



St. Joseph's

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Founded 1875

255 North 8th St. (P. O. Box 368) Ponchatoula, LA 70454

Church Phone Number: (985) 386-3749

Church Web site: www.stjosephsonline.com

Church Office Hours: Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Sunday Mass Schedule:

Sat. Vigil 5:00 pm
Sun. 8:00 am & 11:00 am

Week Day Mass Schedule:

M-Th 8:00 am

Confession:

Sat. 4:00 pm
T & Th after Mass

Baptism:

Couples who would like their child baptized need to contact Ramona at the office, 985-386-3749 to register for baptism preparation.

Marriage:

Contact a priest or deacon of the parish at least 6 months before the wedding at 985-386-3749.

Anointing of the Sick:

Please notify the office as soon as a Catholic is seriously ill or is having surgery.

Adoration:

Wed. 9:00 am to 6:00 pm
- **Divine Mercy:** 3:00 pm
- **Vespers & Benediction:** 6:00 pm

Catechetical Programs:

PSR-Gr. K-5; Sun 9:15-10:30 am
Ablaze-Gr. 6-8; Sun 9:15-10:30 am
High School Formation
Gr. 9-12; Sun. 9:15-10:30 am

September 4, 2022 The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

OUTREACH COMMISSION MINISTRY MONTH

The ministries that comprise the **Outreach Commission** will be highlighted each week throughout the entire month of September. These ministries are directly involved in the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy.

The Corporal Works of Mercy

- Feed the hungry
- Give drink to the thirsty
- Clothe the naked
- Shelter the homeless
- Visit the sick
- Visit the imprisoned
- Bury the dead

The Spiritual Works of Mercy

- Admonish the sinner
- Instruct the ignorant
- Counsel the doubtful
- Comfort the sorrowful
- Bear wrongs patiently
- Forgive all injuries
- Pray for the living and the dead

Members of this Ministry reach out to help those who are hurting - materially, emotionally, and spiritually. Please take advantage of these ministries if you, a loved one, or a friend are in need of assistance. Also, carefully read the bulletins each week and/or visit the tables in the Narthex to learn more about these ministries. Finally, if you feel drawn to become a member of one of these ministries, kindly explore that possibility. **Your God-given gifts are needed!!**

See Page 3 in this Bulletin for a List of the Ministries in the Outreach Commission, their purpose, and the weekends on which they will be highlighted.

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Mission Statement

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

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

Parish Ministries and Contact Persons

Altar Servers: Michele & Glen Ernst, 985-386-6618. sj_altar_server@bellsouth.net
Bible Studies: Stephanie Waguespack, 985-981-9859.
Children's Liturgy Ministry: 985-386-3749.
Cooking Ministry: Cook a plate of food for our Priest one day each month, call Linda Guagliardo 985-974-1775
Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion: Angela Pevey (Call / text) 985-507-5757.
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Special Education PSR: 985-386-3749.
RCIA: Brad Poche 985-969-1475
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Women's Ministry: Mary Vedeckis, 225-294-6631.
Youth Ministry:
Middle School 6th-8th: Nicole Richard: 985-386-3749
High School 9th-12th: Nicole Richard: 985-386-3749

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Ancient Order of Hibernians: Ronnie Crimmins 985-773-8965
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Knights of Columbus: Alex Joiner, 940-222-0690
(Application for new members)
Rosary Altar Society: Melissa Hedrick 504-491-3130
St. Vincent de Paul Society: For membership contact the church office, 985-386-3749. For assistance call 985-370-5459.
Core Group: Ronnie Perrin (Chairman), Lawton Hotard, Barbara Martino, Larry Melancon, Rebecca Smith, Larry Wilson
Finance Committee: Dennis James (Chairman) Michelle Ernst, Mike Fulmer, Larry Melancon, Brian Steib, Barbara Theriot
Council of Ministries: Vance Balado, Stacy Ball, Gordon Cotton, Melisa Hedrick, Ron Huguet, Lisa Kennedy, Rachael Perrin, Angela Pevey, Rodney Schmaltz, Monee Sheridan, Wayne Vedeckis, Tom Waller. Ad Hoc Council Members: Fr. McDuffie, Deacon Larry Melancon, Fernando Morales, Danette Ragusa.

Download Our Parish App!

