



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

July 11, 2021 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



FAITH SHARING

ALL ARE INVITED

SUNDAY, JULY 11TH

5:45 PM MUSIC BEGINS

6:00 PM SERVICE

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

255 N. 8TH ST. PONCHATOULA, LA

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Staff

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Ramona Folse, *Receptionist/Data Entry*
Kathleen Phillips, *Bookkeeper/Receptionist*
St. Joseph School
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: 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.
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Mass Greeters: Barbara Martino, 985-386-3622.
Music Ministry: Rhonda Rossano 985-386-3749
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Special Education PSR: 985-386-3749.
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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.
Women's Ministry: Mary Vedeckis, 225-294-6631.
Youth Ministry:
Middle School: Kayla Fletcher: 985-386-3749
High School: Nicole Richard: 985-386-3749

Organizations

Ancient Order of Hibernians: Ronnie Crimmins 985-773-8965.
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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, Gordon Cotton, Lisa Kennedy, Harry LeBlanc, Rachael Perrin, Angela Pevey, Stephanie Reggio, Rodney Schmaltz, Wayne Vedeckis, Stephanie Waguespack, Tom Waller, Bill Wheat.
Ad Hoc Council Members: Fr. McDuffie, Deacon Larry Melancon, Fernando Morales, 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.

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



FORMED

PICK OF THE WEEK

July 11, 2021

THE AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE SHOW WITH DR. TIM GRAY GUEST DR. MICHAEL BARBER

How do we respond when we are asked, "Are you saved?" In this episode of the Augustine Institute Show, Drs. Tim Gray and Michael Barber discuss what salvation means, and how faith and works aid us in our journey. To learn more, check out Dr. Barber's book, *Salvation: What Every Catholic Should Know!*



THE SEARCH CONTINUES: WHAT ABOUT CHURCH SCANDALS?

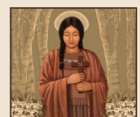
In some way or another, we have all been affected by Church scandals. In this episode of The Search Continues, Chris Stefanick and Dr. John Sehorn discuss how we are to respond to these evils. In doing so, they remind us to fight for the Church and perpetually call her members to live up to their callings.



TRUTH TO INSPIRE: ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA

St. Kateri Tekakwitha, otherwise known as the "Lily of the Mohawks," became our first Native American Saint after her canonization in 2012. During her life, young Kateri suffered much ridicule due to her counter-cultural decision to remain a virgin out of love for Christ. As we celebrate Kateri's feast day today, enjoy this short audio book that describes Kateri's

St. Kateri Tekakwitha
Lily of the Mohawks



To set up your free account visit formed.org/signup and select our parish.



Ringling for Jesus

A new choir is forming at St Joseph's - a **handbell choir**, and anyone of at least high school age is invited to participate. Why a bell choir? Here are just a few reasons::

1. Bells enhance the Mass, ringing joyfully at Christmas and Easter, majestically to celebrate Christ the King of the Universe, and reflectively during Advent.
2. Bells are versatile; they may be rung in the traditional way, struck with a mallet, or "hummed" by gently rubbing the rim.
3. A handbell choir, like the mystical Body of Christ, requires each member to cooperate with the others in doing his/her part. Bell choirs are closely knit teams.
4. Ringing bells for Mass involves the total person: physical expression, emotional expression, and spiritual expression.
5. Ringing bells is fun!! It elevates the ringers' mood, gives the ringers an enjoyable way to learn new skills, and provides time to share music and socialize.



Our bells came to us in an unusual way that can be described as Holy Spirit led. We are called to use them and our gifts in service to spread the Good News. In answering this call, the bell choir will reach out to the community and periodically perform in and for the community beyond St. Joseph's.

You do not need experience to join the choir, just a willingness to learn and to serve. The ability to read music is helpful but not required. Are you called to this ministry? Does music enhance your prayer life? Have you felt called to join a choir but are not comfortable singing? The bell choir may be a place to answer "yes" to the call. Please ask God's guidance in considering your participation in the bell choir. To join, or ask questions, call the Church Office at 386-3749. Ask for Rhonda.

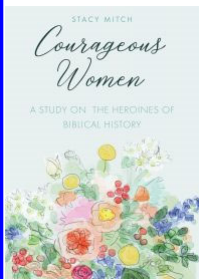
Altar Server Training

On Sunday, July 18, 2021, at 2:00 pm, there will be registration and initial training for new Altar Servers. Those interested in becoming Altar Servers must be entering at least the 5th grade this fall (born prior to September 30, 2011) 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

Monday Night Bible Study Returns!



