



# 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](http://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

**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.



SECOND SUNDAY OF

# Easter

(OR OF DIVINE MERCY)

APRIL 11, 2021

Jesus said to Thomas,  
"Have you come to believe because you have seen me?  
Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

John 20:29

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## Staff

Rev. Paul A. McDuffie, *Pastor*  
Larry J. Melancon, *Deacon*  
Michael A. Agnello, *Deacon*  
Angela Perrin, *Business Manager*  
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Paige Bacile, *PSR Coordinator/Child Protection Site Coordinator*  
Kayla Fletcher, *Middle School Youth Minister*  
Nicole Richard, *High School & Young Adult Minister*

Rhonda Rossano, *Music Director*  
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Kathleen Phillips, *Bookkeeper/Receptionist*  
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Mrs. Danette Ragusa, *Principal*  
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Website: [www.sjscrusaders.org](http://www.sjscrusaders.org)

## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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.  
**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.  
**Kaycee Auxiliary:** Maureen Felder 225-294-3092 or [maureenfelder75@gmail.com](mailto: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, 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](http://myparishapp.com) or search your phone's app store for my parish.

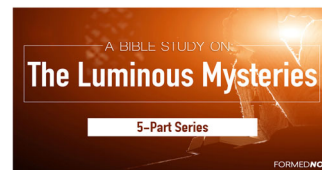
## FORMED®

PICK OF THE WEEK

April 11, 2021

WATCH

**DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: FRANCISCAN FRIARS OF THE RENEWAL**  
As we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday this week, join the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal in praying the chaplet and asking God to shower his mercy upon us. This video features breathtaking footage that sheds light on the beauty and breadth of the Catholic Church.



**A BIBLE STUDY ON THE LUMINOUS MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY**  
In 2002, St. John Paul II introduced the Luminous Mysteries to the Rosary. In unique ways, each of these mysteries reveal that Christ is the "light of the world" (Jn 8:20). To more fruitfully ponder these mysteries, join us in this Bible study with the Augustine Institute faculty.

LEARN

LISTEN

**THE NECESSITY OF DIVINE MERCY BY FR. CHRIS ALAR**  
Fr. Chris Alar, MIC, reveals the urgency to live and share the powerful message of Divine Mercy. He explains the basics of the Divine Mercy feast, image, novena, chaplet, and hour of mercy, and how to incorporate them into your spiritual life. Discover God's transformative message of Divine Mercy through this week.



Our parish has a FORMED subscription. To set up your free account visit [formed.org/signup](http://formed.org/signup) and select our parish.



## Thank You!

A big SHOUT OUT to the great bunch of parishioners, that came and helped setup for Easter vigil. A lot of planning and work goes into changing the church from Lent to the Easter Vigil. It is so heartwarming to see how beautiful the church is when you see the fruits of your labor, and how proud you are, that you were part of it. We appreciate all volunteers and remember, everyone is welcome to come and help for any season. Thanks also to those that worked behind the scene and were not pictured.

Thanks to all who participated also, by donating for Easter Lilies for loved ones. The Easter Lilies add that very special touch.

May God continue to bless you and all of St. Joseph's Church.

Your friends in Christ,  
Francis & Barbara

(Pictures taken by Richard Wallace)



## OPEN HOUSE & OUTDOOR GATHERING TODAY!!!



Join Us!

Sunday, April 11th  
1:00-6:00 PM

Retreat Center Blessing by  
Fr. Mark Beard

- Explore our grounds
- Enjoy the ice cream truck and bounce house rental



As we continue to celebrate our Lord's Resurrection for the next several weeks, please remember in your prayers those who shared their hands, hearts, and voices with us through the gift of music during our Holy Week and Easter celebrations, and if you see them, thank them for the beauty of they added to the week:

**Cantors:** Michelle & Jason Lane, Cynthia Davidson, and Alyssa Hernandez

**Vocalists:** Sandra Johnson, Emily Guagliardo, Fred McMurray, Deanie Wright, Shirley Adams, Timmy Guillot, Phillip Vincent, Tony Anzalone, Terelle Bibbins, Cheyenne Moore and St. Joseph School Choir and The Voices of the Holy Innocents under the direction of Morgan Dugas

**Instrumentalists:** Braden Eymord (French horn) & Andrian Harabaru (cello)

Thank you!