Our St. Joseph's app is now available to download for iPhone and Android smart phones. Stay connected with our parish throughout the week with instant notifications, an easy-to-access event calendar, and the ability to quickly reply to or share messages via Facebook or Twitter. Also enjoy a bunch of additional features like prayers, daily readings, helpful reminders to silence your phone before Mass or Confession, and much more.

Help foster a stronger parish life at St. Joseph's and better engage the New Evangelization.

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



FORMED®

PICK OF THE WEEK

Sept 4, 2021

WATCH NETWORK OF FREEDOM

Set in France at the beginning of World War II, this inspiring film narrates the heroic work of Sister Helene Studler, the Daughter of Charity who saved the lives of thousands of French refugees by preventing them from becoming prisoners of the Nazi forces, or freeing those who were captured. Among those she saved were many illustrious characters including the future Prime Minister of France, François de Mitterrand.



LEARN

FORMED NOW: THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

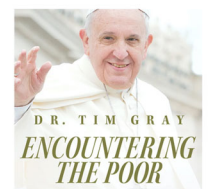


As we celebrate the birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary this week, listen as Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. John Sehorn discuss the traditions surrounding Mary's life and how her life is a model of humility for Christians.

LISTEN

ENCOUNTERING THE POOR: BIBLICAL ROOTS FOR CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING BY TIM GRAY

Dr. Gray expounds upon the teachings of the Catholic Church surrounding social justice in light of Sacred Scripture. Discover how social justice in regards to the poor is not one small piece in the puzzle, but instead frames the entire mosaic of Scripture.



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OUTREACH COMMISSION MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sept. 3rd & 4th

PAL (Parents of Addicted Loved Ones) - provides hope through education and support to parents of addicted loved ones.

Prison Ministry - visits with offenders at prison, accompanies them on their faith journey, and makes them aware of the unconditional, personal love and forgiveness of God.

St. Vincent de Paul - offers help with food, shelter, utility bills, and other financial and spiritual assistance to those in economic need in our area.



Sept. 10th & 11th

Alpha - evangelizes by sharing the good news of Jesus.

My House - provides a 12 step Catholic program for men who are addicted to pornography and acting out sexually, and it provides a safe place for leading men to freedom in Christ from sexual addiction. (A confidential group).

Unbound - offers a deliverance prayer ministry that leads people to freedom in Christ over the brokenness of their past experiences using the 5 keys of Repentance, Forgiveness, Renunciation, Authority, and the Father's Blessing.



Sept. 17th & 18th

Bereavement - offers sincere condolences to the family of a deceased member of St. Joseph's Church by offering a Mass or food.

Monica's Journey - provides a safe, non-judgmental place of support for women who are experiencing brokenness in their family relationships, including those with family members who have left the Faith. (A confidential group).

Nursing Home - reaches out to those who cannot attend church to receive the Eucharist and offers them the nourishment and strength that only the Body and Blood of Jesus can provide.

Surviving Divorce - brings healing and hope to divorced and separated Catholics or non-Catholics.



Sept. 24th & 25th

Angel Wings - provides a safe place for women who have experienced a stillborn pregnancy, miscarriage, or infant loss, to help them handle difficult days, including "the special days", and remember their angels who are now in God's love.

Respect Life - brings awareness to our parish and community about the value of all life from conception to natural death.

Stephen Ministry - helps those experiencing grief by walking with them, listening, praying, showing empathy and compassion, and showing them that God is bringing healing.



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. PAL was founded in 2006 by Michael Speakman, LISAC, an Alcohol Addiction Counselor in Arizona.

"In working with men and women being treated for alcohol and drug addiction I saw how much the entire family is impacted." Speakman says. "Parents in particular are confronted with challenges they've never had to face before. I saw how difficult it is for them to identify and work through these challenges alone. And that's what they feel-alone." In PAL realized they are not alone.

This is the founding principle of the PAL movement. People helping people through the woods. PAL groups meet on a regular basis, at no charge, to educate, support and help each other with issues arising from loving someone with an addiction. Each PAL group is facilitated by a peer, someone walking the same path. While the focus is on parents with an addicted child, all family members and friends are welcome to attend PAL meetings. The guiding principles of PAL are confidentiality, respect, acceptance and support.

These are two parts to a PAL group meeting; an educational component and a sharing component. Along with information about addiction and recovery, PAL uses stories and metaphors to help parents better understand what they are up against.

