



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

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 9:15-10:30 am
Ablaze-Gr. 6-8; Sun 9:15-10:30 am
High School Formation
Gr. 9-12; Sun. 9:15-10:30 am

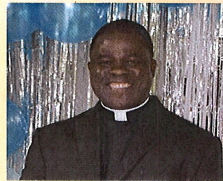
March 27, 2022 Fourth Sunday of Lent

Join us for

Mass and Healing Service

Lead by Father Anthony Odiong

Pastor of St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church in Luling, LA



St. Joseph's Catholic Church

255 N. 8th St.

Ponchatoula, LA 70454

Wednesday, March 30, 2022

Rosary and Confession begin at 6pm

Mass begins at 6:30pm

Following Mass, the St. Anthony Healing Team, lead by Fr. Anthony Odiong, will pray over those in need of physical, mental and spiritual healing. All are invited to join this Eucharistic celebration and healing service.

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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: 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
Parish School of Religion: Grades K-12; Paige Bacile 985-386-3749
Special Education PSR: 985-386-3749.
RCIA: Ed or Julie Hanks, 985-351-3143.
St. Joseph Bereavement Food Ministry: Cheryl Laiche, 985-386-2033 or Anne Phillips, 985-969-2700
Stephen Ministry: Anita or Ronnie Perrin, 985-687-4458 or 985-386-3016.
Ushers: Contact Barry Blackledge 985-510-5502.
Widowed Friends of St. Joseph: Barbara Guy at 985-507-9966.
Word & Worship Prayer Ministry: Fernando Morales: 985-662-2844.
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 Middle School: Kayla Fletcher: 985-386-3749
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Organizations

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Kaycee Auxiliary: Carolyn Pugh : 985-320-5741
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 (Application for new members)
Rosary Altar Society: Melissa Hedrick 504-491-3130
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, Stacy Ball, Gordon Cotton, Melisa Hedrick, Lisa Kennedy, Rachael Perrin, Angela Pevey, Brad Poche, Stephanie Reggio, Rodney Schmaltz, Wayne Vedeckis, Tom Waller. Ad Hoc Council Members: Fr. McDuffie, Deacon Larry Melancon, Fernando Morales, Danette Ragusa.

Download Our 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.



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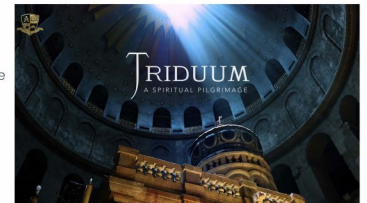
PICK OF THE WEEK

March 27, 2022

WATCH

TRIDUUM: A SPIRITUAL PILGRIMAGE

In Triduum: A Spiritual Pilgrimage, the viewer is brought deeper into the story, landscape, and reality of Holy Week. It draws those with open hearts and minds toward a deeper understanding of Christ's victory while offering rich meditations for the pilgrimage of daily life.



FORMED LIVE!

Jesus' Descent into Hell

Holy Saturday
 April 11th, 2020

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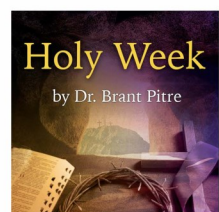
HOLY SATURDAY—JESUS' DESCENT INTO HELL

What do we mean when we profess that Jesus descended into Hell? Join Drs. Tim Gray and Michael Barber as they discuss this mysterious event of Holy Saturday.

LISTEN

HOLY WEEK BY DR. BRANT PITRE

Join Dr. Brant Pitre, author and Scripture scholar, as he walks us through the events of Holy Week. Pitre's insights and clarity allow the listener to enter into a deeper appreciation of the most important events of Christ's earthly ministry.



LEARN

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Stewardship of Finance

In the Stewardship of Finance phase of our Total Stewardship program we invite you to give prayerful attention to the material you will receive regarding this important aspect of spiritual stewardship. The Scriptures connect the concepts of generosity and sacrifice, encouraging us to think of the example of Jesus Christ and the great gift of God's Son. God addressed our need for forgiveness and salvation by giving his very best, an act of extravagant love and mercy. Jesus gave his all. In Christ, we are inspired to give sacrificially too, as we build A Future Full of Hope.



