrain on the bases.

The stations' origins have quite a history. Long before St. Joseph's new church was dedicated in 2006, Mike Fulmer served on the parish design committee and worked to acquire needed furnishings. He discovered collections of religious artifacts were sold on eBay. Over many years, old cathedrals were being torn down across Europe and art dealers were reselling salvaged religious art online – statues, complete sets of stations, as well as pews and other furnishings.

With donations from parishioners, the committee decided to purchase the beautifully detailed, three-dimensional ceramic stations from a dealer in New Jersey. Where the stations actually came from remained a mystery, but the title of each station's depiction was originally spelled out in Polish. The dealer estimated the stations are more than 100 years old; each station weighs between 40 and 50 pounds. Typical of that period, artists mixed hair from the tails of horses with the plaster to give strength to the figurines and ornate bases. "The horse hair remains visible on the backs of these stations," Mike noted.

Transporting the stations from a New Jersey warehouse to Ponchatoula was another project. Mike's company, Berryland Campers, provided a cargo trailer and 75 blankets. He hired a driver with a truck to make the four-day, round-trip delivery. "Crating and shipping the stations was more expensive than driving to New Jersey and picking them up," Mike explained. "Plus, we knew they would arrive at the church in better condition than if we used a commercial shipper," he added.

Now that the restoration is completed, churchgoers will experience meaningful reflection during services depicting Christ's path to his crucifixion for decades to come.



Altar Flowers

Beginning the weekend of November 2, 2019, there will be the opportunity to donate the flowers placed before the altar. These flowers will be in Loving Honor of a Special Parishioner deceased or living. To secure a weekend you must call the Church Office (985-386-3749) to notify them of your wish. A check made out to Carolyn Gillingham for \$50 will secure your request. A dedication will be listed in that weekend's bulletin. Thank you for your interest.



Persistence

Today's readings are about persistence, passionate persistence. Exodus tells of a battle won despite weariness because Moses, with help from Aaron and Hur, held his hands raised. Timothy asks that same persistence of his community and us. Luke tells of a court case won by a widow, despite the dishonesty of the judge, because she will not leave him alone. The psalm reminds us that God is everywhere, guarding us from harm day and night, coming and going, now and forever. The readings are about persistence, the relentless, unwavering pursuit of what must not be lost. The readings are about God's passionate persistence in pursuing us, seeking to win our hearts. Copyright © J. S. Paluch



Today's Readings

First Reading — As long as Moses kept his hands raised up, Israel had the better of the fight (Exodus 17:8-13).

Psalm — Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth (Psalm 121).

Second Reading — Remain faithful to what you have learned and believed (2 Timothy 3:14 — 4:2).

Gospel — Will not God secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? (Luke 18:1-8).