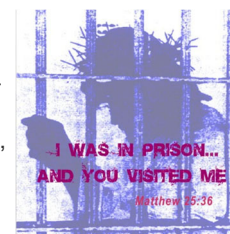
PAL meets every 2nd and 4th Thursday from 6:00 pm -7:30 pm in the
St. Joseph Ministry Building.

We are looking forward to sharing this program with you. For questions or information contact Mary Jo at 985-320-3010 or Paige at 985-981-8010 or review the website www.palgroup.org. All inquires are held in strict confidence.

Do You Want to Go to Prison?

There are many men and women who no longer experience the freedom to come and go as they please. They have made bad choices and serious mistakes in their lives. It is now very common for all of us to know someone, even a family member, who is, or has been, in jail or prison.

Many prisoners are abandoned by their families and yearn for contact with the outside world - just an ear to listen to them or a kind look into their eyes. Do you think you are called to Prison Ministry? While this is not usually at the top of many people's list of ministries, many who do respond and serve Christ in the imprisoned have found this to be very rewarding - and actually a joy and blessing for them. **Various programs are available and these occur in a safe, group, setting, and the offenders who attend have repented and turned their lives over to Christ.** There is joy and peace in their eyes and hearts because they have found God's love for them. Please prayerfully consider whether or not you are being called to minister to the imprisoned. To explore this possibility, visit the display in the narthex this weekend or contact Wayne at (225) 294-6631. You might be surprised at how blessed you become by "going to prison"!



And the king will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.' Mt 25:40.

YOUTH NEWS

CONFIRMATION CORNER



11-12th grade immediate confirmation students and parents... this is your free app for your journey this year. It is exactly what your book is and parents you too can peep in to walk this with your teen as well.



DECISION POINT - Catholic App
Dynamic Catholic

FAMILY XLT ...A NIGHT OF EXALT ABLAZE AND THIRST (ONLY 6TH-12 TH GRADE) WITH PARENTS/GUARDIANS

SEPT 11, 2022

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH 5pm - 7 pm

The band REIGN, guest speakers Vance Balado & his daughters Savanna Balado & Sydney Waller, adoration, opportunity to pray with & over your 'twens-teens-parents
THIS COUNTS AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET THE FAMILY EVENT



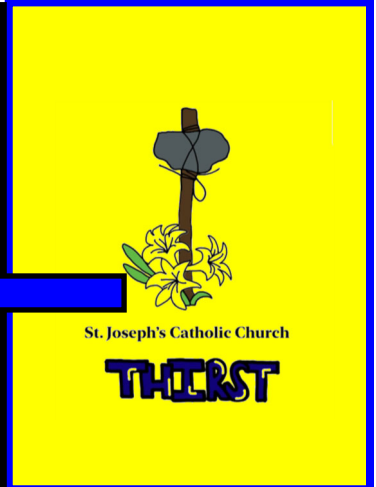
FIRST CLASS FOR ABLAZE AND THIRST IS IN THE EVENING

NO MORNING CLASS THAT DAY

5 pm -7 pm in the Church

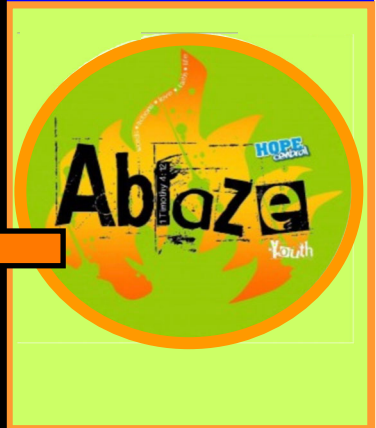
**Only 6-12 grades with parent [s] /guardian [s].
IT IS A FAMILY EVENING FOR ABLAZE AND THIRST.**

Under that age will need other arrangements for childcare.



St. Joseph's Catholic Church

THIRST



Ablaze
HOPE
Youth

ADO IS BACK !!