School News

St. Joseph School would like to thank everyone who came to view our St. Joseph Altar last weekend. Thank you to Deacon Larry who blessed our altar during morning assembly as our 2nd grade boys processed with items that were placed on the altar. A special thanks to Margaret Baglio for coordinating such a beautiful altar, and to everyone who donated items or money. We are so blessed.

Congratulations to the following 8th graders who completed in District Rally at SLU. Pictured bottom L to R: Hunter Layrison (English 1), Katie Addison (Spelling), Gracie Allen (Spelling); Top L to R: Addelyn Wolfe (Algebra 1), Zachary Bagby (Algebra 1), Alexis Schmidt (English 1), Alexia and Gracie qualified to advance to the State Level. We are so proud of you!



Summer VBS 2022



After a two year hiatus due to Covid St. Joseph's Church is excited to hosting Vacation Bible School in person this summer **June 6-10 from 8:30 -11:30 am**.

If you can help volunteer during VBS this June or help decorate the week before please come to our next planning meeting this weekend Sunday March 27 after 11 am Mass. This meeting will be held in the St. Benedict Room at the church. We need adult volunteers as well as students in grades **6-11** to volunteer. Contact Paige Bacile 985-386-3749 pbacile@sjscrusaders.org for more information.

Even if you cannot attend the meeting, please sign up to volunteer using the VBS Volunteer button on our church website.

Fill a Prescription for the Needy

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul invites you to participate in their *Annual Fill a Prescription for the Needy* program. **Starting next weekend.** You can participate by removing the label from an empty prescription bottle at home and bringing it to church with a gift inside. This bottle should be placed in the container in the Narthex. Extra empty bottles will be available in the Narthex. Thank you for your support.



**St. Joseph
Sorrows
and
Joys**

Thank You to everyone who participated!



KC's Lenten Fish Fry Dinner

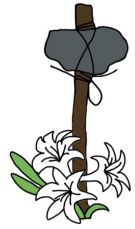
April 1



CONFIRMATION CORNER

April 3...Last THIRST class. But it's not over just yet.)

April 9-10...STRAWBERRY FEST PARKING SERVICE PROJECT ..ALL THIRST STUDENTS AND A PARENT WILL BE REQUIRED TO TAKE A SHIFT—this is a money making project for THIRST...more to come



St. Joseph's Catholic Church

THIRST

Do Not Let ANYONE Look down on you Because YOU are young BUT Set an Example for BELIEVERS

- Timothy 4:12



THE 50TH STRAWBERRY FEST IS APRIL 8-9-10th

ALL THIRST TEENS AND A/BOTH PARENT (s) WILL BE HELPING "PAaahh-k THE CAAaah-rs"

I'll be sending out an evite for you to claim your 2-3 hour slot. This is a HUGE \$ maker for us. Since we have not had opportunities the last couple years with Covid; we really need all hands on deck. Parents – it is very important that you are present with your teens. I'm going to need some serious chaperoning and monitoring of the grounds.



Stay tuned and thank you in advance.



SAFE HAVEN SUNDAY.. Parents and teens-we are so grateful for your commitment to your family and to your presence for this very special presentation last Sunday. Please be watching our bulletin closely as I will be sharing the PARENT WATCH APP OF THE WEEK. CHECK THEIR PHONES.



While the heartbreak among church leaders is real, and a desire to assist these members is genuine; our attack plan is lacking for Church, Community, Marriages and Families. That is where the Covenant Eyes organization is here to help. Covenant Eyes has online programs like:

- > [Restored Vows](#) for couples in your church
- > [STRIVE](#) for men in the Church
- > [Porn Education Series](#) for your leadership teams
- > [The Covenant Eyes Podcast](#)
- > [Pastors Roundtable](#)
- > [The Prepared Ministry Guides](#) for helping your church
- > And much MORE!

Porn addiction is real, but it's not a hopeless situation that the Church can continue to sweep under the rug. With practical tools and compassionate hearts, we can come alongside people and marriages, help them find freedom, and show them how transforming the power of Jesus is in our lives. Let St. Joseph help you with Ministries like My House, Monica's Journey and THIRST.



