



SAINT JOSEPH

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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AUGUST 21, 2016 • TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH MINISTERS

Rev. William Schambough*Pastor*
 Chenell Privat*Secretary to the Pastor*
 Sandra Smith*Bookkeeper*
 Eva Green*Coordinator of 1st-5th Grade Religion*
 Kayla Robles...*Coordinator of 6th-11th Grade Religion*
 Anna McKeon*Receptionist & SVDP*
 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.

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.

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.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

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

PARISH TRUSTEES

Linda Desormeaux
 Robert Landry



21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last." For Jesus' original audience, this reference was meant for those Jews who presumed their salvation while judging others as being unworthy of entering the kingdom of God. Jesus was always quick to teach that believing in him was what mattered, not membership in a certain class or a particular religious circle. Therefore, some of the (last) Gentiles who professed faith in Jesus were ready to enter the kingdom before some of the (first) Jews who rejected the Messiah.

But we should not assume that this Gospel was only for those people in that time and place. Today, there is perhaps a different stratum of first and last. In our Christian era, we can be tempted to have the same presumptuous attitude that afflicted too many of the Jewish contemporaries of Christ. We can think that our salvation is assured just because we bear the title Christian. Likewise, we can fall prey to the idea that we are somehow better or more deserving of Christ's mercy than those who do not "belong" to our Church. This simply isn't true. God's mercy is available to everyone who humbly recognizes one's need for it. The minute we become complacent or overconfident, we close ourselves off to the gift of mercy God offers to the repentant sinner.

Jesus tells us today that we must "strive to enter through the narrow gate." This means that we must not take the easy road of presumption, assuming that we are in good shape because we look like most of the people around us. On the contrary, Jesus calls us to take the more challenging road of real repentance in order to "recline at table in the kingdom of God."

Our Gift Back to God

Offertory *(Not available due to flood)* \$
Weekly Goal \$12,000.00

Thank You!

Today's reading from Isaiah describes the Israelites bringing their offering to the Lord "in clean vessels." The gift of myself - my patient endurance and fidelity to the will of God - is as important as the monetary gift I offer.

"People will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south and will recline at table in the kingdom of God. For behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last." - Lk 13:29-30

Mass Intention

Weekend of August 20th & 21st, 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)

Nathan & Nathan Mayer, Sr., Lewis & Maude Picard, Clifford J. Viator (Birthday), Preston Venable & Jacob Theriot, Joanna C. & Sandra M. Hebert (Joanna Anniv.), Becky H. Wooten, Ronald Bourque, David J. Venable (Anniv.), Geri Morvant & Family, Linda Kimball, Eustis & Russell Toups, Eugene Broussard, Patricia Smith, Marie LeMaire (12th Anniv.), Zachary Tucker, Wilbert & Larry David, Beulah Toups, Ryan Viator, Louis Theo Bares & Family

Weekday Masses

- Monday 22 St. Joseph Community
- Tuesday 23 M/M Leody Boudreaux, First Responders & Those Serving in our Armed Forces
- Wednesday 24 Thomas Privat, Sr. (Anniversary)
- Thursday 25 Hubert Clement, Sr., Beverly Frederick Broussard Carlross
- Friday 26 Vocations to the Priesthood

Sanctuary Candle

Mildred B. Picard (Anniversary)
M/M David J. Venable

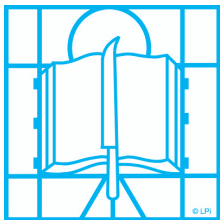
Please Pray For The Sick

- 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 Grace Credeur Evelyn Landry
- James Benoit Felix Begnaud Dolores Benoit
- Eunice Primeaux Toni Eddy Haley Santills



American Cemetery Consultants, LLC New Mausoleum in St. Joseph Cemetery update - Where Will Your Final Resting Place Be? Thinking about your own funeral leaves most people feeling a little uneasy, but more adults are finding that preplanning your final resting place offers great emotional and even financial security for them and their families. With preplanning, families find comfort in knowing that the funeral reflects what their love one wanted and the exact spot where they wanted to be buried. It also gives them peace of mind to not have to make important decisions at a stressful time. St. Joseph Cemetery will be **constructing a new mausoleum soon.** **Keith Boudreaux, Dwayne Positerry, and Ronnie Thibodeaux** from American Cemetery Consultants, have already begun contacting parishioners to answer questions. Please don't delay. Spaces are reserved on a first come basis and financing is available. **The number of crypts selected before construction will determine the size of the mausoleum.** Either mail in the postage reply card from the brochure that was mailed to your home or call 337-735-1616.

The Rosary Making Class will meet on Monday, **August 22nd**, at the Life Center from 1:30-3:00 p.m. For more information, please call Pat Broussard at 856-4648.



The Knights of Columbus will have their next meeting on Thursday, **August 25th**, at 6:30 p.m. in the Life Center.

Events This Week
Mon. (22nd): Rosary Making Class
Tues. (23rd): No Events Scheduled
Wed. (24th): No Events Scheduled
Thurs. (25th): Knights of Columbus Meeting 6:30 p.m. Life Center
Fri. (26th): No Events Scheduled Parish Office Closed
Sat. (27th): No Events Scheduled
Sun. (28th): No Events Scheduled

Word of Life Bulletin Briefs “A political society endures when it seeks, as a vocation, to satisfy common needs by stimulating the growth of all its members, especially those in situations of greater vulnerability or risk.” *For our country: May the Lord, the giver of life, grant that respect for each person shapes our law and way of life.*



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. Each family will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 portrait and directory for participating. Lifetouch will be here beginning **August 30th** through **September 10th**. Please visit our website at www.stjo-milton.org and click on the link to see dates and times that work for your family and sign-up for a sitting. Pictures will be taken in the Life Center. Please call the office at 856-5997 for more questions or assistance signing up.

