



SAINT JOSEPH

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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JULY 24, 2016 • SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH MINISTERS

Rev. William Schambough*Pastor*
 Chenell Privat*Secretary to the Pastor*
 Sandra Smith*Bookkeeper*
 Kayla Robles.....*1st-8th Grade & High School Religious Ed Coordinator*
 Anna McKeon*Receptionist & SVPD*
 Martha Landreneau*Safe Environment Coordinator*
 Jude Gaspard*Music Director*

SACRAMENTS

RECONCILIATION: Saturday from 3:00–3:55 pm, 20 minutes before daily Mass and by appointment, (please call the office).

BAPTISM: Preparation for the sacrament is provided to parents held in the evenings. (See bulletin for time and place.) Parents are encouraged to attend during pregnancy, to avoid undue delays.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: For Anointing, death, or in case of an emergency please call the parish office.

MARRIAGE: Couples planning marriage are asked to contact the pastor or deacon at least six months before your proposed date.

WELCOME, VISITORS.

We extend a warm welcome to the individuals and families who are celebrating with us today. We invite you to become registered with our Parish Family by completing our Parish Census Form, and returning it to the office on 208 E. Edith.

CELEBRATING THE EUCHARIST

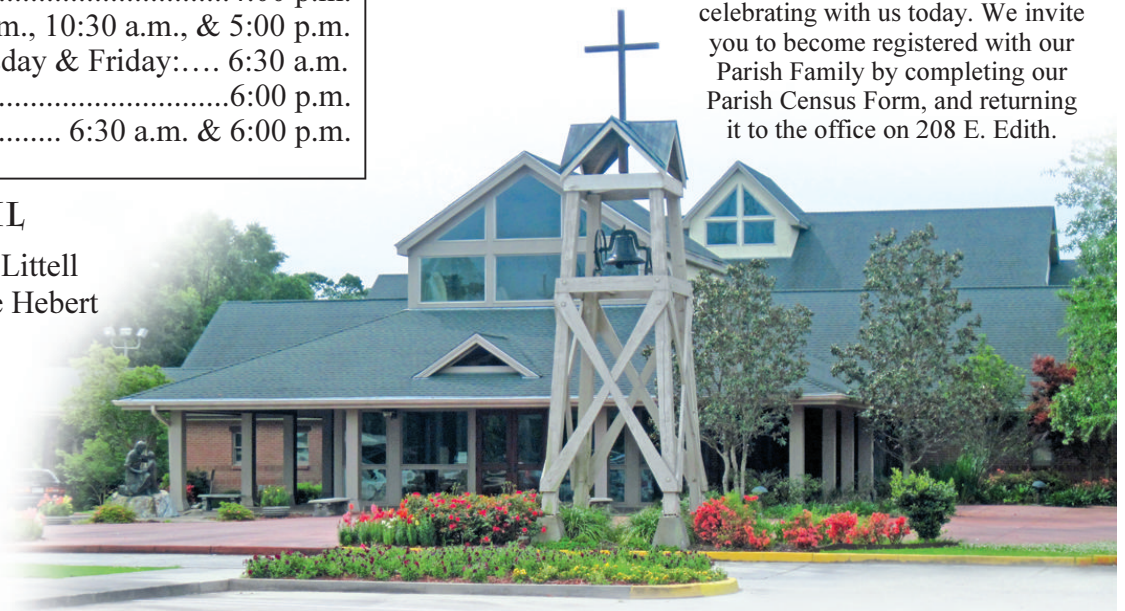
Saturday:.....4:00 p.m.
 Sunday:8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., & 5:00 p.m.
 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday:.... 6:30 a.m.
 Thursday:.....6:00 p.m.
 Holy Days:..... 6:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Pam Begnaud Trista Littell
 Bob Cole Nicole Hebert
 Dan Guidry
 Steve LeMaire

PARISH TRUSTEES

Linda Desormeaux
 Robert Landry



17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." This is a promise that anyone would love to hear. With these words Jesus comforts and reassures us. He suggests that we will be satisfied and welcomed and fulfilled. His message in today's Gospel assures us that our heavenly Father loves us even more than earthly parents love their children. So we can enjoy the security of knowing that God will take good care of us.