Rhonda Sorg-Rossano

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

## PRAY AND PLAY FAMILY FUN DAY

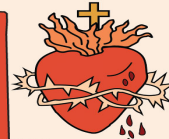
A special event for the whole family to enjoy!

Sunday, June 6, 12 to 3 PM

Come out with your family for fun games, good food, and great company!

Planning Meeting April 11, 9:30-10:30 in Ministry Building. Call Paige or Kayla in the office for details.

# BELONG



## Jr. High RETREAT

APRIL 30 - MAY 2, 2021  
@ CAMP ABBEY IN COVINGTON, LA

YOUTH IN 6TH-8TH GRADE WITHIN THE DIOCESE OF BATON ROUGE ARE INVITED TO ATTEND!

**COST: \$30 // SPOTS ARE LIMITED!**

TO REGISTER, CONTACT YOUR PARISH YOUTH MINISTER

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS RETREAT,

PLEASE CONTACT WEST GIFFIN AT [WGIFFIN@DIOBR.ORG](mailto:WGIFFIN@DIOBR.ORG)

\* COVID PRECAUTIONS WILL BE PUT IN PLACE TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF RETREATANTS AND VOLUNTEERS\*

## You Are Not Alone!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Sometimes we fall into a trap where we think it's a sign of weakness to ask for help. So when we're stressed, discouraged, lonely, or sad, we try to keep our struggles hidden and are reluctant to ask for help. 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 provide confidential one-to-one care encouragement, and support to help you through a tough time. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to bring God's love and care into your life. For more information contact Anita Perrin (985) 687-4458 or Ronnie Perrin (985) 507-9765.



**HAPPENING TODAY—  
COME READY TO PLAY!**  
THIS IS YOUR LAST CLASS OF THE SEASON



**THIRST  
9-12 TH  
GRADE**

**EOY PAR-TAY!**  
(end of year party:)  
Sunday April 11, 2021 5-7 PM GYM  
Please bring your own snack.  
Dress comfortably ...tennis shoes suggested  
**REQUIRED CLASS**

**PARTY WAS LIT**

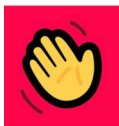


**HUGE THANKS TO THE YOUNG ADULT RETREAT TEAM**  
for praying, planning and organizing (while being fed) for our upcoming Confirmation Retreat!



**Please keep the following Core Team in your prayers:**  
Taylor Stanley, Claire Roussel, Taylor Gautreux, Heath & Sarah Feraci, Nick Wiley, Jason & Michelle Lane, Kayla Fletcher, Natalia Rossano, Braden Eymard & Kelly & Nicole Richard

**SAFE HAVEN PARENT WATCH APP  
OF THE WEEK**



**HOUSEPARTY**

**PURPOSE:** Houseparty is a video chatting app that's pretty open. Friends can communicate with each other through live video and texts in chat groups.

**WHY PARENTS SHOULD WORRY:** There's no screening and the video is live, so there's nothing to keep kids from inappropriate content. Users can send links via chat and even take screenshots. There's also nothing keeping friends of friends joining groups where they may only know one person.

**Confirmation Corner**  
WHAT'S UP NEXT CANDIDATES?



**APRIL 18, 11 AM-7 PM**

**SPONSORS AND CANDIDATES**

Meet in St. Joseph's Narthex for 10:30 am.

We will have reserved seating in Mass to worship together.