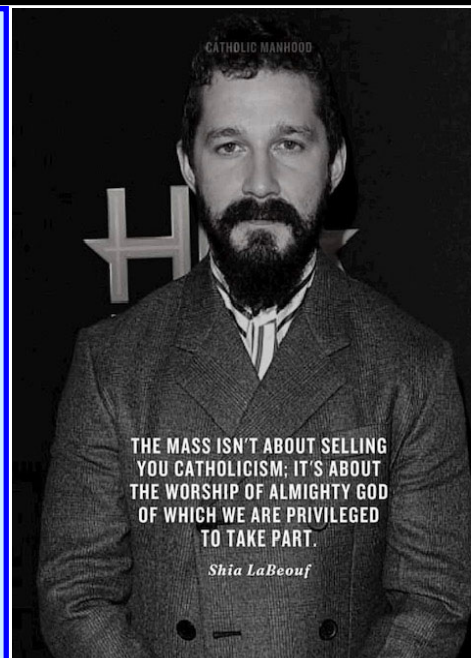
Adoration for THIRST Wednesdays 5-6 pm. Even if you stop by for 30 minutes (maybe you can invite your parent / guardian/ friend)—GOD THE FATHER DELIGHTS IN TIME SPENT WITH YOU

I looked directly at the Son.



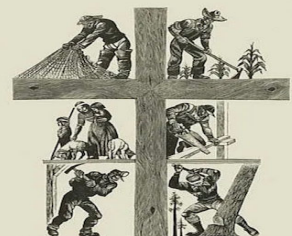
**Instead of being blinded...
I could see more clearly.**

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THE MASS ISN'T ABOUT SELLING YOU CATHOLICISM; IT'S ABOUT THE WORSHIP OF ALMIGHTY GOD OF WHICH WE ARE PRIVILEGED TO TAKE PART.

Shia LaBeouf



Labor Day is a time to rest, reflect, celebrate and remember our family and friends.

all you need is love

AND A KINDERGARTEN CATECHIST !
we have one spot left to help lead our youth to Christ — perhaps Jesus is calling you .
Contact rjrichard@sjscrusaders.org

Limits

Today's readings continue the theme of humility explored last Sunday. All three readings today encourage us to admit that we have limits, and God has none. The poignant poetry of Wisdom resonates with all of us who have ever struggled for peace in situations we cannot control: "For the corruptible body burdens the soul and the earthen shelter weighs down the mind that has many concerns." Saint Paul recognizes his own limitations, both physically (he is in prison) and spiritually: he cannot compel his friend to obey his wishes; he can only propose his request and respect Philemon's free will. In the Gospel, Jesus reminds us that God alone can complete the good we wish to do in the world. While we thank God for the gifts we receive—and the families we love—we acknowledge that they are temporary, and humbly cling to God.

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Today's Readings

First Reading — Who can ever know God's counsel unless God gives wisdom and sends the Holy Spirit from on high? (Wisdom 9:13-18b).

Psalm — In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge (Psalm 90).

Second Reading — Paul asks Philemon to accept back his slave Onesimus, not as a slave but as a brother (Philemon 9-10, 12-17).

Gospel — To be a disciple of Jesus one must carry one's own cross and renounce all possessions (Luke 14:25-33).

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Monica's Journey

Monica's Journey is a ministry of St. Joseph's Catholic Church for women who struggle from the brokenness of difficult relationships, abuse, or traumatic experiences in their lives. This ministry gives them a welcoming and non-judgmental place to find the hope and healing they need. Meetings are held in the evening during the week for 90 minutes. Members of other denominations are welcome. **This is a strictly confidential group and a confidentiality statement must be signed by all members.** The place and time of meetings will be disclosed after initial contact is made with the group facilitator. Please leave a voicemail or send a text message to (985) 467-9520 for further information. "Wait for the Lord; Be strong and let your heart take courage: Yes, wait for the Lord!" Psalm 27:14.

Healing from Divorce Group

If you are separated or divorced, the Church cares about you. The loss of a relationship through separation or divorce poses one of the most difficult transitions a person can face. As people journey through a divorce, they face the stress of emotions, life changes, and developing a way to live a new life. As a Church, we are called to imitate Jesus Christ, who always sought to heal the brokenhearted. St. Joseph now has a ministry for this purpose. For more information please contact Angela Perrin at 985-318-4927.



