



# 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.

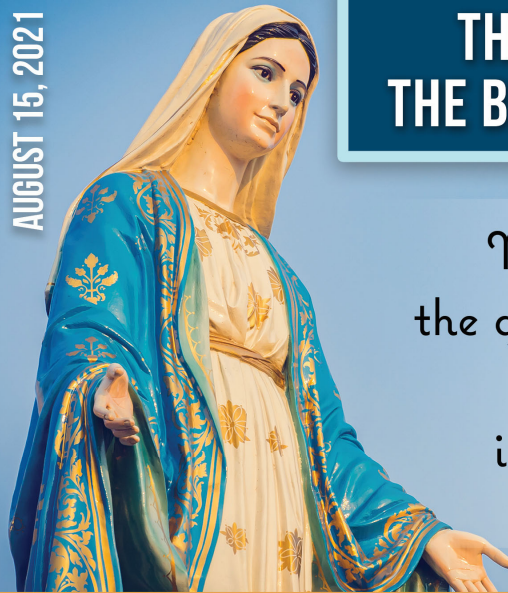
**Adoration:**

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

AUGUST 15, 2021



## THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

My soul proclaims  
the greatness of the Lord;  
my spirit rejoices  
in God my Savior.

Luke 1:46

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### Religious Formation

We are busy planning our year with classes, activities, and events for our young disciples and their families. Please take time to register online for K-12 Religious Ed so that we may be in contact with you. We can't wait to spend time with you praying and playing as we welcome you back!

Register for the 2021-22 Formation button at [www.stjosephsonline.com](http://www.stjosephsonline.com)

**SAVE THE DATES:**

**August 22**—6th grade parents  
9:30-10:30 am—St. Joseph Room

**August 23**—9th & 10th grade parents & teens  
6:30-7:30 pm—St. Joseph Room

**August 29—9:30-10:30 am**  
K-1st, 3rd-5th grade parents—Gym  
2nd grade parents—Cafeteria  
7th-8th grade parents—St. Joseph Room

**August 30** -11th grade parents & teens  
6:30-7:30 pm—St. Joseph Room



**Sept. 12**—Family Fun Day for our whole parish after 11 am Mass

**Sept. 19**—First Class K-12 Church Parish School of Religion

Call the church office at 985-386-3749 with questions. Paige Bacile K-5, Kayla Fletcher 6-8, Nicole Richard 9-12

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## Staff

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 Mrs. Danette Ragusa, *Principal*  
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 Website: 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  
**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.  
**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:** Carolyn Pugh : 985-320-5741  
**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.

# FORMED

PICK OF THE WEEK

August 15, 2021

### WATCH THE WOMAN

In the Gospels we hear Jesus refer to his mother Mary as "Woman." This reference should draw our attention to both Genesis and Revelation. But who is this "Woman," and why is she so central to salvation history? This powerful film presents the Catholic teaching about Mary and her important role in the life of the Church today. On this Solemnity of the Assumption, let us ponder Mary's role in our own lives!



### LEARN

THE BIBLE AND THE VIRGIN MARY: EPISODE 11: THE ASSUMPTION

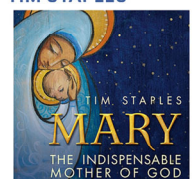


In this session of "The Bible and the Virgin," we explore both the teaching of Mary's Assumption and the identity of the mysterious woman in the book of Revelation. This episode also reveals how John's apocalyptic visions are the dramatic fulfillment of the promise God made back in the Garden of Eden!

### LISTEN

MARY: THE INDISPENSABLE MOTHER OF GOD BY TIM STAPLES

In this Lighthouse Talk, Tim Staples explains the incredible impact that the Church's understanding of Mary has on our spiritual lives, and the profound way that Marian doctrines elevate the faith. With his memorable insights and humor, Tim shows how correct knowledge of our humble Mother reveals our own identity in Christ and empowers us to say "Yes" to God!



## 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.

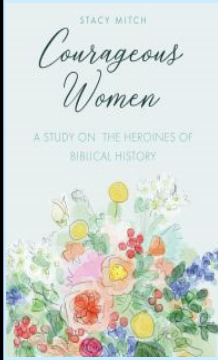
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Our parish has a FORMED subscription.

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

## Monday Night Bible Study is postponed to new start date!



6pm – 7:30pm **Beginning: September 20, 2021**

Ministry Building – St Joseph Room

NOT for women only - EVERYONE is invited.

