



SAINT JOSEPH

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Offices located at 208 E. Edith • Lafayette, LA 70508

JULY 23, 2017 • SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH MINISTERS

Rev. William Schambough*Pastor*
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 Sandra Smith*Bookkeeper*
 Eva Green*Coordinator of 1st-11th Grade Religion*
 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.

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



16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sows them is the devil." This is not a pretty picture. Jesus shares a parable in today's Gospel that reminds us of a truth we would rather forget: evil is real, and the devil is at work. The bountiful harvest of our faith is something that Satan wants to destroy. And he has a host of diabolical tactics to help him carry out his wicked plans. But there is one strategy in particular that we must be on guard against.

As the French poet Charles Baudelaire put it, "The devil's finest trick is to persuade you that he does not exist." Sneaky as it may be, this approach is effective! And, unfortunately, the attitude of our modern era is very conducive to buying the lie. Too often we dismiss the idea of the invisible spiritual reality of angels and demons. It doesn't seem "scientific" enough for us because it can't be seen or "proven." But neither can our faith! We believe in a host of invisible realities starting with God himself. We should not be fooled into thinking that the devil is a make-believe cartoon character with red horns and a pitchfork on his shoulder. Alas, no. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us, "Scripture witnesses to the disastrous influence of the one Jesus calls 'a murderer from the beginning'" (CCC 394) and, as we read in the Bible, "Indeed, the Son of God was revealed to destroy the works of the Devil" (1 Jn 3:8). This is not pretend, and so it must be taken seriously. But so too, the reality of Satan must be situated within the broader context of God's supreme power. The devil "cannot prevent the building up of God's reign" (CCC 395). The influence of evil can never defeat the power of our faith, unless we let it do so.

Please Pray For The Sick

- Lisa Landry Cindy Stelly Brad Richard Joe Credeur
- Gracie Broussard Wilda Bares Meyer Moore
- Lucy Broussard Chase Conway Stoute Trisha Doucet
- Janie Berdeaux Norval Knapp Brennen Albert
- Margie Decou Beridon Susan Vincent Gunner Breaux
- Joyce Comeaux Grace Credeur Evelyn Landry
- James Benoit Dolores Benoit Kathryn Trahan
- Diane Johnson Bobby Trahan Charlie Harrington
- Betty Thibodeaux Rudolph Fabre Kim Vincent
- Luby Landry Goldie Broussard Lilly Mae Romero
- Lane Begnaud Mary Belle Broussard Charlene Nutt
- Dina Broussard

Our Gift Back to God

Offertory	\$ 9,552.91
Mailed/Dropped in Office	+1,165.00
Total July 16th	\$10,717.91
Weekly Goal	\$12,000.00
Plus/Minus our Goal	\$ -1,282.09

Thank You!

Good stewards in a parish are like the yeast in today's Gospel. Their selfless gifts of time and talent help the parish grow and thrive, and their example inspires others to become good stewards, too.

"The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all who cause others to sin and all evildoers. They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father." - Mt 13:41-43a

Mass Intention

Weekend of July 22nd & 23rd, 2017
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)

Jerry Viator, Preston Venable, Rudell Broussard, Mary Lou David, Ryan Viator, Lynn Denais Begnaud (Birthday), Samuel & Lou Ella Blanchard, Zachary Esters, Elaine Schilling, M/M Olan S. LeMaire, John Doucet, Jacob Theriot, Pam McDonald, Eugene Broussard, Lewis & Maude Picard

Weekday Masses

Monday 24	St. Joseph Community
Tuesday 25	First Responders & Those Serving in our Armed Forces
Wednesday 26	Vocations to the Priesthood
Thursday 27	Souls in Purgatory
Friday 28	Sick of the Parish

Sanctuary Candle

Beverly C. Picard (Birthday)
 Charles D. Bernard (Anniversary)





The Bloodmobile will be in the parking lot of St. Joseph Church this Sunday, **July 23rd**, from 8:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. for our semi-annual blood drive. Please make plans to donate to this blood drive.