6pm – 7:30pm Beginning: August 30, 2021

Ministry Building – St Dominic Room

NOT for women only - EVERYONE is invited.

Books will be ordered on a **pre-paid** basis, **OR** you can purchase your book yourself online.

Please email Stephanie Waguespack at fgwaguespack@bellsouth.net. if you are interested.

Divided into eight lessons, *Courageous Women: A Study on the Heroines of Biblical History* tells the story of the women of salvation history and explains why their life experiences are relevant for Christians today. In this study, you will encounter Eve, Sarah, Rebekah, Rachel, Rahab, Deborah, Ruth, Bathsheba, Esther, Judith, Mary Magdalene, Mary the Mother of God, and other notable women of Scripture.

\$14.95 from St Paul Center (stpaulcenter.com) Amazon also carries it.

\$14.95 from The Catholic Company (catholiccompany.com)



MUNCHIES & MOVIES

Monday, July 12, 2021 6:30-8:30 pm

St. Joseph Room

ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

9th-12th

Popcorn and snacks provided

From the creators of Fireproof & Courageous
we are showing....**OVERCOMER**

YOUTH Ministry

A SPACE FOR THE CATECHIST TASTE...

ALL THIRST HIGH SCHOOL CURRENT
ADULT CATECHISTS VIP MEETING PART 2

WEDNESDAY, JULY 14TH 7:00-8:30 PM
St. Dominic Room

"None of us can know the future. It's one of the reasons why Jesus tells us not to have anxiety about the future. It's futile, because we can't ever know it."

FR. MIKE SCHMITZ
How to Make Great Decisions



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THIRST ROSARY WALK
TUESDAY JULY 13 4:00 pm
Meet at St Joseph room
You will need money and rosary beads
We will need NO rain

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**MY ASSAULT WEAPON
HAS A 50 ROUND CLIP**

VICTORY!
**HB 578
Abortion Pill Reversal
Disclosure Act:
SIGNED INTO LAW!**



Anyone who has **COMPLETED HIGH SCHOOL**, 18 - 30 in age and considers themselves a Young Adult. You do not have to be in college. There is not a hard and fast age limit; but if you are 30 and over; there's probably a better group in our church with whom you can meet. There are married couples, recent high school grads and single professionals. If you are a young adult

looking to grow in our faith community; take a peep at **ROOTED**. We are in early stages of being formed. For more information contact nrichard@sjscrusaders.org.

Next Rooted Grace n Grub **July 22**
at Kelly & Nicole's house.

Rooted Young Adults...
Connect with Taylor Gauthreaux if interested

PULSE
LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

JULY 12-16, 2021
TIMOTHY RETREAT CENTER
BATON ROUGE, LA

REGISTER AT:
ProLifePulseLA.com

Come As You Are
returns for the summer!
6-7:30 pm @
St. Joseph's Room

July 21
August 11 & 25

6th-8th

Contact Kayla Fletcher, The Middle School Youth Minister at:
(985) 401-2530
for more information!

God Chose Us

Who chose first, God or you? That is the question explored in today's three readings. The second reading, from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians, reads almost like a hymn. It praises God for choosing us, for calling us to serve, and for blessing us in our service. Paul makes it clear how honored we are and how special is the call to live as children of God. This is through no doing of our own.

The first reading and the Gospel use prose rather than poetry to describe the same truth: God did the choosing, not us. When the prophet Amos was berated for being a prophet, he retorted that the whole thing wasn't his idea in the first place. Neither did the twelve apostles in today's Gospel ask for their calling. Jesus sent them forth, two by two, to do the work of his kingdom.

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Today's Readings

First Reading — Amos said, "The LORD took me from following the flock, and said to me, Go, prophesy to my people" (Amos 7:12-15).

Psalm — Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation (Psalm 85).

Second Reading — The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing (Ephesians 1:3-14 [3-10]).