- 1) Email (me) Stephanie if you will be attending.
- 2) Include your preferred email address.
- 3) Books available online and at Heavenly Gifts.

Stephanie Waguespack at [fgwaguespack@bellsouth.net](mailto:fgwaguespack@bellsouth.net)

Divided into eight lessons, *Courageous Women: A Study on the Heroines of Biblical History* by Stacy Mitch 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 St Paul Center (stpaulcenter.com) \$14.95 The Catholic Company (catholiccompany.com)**  
Amazon also carries it, or google the title and author for other sources



**MARIAN SERVANTS® of THE VISITATION**

### Our Lady of Sorrows Faith-Sharing Series

Our Lady of Sorrows is a beautiful model of hope, encouragement, and rest for us during this turbulent time of division and confusion in our world. Join us as we use the gifts of the Holy Spirit in praying and sharing scripture as we seek Mother Mary's spiritual direction in our individual lives and in our individual sorrows. Let her graces guide and comfort you in your daily struggles and discernments to triumph over desolation and negativity through surrendering and trusting in the truth of the Trinity.

**Holy Ghost Catholic Church**

or

**St. Joseph's Catholic Church**

**Meeting Times: 9:00 –10:00 am**

**Meeting Dates: Wednesday's,  
September 1, 8, 15**

**Meeting Place: Holy Ghost Annex**

**Meeting Times: 6:00-7:00 pm**

**Meeting Dates: Friday's  
September 3, 10, 17**

**Meeting Place: Main Church**

Call or Text Mary Ann Henchy to register (985) 974-1037

### Uniforms for Kids

Grand Knight Durald Pinion (left) of the Fr. Vander Hayden Knights of Columbus Council 4874 presents a \$500 contribution to St. Vincent de Paul, Vice President, Tony Guagliardo for the charity's annual Uniforms for Kids drive. "The KCs are always helping our community to be a better place for all," Durald said.



*Faith Sharing*  
COMMUNITY TESTIMONY SERVICE

**THE AUGUST  
FAITH SHARING  
HAS BEEN  
POSTPONED.**

*May they all be as one,  
as you, Father,  
are in me and I am in you."*

John 17:21a, CSB





## CONFIRMATION CORNER

RESCHEDULED THIRST PARENT/TEEN MEETINGS:

MONDAY, AUGUST 23, 2021  
9TH & 10TH GRADE  
6:30-7:30 PM– St. Joseph Room

MONDAY, AUGUST 30, 2021  
11TH GRADE  
6:30-7:30 PM– St. Joseph Room



## ABLAZE PARENT MEETINGS

6th Grade Parents- **August 22**  
7&8th Grade Parents- **August 29**  
Both in St. Joseph Room from 9:30-10:30  
ST. JOSEPH  
Thirst & Ablaze

**Ablaze**  
**Come As You Are**  
**SUMMER**

August 11  
**Water Balloon War**  
Bring your swimsuit, change of clothes, and towel

August 25  
**Summer Escape**  
In house escape game

6-7:30 pm @ the St. Joseph Room

## RED STICK CATHOLIC FEST- POSTPONED

Due to the increasing number of COVID-19 cases in our area, the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry, in consultation with Bishop Duca, has decided to officially **POSTPONE** Red Stick Catholic Fest 2021 out of an abundance of caution for the safety of all event staff, volunteers, chaperones and attendees.

Currently, we are rescheduling the event to take place on **Saturday, October 30, 2021**. The time and location of the event will be determined in the coming weeks. Registration for the Red Stick Catholic Fest has been closed at this time and will re-open again on **Tuesday, September 7th**. All parishes wishing to attend will need to register, or re-register if registration has previously occurred, at that time. .

We would like to thank you all for your patience and understanding as we navigate the latest developments with the COVID-10 pandemic, in the meantime, we ask that you keep our office and all of those who have been a part of planning this event in your prayers. It is our intention to take this time to refocus our efforts and truly provide an experience for the youth of our Diocese to **RETURN** to the love of the Father together as one Diocese, one people, and one Church.

## Student Blessing

May your body, mind, and soul be protected as you step into each new school day.

May you be challenged by new material and excited about fresh opportunities to create and connect.

May you laugh, love, and live authentically in your community.

And may you take a moment every day to inhale the miracle of your academic journey.