Those helping with the confirmation SENT 22 Retreat will need to meet on the following dates, times and places for planning:

March 31- Thursday 6:30 pm—
St. Joseph Ministry Building
Retreat Layout details

April 21- Thursday 6:30 pm—
St. Benedict Room. Fine tuning.

April 28-Thursday 6:30 pm
St. Joseph Ministry Building
Decorating and organizing

May 1—Sunday 9:00 am
St. Joseph Ministry Building
Retreat Day



April 23 . SLU high school junior and senior retreat
Please visit the site if interested in attending.



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Lost and Found

The parable of the father and his sons is one of the most familiar of all of Jesus' stories. The father in the parable is lavish in forgiveness and revels in the return of his young son, who was lost and now is found. The older son is also lost—lost in his refusal to forgive, lost in his failure to grasp his father's generous spirit. The Israelites spent many years lost in the desert, seeking the land of milk and honey, yet often failing to seek the God who delivered and fed them. We are sometimes lost as well. We lose sight of the Lord and the Lord's ways. God never loses sight of us, however. God waits, ready for us to come to our senses, ready to welcome us back with open arms.

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Today's Readings

First Reading — God's people enter the promised land, observe the Passover, and eat of the produce of the land (Joshua 5:9a, 10-12) or 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a.

Psalm — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34) or Psalm 23.

Second Reading — We are now ambassadors for Christ (2 Corinthians 5:17-21) or Ephesians 5:8-14.

Gospel — We must rejoice when our brother who was dead in sin repents and comes back to life (Luke 15:1-3, 11-32) or John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38].

Monica's Journey

Monica's Journey is a ministry of St. Joseph's Catholic Church for women who struggle from the brokenness of difficult relationships, abuse, 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. Please leave a voicemail or send a text message to (985) 467-9520 for further information. "Wait for the Lord; Be strong and let your heart take courage: Yes, wait for the Lord!" Psalm 27:14.

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 ministry for this purpose. For more information please contact Angela Perrin at 985-318-4927.



PAL (Parents of Addicted Loved-ones) is a support group open to parents and other adult family members who have a loved one struggling with addiction.

We meet every 2nd & 4th Thursday from 6-7:30 pm in the Ministry Building (St. Catherine Room).

For more information contact Mary Jo B. at 985-320-3010 or Paige B. 985-981-8010 . www.palgroup.org.

Please Pray for Sick and Shut-Ins

Jason Abernathy, Jack Addison, Stephanie Alexander, Laurie Allen, Oekie Baldassoro, Sr., Jay Barbier, Mark Bear, Farley Bennett, Gloria Bennett, Mildred Bittick, David Blake, Michelle Bossier, Ann Boudreaux, Hazel Boudreaux, Larry Boudreaux, Ranice Bourg, Barbara Bourgeois, Angel Braun, Amy Brennan, JoAnne Brisset, Sister Anna Louise Bumbera, R.S.M. , Christine Castjohn, Elaine Charbonnet, Rita Charbonnet, Julian Chiro, Eddie Cicardo, Gavin Cieutat, Steve Coates, Barbara Cravata, Ken Davidson, Lucille Davidson, Pat Davis, Melissa Balado Dean, Kitty Derveloy, Edward Dieser, Beverly Dominique, Carol Dominguez, Danette Crovetto Drell, Debra Drude, Kenneth Paul Drude, Juanita Dugar, Pam Durio, Andrew Dzuryachko, Pam Guichet Elder, Nicholas Eirich, Jay Ernst, Jeanette Ernst, Veronica Fannaly, Sam & Alice Ferraro, Joey Fortenberry, Marge Frahm, Eva Francois, Clint Gagliano, Lenny George, Nittie Gilliland, Carolyn Gillingham, Molly Gladney, Malissa Gonzalez, Clifford Green, Brian Guichet, Myrthus "Twinkle" Guichet, Anne Guidry, Robert Hamberger, IV, Sadie Hebert, Tommy Hebert, Kalee Henderson, Cyndi Hoover, Darrell Hoover, Lois Hoover, Tammy Perrin Horn, Peggy Howes, Jimmy Hubert, Harold Hungerford, Ashley Ingolia, Betty Ingolia, Ray Ingolia, Jennifer Jernigan, Lawrence Joiner, Carol Kinchen, Beulah Kluka, David Kraft, Sis Kyzar, Cheryl Laiche, Baby Callie Lakes, Norma Larrieu, Wayne Laurent, Ruby Drude Lee, Liz LeSaicherre, Gary Lewing, Miceli Family, Brian Lousteau, Henry Lumino, Sr., Caitlyn Matherne, William Mathes, Melissa McCormick, John & Susan McKinney, Ginger McLin, Cole McMillion, Senit Miller, Barry Mince, Sr., Lisa Mince, Anna Mae Mixon, Patricia Monteleone, Andrew Morales, Scott Morton, Ed Murray, Fay Murray, Aliyah Naquin, Cindy Newton, Wanda Pandarvis, George Peltier, Wayne Pepitone, Marisa Perrin, Anne Phillips, Camilla Phillips, Larry Pittman, Fran Poche, Ann Prine, Lise Richard, Barbara Richter, MSC., Bryan Roddick, A. J. Roig, Jr., Brooklyne Sansone, Ernest Schenck, CJ Schiro, Bob Simoneaux, Kayla Smith, Ronald Springer, Sr., Rose Stahl, Jackie Stanga, Lynette Stanga, Maddox Steadman, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Tartamelia, Wylene Remy Taylor, Earl Theriot, Tracy Todd, Carlo Triolo, Jean Troxler, Travis Troxler, Sam Vilardo, Ronald Vining, Sam Viola, Stone Viola, Carla Van Vrancken, Charles Van Vrancken, June Villa, Mary Vuljoin, Glen Walker, Adelle Wall, Danny Wall, Danni Waugh, Rodney Wempren, Dorothy Whitaker, Regi White, 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:

