



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

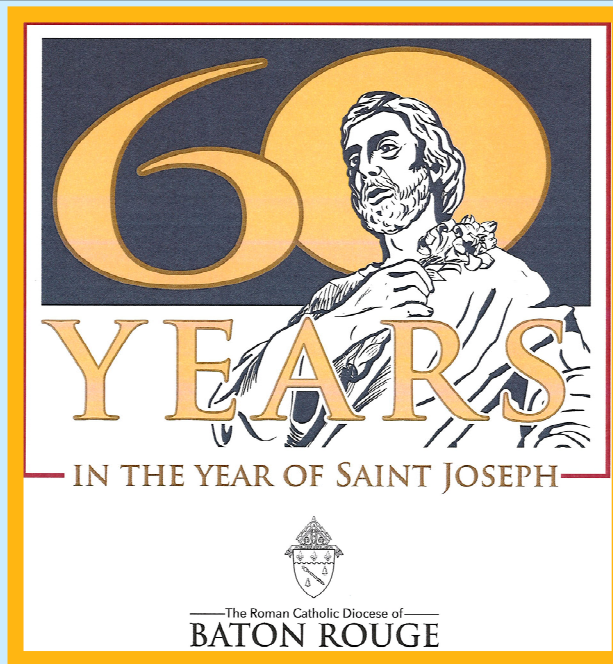
Catechetical Programs:

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

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.

May 9, 2021 Sixth Sunday of Easter



In the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, Pope Francis' proclamation of the Year of St. Joseph and our diocese's 60th anniversary, the Diocese of Baton Rouge will be celebrating "60 Years in the Year of St. Joseph" from May 1, 2021 - March 19, 2022.

Throughout the year, there will be opportunities to learn more about the history of our local church and celebrate its patron through videos, news stories, liturgical celebrations and more.

If you're interested in learning more about "60 Years in the Year of St. Joseph," please visit diobr.org/60years and follow @DioceseBR on Facebook.

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Mission Statement

St. Joseph's Parish is a rapidly growing faith community that serves the spiritual and temporal needs of Southernmost Tangipahoa Parish through its various ministries.

St. Joseph's develops, supports, nurtures and educates Catholic Christians while offering to this entire expanding community a caring environment and a welcoming spirit of Christ present.

Parish Ministries and Contact Persons

Altar Servers: Michele & Glen Ernst, 985-386-6618. sj_altar_server@bellsouth.net
Bible Studies: Monday at 6 p.m.—Stephanie Waguespack, 985-981-9859.
Children's Liturgy Ministry: Paige Bacile 985-386-3749.
Cooking Ministry: Cook a plate of food for our Priest one day each month, call Linda Guagliardo 985-345-8409.
Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion: Angela Pevey (Call / text) 985-507-5757.
Readers: Larry Ernst, 985-386-5731. lernst1@bellsouth.net
Marriage Ministry: Ed & Julie Hanks, 985-351-3143.
Mass Greeters: Barbara Martino, 985-386-3622.
Music Ministry: Rhonda Rossano 985-386-3749
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

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.

Organizations

Ancient Order of Hibernians: Ronnie Crimmins 985-773-8965.
Kaycee Auxiliary: Maureen Felder 225-294-3092 or maureenfelder75@gmail.com
Knights of Columbus: Buddy Williams, 504-252-2031 (Application for new members)
Rosary Altar Society: Evelyn Lavigne 985-386-6732
St. Vincent de Paul Society: For membership contact the church office, 985-386-3749. For assistance call 985-370-5459.
Core Group: Ronnie Perrin (Chairman), Lawton Hotard, Barbara Martino, Larry Melancon, 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

May 9, 2021

WATCH

FATIMA GEMS

Fatima Gems, hosted by Fr. Andrew Apostoli, focuses on the beauty of Our Lady's messages to three young children in 1917. This series demonstrates ways to apply the Fatima teachings to our everyday lives, showcasing that this apparition is just as relevant to our culture today as it was 100 years ago.



FORMED LIVE!

Feast of the Ascension

May 21st, 2020

FORMED LIVE: FEAST OF THE ASCENSION

Join Drs. Tim Gray and Ben Akers as they discuss the feast of the Ascension! In this video, these two scholars provide powerful insights about the significance of the number 40, Jesus' conquest as the new Joshua, and the Kingship of Christ!