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

Please Pray for Sick and Shut-Ins

Jason Abernathy, Jack Addison, Stephanie Alexander, Laurie Allen, Ella Badon, Ockie Baldassoro, Sr., Jay Barbier, Mark Bear, Farley Bennett, Gloria Bennett, David Blake, Michelle Bossier, Ann Boudreaux, Hazel Boudreaux, Larry Boudreaux, Ranice Bourg, Barbara Bourgeois, Angel Braun, Amy Brennan, JoAnne Brisset, Sister Anna Louise Bumbera, R.S.M., Kristine Castillio, Christine Castjohn, Elaine Charbonnet, Chris Chiasson, Julian Chiro, Eddie Cicardo, Gavin Cieutat, Steve Coates, Tamika Coleman, Ken Davidson, Lucille Davidson, Pat Davis, Melissa Balado Dean, Kitty Derveloy, William Desplas, Edward Dieser, Carol Dominguez, Danette Crovetto Drell, Kenneth Paul Drude, Pam Durio, Andrew Dzuryachko, Pam Guichet Elder, Nicholas Eirich, Jay Ernst, Jeanette Ernst, Michael Ernst, Veronica Fannaly, Sam & Alice Ferraro, Joey Fortenberry, Marge Frahm, Eva Francois, Clint Gagliano, Lenny George, Nittie Gilliland, Carolyn Gillingham, Molly Gladney, Malissa Gonzalez, John Guzzardo, Clifford Green, Brian Guichet, Myrthus "Twinkle" Guichet, Anne Guidry, Glenn Guillot, Robert Hamberger, IV, Johnny B. Harris, Nicole Hart, Sadie Hebert, Thomas W. Hebert, Tommy Hebert, Kalee Henderson, Cyndi Hoover, Darrell Hoover, Lois Hoover, Tammy Perrin Horn, Brother John Holstream, SC, Peggy Howes, Jimmy Hubert, Ashley Ingolia, Betty Ingolia, Ray Ingolia, Joycelyn James, Jennifer Jernigan, Lawrence Joiner, Rosie Kelly, Patricia Kirsch, Beulah Kluka, David Kraft, Sis Kyzar, Donna Laciura, Norma Larrieu, Wayne Laurent, Ruby Drude Lee, Liz LeSaicherre, Gary Lewing, Brian Lousteau, Henry Lumino, Sr. Family, Angelo Macaluso, Caitlyn Matherne, William Mathes, Melissa McCormick, John & Susan McKinney, Cole McMillion, Senit Miller, Barry Mince, Sr., Lisa Mince, Anna Mae Mixon, Patricia Monteleone, Andrew Morales, Dustin Morales, Charles A. Morse, Ed Murray, Fay Murray, Cindy Newton, Ruth Ourso, Wanda Pandarvis, George Peltier, Wayne Pepitone, Marisa Perrin, Anne Phillips, Camilla Phillips, Kyle Picou, Larry Pittman, Fran Poche, Rachel Pope, Ann Prine, Sr. Charlotte Reso, Barbara Richter, MSC., Vera Richoux, Bryan Roddick, A. J. Roig, Jr., Brooklyn Sansone, Ernest Schenck, CJ Schiro, Bob Simoneaux, Kayla Smith, Ronald Springer, Sr., Rose Stahl, Lynette Stanga, Maddox Steadman, Ernest Stephens, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Tartamelia, Wylene Remy Taylor, Earl Theriot, Tracy Todd, Cheryl Tribou, Carlo Triolo, Jean Troxler, Travis Troxler, Ronald Vining, Sam Viola, Stone Viola, Carla Van Vrancken, Charles Van Vrancken, June Villa, Mary Vuljoin, Glen Walker, Adelle Wall, Danny Wall, Martha Warden, Travis Warden, Danni Waugh, Mary Brooks Weiss, Rodney Wempren, Regi White, Jimmy Williamson Family, Faith Rose Wiltz, Harold Wright. *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:

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

Saints and Special Observations

Sunday: Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: Labor Day
Thursday: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Friday: St. Peter Claver
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary



Intentions of the Holy Father- September 2022

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

Vocation Awareness

Having a loose grasp on those things that rightly belong to God is required of every follower. The open hands you are left with will be filled to overflowing by God. Can you let go? If God is calling you, call or email Fr. Joshua Johnson at (225) 336-8778, jjohnson@diobr.org.