Masks required. Jeans (no holes please), khakis or skirts (appropriate length.) **NO SHORTS**

**DUE TO COVID FOOD POLICIES—CANDIDATES WILL PROVIDE A PICNIC STYLE LUNCH FOR THEIR SPONSORS** as a way of thanking them for their time and prayers. Also please pack plenty of snacks for the remainder of the day. Mass at 11. Lunch at noon...and much, much more:)

**CONTACT:** [NRICHARD@SJSCRUSADERS.ORG](mailto:NRICHARD@SJSCRUSADERS.ORG) with any questions

**CONFIRMATION, MONDAY, APRIL 19, 2021—7PM**

**ANYONE INTERESTED IN TOB...  
THIS IS GOING TO BE AWESOME!!!**

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## Doubt

The desire to be able to prove the existence of a divinity has troubled humanity since human consciousness first became aware of the divine. To this very day we are fond of saying that any number of things—from sunsets to hot fudge sundaes—are “proof that there is a God.” We get so caught up in the story of “doubting Thomas” that we fail to notice that today’s Gospel gives us John’s account of Pentecost, the bestowing of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples following the Resurrection. Thomas, evidently, missed out not only on seeing the Risen Christ, but receiving the Holy Spirit as well. This is not to be taken lightly and, perhaps, makes Thomas’ disbelief a bit easier to comprehend. It also makes his professing that Jesus is his Lord and God—the only time the New Testament explicitly refers to Jesus Christ as “God”—more remarkable.

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## Today's Readings

**First Reading** — With great power the apostles bore witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus (Acts 4:32-35).

**Psalms** — Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting (Psalm 118).

**Second Reading** — The victory that conquers the world is our faith (1 John 5:1-6).

**Gospel** — Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed (John 20:19-31).

## 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, Ray Aleman, 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, Jeanette Brown, Sherri Brown, Baby David Burris, Christy “KK” Cartaginense, Paul Cashio, Christine Castjohn, Carol Castle, Dennis Charbonnet, Rita Charbonnet, Julian Chiro, Eddie Cicardo, Gavin Cieutat, Gasper Corpora’s Grandsons— Dominic & Osais, Ken Davidson, Lucille Davidson, Pat Davis, Melissa Balado Dean, Joe de Cowain, Kitty Derveley, Larry Deslatte, Stacey Dolan, Beverly Dominique, Carol Dominguez, Danette Crovetto Drell, Kenneth Paul Drude, Joan Duplessis, Andrew Dzuryachko, Pam Guichet Elder, Nicholas Eirich, Veronica Fannaly, Catherine Farlouis, Joey Fortenberry, Marge Frahm, Eva Francois, Geraldine Freeman, Timmy Gates, Lenny George, Nittie Gilliland, Carolyn Gillingham, Malissa Gonzalez, Linda Guagliardo, Joan Gurganus, Brian Guichet, Myrthus “Twinkle” Guichet, Anne Guidry, Sue Quave Guildner, Pat Gullo, Rami Falgout Harkcom, Katherine Harris, Tommy Hebert, Kalee Henderson, Sherry Hill, Darrell Hoover, Tammy Perrin Horn, Peggy Howes, Jimmy Hubert, Harold Hungerford, Ashley Ingolia, Betty Ingolia, Grace Innerarity, Jennifer Jernigan, Lawrence Joiner, Mindy Kershenstine, Alan Klein, Beulah Kluka, David Kraft, Charles Gregory Kraft, Greg Kraft, Sis Kyzar, Baby Callie Lakes, Debra Lanius, Norma Larrieu, Dwayne Lato, Diane Lavigne, Wayne Laurent, Ruby Drude Lee, Sally LeJeune, Liz LeSaicherre, Hilton Loyd, IV, Nathan deLord, Elsie Major, Fr. Cayet Mangiaracina, O.P., Heath Martin, Andie Mashburn, Arthur & Tate Mashburn, Caitlyn Matherne, William Mathes, Melissa McCormick, Max McCray, Ginger McLin, Cole McMillion, Morris Meyer, Anna Mae Mixon, Patricia Monteleone, Andrew Morales, Ed Murray, Aliyah Naquin, Cindy Newton, Judy Nicholas, CJ Otilio, Ruth Ourso, Wanda Pandarvis, George Peltier, Diane Pepitone, Wayne Pepitone, Bert Perilloux, Marisa Perrin, Camilla Phillips, Fran Poche, Ann Prine, Mary Prine, Allessandro Pugliese, Krystal Raulerson, Baby Damon Reggio, Kayla Reggio, Lise Richard, Bryan Roddick, A. J. Roig, Jr., Emile Sanchez & Family, Stacy Sanders, Brooklyn Sansone, Ernest Schenck, Bob Simoneaux, Bristol Rose Smith, Kayla Smith, Scott Stanga, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Tartamelia, Wylene Remy Taylor, Earl Theriot, Madeline Thibodeaux, Tracy Todd, Mike Tournillon, Carlo Triolo, Travis Troxler, Sam Vilardo, Sam Viola, Carla Van Vrancken, June Villa, Glen Walker, Adelle Wall, Danny Wall, Danni Waugh, Rodney Wempren, Peggy West, Faith Rose Wiltz.