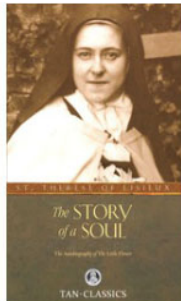


### SUCH A GOOD READ!

“our Lord’s love shines out just as much through a little soul who yields completely to His Grace as it does through the greatest...Just as the sun shines equally on the cedar and the little flower, so the Divine Sun shines equally on everyone, great and small. Everything is ordered for their good, just as in nature the seasons are so ordered that the smallest daisy comes to bloom at its appointed time.”

- St. Therese of Lisieux, p. 4-5

AN EXCERPT FROM  
**Story of a Soul**



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](mailto:nrichard@sjscrusaders.org).**

**Every Mass wins for you a higher degree of glory in heaven.**

**You receive the priest's blessing which Our Lord ratifies in Heaven.**



## The Destiny of All Mortal Flesh

The celebration of today's feast on a Sunday is unusual on our Roman Catholic calendar. Our observance of the Lord's Day is held in such high esteem that few other feasts replace it. Occasionally there is a feast—usually of one of the saints—in which the saving power of God in Christ is so uniquely focused that the Roman rite deems it worthy of celebration on the Lord's Day. Today is such a feast. Yet some are surprised at the brevity of the dogma in its entirety: "We pronounce, declare and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma: that the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul to heavenly glory." The Roman Catholic Church never defined any specifics or particulars about the event itself. It is not in the scriptures. There are no verifiable eyewitness accounts. At its core, the dogma reveals in Mary the destiny of all mortal flesh, and reinforces our creedal belief in resurrection of the body. This feast strengthens our faith, defined last week in Hebrews as the realization of things hoped for. We find, in Mary, that realization of what we all hope for, what Paul today affirms: "In Christ shall all be brought to life" (1 Corinthians 15:22).

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### Today's Readings

**First Reading** — The vision concerning the woman clothed with the sun (Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab).

**Psalms** — The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold (Psalm 45).

**Second Reading** — Christ, the firstfruits; then those who belong to him (1 Corinthians 15:20-27).

**Gospel** — Mary praises God in the Magnificat (Luke 1:39-56).

### 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, 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, Clint Gagliano, Lenny George, Roch Geron, Nittie Gilliland, Carolyn Gillingham, Molly Gladney, Malissa Gonzalez, Joan Gurganus, Brian Guichet, Myrthus "Twinkle" Guichet, Anne 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, Victoria Keys and baby Natalie Keys, Alan Klein, Beulah Kluka, David 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, Steve Lowery, Henry Lumino, Sr., Henry Lumino, Jr. Andie Mashburn, Arthur & Tate Mashburn, Caitlyn Matherne, William Mathes, Melissa McCormick, John & Susan McKinney, Ginger McLin, Cole McMillion, Anna Mae Mixon, Patricia Monteleone, Andrew Morales, Ed Murray, Amber Narro, PHD, Aliyah Naquin, Cindy Newton, Judy Nicholas, Ruth Ourso, Wanda Pandarvis, George Peltier, Diane Pepitone, Wayne Pepitone, Bert Perilloux, Marisa Perrin, Anne Phillips, Camilla Phillips, Fran Poche, Beth Powell, Ann Prine, Mary Prine, Lise Richard, Sr. Barbara Richter, MSC., Bryan Roddick, A. J. Roig, Jr., Emile Sanchez & Family, Stacy Sanders, Brooklyne Sansone, Ernest Schenck, Bob Simoneaux, Bristol Rose Smith, Kayla Smith, Ronald Springer, Sr., 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 Vilaro, Ronald Vining, Sam Viola, Stone Viola, Carla Van Vrancken, June Villa, Glen Walker, Adelle Wall, Danny Wall, Danni Waugh, Rodney Wempren, Rita West, Faith Rose Wiltz, Phiney & Sal Yenni, 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, Navy Petty Officer HM2 Kegan Keller, Jacob Milton, Commander Eric Olsen, US Navy. Elijah Whittington.

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### Saints and Special Observations

Sunday: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Monday: Twentieth Week in Ordinary Time; St. Stephen of Hungary  
Thursday: St. John Eudes  
Friday: St. Bernard  
Saturday: St. Pius X



### Intentions of the Holy Father— August 2021

Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.



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](http://www.palgroup.org).