Readings for the Week of

September 5, 2022

Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-7, 12; Lk 6:6-11, or, for Labor Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Blessings of Human Labor," nos. 907-911

Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-17; Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: Mt 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]

Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Ps 84:3-6, 12; Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18; Lk 6:43-49

Next Sunday Readings (September 11, 2022)

First Reading Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14
 Second Reading1 Timothy 1:12-17
 Gospel Luke 15: 1-32 or 15:1-10
 Psalm ...51: 3-4, 12-13, 17, 19

Mass Intentions

Monday, September 5, 2022 - Labor Day

NO Mass/No Communion Service

Tuesday, September 6, 2022

8:00 AM Robert Connelley

Wednesday, September 7, 2022

8:00 AM (L) Ryder Vicknair

Thursday, September 8, 2022

8:00 AM (L) Renee Faurie

Saturday, September 10, 2022

5:00 PM Sandra Bates	Rufus Poche
Dudley & Geraldine Berthelot	Liz Sanderson
Delton Brooks	Pat Schmit
Rita Charbonnet	Glenn Snyder
Barbara Harris Crovetto	Resley & Lily Soirez
Alice & Arthur Eastman	Madeline Thibodeaux
L/D Memb. of the Jessie R. Hutchinson Family	Barbara Troxler
Elsie & Iry Istre	(L) Rosalie Waller
Henrietta & Buddy Joiner	
Ginger McLin	
Ernest Ourso	
Bill Perrin	

Sunday, September 11, 2022

8:00 AM For the People of the Parish	
11:00 AM Mary, Sam, & Ciro Agnello	Stanley & Helen Laurent
Peter Applin	Doris Drude Lavigne
Louis & Flo Aymond	Joe Liuzza
Wayne Aymond, Sr.	Elsie & Levon Major
(L) Kerry Balado	Fritz Miller, Sr.
Frances Baughman	(L) Craig Norack
Tony Castjohn	(L) Rosemary Norack
Phillip Connelley	Ernest Ourso
Barbara Crovetto	(L) Angela Perrin
Mary Sue Drude	Oresta Pevey
Richard & Clotilde Drude	(L) Reggie Pevey
L/D Members of the Ferrara Family	(L) Ronnie & Christy Reggio
Rudy Gagneaux	L/D Memb. of the Sansone Family
Francis & Connie Garaudy	Glenn Snyder
(L) Kenneth Kraft	Kristi Turner and the L/D
Merlin "Moe" Laurent	Members of her Family

(L) Indicates Living

The Church and Church Office will be closed Monday, September 5th.
No Mass/No Communion Service

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are donated:

In Memory of *Fritz Miller, Sr.*

By: Carol Ott

Stewardship

You, Me & It

"Who can know God's counsel, or who can conceive what the LORD intends?" In today's Gospel, Jesus counsels us on three obstacles to discipleship: relationships with our neighbor, ourselves and our stuff. None of these can get in the way of following Jesus, but all three of these relationships can assist us in becoming missionary disciples. First, Jesus tells us we must hate our neighbor to be his disciple, boy, does that sound contrary to the Gospel. We might ask ourselves—who in my life do I put ahead of our Lord? Then he shared with us how we must carry our own crosses and follow him. What cross (es) have I not embraced? Or, am I carrying someone else's cross—a cross too many? Lastly, we are to renounce all our possessions. Think time, talent and treasure, and try to give it, live it and share it!



Financial News

8/28/2022	\$ 163,653.00	\$ 171,000.00	\$ - 7,347.00
Church Support	\$ 15,788.00		
Misc. Collections	\$ 364.00		
	\$ 16,152.00		

Second Collections

Catholic University	September 11th
St. Joseph School	September 18th
PSR	September 25th

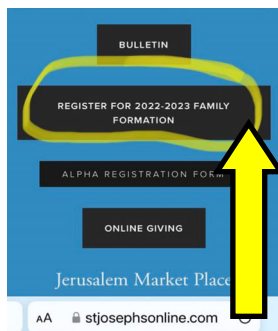
Ministry Schedule

Saturday, September 10th & Sunday, September 11th

	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Ushers</u>
5 PM	Mary Ernst 7b John Albrecht 9b	John Howes Alex Joiner Chris Marmillion Durald Pinion Frank Schilling John Yeargain
8 AM	Melisa Hedrick 7b Mary Jo Balado 9b	Jeremy Barado Barry Blackledge Michael Chiasson Gordon Cotton Rene' Folse Rodney Schmaltz Roland Terrebbonne Sergio Alvarado Barry Blackledge Marcial Gomez
11 AM	Nicole Richard 7b Mary Threeton 9b	Christopher McNabb Robert McNabb Russ Wood
5 PM	<u>Altar Servers</u> Brinley Smith Grant Burris Khai Guillot	<u>Lectors</u> 5 PM Larry Ernst 8 AM Harold Thibodeaux 11 AM Shirley Adams
8 AM	Anna Hanks Katherine Hanks Braylee Summers	<u>Children's Liturgist</u> 8 AM Christie Barado 11 AM Veronica Pierson
11 AM	Aubrey Alston Johnathan Hoang Lily Perrin	

Attention: Parents

Have You Registered Your Children For Religion Classes?