*Names submitted will be included for 4 weeks. Please call the Church office to*

## 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, Elijah Whittington. *Names submitted will be included for 4 weeks. Please call the Church office to renew.*

## Saints and Special Observations

Sunday: Second Sunday of Easter  
(or Sunday of Divine Mercy)  
Tuesday: St. Martin I



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 at the St. Joseph’s Church every 2nd & 4th Thursday from 6-7:30 pm. We meet every 2nd & 4th Thursday at a new location inside the St. Benedict Room at Church.

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](http://www.palgroup.org). All inquiries are held in strict confidence. **You are not alone There is HOPE.**

## Readings for the Week of April 12, 2021

Monday: Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-3, 4-9; Jn 3:1-8  
 Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15  
 Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21  
 Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36  
 Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15  
 Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21

### Next Sunday Readings (April 18, 2021)

First Reading.....Acts of the Apostles 3:13-15, 17-19  
 Second Reading.....1 John 2:1-5a  
 Gospel.....Luke 24:35-48  
 Psalm.....4:2, 4, 708, 9

## Mass Intentions

### Monday, April 12, 2021

8:00 AM Ted Dupont

### Tuesday, April 13, 2021

8:00 AM Ronald Scioneaux

### Wednesday, April 14, 2021

8:00 AM (L) Daniel & Laura Waller

### Thursday, April 15, 2021

8:00 AM Living & Deceased Members of the Reggio & Vuljoin Families

### Saturday, April 17, 2021

5:00 PM	Edward A. Amar	Bill Perrin
	Susan Barbe	Rufus Poche
	Earl Baudin	Vincent Poche
	Dudley & Geraldine Berthelot	Mike Raiford
	Frank Brescher, Jr.	Liz Sanderson
	Delton Brooks	Adolph & Doris Schilling
	Phillip Connelley	Glenn Snyder
	Anthony Costanza	(L) President Donald Trump
	Lea Nora David	Mary Ruffin Wellman
	L/D Members of the Ethridge & Ernst Family	Donnie Wilson
	Claire Fendlason	Katherine Yeargain
	Joseph Norman Foret	
	(L) Darrell Hoover	
	Henrietta & Buddy Joiner	
	Wayne Kraemer	
	Virgil Krafft	
	Vincent Latino, Sr.	
	Raoul Laurent, Jr.	
	(L) Lessie Martin & Family	
	L/D Members of the Felix Peltier Family	

### Sunday, April 18, 2021

8:00 AM	Larry Anderson	Michael Locicero
	(L) Kerry Balado	Doussan Rando
	Mary Sue Drude	Mallory Grace Reggio
	Richard & Clotilde Drude	Lindsey Richard, Sr.
	Dotsy Eleser	Dale Roberts
	Claire Fendlason	(L) Eileen Ruffin
	Marie & Paul Ferrara	Gianna Vito Sabella
	Ann & Bill Hayles	Raphael Vito Sabella
	(L) Lisa Kennedy	Sansone Family
	Virgil Krafft	Audrey Scamardo
	(L) David & Karen Kraft	Glenn Snyder
	Lily Kraft	(L) President Donald Trump
	Louanna & Cotton Kraft	Russell Wood
	(L) Kenneth Kraft	(L) Brenda & Bill Zimmerman
	Lisa Ladoux	
	(L) The Ladoux Family	11 AM For the People of the Parish
	Doris Drude Lavigne	