## Readings for the Week of

**August 16, 2021**

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22  
 Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30  
 Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16  
 Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a; Ps 40:5, 7-10; Mt 22:1-14  
 Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Mt 22:34-40  
 Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-5; Mt 23:1-12

### Next Sunday Readings (August 22, 2021)

First Reading.....Joshua 24: 1-2a, 15-17, 18b  
 Second Reading.....Ephesians 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32  
 Gospel.....John 6:60-69  
 Psalm.....34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21

## Mass Intentions

### Monday, August 16, 2021

8:00 AM Virgil Krafft

### Tuesday, August 17, 2021

8:00 AM Franklin Borgerson

### Wednesday, August 18, 2021

8:00 AM (L) Angela Pevey

### Thursday, August 19, 2021

8:00 AM Shirley Peterson

### Saturday, August 21, 2021

5:00 PM Patricia Albrecht

Earl Baudin  
 Dudley & Geraldine Berthelot  
 Delton Brooks  
 Joseph Clavier  
 Edgar & Gladys Charbonnet  
 Joseph Foret  
 Frances Levern Forrest  
 Wayne Kraemer  
 Tony Landry  
 Vincent Latinio, Sr.  
 Jane Marengo  
 Ernest Ourso

Mr. & Mrs. Felix Peltier  
 Bill Perrin  
 Rita Mae Perrin  
 Rufus Poche  
 Vincent Poche  
 Joe Provenzano, Sr.  
 Liz Sanderson  
 Glenn Snyder  
 (L) Dupre Spiller  
 Dupre Spiller, II  
 (L) President Donald J. Trump  
 Katherine Yeargain  
 (L) Sal & Phiney Yenni

### Sunday, August 22, 2021

8:00 AM Jude Alford  
 (L) Deacons, Wives & Families  
 Mary Sue Drude  
 Richard & Clotilde Drude  
 Virgil Krafft  
 (L) Kenneth Kraft  
 (L) Stacey Kinchen  
 Lynn Lambert, Jr.  
 Doris Drude Lavigne  
 Coninie Morales  
 Ernest Ourso  
 Rita Perrin  
 Mallory Reggio  
 (L) Richard Reggio  
 (L) Ronnie Reggio  
 (L) Ronnie & Christy Reggio  
 11:00 AM For the People of the Parish

Dale Roberts  
 Raphael, Gianni, Valentina Sabella  
 (L) Katie & Sammy Sabella  
 Sansone Family  
 Audrey Scamardo  
 Glenn Snyder  
 Souls in Purgatory  
 (L) Donald Trump  
 Conchetta Yenni  
 (L) Sal & Phiney Yenni  
 Kathryn Zitzmann

## Stewardship

### Mary, the First Disciple

Rev 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab / 1 Cor 15:20-27 / Lk 1:39-56

Today's gospel from Luke depicts Mary as the very first Missionary Disciple! She traveled to her cousin's house "in haste" and literally takes Jesus to Elizabeth. Elizabeth's response is one of pure joy, and Mary is overcome by her own humility. She understands the greatness of the task set before her. She understands that her blessedness is not for her own glory, but for that of God the Father. How does this compare to our own discipleship? Let us look to our Blessed Mother as the perfect example! Do we carry Jesus to others with the same eagerness? Do we recognize the many ways God has blessed and prepared us for the task? Do we see our discipleship as a way to glorify God in Heaven? Today, as we celebrate Mary's assumption into heaven, let's pray that God will give us the grace, confidence, and endurance to carry out our discipleship as she did!



## Financial News

YTD	Actual	Budgeted	Difference
8/8/2021	\$ 113,001.35	\$114,000.00	\$ -998.65
Church Support	\$ 25,651.95		
St. Joseph School	\$ 1,171.00		
Misc. Collections	\$ 341.00		
	\$ 27,163.95		

## Ministry Schedule

### Saturday, August 21st & Sunday August 22nd

	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Ushers</u>
5PM	Barbara Martino 7b Ronald Perrin 8b Fay Murray 9b	Frank Glass John Howes Alex Joiner John Laiche Chris Marmillion Durald Pinion John Yeargain Michael Chiasson Gordon Cotton Rene' Folse Rodney Schmaltz Roland Terrebbonne Francis Waguespack Barry Blackledge Marcial Gomez Christopher McNabb Robert McNabb Kelly Richard Jeff Ryan Bob Zimmerman
8AM	Alice James 7b Dennis James 8b Katie Holmes 9b	
11 AM	Bill Wheat 7b Andy Wheat 8b Barbara Wall 9b	