PSR K-5 CLASSES STARTS SEPT. 11TH
@ 9:15 am

ABLAZE 6-8 grades & THIRST 9-12 grades
Begins with a Family XLT on **September 11th**
@ 5 pm in the Church.

Register for 2022-2023 Family Formation on the Church's
website: stjosephsonline.com

1st Communion Sacramental Preparation includes 1st & 2nd Grade participation.

Confirmation- Sacramental Preparation includes 10th & 11th Grade participation.



Mark Your Calendar

Monday, September 5th
Church & Church Office Closed

Tuesday, September 6th
Rosary Altar Society Meeting - 10:30 am in the
St. Dominic Room in the Ministry Building

Tuesday, September 6th
St. Joseph's Bereavement Quilting Ministry -
5:30 pm in the St. Benedict Room in the Church

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

Tuesday, September 6th
Word & Worship—7:00 pm in the Church

Wednesday, September 7th
Adoration - 8:30 am—6:00 pm
Divine Mercy Chaplet—3:00 pm Vespers—6:00 pm

Wednesday, September 7th
Consecration to St. Joseph - 6:30 pm in the
St. Dominic Room in the Ministry Building.

Thursday, September 8th
Stephen Ministry - 5:30 pm in the Ministry Building

Friday, September 9th
Men's Morning Bible Study—6:30 am—Church

Saturday, September 10th
Men's Morning Prayer—6:30 am—Church

Sunday, September 11th
PSR Classes begin - K - 5th - 9:15 am -10:30 am

Sunday, September 11th
Liturgical Choir Practice - 9:30 am in the Choir
Room

Monday, September 12th
Bible Study - Eucharist Study - 6pm in the
St. Dominic Room

Tuesday, September 13th
Lord, Teach Me to Pray - 8:45 am in the Church
Conference Room

Tuesday, September 13th
Angel Wings -6:30 pm in the Ministry Building

Wednesday, September 14th
Baptism Class for Parents & Godparents - 7:00 pm
in the St. Benedict Room in the Church



CONSECRATION TO ST. JOSEPH

On August 24th we completed another Consecration to St. Joseph.

Pictured above (from left to right) are:

Debbie Shelton, Joseph Vilardo, Jr., Munyoung Guillot, Glenn Young, Rhonda Young, Joseph Stovall, Jeremy Barado, John Stovall, and April Stovall.

It was an awesome group, and I am looking forward to the next Consecration.

For more information on any Consecration, please contact Ron Huguet – 504-232-2484 or ronhuguet@outlook.com

ADORERS NEEDED



Wednesday's
9 am - 6 pm

The Lord wants to spend time with you. Do you have an hour a week for some one-on-one time with Him? Or might you be available to now and then as a substitute? Please call the Church Office to volunteer 985-386-3749.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Inspired by gospel values, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, a Catholic Lay Organization, leads women and men to join together to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to those who are needy and suffering in the tradition of its founder, Blessed Frederic Ozanam, and patron, St. Vincent de Paul. As a reflection of the whole family of God, members, who are known as Vincentians, are drawn from every ethnic and cultural background, age group, and economic level. Vincentians are united in an international society of charity by their spirit of poverty, humility and sharing, which is nourished by prayer and reflection, mutually supportive gatherings and adherence to a basic Rule. Organized locally, Vincentians witness God's love by embracing all works of charity and justice. The Society collaborates with other people of good will in relieving need and addressing its causes, making no distinction in those served because, in them, Vincentian see the face of Christ.

Our St. Joseph's Conference was activated in 2007. We currently have 18 members. We conduct numerous home visits weekly, providing assistance with clothing, food, prescriptions, gasoline, utility bills, rent and temporary emergency housing.

Please consider joining our Society and receiving the blessing of assisting the needy in our community.

Rosary Altar Society



The next Rosary Altar Society meeting will be on Tuesday, **September 6th** at 10:30 am in the St. Dominic Room in the Ministry Building.

All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.


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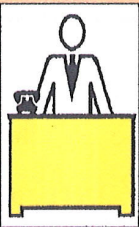


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