## 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.



## Stewardship

### “My Soul Longs for Refreshment”

The road trip to visit the kids’ grandparents lasted forever. Everyone was worn out. The usual road games had passed, the only DVD had played twice, and lunchboxes and snack packs were empty. Mom, who never turns on music in the car, decided that might be an apt distraction. She was right. The music began up tempo, she sang along, then so did everyone else. Before the family knew it, the last two hours passed—their voices worn out and their cheeks sore from laughing with joy.

“As the deer longs for streams of water, so my soul longs for you, O God, My soul thirsts for God, the living God. When can I enter and see the face of God? Send your light and your fidelity, that they may be my guide; let them bring me to your holy mountain, to the place of your dwelling, that I may come to the altar of God, to God, my joy, my delight. Then I will praise you with the harp, O God, my God.”

## Financial News

YTD	Actual	Budgeted	Difference
3/28/2021	\$ 745,050.99	\$741,000.00	\$ +4,050.99
Church Support	\$ 18,216.19		
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 1,063.00		
Misc. Collections	\$ 337.00		
	<b>\$19,616.19</b>		
4/4/2021	\$770,363.94	\$760,000.00	\$ +10,363.94
Church Support	\$ 25,312.95		
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 1,625.00		
Priest Retirement	\$ 2,061.00		
Holy Land	\$ 1,073.00		
Misc. Collections	\$ 537.00		
	<b>\$30,608.95</b>		

### Second Collections

St. Joseph School—April 11, 2021  
 Catholic Home Missions—April 25, 2021

## Ministry Schedule

### Saturday, April 17th & Sunday April 18th

	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Ushers</u>
5PM	Fay Murray 7b Bill Spansel 8b Millie Spansel 9b	John Howes Durald Pinion John Yeargain Chris Marmillion
8AM	Katie Holmes 7b Kerry Balado 8b Rose Harper 9b	Jeremy Barado Rene’ Folse Gordon Cotton Rodney Schmaltz Roland Terrebonne Pete Peterson
11 AM	Andy Wheat 7b Bill Wheat 8b Donna Clause 9b	Jeff Ryan Barry Blackledge Marcial Gomez Robert McNabb Christopher McNabb Kelly Richard
	<u>Lectors</u>	
5PM	Janice Radosti	
8AM	Sheena Candies	
11 AM	Wayne Vedeckis	

## Prayer Intentions of the Holy Father- May 2021

We pray for those who risk their lives fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