LEARN

LISTEN

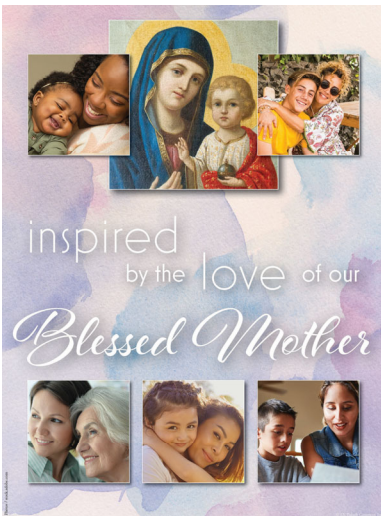
REAL WOMANHOOD BY LISA COTTER

What does it mean to be a real woman in today's culture? Join Lisa Cotter in her talk Real Womanhood, as she draws on modern-day saints, St. John Paul II to define what it means to be an authentic woman.

REAL WOMANHOOD LISA COTTER



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Mother's Day Prayer

Most Gracious Father,

We thank You for our mothers to whom You have entrusted the care of every precious human life from its very beginning in the womb. You have given to woman the capacity of participating with You in the creation of new life. Grant that every woman may come to understand the full meaning of that blessing, which gives her an unlimited capacity for selfless love for every child she may be privileged to bear, and for all Your children.

Watch over every mother who is with child, strengthen her faith in Your fatherly care and love for her and for her unborn baby. Give her courage in times of fear or pain, understanding in times of uncertainty and doubt, and hope in times of trouble. Grant her joy in the birth of her child.

To mothers You have given the great privilege and responsibility of being a child's first teacher and spiritual guide. Grant that all mothers may worthily foster the faith of their children, following the example of Mary, Elizabeth, and other holy women who follow Christ. Help mothers to grow daily in knowledge and understanding of Your

Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and grant them the wisdom to impart this knowledge faithfully to their children, and to all who depend upon them.

Assist all "spiritual mothers," those who, though they may have no children of their own, nevertheless selflessly care for the children of others—of every age and state of life. Grant that they may know the joy of fulfilling this motherly calling of women, whether in teaching, nursing, religious life, or in other work which recognizes and fosters the true dignity of every human being created in Your image and likeness.

We beseech You to send Your Holy Spirit, the Comforter, to all mothers who sorrow for children that have died, are ill or estranged from their families, or who are in trouble or danger of any kind. Help grieving mothers to rely on Your tender mercy and fatherly love for all your children.

We ask your blessing on all those to whom You have entrusted motherhood. May Your Holy Spirit constantly inspire and strengthen them. May they ever follow the example of the Blessed Virgin Mary, mother of our Lord, and imitate her fidelity, her humility, and her self-giving love. May all mothers receive Your Grace abundantly in this earthly life, and may they look forward to eternal joy in Your presence in the life to come.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You in unity with the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. AMEN.



Why Do Catholics Fast Before Mass?

by LIFE TEEN

We fast before Mass in order to prepare a proper dwelling for Jesus when we receive Him in the Eucharist. If the Pope were coming over would you clean your house? Of course you would! You'd even dust the crack in the floor, under the carpet, in the corner of the basement storage room! It's the same when we open up the door of our body and soul to Jesus. We need to clean up and prepare!

The rules for fasting have evolved over the years. **According to the Code of Canon Law we are required to fast from everything except water and medicine for one hour prior to receiving communion (Code of Canon Law 919).**

Why is this necessary? Fasting is all about the 'disposition' of your soul. That means the 'condition' or 'state' that your soul is in. In order to prepare the soul, we have to prepare the body. We are physical beings. When we force our body to do something hard, like not eat or drink, it reminds us that hunger and thirst for *spiritual* food is even more important.

Since the body and soul make up the one person that you are, they have to do things together . . . like get ready for Jesus in the Eucharist.

My reflection on this article:

After First Communion weekend I was called to look at my own fasting practice – do I drink coffee an hour before Mass begins or time it to an estimated hour before I receive the Eucharist? Do I chew gum and dispose of it when walking into Mass? I really had to look at the justifications I made to myself and go back to the reason for fasting and the reverence for the true presence of Jesus in the Eucharist that fasting portrays.

I read about the early Christians who fasted since the midnight before from ALL food and drink INCLUDING water, and felt convicted to adhere to our current practice of one hour of fasting before Mass. I hope to do this intentionally, while reminding myself that one hour is the minimum and perhaps one day I could offer more fasting as I prepare my soul to receive Jesus!

Paige Bacile, PSR Coordinator

**KEEP THE FAITH
AFTER
CONFIRMATION**

WHAT NEXT?