Centennial Pilgrimage to Canada with Bishop Douglas Deshotel, Fr. Cedric Sonnier and Fr. Paul Broussard August 27-September 5, 2018. There will be an information meeting Wednesday, **July 26th**, at 6:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Fatima, 2319 Johnson Street, in Knight Hall Auditorium. Pilgrimage highlights: Montreal, Quebec City and Nova Scotia. For more information call 291-1933 or visit www.holytravels.org.

The Knights of Columbus will have their next meeting on Thursday, **July 27th**, at 6:30 p.m. in the Life Center.

Word of Life "A society will be judged on the basis of how it treats its weakness members; and among the most vulnerable are surely the unborn and the dying." *May the merciful and gracious Spirit of God help us protect and care for each person's life.*



St. Joseph Website Please visit our Parish Website at www.stjo-milton.org. There you will find lots of great information from calendars of current and upcoming events, religious ed registration forms, census forms, bulletins, and much more. This is a great way to stay informed!

Events This Week

- Mon. (24th):** No Events Scheduled
- Tues. (25th):** No Events Scheduled
- Wed. (26th):** No Events Scheduled
- Thurs. (27th):** Knights of Columbus Meeting
6:30 p.m. (Life Center)
- Fri. (28th):** Parish Office Closed
- Sat. (29th):** No Events Scheduled
- Sun. (30th):** No Events Scheduled

The Next Baptism Seminar will be held on Thursday, **August 10th**, at 6:30 p.m. in Church. Parents are encouraged to attend during pregnancy to avoid undue delays.



Women's Prayer Breakfast St. Mary Mother of the Church is hosting a Women's Prayer Breakfast sponsored by the St. Mary Altar Society on Saturday, **August 19th**; 8:30 a.m. to Noon. Our speaker will be Camille Pavy Claiborne. The cost of this event is \$10. Come and Enjoy - a full schedule of morning fellowship and a lovely breakfast. Call to register before August 14th. For more information or to register: JoAnn LeJune 981-3379.

Religious Education Registration for 2017/18 has begun.

You may find forms online at www.stjo-milton.org or in the Rectory. If you have any questions, call Eva at 856-0800.

Centennial Campaign We ask that parishioners of St. Joseph consider a gift to the Centennial Campaign. Please take a Centennial Campaign pledge card found on the table in the gathering area of Church. Thank you to all who have invested in the future of our church. When making a donation by check, it should be made out to Centennial Campaign and mailed to: Diocese of Lafayette, Centennial Campaign, 1408 Carmel Dr., Lafayette 70501. Please call the Rectory at 856-5997 if you have any questions.

"Gently Worn" School Uniforms Needed School Uniform Outreach will continue to collect and process used uniforms. Various agencies will make available the gently used uniforms to needy children in the Lafayette Parish Schools. Please bring your children's outgrown uniforms to church as soon as possible and place them in the School Uniform container found in the gathering area of church.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Ex 14:5-18/Ex 15:1bc-6/Mt 12:38-42
- Tuesday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-6/Mt 20:20-28
- Wednesday: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Ps 78:18-19, 23-28/Mt 13:1-9
- Thursday: Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b/Dn 3:52-56/Mt 13:10-17
- Friday: Ex 20:1-17/Ps 19:8-11/Mt 13:18-23
- Saturday: Ex 24:3-8/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Next Sunday's Readings

- 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12
- Psalm 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130
- Romans 8:28-30
- Matthew 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

Food for the Journey On Tuesday, **August 1st**, the Central Deanery of the Diocese of Lafayette presents "Food for the Journey", a monthly lunchtime speakers series designed to help Catholics live out our faith in our daily lives. The event will be held at River Oaks Catering and Event Center (520 E. Kaliste Saloom Rd.) 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! For more information, please call Danielle Huval at 232-1322.