## Easter Flowers

**In Memory of:** Eddie & Ethel Adams by Darrell & Shirley Adams \* Ethel & Eddie J. Adams, Deceased Siblings by Helen Muller \* Jimmie & Rose Mary Addison by Vance & Mary Jo Balado \* Delmayne Aleman by Ann Aleman \* Philip Alexander by Victoria Alexander \* Deceased Members of the Balado /Johnson Families by Gary & Sandra Johnson \* Sis Rousseau Barsley by Francis & Barbara Martino \* All Deceased Relatives & Friends of Bea & Stanley Beck \* Larry & Lynn Bishop by The Chalk Family \* Marc & Virgie Boba by the Chalk Family \* Collins & Shirley Bonicard \* Jimmy Bourg by Artie & Ricia Kirsch \* Elna E. Bowman by Glenda & Bill Dufreche \* Delton Brooks by Bonnie H. Brooks \* Casmier & Vivian Bruce by Rolly & Kathy Bruce \* Catherine Jane Burns by Barbara Guy \* Roy Keith Burns by Barbara Guy \* Dan & Jean Chalk by The Chalk Family \* Joe Champeaux, Paddy Champeaux by Cherise & Chris Sale, Lee Roy Cheek \* Lee Cheek, Sr. by Beverly Cheek \* Harold & Rosemary Chiasson by Michael & Karen Chiasson \* P. J. Clause by Donna Clause \* Harold Clement, Sr. by Ruth Clement \* Phillip Connelley, Robert Connelley by Roberta Connelley \* Bobby & Tilly Cutrer by Robin St. Cyr \* Eleanor M. Czarnik by John Yeargain \* Rosemary Daigle & Shirley Bennett by Randy & Victoria Bennett \* Mary Sue Drude, Richard & Clotilde Drude, Doris Drude Lavigne by Leonard J. Drude \* John Dufreche by Michele Dufreche \* Easter by Carol V. McPheeson \* Alice & Arthur Eastman by Harry, Elaine, Marc LeBlanc \* Barbara Ernest, Oscar Ernest, Sr., Ottilie Ernest, Zilda Ernest by Glenda & Bill Dufreche \* Joseph Ernst Family by Mary E. Threeton \* Lawrence Ernst, Sr. by Larry & Mary Ernst \* Jimmie & Dolores Ethridge by Larry & Mary Ernst \* Claire Fendlason \* Our Families by Forbes Family \* Lillian Foret by Mom & Dad \* Jim Fuss by the Chalk Family \* Rudy Gagneaux by Nilda Gagneaux \* Jessica Bleakley Galatas by Barry & Jodi Bleakley \* Connie & Francis Garaudy by Mary Hoover \* Betty & Dennis Gatlin \* Betty Gatlin \* Lionel & Mercedes Glenn by Roxanna Mearis, Deceased Members of the Glenn Family \*Paul & Maxine Girard by Rolly & Kathy Bruce \* Grieves, Cronk & Darbonne Families by Laura Douglas \* Kitty & Tony Guagliardo, Sr. by Tony Guagliardo, III \* Parents, Sister, Brother by Lua Hebert \* Cecil R. Hebert Family by Bonnie H. 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Richard by Kelly & Nicole Richard \* Lindsey Richard, Sr., by Valley Kraft Family & Kenneth Kraft Family \* Jan Ripberger from Family \* Dale Roberts by Catherine Roberts \* Living & Deceased Members of the Robichaux & Bleakley Family by Barry & Jodi Bleakley \* Rodrigue & Taranto Family by Linda Taranto \* Daniel & Norma Rojo by Widmer & Rojo Families \* Rolufs and Connelley by Roberta Connelley \* Mervin Lee Rousseau by Francis & Barbara Martino \* Henry & Hazel Roussel by the Chalk Family \* Liz Sanderson by Paul Sanderson & Family \* Paul & Theresa Sanderson by Paul Sanderson, Jr. & Family \* Deacon Durtch & Willie Schanzbach by Michael & Debbie Schanzbach \* Godfrey & Joy Steib by Michael & Debbie Schanzbach \* Buddy & Margaret Stall by Jim & Peggy Hastings \* Irene Steib & Clara Tucker by Michael & Debbie Schanzbach \* Ron Steib & Wanda Steib Castell by Michael & Debbie Steib \* Mr. & Mrs. Stohl by Annie Stohl \* Lester & Marie Toups by Paul Sanderson & Family \* Clyde & Mary St. Cyr by Robin St. Cyr \* Victims of Terrorism by Barbara Guy \* Donald Todd by Melanie Todd \* Barbara Troxler by Rene' & Ramona Folse \* Joan Uzdevinis by Mary Jochum \* Iris & Francis Waguespack, Sr. by Russell "Chip" Wood \* The Weaver & Rodriguez Family by Karen & David Weaver \* George P. 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**In Honor of:** End of Abortion by Barbara Guy \* Living Members of the Balado & Johnson Families by Gary & Sandra Johnson \* The Barado/Mathern Families \* President Joe Biden by Barbara Guy \* Cessation of Hate Crimes by Barbara Guy \* Living Members of the Ruth Hoover Family by Evelyn Lavigne \* The James/Wood/Heck Families \* Immigrants at the US-Mexico border \* David & Karen Kraft by Valley Kraft Family & Kenneth Kraft Family \* Rosemary Novack by Valley Kraft Family & Kenneth Kraft Family \* Living & Deceased Members of the Latour Family \* Linda Pannier \* Our Children: Denise, Tammy & Patrick by Ed & Fay Murray \* Our Grandchildren: Christopher, Sarah, Tyler, Alyssa, Jack, Julie by Ed & Fay Murray \* For the People of Ponchatoula by Barbara Guy \* Living & Deceased Members of the Schmatz Family \* Mary T. Tournillon \* Michael O. Tournillon \* President Donald Trump by Barbara Guy \* The Weaver & Rodriguez Family by Karen & David Weaver \* Wempren & Berthelot Families by Gina Wempren \* Jim Yeargain, Joe Yeargain, John Yeargain by Barbara Guy