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 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

Jack Addison, Stephanie Alexander, Victoria "Vickie" Alexander, Laurie Allen, Ockie Baldassoro, Sr., Patrick Bailey, Mark Bear, Gloria Bennett, Mildred Bittick, David Blake, Michelle Bossier, Ann Boudreaux, Hazel Boudreaux, Larry Boudreaux, Ranice Bourg, Barbara Bourgeois, Angel Braun, Amy Brennan, JoAnne Brisset, Baby David Burris, Christine Castjohn, Rita Charbonnet, Julian Chiro, Eddie Cicardo, Gavin Cieutat, Gasper Corpora's Grandsons— Dominic & Osais, Barbara Cravata, Ken Davidson, Lucille Davidson, Pat Davis, Melissa Balado Dean, Joe de Cowain, Lisa Demonica & baby Benjamin, Kitty Derveloy, Stacey Dolan, Beverly Dominique, Carol Dominguez, Danette Crovetto Drell, Kenneth Paul Drude, Joan Duplessis, Andrew Dzuryachko, Pam Guichet Elder, Nicholas Eirich, Veronica Fannaly, Joey Fortenberry, Marge Frahm, Eva Francois, Lenny George, Nittie Gilliland, Carolyn Gillingham, Malissa Gonzalez, Linda Guagliardo, Joan Gurganus, Brian Guichet, Myrthus "Twinkle" Guichet, Anne Guidry, Tim Guidry, Pat Gullo, Katherine Harris, Tommy Hebert, Kalee Henderson, Darrell Hoover, Lois Hoover, Tammy Perrin Horn, Peggy Howes, Jimmy Hubert, Harold Hungerford, Ashley Ingolia, Betty Ingolia, Ray Ingolia, Jennifer Jernigan, Lawrence Joiner, Mindy Kershenstine, Victoria Keys and baby Natalie Keys, Alan Klein, Beulah Kluka, Sr. Jolitta Konecny, R.S.M., David Kraft, Charles Gregory Kraft, Greg Kraft, Pam Kraft, Scoffer Kraft, Sis Kyzar, Cheryl Laiche, Baby Callie Lakes, Norma Larrieu, Diane Lavigne, Paul Laurent, Wayne Laurent, Ruby Drude Lee, Liz LeSaicherre, Hilton Lloyd, IV, Andie Mashburn, Arthur & Tate Mashburn, Caitlyn Matherne, William Mathes, Melissa McCormick, Ginger McLin, Cole McMillion, Anna Mae Mixon, Patricia Monteleone, Andrew Morales, Ed Murray, Amber Narro, PH.D, Aliyah Naquin, Cindy Newton, Judy Nicholas, Ernest Ourso, Ruth Ourso, Wanda Pandarvis, George Peltier, Diane Pepitone, Wayne Pepitone, Bert Perilloux, Marisa Perrin, Camilla Phillips, Fran Poche, Beth Powell, Ann Prine, Mary Prine, Lise Richard, Bryan Roddick, A. J. Roig, Jr., Katie Sabella, Emile Sanchez & Family, Stacy Sanders, Brooklyne Sansone, Ernest Schenck, Bob Simoneaux, Bristol Rose Smith, Kayla Smith, Rose Stahl, Jackie Stanga, Lynette Stanga, Pamela Newburn Stuart, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Tartamelia, Wylene Remy Taylor, Earl Theriot, Madeline Thibodeaux, Tracy Todd, Mike Tournillon, Carlo Triolo, Sam Vilardo, Ronald Vining, Sam Viola, Carla Van Vrancken, June Villa, Glen Walker, Adelle Wall, Danny Wall, Danni Waugh, Faith Rose Wiltz., Gabby Young. **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, Col. David, Duplessis-Cole Gunham, US Navy, Commander, Mason Joiner Sgt Major in Army, Capt. Kathleen Keller, Jacob Milton, Commander Eric Olsen, US Navy. Elijah Whittington. **Names submitted will be included for 4 weeks. Please call the Church office to renew.**

Saints and Special Observations

Sunday: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Tuesday: St. Henry
 Wednesday: St. Kateri Tekakwitha
 Thursday: St. Bonaventure
 Friday: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
 Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary



Intentions of the Holy Father- July 2021

We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.



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.