Suicide Survivor Support Group

The Jacob Crouch Suicide Prevention Services and the diocesan Office of Marriage and Family have partnered to offer a support group especially tailored for survivors of suicide (those who have lost a loved one to suicide). Facilitated by a license counselor, meetings are open to all survivors over the age of 18. It will be held Tuesday, **August 1st**. Pre-registration is required; to register or to request further details please contact Kelley Chapman at 261-5653 or kchapman@diolaf.org.

Annual Mass of Petition for Charlene Richard

Friday, **August 1th**, at 6:00 p.m. All are invited to the annual Mass of Petition for Charlene Richard, hosted by St. Edward Church (1463 Charlene Hwy, Richard/Church Point). Bishop Douglas Deshotel will be the main celebrant.



Thought of the week Beware of false knowledge; it is more dangerous than ignorance.

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

Please Pray for Our Priest:
 Rev. Jody Simoneaux
 Rev. Cedric Sonnier
 Rev. Joseph Stemmann
 Rev. Michael Sucharski, SVD
 Rev. Jared Suire
 Rev. Brian Taylor
 Rev. Joseph Tetlow, SJ

Come to the Well Retreat

Saturday, **August 12th**, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. The Office of Pro-Life Apostolate will sponsor "Come to the Well" - "A Day of Hope and Restoration for those suffering the loss of a loved one." Loss by Suicide, Accidental Death, Infertility, Miscarriage, Illness, Stillbirth, SIDS, Adoption Place-ment, Abortion, and other life losses. Presenters will be Bishop Douglas Deshotel and Camille Pavy Claibourne, RN, PhD. Pre-registration is required; please contact Trista Littell at 261-5607 for details.



Men's Work Day Saturday, **August 12th**, Our Lady of Sorrows Retreat Center (103 Railroad Ave., St. Martinville). Carpentry, plumbing, electrical, painting, cleaning and good ole manual labor. Work begins at 8:00 a.m. with noon Mass. Lunch is provided. Work normally ends at 4:00 p.m. Come when you can and stay as long as you can. Call 849-0185 for more information.

Intentional Serenity Seminar - Finding balance, purpose, and meaning in daily life

Saturday, **August 12th**, 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at St. Pius Parish Life Center. The cost is \$35.00 by August 5th which includes lunch and seminar booklet; after August 5th - \$40.00. Registration information: www.StPiusXChurch.org. Come together with other women for a faith-filled day of encouragement, support, fellowship, and fun! Mother, author, and speaker, Tami Kiser, will lead us through talks, discussion groups and quite reflection time as we discover with each other how we can stop feeling overwhelmed and experience a life of peace. Free childcare if registered by July 29!

Liturgical Ministers July 29th & 30th, 2017
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 29th, 4:00 p.m.

Sacristan: Cheryl Prejean
Lectors: Shelly Broussard, Wally Broussard
Eucharistic Ministers: Michelle Bayard, Sylvia Broussard, Ricky Broussard
Altar Servers: Tucker Styles, Sarah Styles

Sunday, July 30th, 8:00 a.m.

Sacristan: Kat Trahan
Lectors: Joe Miller, Toddy Guidry
Eucharistic Ministers: Kat Trahan, Jeron LaFarque, Jed Bourque, Grant Bourque, Monica Bourque, Mary Adams, Donna Pitre
Altar Servers: John Luke Bourque, Noah Bourque

Sunday, July 30th, 10:30 a.m.

Sacristan: Dan Guidry
Lectors: Dina Segura, Martha Landreneau
Eucharistic Ministers: Dan Guidry, Krissy Smith, Stacey Frederick, Suzie Trappey, Earline Blanchard, Paige Gary, Randy Blanchard
Altar Servers: Holden Martin, Walker Bares

Sunday, July 30th, 5:00 p.m.

Sacristan: Mary Landry
Lectors: Margaret Greene, James Blanchard
Eucharistic Ministers: Michelle Guillot, Paul Guillot, Darlene Russell, Angelle Blanchard, Mary Landry, Jerry Besson, Kristie Besson
Altar Servers: Randall Greene, Alyssa Blanchard, Juel Smith