**CALLING ALL
RECENTLY
CONFIRMED TEENS**

SUNDAY MAY 16
5-7 PM
ST JOSEPH'S BLDG


Therefore go, and make
disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of
the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit
teaching them to obey all things that
I commanded you.
I am with you every
day until the end of the age.

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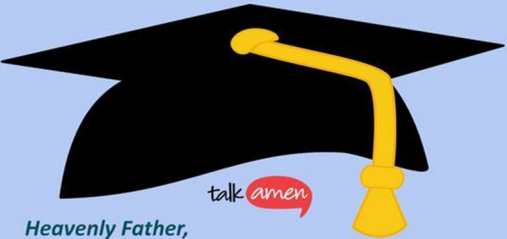
Matthew 28:19-20

MONTH OF OUR LADY

"My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my Savior."
Luke 1:46



A Prayer for Graduation



talk **amen**

*Heavenly Father,
Give grace and courage to the ones who have worked hard and now greet this special time of graduation.
We thank you for protecting and guiding them to this point. All praise and glory to You!
Inspire the graduates to put to good use all the knowledge, skills and life lessons gained through their education.
Most importantly, as they face unknown challenges moving on, help them to keep dear the greatest wisdom of all -that of knowing Jesus and the power of the Cross!
A chapter has closed and another eagerly awaits. Pave their road with opportunities and inspire them to live with hope in this incredible journey called life.
Continue to bless the graduates with love, protection, mercy, strength and wisdom.
May they live passionately to honor and glorify Your name.
In Jesus' name, Amen.*

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SKIP THE DRAMA, STAY WITH MAMA




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"You must remember to love people and use things, rather than to love things and use people."

FULTON SHEEN
The Wisdom of Fulton Sheen



SAFE HAVEN PARENT WATCH APP OF THE WEEK



PURPOSE: This walkie-talkie PTT (push-to-talk) app allows users to quickly exchange short voice messages. They can have chats going on multiple people at a time and just have to tap the play button to hear any messages they receive. Although it largely has an adult following, including some people who use it for their job—it's becoming popular among teens who enjoy its hybrid style of texting and talking.

WHY PARENTS SHOULD WORRY: Hurtful messages from cyberbullies can be even more biting when they're spoken and can be played repeatedly. Surprisingly, the app is rated ages 4+ in the App Store.

The Presence of the Holy Spirit

We have a unique episode in the Acts of the Apostles today. A whole roomful of people are baptized with the Holy Spirit before they are baptized with water! The verb used—"the Holy Spirit 'fell' on them" (Acts 10:44)—is characteristic of the way the Spirit works throughout the book of Acts: powerful and surprising. Though this "baptism" is not the normative way the New Testament describes baptism, it is still a good reminder today that the Holy Spirit is not controlled by whether or not we pour water, but rather that our sacramental signs reveal the presence of the Spirit at work among us. And we have a double reinforcement of how this work is accomplished from a Letter and a Gospel bearing John's name. It is love, self-sacrificing and self-giving love, that manifests the Spirit of Jesus in our midst. It is love that is the greatest of commandments. The Spirit is manifested equally through those who live in that love.

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Today's Readings

First Reading — The gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out on the Gentiles also (Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48).

Psalm — The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power (Psalm 98).

Second Reading — God is love (1 John 4:7-10) or 1 John 4:11-16.

Gospel — No one has greater love than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends (John 15:9-17) or John 17:11b-19.

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, Christy "KK" Cartaginense, Cathy O. Casey, Paul Cashio, Christine Castjohn, Dennis Charbonnet, Rita Charbonnet, Julian Chiro, Eddie Cicardo, Gavin Cieutat, Gasper Corpora's Grandsons- Dominic & Osais, Barbara Cravata, Zachary Cutrer, Ken Davidson, Lucille Davidson, Pat Davis, Melissa Balado Dean, Joe de Cowain, Kitty Derveloy, 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, Schlain Freeman, Timmy Gates, Lenny George, Nittie Gilliland, Carolyn Gillingham, Malissa Gonzalez, Linda Guagliardo, Joan Gurganus, Brian Guichet, Myrthus "Twinkle" Guichet, Anne Guidry, 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 LeSaichere, Hilton Lloyd, 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, Ruth Ourso, Wanda Pandarvis, George Peltier, Diane Pepitone, Wayne Pepitone, Bert Perilloux, Marisa Perrin, Camilla Phillips, Fran Poche, Ann Prine, Mary Prine, Baby Damon Reggio, Kayla Reggio, Lise Richard, Bryan Roddick, A. J. Roig, Jr., Emile Sanchez & Family, Stacy Sanders, Brooklyne Sansone, Ernest Schenck, Bob Simoneaux, Bristol Rose Smith, Kayla Smith, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Tartamelia, Wylene Remy Taylor, Earl Theriot, Madeline Thibodeaux, Tracy Todd, Mike Tournillon, Carlo Triolo, Travis Troxler, Sam Vilardo, Ronald Vining, 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 renew.**