Readings for the Week of July 12, 2021

Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22; Ps 124:1b-8; Mt 10:34 — 11:1
 Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a; Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24
 Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 103:1b-4, 6-7; Mt 11:25-27
 Thursday: Ex 3:13-20; Ps 105:1, 5, 8-9, 24-27; Mt 11:28-30
 Friday: Ex 11:10 — 12:14; Ps 116:12-13, 15, 16bc, 17-18; Mt 12:1-8
 Saturday: Ex 12:37-42; Ps 136:1, 23-24, 10-15; Mt 12:14-21

Next Sunday Readings (July 18, 2021)
 First Reading.....Jeremiah 23:1-6
 Second Reading.....Ephesians 2:13-18
 Gospel.....Mark 6:30-34
 Psalm.....23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6

Mass Intentions

Monday, July 12, 2021

8:00 AM (L) Reggie Pevey

Tuesday, July 13, 2021

8:00 AM Conchetta Yenni

Wednesday, July 14, 2021

8:00 AM Joseph Clavier

Thursday, July 15, 2021

8:00 AM Donald Todd

Saturday, July 17, 2021

5:00 PM Earl Baudin
 Dudley & Geraldine Berthelot
 Delton Brooks
 Phillip Connelley
 Living & Deceased Members of the Ethridge & Ernst Family
 Joseph Foret
 Carolyn Carr Johnson
 Wayne Kraemer
 Virgil Krafft
 Dickie Lamp
 Ralph LeSaicherre, Sr.
 (L) Deacon Larry & Gerline Melancon
 Morris Meyer
 Bill Perrin
 Rufus Poche
 Vincent Poche
 Joe Provenzano, Sr.
 Jan Ripberger
 Liz Sanderson
 Glenn Snyder
 (L) President Donald J. Trump
 Donnie Wilson
 Katherine Yeargain

Sunday, July 18, 2021

8:00 AM For the People of the Parish
 11:00 AM Casey Authement
 Aymond Family
 Zach Cutrer
 Ann Deslatte
 (L) Deacons, Wives & Families
 Mary Sue Drude
 Richard & Clotilde Drude
 Claire Fendlason
 (L) Tim Guidry
 Albert Jaundot
 D. D. Kraft
 Lily Kraft
 Laurent Family
 Doris Drude Lavigne
 Joe Liuzza
 Horace Marceaux
 Lindsey Richard, Sr.
 Dale Roberts
 Audrey Scamardo
 Glenn Snyder
 Herberth Stahl, Jr.
 (L) President Donald J. Trump
 Kathryn Zitzmann

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Stewardship

“A Land of Contentment”

Years ago, a well-known billionaire Ross Perot was interviewed by a television talk show host and was asked what it meant to be a self-made man. “The difference between being poor and wealthy isn’t confined to money,” the wealthy businessman answered. The greatest difference in the size of the toys. A poor fisherman might be unable to get out in his small boat for the same reason my yacht is in dry dock right now. He has engine trouble, and so do I. “It’s true, of course; many people would gladly trade just to have the experience. They’d want to try a rich man’s troubles on for size, even if for a season. He made an interesting point, though. We want and we want, and we acquire more and more, and yet we never have enough. And then, whatever we have breaks down anyway.

St. Paul’s words are instructive: “I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and constraints, for the sake of Christ; for when I am weak, then I am strong.” Why would St. Paul embrace weaknesses and insults? For the sake of the Gospel, he knew what serves us best. As the Father said, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” One of culture’s guiding principles—“Get all you can”—may be culturally acceptable, but is surely isn’t biblical.

Financial News

YTD	Actual	Budgeted	Difference
7/4/2021	\$ 19,665.00	\$19,000.00	\$ +665.00
Church Support	\$ 19,665.00		
Misc. Collections	\$ 771.00		
	\$ 20,436.00		

Second Collections

St. Joseph School—July 11, 2021

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, July 17th & Sunday July 18th

	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Ushers</u>
5PM	Mary Ernst 7b Barbara Martino 8b Merle Ozment 9b	Frank Glass John Howes Alex Joiner Chris Marmillion Durald Pinion John Yeargain
8AM	Harold Thibodeaux 7b Mary Jo Balado 8b Danette Ragusa 9b	Jeremy Barado Michael Chiasson Gordon Cotton Rene’ Folse Pete Peterson Roland Terbonne
11 AM	Peggy Hastings 7b Deborah Vogel 8b Donna Clause 9b	Barry Blackledge Marcial Gomez Christopher McNabb Robert McNabb Kelly Richard Bob Zimmerman

Lectors

5PM	Larry Ernst
8AM	Stephanie Waguespack
11 AM	Shirley Adams

Altar Flowers

If you would like to donate the flowers placed before the altar in Loving Honor of a Special Parishioner deceased or living please call the Church Office (985 -386-3749) to notify them of your wish. A check made out to Carolyn Gillingham for \$55 will secure your request. A dedication will be listed in that weekends bulletin. Thank you for your interest.