### Lectors

5PM Tony Guagliardo, Jr.  
 8AM Stephanie Waguespack  
 11 AM Janice Radosti

## Ringin' 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.

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 Flowers

The flowers on the altar are donated:

*In Memory of Deacon Dutch & Willie Schanzbach*

By: Michael & Debbie Schanzbach



## School News

We had a wonderful first few days of the 2021-2022 school year. We look forward to celebrating and sharing many activities and events with our St. Joseph Church community. Please keep our students, faculty, and staff in your prayers for a safe and healthy school year. Thank you for your continued support of our school.



### SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS NEEDED:

If you are interested in being a substitute teacher or paraprofessional, please contact the office for more information (985) 386-6421 or email [ekastner@sjscrusaders.org](mailto:ekastner@sjscrusaders.org). Our substitutes are paid monthly and may choose to work with certain grade levels or days of the week.

## You Don't Have To Feel Alone!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

We like to think of summer as being a relaxing, enjoyable time. But, hurts, struggles, crises, Covid and problems don't take a vacation. Many times our difficulties seem even worse during the summer because everyone else seems to be enjoying life while you are feeling down. If you are experiencing a difficult time, you don't have to suffer alone. Our Stephen Ministers are trained caregivers. They are ready to listen, care and encourage you, pray with and for you. Our ministers provide one to one Christian care to help you through whatever it is you are facing. Stephen Ministry will make a difference in your life. 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. You don't have to be alone.



### Society of St Vincent de Paul Report: July 2021

We made **17** home visits serving **42** people

**Delivered 18 bags of food from our Parish Food Pantry**

Paid utility bills totaling \$1,672.46 and \$1,040.77 in other assistance including rent, shelter, clothing, fresh food, transportation needs, and other necessary household needs.

As always we are grateful for your generosity that makes our work with those in need 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 consider becoming a Vincentian. **As Jesus said to his disciples in John 1:35-42, "Come, and you will see."** Our next scheduled meeting is August 24th.

## Mark Your Calendar

**Sunday, August 15th**  
Summer Sundays Café—9:30 am  
St. Benedict Room



**Monday, August 16th**  
Youth Choir Practice—4 pm in the Church Choir Room



**Monday, August 16th**  
Adult Choir Practice—6:30 pm in the Church

**Tuesday, August 17th**  
Word & Worship—7:00 pm in the Church

**Wednesday, August 18th**  
Adoration—8:30 am—6:00 pm  
Divine Mercy-Church-3:00 pm  
Vespers—6:00 pm



**Friday, August 20th**  
Men's Bible Study—6:30 am—  
St. Benedict Room

**Saturday, August 21st**  
Men's Morning Prayer Group—6:30 am in the Church

**Sunday, August 22nd**  
6th Grade Parents Meeting—9:30 am in the St. Joseph Room

**Monday, August 23rd**  
9th & 10th Grade Parents & Teen Meeting—6:30 pm in the St. Joseph Room

**Tuesday, August 24th**  
St. Vincent de Paul Meeting—6:30 pm in the St. Joseph Room in the Ministry Building



**Wednesday, August 25th**  
Come As You Are—6pm in the St. Joseph Room

**Thursday, August 26th**  
PAL—6pm—7:30 pm in the St. Catherine Room in the Ministry Building

**Sunday, August 29th - 9:30 am—10:30 am**  
PSR Parents Meetings  
K, 1st, 3rd, 4th- 5th Grade—Meeting in the Gym  
2nd Grade—Meeting in the Cafeteria  
7th & 8th Grade—Meeting in the St. Joseph Room

**Monday, August 30th**  
11th Grade Parents & Teen Meeting—6:30 pm in the St. Joseph Room

**Friday, September 3, 10, 17**  
Our Lady of Sorrows— Faith Sharing Series  
6pm in the Church

**Monday, September 20th**  
Monday Night Bible Study (Begins)—6pm in the St. Joseph Room.



## Year of St Joseph

“The growth of Jesus in wisdom and in stature, and in favor with God and man’ (Lk. 2:52) took place within the Holy Family under the eyes of St. Joseph, who had the important task of ‘raising’ Jesus, that is, feeding, clothing, and educating him in the Law and in a trade, in keeping with the duties of a father.”

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