But God's care may not always look exactly the way we expect it to. His care for us is based on knowing what is best for us and what will make us flourish. And, sometimes, what we think we need isn't really best. It's important to keep this context in mind. This prevents us from understanding Jesus' words today in a selfish way. As the end of the passage makes clear, this asking and seeking that Jesus refers to is ultimately fulfilled in the gift of the Holy Spirit. Jesus is promising us that if we ask God for his Spirit, he will certainly give it to us, his children.

For most of us, we actually received this gift at our baptism. But have we taken full advantage of this? Although we may not realize it at first, in receiving the Holy Spirit we actually receive a whole host of gifts. With God's Spirit come the sevenfold gifts of wisdom, understanding, counsel, knowledge, fortitude, piety, and fear of the Lord. And the fruits of the Spirit as St. Paul lists them in Galatians 5 include love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. God knows that all of these gifts and fruits make us very well equipped for life on earth, and for eternal life in heaven! What more do we really need to ask for?

Please Pray For The Sick

- Lisa Landry Cindy Stelly Brad Richard Joe Credeur
- Gracie Broussard Judith Gill Wilda Bares
- Meyer Moore Ellie Rose Prejean Gunner Breaux
- Lucy Broussard Chase Conway Stoute Trisha Doucet
- Janie Bordeaux Norval Knapp Ross Granger
- Margie Decou Beridon Susan Vincent Kathryn Trahan
- Joyce Comeaux Eura V. Simon Grace Credeur
- James Benoit Felix Begnaud

Our Gift Back to God

Offertory	\$11,558.03
Mailed/Dropped in Office	<u>1,070.00</u>
Total July 17th	\$12,628.03
Weekly Goal	\$12,000.00
Plus/Minus our Goal	\$ +628.03

Thank You!

Jesus is describing God's immeasurable generosity when He says in today's Gospel, "Whoever asks, receives; whoever seeks, finds; whoever knocks, is admitted." But it should also be the description of us as Christian stewards - those seeking to follow Christ by using our gifts in service to others.

"Suppose one of you has a friend to whom he goes at midnight and says, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread,' and he says in reply from within, 'Do not bother me.' I tell you, if he does not get up to give the visitor the loaves because of their friendship, he will get up to give him whatever he needs because of his persistence." - Lk 11:5b, 7a, 8

Mass Intention

Weekend of July 23rd & 24th, 2016
Sat. 4 p.m., Sun. 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. for the intentions listed,
Sun. 10:30 a.m. for our parish (Pro Populo)

Kerry Sanner (Anniv.), Nathan & Nathan Mayer, Sr., Lewis & Maude Picard, Erika & Andrea Mannina & Special Intention, M/M Robert Clostio & Family (His Birthday), Preston Venable & Jacob, Irene David, Beulah Toups, Ryan Viator, Clifford & Orena Viator (Her Birthday), All Souls, Linda Kimball, Patricia Smith, Geri Morvant & Family, Louis Theo Bares & Family, Eugene Broussard, Lynn Denais Begnaud (Birthday), Zachary Tucker, STM 10,000 ft. Group Leaders (Fr. Schambough, Fr. Neil Petit, Lance Strother, Alex Frederick, Bailey Debardeleben, Courtney Barbier, Christy Savoie, Shane Savoie, Shannon Phillips, Reagan Guidry, Jeremy White, Michael Keefe, Benny Littell) Living, Ronnie & Felix Begnaud (Living)

Weekday Masses

- Monday 25 Vocations to the Priesthood
- Tuesday 26 First Responders & Those Serving in our Armed Forces
- Wednesday 27 Wilbert & Larry David
- Thursday 28 St. Joseph Community
- Friday 29 Sick of the Parish

Sanctuary Candle

Beverly C. Picard (Birthday)



American Cemetery Consultants, LLC We are pleased to announce that arrangements have been completed with American Cemetery Consultants LLC to build the beautiful new Garden Mausoleum in St. Joseph Cemetery. Sales Representatives of American Cemetery Consultants will be contacting families in the Milton area over the next few weeks to answer questions about the mausoleum and determine who is interested. The number of crypts selected before construction will determine the size of the mausoleum. Spaces are reserved on a first come basis; therefore, anyone seeking information should either mail in the postage paid reply card from the brochure mailer that was mailed to your home or call (337) 735-1616.