Col. Brian Duplessis, Cole Gunham, US Navy, Commander, Mason Joiner Sgt Major in Army, Jacob Milton, Commander Eric Olsen, US Navy. Elijah Whittington, Clyde Williamson, IV-Army, *Names submitted will be included for 4 weeks. Please call the Church office to renew.*

Saints and Special Observations

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Lent
Friday: First Friday; Abstinence
Saturday: St. Francis of Paola; First Saturday

Intentions of the Holy Father- March 2022

We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

Vocation Awareness

Like the father in the Gospel, God welcomes us home in spite of our sinfulness, and calls us to a life of holiness. Where are you at home? Are you being called to a life as an ordained or a consecrated person? If He is calling you, call or email Father Joshua Johnson at (225) 336-8778, jjohnson@diobr.org, or visit www.diobr.org/vocations.

Readings for the Week of

March 28, 2022

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54
 Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16
 Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30
 Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47
 Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
 Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53

Next Sunday Readings (April 3, 2022)

First ReadingIsaiah 43:16-21
 Second Reading.....Philippians 3:8-14
 GospelJohn 8:1-11
 Psalm126:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 28 2022

8:00 AM (L) Mark Phillips

Tuesday, March 29, 2022

8:00 AM Joan Duplessis

Wednesday, March 30, 2022

8:00 AM John Dufreche

Thursday, March 31, 2022

8:00 AM Phillip Connelley

Saturday, April 2, 2022

5:00 PM Alvin J. Adam, Jr.

(L) Bonnie Anderson

Dudley & Geraldine Berthelot

(L) Ann Boudreaux

Delton Brooks

Phillip & Robert Connelley

Ellis Ernest

Jason Fontenot

Malcom & Lucille Hardy

(L) John Howes

Vincent Latino, Sr.

Raoul Laurent, Jr.

Tony Miranda

Ernst Ourso

L/D Memb. of Deacon J. C Peltier Family

L/D Memb. of Felix Peltier Family

Bill Perrin

Rufus Poche

Steve Pugh

(L) Delores Ragan

EJ Raiford

Earl "Buster" Reid

Julie Powell Rozman

Liz Sanderson

Patricia Schmit

Glenn Snyder

Madeline Thibodeaux

L/D Memb. of Fred Tucker, Jr.