Please pray for members of our parish family serving our country in the armed forces and remember also their families:

Col. Brad Duplessis, 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: Sixth Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day
Monday: St. Damien de Veuster; St. John De Avila
Wednesday: Ss. Nereus and Achilleus; St. Pancras;
Thursday: Our Lady of Fatima
Friday: St. Matthias
Saturday: St. Isidore; Armed Forces Day



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. 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

May 10, 2021

Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a
 Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11
 Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15
 Thursday: Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20
 Friday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17
 Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28

Next Sunday Readings (May 16, 2021)

First Reading.....Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11
 Second Reading.....Ephesians 4:1-13, or 4:1-7, 11-13
 Gospel.....Mark 16: 15-20
 Psalm.....47: 2-3, 6-7, 8-9

Mass Intentions

Monday, May 10, 2021

8:00 AM Lillian Foret

Tuesday, May 11, 2021

8:00 AM Ronald Scioeaux

Wednesday, May 12, 2021

8:00 AM (L) Abigail Waller

Thursday, May 13, 2021

8:00 AM John Seliner

Saturday, May 15, 2021

5:00 PM Edward A. Amar
 Earl Baudin
 Dudley & Geraldine Berthelot
 Leon Boudreaux
 Delton Brooks
 Phillip Connelley
 Joseph Foret
 Wayne Kraemer
 Virgil Krafft
 Dickie Lamp
 Vincent Latino, Sr.
 Raoul Laurent, Jr.
 Ralph LeSaicherre, Sr.
 Horace Marceaux
 (L) Deacon Larry Melancon
 Bill Perrin
 Leroy Pinion
 Robert Poche
 Rufus Poche
 Vincent Poche
 Liz Sanderson
 Glenn Snyder
 (L) President Donald Trump
 Donnie Wilson
 Katherine Yeargain

Sunday, May 16, 2021

8:00 AM (L) Paulette Doussan Mary Sue Drude Richard & Clotilde Drude Claire Fendlason Ann & Bill Hayles (L) Terry Herrick (L) Paula Jarrell Virgil McWilliams Krafft (L) Valley & Andrea Kraft Doris Drude Lavigne Kelsey Martin (L) Fr. McDuffie Henry Novack (L) Rosemary Novack Robert Joseph Pons, Jr. 11:00 AM For the People of the Parish	(L) Jerome Radosta (L) Claudia & Allan Reggio Mallory Grace Reggio Dale Roberts Gianna Vito Sabella Raphael Vito Sabella Sansone Family Audrey Scamardo Glenn Snyder Horace Smith Thorne, III Russell Wood Conchetta Soletto Yenni
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Vocation Awareness

The greatest love story that ever happened: God's continuing love for His people. All God asks is "Love one another as I have loved you." The world really needs to see people who are trying to love others with all their hearts. Priests and religious can be excellent examples of this love. If you are willing to answer God's call, contact Fr. Josh Johnson at 225-336-8778, jjohnson@diobr.org/ vocations.

Stewardship

"Remaining and Resting"

"We have seen and testify that the Father sent his Son as Savior of the world. Whoever acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God remains in him and he in God." St. John witnessed the resurrection of the dead. He saw Lazarus raised, and he alone among the apostles is recorded standing at the foot of the cross of Christ. He saw Jesus heal the sick, and in the power of the Holy Spirit, joined other disciples in works of healing, as well. When the Savior rose, John joined Peter in the Easter morning discovery of the empty tomb. He saw much firsthand and, convinced of the truth, in his gospel and in his letters he testified of the divinity of Christ, the Messiah, the Savior of the world.

First person, first century witnesses are an elite group, the apostles and others. The very presence of the Lord. To testify to what was seen and heard. To rest in God's presence because you knew him and were witness of his salvation. But wait. Isn't that a relationship we share? It is. Whoever acknowledges that Jesus is Christ rests in and remains in God. John and the apostles. You as well.