UBS Blood Drive will be held this Sunday, **July 24th**, beginning at 8:30 a.m. and ending at 12:00 noon in the Church parking lot. Please consider donating to this much needed cause.

The Knights of Columbus will have their Installation of Officers this Sunday, **July 24th**, after the 5:00 p.m. Mass. There will be no regular meeting on Thursday, July 28th.



Altar Server Training There will be an Altar Server Training on Saturday, **July 30th**, beginning at 9:00 a.m. New Altar Servers, please attend this training session.

The Next Baptism Seminar will be held on Tuesday, **August 9th**, at 6:30 p.m. in Church. Parents are encouraged to attend during pregnancy to avoid undue delays.

Events This Week

- Mon. (25th):** No Events Scheduled
- Tues. (26th):** No Events Scheduled
- Wed. (27th):** No Events Scheduled
- Thurs. (28th):** No Events Scheduled
- Fri. (29th):** No Events Scheduled
Parish Office Closed
- Sat. (30th):** Altar Server Training
9:00 a.m. (Church)
- Sun. (31st):** No Events Scheduled

Word of Life Bulletin Briefs

“Through [the] loving care [of my family and friends], they affirm what I also know - that my life is, always has been, and always will be, worth living.” *For those facing serious illness: May they be comforted by God’s love through the support of family, friends, and the local community.*



Lifetouch Be a part of our new upcoming photography event! Let’s connect names with faces. We will partner with Lifetouch for professional photography that will connect our families and tell our story. Lifetouch will photograph here at St. Joseph. Each family will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 portrait and directory for participating. Watch for more information coming soon about the opportunity to schedule your portrait session.

Religious Education **2016-17 Catechism Registration Forms** can be found online at www.stjo-milton.org or you can pick them up in the Rectory located at 208 E. Edith Road. There are separate registration forms for First Communion, Confirmation & all other grade levels. Please be mindful of this when filling out the forms. Please return them as soon as possible.



St. Mary Church Local Pilgrimage Bus Trip for Jubilee “Year of Mercy” St. Mary Church is offering an additional trip on Thursday, **August 11th**, to visit Pilgrimage sites in the Diocese of Lafayette designated by Bishop Michael Jarrell. We will attend 7:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mary Church (419 Doucet Road), then depart at 7:45 a.m., returning about 6:00-6:30 p.m. We will visit Carmelite Monastery; St. Martin de Tours Church, Our Lady of Mercy Church, Henderson; Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto and St. Leo Church, Our Lady of Mercy, Opelousas; Our Mother of Mercy, Church Point; Our Mother of Mercy, Rayne; and Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. Cost is \$70.00 and includes lunch. For more information, call JoAnn LeJune at 981-3379.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1-6/Mt 20:20-28
- Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8-11, 13/Mt 13:36-43
- Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18/Mt 13:44-46
- Thursday: Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1-6/Mt 13:47-53
- Friday: Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
- Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 14:1-12

Next Sunday’s Readings

- Ecclesiastes 1:2, 2:21-23
- Psalm 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17
- Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11
- Luke 12:13-21

Holy Hour for Vocations Please join us for our monthly Holy Hour for Vocations and for the Spiritual Renewal of all Priests on Monday, **August 1st**, from 6:00-7:00 p.m. at St. Patrick Catholic Church, 406 E. Pinhook Road. Recitation of the Rosary begins at 5:30 p.m. All are welcome to join in these prayers for vocations and perseverance of vocations to the priesthood and religious life, sponsored by the Serra Club.