Family

People of Ukraine

Katy Varisco

Joey Vermeuil

(L) Kaycee Widmer

Sal Yenni

Sunday, April 3, 2022

8:00 AM (L) Courtney Alexander

Franklin Borgerson

Lucy Braun

Jonathan Burch

(L) Theresa Derenbeckeri

Mary Sue Drude

Richard & Clotilde Drude

(L) Bonnie Duhon

Joan Duplessis

Sandra Guidry

(L) Ed Hanks

Virgil Ozment McWilliams Krafft

Doris Drude Lavigne

(L) Nita McDaniels

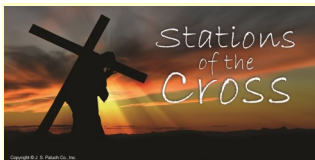
(L) Jim McKinney

Thomas Motichek

Ernest Ourso

11:00 AM For the People of the Parish

(L) Indicates Living



Friday's during Lent

1:45 pm & 6 pm
 + There will be **NO Stations of the Cross on Friday, April 8th**

Confessions

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Saturday—4 pm
 Tuesday & Thursday—8:30 am
 *Confessions will be available on
Wednesday from 6pm-7pm during Lent at St. Joseph's Church from 6 pm—7 pm

Stewardship

Reckless Love

Jos 5:9A, 10-12/2 Cor 5:17-21 / Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Today we read the parable of the prodigal son — a familiar story to most of us. We have learned to study the three main characters in the story: the unconditionally forgiving father, the righteous older son, and the sinful younger son. Chances are, each time we read this story, we find that we relate to a different character. But let's consider this story from a stewardship perspective. The younger son took all the gifts he was given and spent them selfishly and sinfully. He thought he was living life to the fullest, but quickly found that to be untrue. The older son protected the gifts he received out of obedient devotion to his father but, in the end, he seems to resent doing so. Only the father in this story gives recklessly. He gives abundantly of himself, knowing how each son will react to the gifts, and he forgives in incredible proportions when the boys realize their mistakes. It is the father who disciplines his sons and it is He whom we should emulate each day of our lives. Being fully alive as disciples means receiving the gifts we've been given and sharing them in incredible ways. Giving what the Father has given to us will always produce blessings from the Father in one form or fashion. God sees everything whether others see us or not.

Financial News

3/20/2022	\$ 732,946.98	\$722,000.00	\$ +10,946.98
Church Support	\$ 14,713.45		
St. Joseph School	\$ 1,163.00		
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 1,175.32		
Misc. Collections	\$ 158.00		
	\$ 17,209.77		

Second Collections

Catholic Relief Services	April 2, 2022
St. Joseph School	April 10, 2022

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, April 2nd Sunday, April 3rd

	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Ushers</u>
5PM	Mary Ernst (7b) Larry Ernst (8b) Stephanie Willie (9b)	John Howes John Laiche Chris Marmillion Francis Martino Durald Pinion John Yeargau
8AM	Alice James 7b Rose Harper 8b Melisa Hedrick 9b	Rene' Folsie Jonah Nepveux Pete Peterson Rodney Schmaltz Roland Terrebbonne Francis Waguespack Barry Blackledge
11 AM	Danette Ragusa 7b Tony Guagliardo, III 8b Veronica Pierson 9b	Marcial Gomez Christopher McNabb Rpbert McNabb Kelly Richard Bob Zimmerman
	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>
5PM	Brooke Spears Brayden Spears Brimley Smith	5PM Sheena Candies 8AM Nicole Dillon 11AM Nicole Richard
8AM	Janae Feimster Paul Hanks Katherine Hanks	
11AM	Carter Alston Aubrey Alston	
		<u>Children's Liturgist</u>
		8AM Christie Barado 11AM Mary Hoover

Consecration to St. Joseph

I would like to invite you to join me on a 6-week journey about St. Joseph. We'll learn and discuss such things as: + How old was Joseph when he married Mary? + Was Joseph previously married? + Joseph's annunciation. + Were there any apparitions of St. Joseph? + Who is the savior of our Savior?+ And so much more

It's a great journey that will open your eyes to St. Joseph as you've never seen him before. Are you ready to learn more about our Patron Saint/our Spiritual Father/the Foster Father of Jesus?

Using the book, "Consecration to St. Joseph" by Fr. Donald Calloway, we will meet on Wednesday evenings starting on **March 23rd** at 6:30 p.m. in the School Library (first meeting only). For more information, or to register, please contact: **Ron Huguet** ronhuguet@outlook.com 504-232-2484



Easter Lilies

Join in the decorating of the church by donating \$10.00 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, and place in the collection box. 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.