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.

Catechism Teachers Needed We are in need of several catechism teachers in each grade level from first grade through fifth grade. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Kayla Robles for more information, at 205-3186 or StJoDRE@gmail.com. You do not need to be a trained teacher to be a great catechism teacher!



The Next Baptism Seminar will be held on Thursday, **September 8th**, at 6:30 p.m. in Church. Parents are encouraged to attend during pregnancy to avoid undue delays.

Pope Francis Prayer Intentions
Universal: Sports - That sports may be an opportunity for friendly encounters between peoples and may contribute to peace in the world. Evangelization: That Christians may live the Gospel, giving witness to faith, honesty, and love of neighbor.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
 Monday: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12/Ps 96:1-5/Mt 23:13-22
 Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10-13/Mt 23:23-26
 Wednesday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51
 Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-7/Mt 24:42-51
 Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Mt 25:1-13
 Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 33:12-13, 18-21/Mt 25:14-30

Next Sunday's Readings
 Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29
 Psalm 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11
 Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a
 Luke 14:1, 7-14

Renew 2016 Youth Rally

Saturday, **August 20th**, at the Ramada Conference Center, 2032 NE Evangeline Thwy., Lafayette. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. Rally is from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Expect a day full of the Holy Spirit, Inspirational talks, praise-n-worship, fellowship, and Eucharistic Adoration. The rally is led by John Ray Perkins from St. Pius Life Teen. No registration fee, bring brown bag lunch or lunch on your own. This is a great follow up to Steubenville Conferences! For questions or concerns, please call 265-3773 or 232-4656.

Formation for Couples Living Christ in Your Marriage is the theme for our one day of formation for couples. Join Jim Schellman as he reflects on how to deepen your marriage covenant in Jesus Christ. The workshop will be held at St. Pius Parish Life Center on Saturday, **August 27th**, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with the option to attend Mass at 5:00 p.m. The cost of the retreat is \$75.00 which will include your lunch and all supplies. Pre-registration is required by August 19th. Visit diolaf.org for more information.

Food for the Journey a monthly lunchtime speaker series designed to help Catholics live out our faith in our daily lives. Please join us as we celebrate our 12th-year Anniversary with Rev. Michael Champagne as our guest speaker. It will be held on Tuesday, **September 6th**, at Wyndham Garden Lafayette (formerly Hotel Acadiana), 1801 W. Pinhook Road, beginning at 12:00 noon. An optional lunch buffet is available for purchase 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.

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

Please Pray for Our Priest:

Rev. Louis Ledoux
Rev. Mark Ledoux
Rev. Austin Leger
Rev. Lambert Lein, SVD
Rev. Roland Lesseps, SJ
Rev. James Liprie, OSB
Rev. Albert Louapre, SJ

Women's Prayer Breakfast St. Mary, Mother of the Church (419 Doucet Road, Lafayette) invites all women to a "Women's Prayer Breakfast" on Saturday, **September 10th**, from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon in the parish hall. A presentation on "Forgiveness and the Year of Mercy" will be given by Mary Bergeron. St. Mary Altar Society is sponsoring this event that includes food, fun, faith with friends. Registration is required by August 25th with a donation of \$10.00. For more information, please call JoAnn LeJune at 981-3379.



Men's Work Days Saturday, **September 24th** at Our Lady of Sorrows Retreat Center, 103 Railroad Avenue, St. Martinville. Carpentry, plumbing, electrical, painting, concrete work, cleaning and "good ole" manual labor. Work begins at 8:00 a.m. with 12:00 noon Mass. Lunch is provided. Work normally ends at 4:00 p.m. Come when you can and stay as long as you can. Please call 394-6550 for more information.

Jesuit Spirituality Center at Grand Coteau Do you feel a need to deepen your spiritual life? The Jesuit Spirituality Center at Grand Coteau announces these upcoming retreats: September 6th or September 9th; September 19th or September 22nd; October 3rd or October 6th; October 17th or October 20th. For an application, visit jesuitspiritualitycenter.org or call 662-5251 for more information.

Thought of the Week Today is your day to let go of things that no longer serve you.

Liturgical Ministers August 27th & 28th, 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, August 27th, 4:00 p.m.

Sacristan: Linda Desormeaux
Lectors: Chenell Privat, Linda Desormeaux
Eucharistic Ministers: Eadie Slimbach, Wally Broussard, Sylvia Broussard
Altar Servers: Tucker Styles, Sarah Styles

Sunday, August 28th, 8:00 a.m.

Sacristan: Doug & Sue Duhon
Lectors: Joyce Broussard, Ali Picard
Eucharistic Ministers: Doug Duhon, Sue Duhon, Mary Adams, Stacey Picard, Donna Pitre, Dale Kelly, Trista Littell
Altar Servers: Reed Broussard, Logan Broussard

Sunday, August 28th, 10:30 a.m.

Sacristan: Leurline Norris
Lectors: Walter Bergeron, Cindy Fontenot
Eucharistic Ministers: Lynne Gautreaux, Vicki Jacques, Leurline Norris, Nick Smith, Krissy Smith, Gerard Labat, Paige Gary
Altar Servers: Joseph Kreamer, Austin Jenkins

Sunday, August 28th, 5:00 p.m.

Sacristan: Steve & Sharon Moore
Lectors: Steve Moore, Sharon Moore
Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Richard, Toni Hebert, Terry Smith
Altar Servers: Dominic Fontenot, Juel Smith