Sometimes It's Hard to Ask For Help.....

We're brought up to be strong, self-sufficient, independent people. We tend to think that if we ask for help, it is 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 allows 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. (It's confidential too!) Find out more about Stephen Ministry by talking with one of our Stephen Leaders: Anita Perrin (985-687-4458), Ronnie Perrin (985) 507-9765, Terri Huguet (504)450-5459, or Ron Huguet (504) 232-2484. Our Stephen Ministers are there to care.



KC's Install New Grand Knight

The Father Vander Heyden Knights of Columbus Council 4874 recently installed its 2021-2022 slate of officers. Outgoing Grand Knight Alex Joiner (left) presented the gavel to his successor, newly installed Grand Knight Durald Pinion.

The council is now busy resuming its normal schedule of membership meetings twice a month while managing a variety of community service projects.

"Our membership is actively committed to helping those less fortunate, while enjoying the fellowship of getting together and helping St. Vincent de Paul, our youth group's Right to Life program, and sponsoring a foster child in Guatemala, among other projects," noted Mr. Pinion. "We also plan to serve up our popular BBQ chicken dinners in October, hold three Lenten Fish Frys next spring, and be at the 2022 Strawberry Festival with our signature crawfish fettucine," he added.

Photo by Richard Wallace



Mark Your Calendar

Sunday, July 11th
Summer Sundays Café—9:30 am
St. Benedict Room



Sunday, July 11th
Faith Sharing
5:45 pm Music Begins, 6 pm Service

Monday, July 12th
Youth Choir Practice—4 pm in the Church
Choir Room



Monday, July 12th
Adult Choir Practice—6:30 pm in the Church

Monday, July 12th
Thirst -Munchies & Movies 6:30 pm in the St. Joseph Room

Tuesday, July 13th
Thirst Rosary Walk—4pm meet at St. Joseph Room

Tuesday, July 13th
St. Vincent de Paul Meeting—6:30 pm in the St. Joseph Room in the Ministry Building



Tuesday, July 13th
Word & Worship—7:00 pm in the Church

Wednesday, July 14th
Adoration—8:30 am—6:00 pm
Divine Mercy-Church-3:00 pm
Vespers—6:00 pm

Wednesday, July 14th
Baptism Class for Parents and Godparents—7pm in the St. Benedict Room in the Church.



Wednesday, July 14th
Thirst Catechists Meeting—7pm in the St. Dominic Room

Friday, July 16th
Men's Bible Study—6:30 am—
St. Benedict Room



Saturday, July 17th
Men's Morning Prayer Group—6:30 pm in the Church

Wednesday, July 21st
Come As You Are—6pm in the St. Joseph Room

Thursday, July 22nd
PAL—6pm -7:30 pm in the St. Catherine Room in the Ministry Building

Gardening Angels

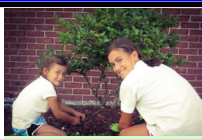
THESE STUDENTS ARE STILL WORKING FOR HEAVENLY CREDIT ONLY!

I want to thank the following gardening angels and their parents/grandparents for a job well done in the gardens around church and school campus for another month:

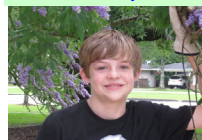
Aubrey & Nora Alston with mom, Tara
Jack McLain with mom, Robin
Landen & Nathan Bourlet with mom, Lindy
Jonah, Josh and Julia Heroman with MeMaw, Wanda Allen

We welcome new members Addelynn, Ellie, Evie and Sabastian Wolfe who have joined their mom, Kelly. Two year old Sabastian already know the difference between weeds and plants! But still loves to give clovers to his mom! Thanks to Archangels Sheila Allen, Rich Price, Ron Huguet and Gary Johnson for always being available for beautification projects. And last but not least is our summer helper, Natalynn DeLord who loves to do any gardening chore with her Pops, Buddy Williams.

Need heavenly rewards? We still have plots available, all ages welcome! Make your own hours. Contact me at marielordwill@gmail.com THANKS!!



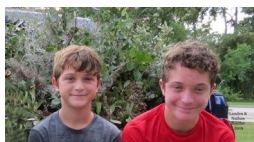
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