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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, Stephanie Alexander, Ray Aleman, Sr., Patrick Bailey, Ockie Baldassoro, Mark Bear, Gloria Bennett, Mildred Bittick, Ray Boihem, Michelle Bossier, Hazel Boudreaux, Larry Boudreaux, Ranice Bourg, Angel Braun, Brewster Family, JoAnne Brisset, Baby David Burris, Morgan Carel, Carol Castle, Dennis Charbonnet, Rita Charbonnet, Julian Chiro, Shirley Chislom, Gavin Cieutat, PJ Clause, Phillip Connelley, Aurelie Costanza, Tilly Cutrer, Ken Davidson, Lucille Davidson, Kitty Derveloy, Larry Deslatte, Alexis Dionne, Stacey Dolan, Lawrence Dominguez, Beverly Dominique, Carol Dominguez, John Dufreche, Noel & Andrew Dzuryachko, Pam Elder, Lisa Elstrot, Veronica Fannally, Joey Fortenberry, Marge Frahm, Eva Francois, Lenny George, Malissa Gonzalez, Brian Guichet, Myrthus Guichet, Anne Guidry, Jean Guitreau, Diane Gunther, Katherine Harris, Warren Heckmann, Sherry Hill, Elaine Hoover, Tammy Perrin Horn, Peggy Howes, Jimmy Hubert, Tara Huguet, Grace Innerarity, Jackie Jacobs, Jennifer Jernigan, Norma Kraemer, David Kraft, Charles Gregory Kraft, Sis Kyzar, Wayne Laurent, Doris Lavigne, Ruby Drude Lee, Margie Liuzza, Larry Macaluso, Sr., Elsie Major, Mary Twickler Mann, Francis Martino, Amelia McCulla, Patricia McKigney, Cole McMillion, Ella Mae Melancon, Willie Melancon, Barry Mince Sr., Victoria Miranda, Rose Mitchell, Patricia Monteleone, Andrew Morales, Ed Murray, Betty Olsen, Dayna Bennett O’Neill, CJ Otilio, Carol Ott, Wanda Pandarvis, Bert Perilloux, Fran Poche, Ann Prine, Mary Prine, Mike Raiford, Dale Roberts, A. J. Roig, Jr., Liz Sanderson, Rosa Maria Santos, Bob Simoneaux, Kayla Smith, Millie Spansel, Wylene Remy Taylor, Madeline Thibodeaux, Tracy Todd, Mike Tournillon, Cheryl Twickler, Nathan Vicknair, 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: Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Mission Sunday
 Tuesday: St. John Paul II
 Wednesday: St. John of Capistrano
 Thursday: St. Anthony Mary Claret
 Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary



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

October 21, 2019

Monday: Rom 4:20-25; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 12:13-21
 Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Lk 12:35-38
 Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1b-8; Lk 12:39-48
 Thursday: Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 12:49-53
 Friday: Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119:66, 68, 76-77, 93-94; Lk 12:54-59
 Saturday: Rom 8:1-11; Ps 24:1b-4ab, 5-6; Lk 13:1-9

Next Sunday's Readings (October 27, 2019)

First Reading.....Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18
 Second Reading.....2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
 Gospel.....Luke 18:9-14
 Psalm..... 34:2-3, 17-18, 19-23

Mass Intentions

Monday, October 21, 2019

8:00 AM (L) Brent Faurie

Tuesday, October 22, 2019

8:00 AM (L) Dixie Jenkins

Wednesday, October 23, 2019

8:00 AM (L) St. Joseph School Students & Teachers

Thursday, October 24, 2019

8:00 AM (L) Laura Waller

Saturday, October 26, 2019

5:00 PM (L) Denise Armondin
 Dudley & Geraldine Berthelot
 Norman Desplas
 (L) Noel & Andy Dzuryachko
 (L) Kayla Fletcher
 Jessica Galatas
 Kenneth Hevelone
 Joseph Kuhn, Jr.
 Warren Lambert
 Corkey Larsen
 Vincent Latino, Sr.
 Eugenia Miller
 Bert & Flavia Morse
 Laura Mae Morse
 Bill Perrin
 Deanna Piediscalzo
 Rufus Poche
 (L) Family of Michael Vincent Pugh
 Robert Robichaux
 (L) Liz Sanderson
 Audrey Scamardo
 Deceased Members of our local St. Vincent de Paul Conference
 (L) Connie Triolo
 Steve Vuljoin
 (L) Daniel & Laura Waller
 (L) Bill Wheat
 Bobby Wolfe, Jr.
 Joseph Mike Zeringue

Sunday, October 27, 2019

8:00 AM For the People of the Parish
 11:00 AM (L) Brandon Berggren
 Ronald Braun
 (L) Lawrence & Bertha Dominguez (75th Wedding Anniversary)
 Mary Sue Drude
 Richard & Clotilde Drude
 Holy Souls in Purgatory
 Dorothy Hotard
 Huey Husser
 D.D. Kraft
 Leonard & Gertrude Kraft
 Louanna & Cotton Kraft
 Stanley Laurent
 (L) Elsie Major
 Albert Ott
 Michael Vincent Pugh
 (L) Liz Sanderson
 Audrey Paulette Scamardo
 Joy Steib

(L) Indicates Living



Mass Schedule

Friday, November 1st

8am & 6pm

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Intentions of the Holy Father

That the breath of the Holy Spirit engender a new missionary "spring" in the Church.