## Mark Your Calendar

- Sunday, April 11th**  
Parish School of Religion 9:30 am in the School
- Sunday, April 11th**  
Ablaze—9:30 am
- Sunday, April 11th**  
Consecration to St. Joseph Class—9:30 am School Classroom
- Sunday, April 11th**  
Planning Meeting for Pray & Play Family Fun Day 9:30 am in the Ministry Building
- Sunday, April 11th**  
First—5pm
- Tuesday, April 13th**  
Word & Worship—7:00 pm
- Wednesday, April 14th**  
Adoration—8:30 am—6 pm  
Divine Mercy-Church-3:00 pm  
Vespers—6 pm
- Wednesday, April 14th**  
Consecration to St. Joseph Class—6:30 pm in the Church Conference Room
- Wednesday, April 14, 2021**  
Baptism Class for Parents & Godparents-7pm St. Benedict Room—Church
- Sunday, April 18, 2021**  
Sent—Confirmation Candidates & Sponsors 11am—7pm
- Monday, April 19, 2021**  
Confirmation—7pm
- Tuesday, April 20th**  
St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting—6:30 pm in the St. Joseph Room





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## Gardening Angels

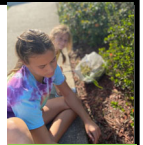
SO APPRECIATED! Even with no service time required the following angels along with a parent/grandparent have adopted a garden plot and committed to regular maintenance of the St. Joseph Gardens: Aubrey & Nora Alston with mom, Tara \* Connor Prescia with mom, Shelly \* Jack McLain with mom, Robin \* Jonah, Josh & Juliana Heroman with MeMaw, Wanda Allen \* Landen & Nathan Bourlet with mom, Lindy \* Libby Rabalais with Me Maw, Sandi Daniels

Appreciate having the following archangels for gardening maintenance and miscellaneous beautification projects: Gary Johnson \* Kelly & Kyle Wolfe \* Ron Huguet \* Sheila Allen

Enjoy gardening and beautification projects? Still have plots waiting to be adopted for ongoing maintenance and we never run out of special beautification projects! All parishioners and all ages are welcome. Please contact me at marielordwill@gmail.com

Much to our surprise recently someone decided to give us a helping hand with hedging the Viburnums around the ACs at church! Hedging is an art that one is born with and not everyone has that talent! So we have selected those archangels who were born with that talent to do the job! We also need to hedge certain hedges at certain times of the year and in a certain manner. Again, we appreciate all of your help and no problem with one time, it will grow back! But PLEASE do not hedge without first asking how and when we wish to have it done. We get a lot of thanks and comments on our work. We great praised and we get blamed! Our names are all over the gardens whether it looks good or bad!

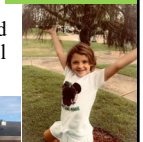
But we have plenty more gardens that need to be weeded and are waiting to be adopted if one has extra time! Thanks!  
Marie & Buddy



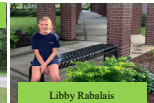
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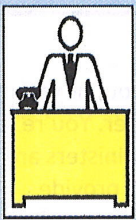
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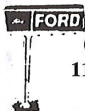
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