Food for the Journey a monthly lunchtime speaker series designed to help Catholics live out our faith in our daily lives. Our speaker for August is Rev. Joseph Campion, SSJ, Pastor of St. Francis of Assisi, Breaux Bridge. It will be held on Tuesday, **August 2nd**, at Wyndham Garden Lafayette (formerly "Hotel Acadiana"), 1801 W. Pinhook Road, beginning at 12:00 noon. An optional lunch buffet is available for purchase beginning at 11:30 a.m. All are welcome to come "eat and be fed" - please bring a friend! Pre-registration is not required. For more information, please call Mary Bergeron at 654-8682.

Annual Mass of Petition for Charlene Richard All are invited to the Annual Mass of Petition for Charlene Richard on Friday, **August 5th**, at 6:00 p.m. at St. Edward Catholic Church, Richard. This year's celebrant will be Fr. Hampton Davis.



Thought of the Week Spirituality can not be defined, but can be described as a journey to the center of the soul.

"A priest is not a priest for himself, he is a priest for you." - Cure of Ars

Please Pray for Our Priest:

Rev. T. J. Hebert
 Rev. Matthew Higginbotham
 Rev. Joseph Hund, OFM
 Rev. Godwin Imoru
 Bishop Sam Jacobs
 Rev. Thomas James, SVD
 Rev. Jonathan Janise

2016 Black Catholic Men's Conference to be held on Saturday, **August 6th**, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon (with lunch) at St. Joseph Catholic Church, (Bishop Perry Learning Center), 232 St. DePorres Street, Broussard. Our theme is "Faithful, Fearless and Fruitful". Keynote speaker will be Rev. Roy Lee, Ph.D., of the Archdiocese of Atlanta. Cost is \$25.00 per person and includes lunch. Registration forms are available by calling 837-6218 and will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis through August 4th, or until sold out. Registrations will not be accepted at the door. For more information, please call Fr. Thomas James, SVD at 380-9713.



Hospice of Acadiana For someone contemplating a role as a Hospice of Acadiana volunteer, a great way to test the waters is by attending a one-day training. We have one of those scheduled for **August 22nd**, from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. here in our conference center. Attendees will hear from members of the HOA care team about their respective roles in the process of caring for patients from admission to discharge and for family members beyond death of their loved ones. That team includes registered nurses, social workers, chaplains, and bereavement counselors. They will also learn from Ann Wallace, Director of Volunteer Services, about the responsibility of volunteers. If you have friends who might be interested in volunteering or who you think would make a great hospice volunteer, please share this information with them. Please contact Ann Wallace at 232-1234 or ann@hospiceacadiana.com for more information.

Liturgical Ministers July 30th & 31st, 2016
Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, & Servers

We ask all ministers to please be there **15 minutes before Mass**. Sacristans, please be there 30 to 45 minutes before Mass. Please call for a replacement if unable to make your scheduled time.

Saturday, July 30th, 4:00 p.m.
Sacristan: Mona Zeringue
Lectors: Mona Zeringue, Gail Dysart
Eucharistic Ministers: Tanya Wilson, Sylvia Broussard, Wally Broussard
Altar Servers: Emily Stacks, Abigail Stacks

Sunday, July 31st, 8:00 a.m.
Sacristan: Doug & Sue Duhon
Lectors: Jesse Kebodeaux, Susie Kebodeaux
Eucharistic Ministers: Doug Duhon, Sue Duhon, Stacey Picard, Dale Kelly, Jeron LaFarque, Gwen Miller, Liz Curnutt
Altar Servers: Morgan Marullo, Madison Marullo

Sunday, July 31st, 10:30 a.m.
Sacristan: Dan Guidry
Lectors: Mary Ann Hebert, Sandra Boussard
Eucharistic Ministers: Dan Guidry, Earline Blanchard, Randy Blanchard, Walter Bergeron, Kim Sonnier, Joan Morvant, Cindy LeBlanc
Altar Servers: Cy LeBlanc, Anna Sonnier, Steward Sonnier

Sunday, July 31st, 5:00 p.m.
Sacristan: Justin Guidry
Lectors: Roberta Hebert, Tarah Davis
Eucharistic Ministers: Victoria Fouquier, Justin Guidry, Ali Zeringue
Altar Servers: Kennedi Davis, Tyler Boudreaux