Ministry Schedules

Saturday, October 26th & Sunday October 27th

	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Ushers</u>
5PM	Fay Murray 1c Barbara Martino 2c Linda LeCompte 3c Deacon 4c Angela Pevey 5c Gasper Corpora 7b Tom Waller 8b James Wittenberg 9b	Jesse Bergeron Philip LeCompte Chris Marmillion John Yeargain Vincent Poche
8AM	Benjamin Perrin 1c Mary Jo Balado 2c Ruth Ourso 3c Deacon 4c Alice James 5c Dennis James 7b Melissa Henderson 8b Scott Henderson 9b	Michael Chiasson Joseph Jason Ronnie Reggio George Peltier Jacob Schmaltz
11AM	Deborah Vogel 1c Donna Clause 2c Betty Nepveux 3c Deacon 4c Clay Nepveux 5c Bax Baxley 7b Danette Ragusa 8b Stacy Randazzo 9b	Sidney Alexander Randy Bennett Buddy Williams Joseph Ragan
5PM	<u>Altar Servers</u> Ian Gremillion Rylan Mauterer Seth Swanner	<u>Greeters</u> 5 PM Linda Guagliardo 8 AM Anne Phillips 11 AM DeShea Johnson
8AM	Anna Hanks Libby Rabalais Paul Hanks	<u>Lectors</u> 5PM K. Yeargain 8AM Gabby Reggio 11 AM T. Guagliardo, III
11AM	John-Micahel Heroman Jonah Nepveux Joshua Heroman	

Financial News

YTD	Actual	Budgeted	Difference
10/13/2019	\$281,521.49	\$285,000.00	\$ -3,478.51
Church Support	\$15,824.00		
St. Joseph School	\$ 1,321.94		
Mis. Collections	\$ 131.00		
	\$17,276.94		

Second Collections

Propagation of Faith: October 20th



Volunteers Needed!!!

Adult & High School
 Volunteers Needed for
 Childcare during 8am and
 11 am Masses.

If you can volunteer, please
 call Paige at the Church
 Office, 386-3749.

All Souls Day Prayer Service-Praying for our deceased loved ones

Join the MARIAN SERVANTS of the Visitation for an All Souls Day Prayer Service praying for our deceased loved ones especially those who have died this past year. The service will be held on Saturday, Nov. 2 at 5 (immediately following 4 pm Vigil mass) in the Holy Ghost Church daily mass chapel. Evening prayer and a Holy Souls rosary will be prayed, veneration of the relic of Blessed Francis Seelos and individual prayer teams will be offered.



St. Joseph's Ministry Leaders Meeting

All Leaders

Tuesday, October 22nd—6pm in the Ministry Building



Society of St Vincent de Paul Report: September 2019

We made **24** home visits serving **60** people

Delivered 201/2 bags of food from our Parish Food Pantry

Paid utility bills totaling \$2,928.45 and \$1,183.28 in other assistance including rent, fresh food, furniture, and transportation needs.

As always, we are grateful for your generosity that makes our work with the poor possible.

We are in need of new members due to the fact that some of our members have moved, and others have health issues that are preventing them from going on home visits. If you feel called to this ministry please come to a meeting and see what we do.

We would love to have you join us! We meet bi-weekly on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the new Ministry Building. Our next scheduled meetings are October 22nd and November 5th. We hope to see you there!!

All Saint's Day Party

St. Joseph's Ablaze Group are asking for cereal box donations for their craft project at their All Saint's Day Party! All 6th-8th graders are welcome to the All Saint's Day Party, Oct. 30th, 5-8pm in the St. Joseph's Room. Saints costumes are encouraged and there will be a prize for the best one! More details can be found at sjcyouth.com



Gumbo for Life Save the Dates!!!