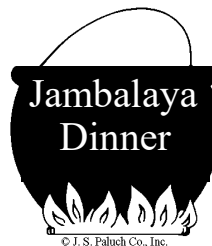
It's Okay to be Human...

We're brought up to be strong, self-sufficient, independent people. We tend to think that if we ask for help, it's a sign of weakness. So we try to keep our struggles hidden, stuffed deep inside. However that's not God's plan. Galatians 6:2 says, "Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ." God wants us to care for others-and allow others to care for us in our time of need.

If you're sad or struggling inside, don't suffer alone. Ask for help. We've got a team of Stephen Ministers who are ready to listen, care, encourage, pray, and help you through a tough time. Men are matched with men, and women with women. (It's completely confidential too!) To find out more about Stephen Ministry for you or someone you know, talk with one of our Stephen Ministry Leaders: Anita Perrin (985) 687-4458, Ronnie Perrin (985) 507-9765, Terri Huguet (504)450-5459, or Ron Huguet (504) 232-2484.

Rosary Altar Society Jambalaya Dinner

The Rosary Altar Society will have a Jambalaya Dinner on Sunday, May 15th. The ladies will be selling tickets for their Jambalaya Dinner after all Masses on **April 2nd & 3rd, April 23rd & 24th**. All proceeds go toward St. Joseph's Chapel.



Easter Decoration Setup!!!

Volunteers needed SATURDAY, APRIL 16th at 8:30 am. We will be decorating for the Easter season, your help will be greatly appreciated. We have banners, drapes, wreaths, and all the Easter Lilies to set out. Questions call Francis & Barbara at 985-386-3622. God bless and see you Easter Vigil morning.

Mark Your Calendar

Saturday, March 26th & Sunday, March 27th
KC's Selling Fish Fry tickets after all Masses

Sunday, March 27th
PSR- Ablaze, Thirst—9:15-10:30 am

Sunday, March 27th
Vacation Bible School Planning Meeting—12pm in the St. Benedict Room

Monday, March 28th
Youth Choir Practice—4:00 pm in the Church Choir Room

Monday, March 28th
Adult Choir Practice—6:00 pm in the Choir Room

Monday, March 28th
Bible Study—6pm in the St. Joseph Room

Tuesday, March 29th
Lord, Teach Me to Pray—8:30 am in the Church Conference Room

Tuesday, March 29th
Total Consecration through the Mysteries of the Rosary—6:30 pm in the Church Conference Room

Tuesday, March 29th
Word & Worship—7:00 pm in the Church

Wednesday, March 30th
Adoration—8:30 am—6:00 pm
Divine Mercy Chaplet—3:00 pm Vespers—5:30 pm

Wednesday, March 30th
Confessions—6:00 pm—7:00 pm

Wednesday, March 30th
Healing Mass—6:30 pm—Please see bulletin cover for more information.

Friday, April 1st
Men's Morning Bible Study—6:30 am—Church

Friday, April 1st
Stations of the Cross—1:45 pm & 6 pm

Friday, April 1st
KC's Fish Fry

Saturday, April 2nd
Men's Morning Prayer Group—6:30 am—Church

Saturday, April 2nd & Sunday April 3rd
Rosary Altar Society Selling Jambalaya Dinner Tickets

Tuesday, April 5th
Rosary Altar Society Meeting - 10:30 am in the Church Conference Room

Tuesday, April 5th
St. Joseph's Quilting Bereavement Ministry—5:30 pm in the St. Benedict Room

Tuesday, April 5th
St. Vincent de Paul Meeting—6:30 pm in the St. Joseph Room

Wednesday, April 6th
Consecration to St. Joseph—6:30 pm

Wednesday, April 6th
Bell Choir Practice—6:30 pm in the Choir Room

Wednesday, April 6th
Lord, Teach Me to Pray—7 pm in the Church Conference Room


Wednesday, April 6th
Come As You Are—Ablaze—6 pm St. Joseph Room



Baptism Class Date Has Changed—New Date - Wednesday, April 6th
Baptism Class for Parents and Godparents—7pm in the St. Benedict Room in the Church

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