Financial News

YTD	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Difference</u>
5/2/2021	\$849,261.20	\$836,000.00	\$ +13,261.20
Church Support	\$ 22,518.95		
Misc. Collections	\$ 610.00		
	\$ 23,128.95		

Second Collections

St. Joseph School—May 9, 2021
 Catholic Communications—May 16, 2021

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, May 15th & Sunday May 16th

	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Ushers</u>
5PM	Bill Spansel 7b Fay Murray 8b Millie Spansel 9b	John Howes Durald Pinion John Yeargain Chris Marmillion Frank Glass Alex Joiner
8AM	Harry LeBlanc 7b Danette Ragusa 8b Mary Jo Balado 9b	Jeremy Barado Michael Chiasson Gordon Cotton Rene' Folse Rodney Schmaltz Pete Peterson Bob Zimmerman Barry Blackledge Christopher McNabb Robert McNabb Jeff Ryan Kelly Richard
11 AM	Carol Kinchen 7b Barbara Wall 8b Mary Threeton 9b	
	<u>Lectors</u>	
5PM	James Wittenberg	
8AM	Dennis James	
11 AM	Nicole Richard	

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are donated:

In Loving Memory of **Anna Jaundot**

by: Carol Ott

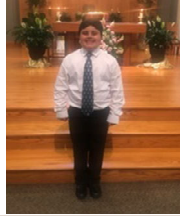
School News

St. Joseph School would like to thank EVERYONE for their support with our Spring Fundraisers. Thank you for buying dinners, raffle tickets, baked goods, participating in the Fun Run or Cook-off, and/or donations from local supporters. Your prayers and support help make our school an amazing place to be for our students, and we truly appreciate it.



Congratulations!

Congratulations to Carson Prescia who received the sacrament of First Holy Communion on May 2nd.



THE CHOIR RETURNS!
New Members Welcome
 Join the voices that
 moved you at

Christmas, Tenebrae, Holy Week, and Easter.
Singers and Instrumentalist of all ages invited.
There is room for you!
Adult Choirs, Youth Choir, Cantors
Call the office: 386-3749 for information.

Gardening Angels

We want to thank the following angels and their parents/grandparents for their continued help in maintaining the gardens around church and school for another month:

Aubrey & Nora Alston with mom, Tara
 Jonah, Josh and Julia Heroman with McMaw Wanda Allen
 Libby Rabalais with Me Maw Sandi Rabalais
 Nathan & Landen with mom Lindy Bourlet

Also, thanks to the following archangels for help with maintenance and special project:

Kelly Wolf-Sheila Allen
 Buddy Williams

Special Projects

Ron Huguet— Ben Disher
 Dale Snapp—Gary Johnson



Thanks so much for your continued help. We could not do it alone. And thanks to all of you who have stopped by and commented on the new garden in front of the ministry building!

Looking for a rewarding pastime? Try weeding for the Lord! Not a lifetime commitment but one year at a time will make a difference. All parishioners, all ages welcome! Please contact me at marielordwill@gmail.com

Ever Thought About Becoming a Stephen Minister?

We will be training another class of Stephen Ministers soon. Stephen Ministers care, encourage, and provide emotional and spiritual support to people who are going through a difficult time. This could be a divorce, grief, hospitalization, unemployment, terminal illness, relocation, chronic illness or loneliness. If you have gifts for caring, encouragement and listening, please begin to prayerfully consider whether you might want to be part of this rewarding ministry. If you think you might be interested, or if you have any questions, talk with: Anita Perrin (985) 687-4458 or Ronnie Perrin (985) 507-9765.



Mark Your Calendar

Monday, May 10th

Baptism Class for Parents & Godparents-
 7pm St. Benedict Room—Church

**NEW
 DATE**

Tuesday, May 11th

Word & Worship—**CANCELLED**

Wednesday, May 12th

Adoration—8:30 am—6:00 pm
 Divine Mercy-Church-3:00 pm
 Vespers—6:00 pm

Sunday, May 16th

Keep the Faith after Confirmation—5 pm-7 pm in
 the St. Joseph Room

Tuesday, May 18th

St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting—6:30 pm in the
 St. Joseph Room

Tuesday, May 18th

Word & Worship—7:00 pm in the Church

Friday, June 4th

Men's Prayer Group—6:00 am—Church

Baptism Class Rescheduled

Our next Baptism Class will be on Monday, **May 10th** at 7pm in the St. Benedict Room in the Church. There will be **NO** Baptism Class on Wednesday **May 12th**.

Intentions of the Holy Father— May 2021

Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

St. Joseph Gem

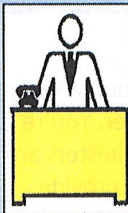
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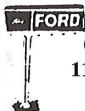
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