Weekends following Mass Outside of Church! Teens Serving Gumbo.



October 19th & 20th
November 2nd & 3rd
November 9th & 10th
December 7th & 8th
January 11th & 12th



\$5-\$10 requested donation to help send teens, young adults, and leaders to represent St. Joseph's Parish in the Baton Rouge Diocesan Pilgrimage to the National March for Life in Washington, D.C.!

Widowed Friends



Rejoice & Be Glad! A special announcement will be made at our next

luncheon, at B & J Seafood on October 22nd at 11:30 am. Everyone please come. For those of you who have been curious and have not come yet, this a wonderful luncheon for you to come with a friend. Please come and hear this special announcement. Remember, this event is also bring-a-friend-luncheon. A big shout out to the youth of St. Joseph who participated in last Sunday's Mass. We think you did a wonderful job and we hope to see you often. Brava and Bravo! From the Widowed Friends to all of you in the congregation, this is our favorite Fall recipe— Recipe for Happiness— 1 bag of Smiles, 2 cups of Sharing, 2 lbs of Positivity, 1 cup of Good Humor, 1 cup of Self-Esteem, 2 spoonsful of Simplicity, a double-dash of Goodwill, 4 drops of Easy Going and 1 large packet of a Life of Faith and Love for Jesus! Again, please come to the next luncheon and bring a friend! God bless and see you there!

The Widowed Friends group has been formed to provide for the specific fellowship of Widows and Widowers. Parishioners who are in other circumstances of single life are invited and encouraged to join the various ministries in our parish offers to suit their specific and/or general needs.

Mark Your Calendar

Saturday Oct 19th & Sunday Oct. 20th

Gumbo Sales for March for Life—after all Masses

Sunday, October 20th

Sacred Notes—The Music of the Church—9:30 am in the Choir Room

Tuesday, October 22nd

Word & Worship 7pm in the Chapel

Tuesday, October 22nd

Widowed Friends—11:30 am at B&J's Seafood

Wednesday, October 22nd

Divine Mercy Chaplet—3pm in the Chapel

Tuesday, October 22nd

St. Vincent de Paul Society—6:30 pm Meeting in the Ministry Building

Tuesday, October 22nd

St. Joseph's Ministry Leaders Ministry—6pm in the St. Joseph's Room.

Wednesday, October 23rd

Choir Practice— 6:30 pm in the Choir Room.

Wednesday, October 23rd

Lord, Teach Me to Pray—6:30 pm

For Women— St. Catherine Room

For Men— St. Dominic Room

Thursday, October 24th

PAL Meeting—6pm in the St. Dominic Room.

Sunday, October 27th

PSR Catechists Meeting— 10:30am in the St. Dominic Room.

Friday, November 1st

All Saints—Masses: 8am & 6pm

Saturday, November 2nd

Men's Morning Prayer Group— 6am in the Chapel

Saturday, November 2nd

First Saturday Rosary— 10am in the Chapel

Saturday, November 2nd

SJS Class of 1994—25th Reunion—5pm Mass

Saturday Nov 2nd & Sunday Nov 3rd

Gumbo Sales for March for Life—after all Masses

Monday, Nov 4th

Rosary Altar Society— 1pm in the Ministry Building

KCs Say "Thank You"

The Fr. Vander Heyden Knights of Columbus Council 4874 extends a sincere "THANK YOU" to the buyers of 384 tickets for its recent BBQ Chicken Dinner fundraiser. Proceeds from this annual effort help support the council's ongoing community service projects.

"Throughout the year, our brother knights are busy helping St. Vincent de Paul, seminarians from our parish, our youth group's Right to Life program, and sponsoring a foster child in Guatemala, among other projects," commented Grand Knight Alex Joiner. "Our membership is actively committed to helping those less fortunate, while enjoying the fellowship of getting together and preparing good food," he added.