



# SAINT JOSEPH

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## OCTOBER 1, 2017 TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### PARISH MINISTERS

Rev. William Schambough .....*Pastor*  
Deacon Keith Duhon .....*Deacon*  
Chenell Privat .....*Secretary to the Pastor*  
Sandra Smith .....*Bookkeeper*  
Eva Green .....*Coordinator of 1st-11th Grade Religion*  
John Burocher .....*Choir Director*  
Martha Landreneau .....*Safe Environment Coordinator*

### 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



**26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

"Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you." Ouch. If Jesus weren't speaking the truth, this would seem like a nasty insult. To the ears of the chief priests and elders to whom he was speaking, it was as good as saying, "You're bigger sinners than the biggest sinners around." Jesus had a way of cutting to the heart of matters. In this case, he was calling out these religious leaders for their stubborn resistance to the revelation of God. At least the "sinners" heard and heeded John the Baptist's message of repentance. But those who considered themselves too righteous to repent were missing the opportunity to experience the healing power of mercy.

As we know, God the Father wants to extend mercy to his children. Just as any good parents want what's best for their children, God wants us to see the truth and follow it. But he won't force our hand. God always respects our freedom. He invites, encourages, assists, and persists in drawing us in, but ultimately the choice is ours. One way God invites us to spiritual healing is through the sacrament of reconciliation. This is a perfect example of God's desire to extend forgiveness. But if we don't take advantage of this gift, we miss the grace that it offers us.

Let us beware of thinking that we aren't the kinds of sinners that really need to repent. If we don't acknowledge our need for God's forgiveness we, become like the chief priests who closed themselves off to God's healing. It doesn't matter how far we may have fallen-this is why Jesus specifies that even "big" sinners can enter the kingdom of God-rather, what matters is that we have hearts open to recognizing and responding to God's love.

***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 Bordeaux 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  
 Dina Broussard Joe Daigle Samuel Simon  
 Mary Belle Broussard Todd Denais Enola G. Bernard

**Our Gift Back to God**

Offertory .....	\$ 9,495.55
Mailed/Dropped in Office .....	+455.00
Total September 24th	\$ 9,950.55
Weekly Goal .....	\$12,000.00
Plus/Minus our Goal .....	\$-2,050.00
Building & Maintenance (September) . . .	\$ 4,067.50

**Thank You!**

**This Week's Second Collection**  
 Building & Maintenance Fund

**Next Week's Second Collection**  
 Mission Sunday

The first son in today's Gospel said he would do his father's bidding, but did not. The second son balked at first, but then repented and did as he was asked. What service is God calling me to do? Which son am I more like?

"When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him." - Mt 21:32

***Mass Intention***

**Weekend of September 30th & October 1st, 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, Pam McDonald, Robert "Tully" Landry, Lewis & Maude Picard, Jacob Theriot, Eugene Broussard, J. V. Landry, Jr., Matthew Labbe, Clifford "Bud" Broussard & Family, Eura V. Simon, Preston Venable, Samuel & Lou Ella Blanchard, Clifford J. Viator & Family, Ryan Viator, Zachary Esters

***Weekday Masses***

Monday 2	Sick of the Parish
Tuesday 3	Harold & Gloria Simon (Gloria's Anniversary), First Responders & Those Serving in our Armed Forces
Wednesday 4	Vocations to the Priesthood
Thursday 5	Wilson Cazaudebat, Beatrice Stelly Stout (Birthday), Souls in Purgatory
Friday 6	Jerry Viator (Birthday), Frank & Viola Martin, Edvard & Lydia Hebert & Family, Russell L. Bourque (Birthday)

**Sanctuary Candle**

Emily Kay Benoit



**First Saturday Adoration (Children of Mary)** Please join us on Saturday, **October 7th**, for First Saturday Adoration. The Rosary is prayed beginning at 8:00 a.m. with Mass at 8:30 a.m.

**St. Joseph Church (Maurice)** Annual Zydeco Dance featuring Geno Delafosse will be held on Saturday, **October 7th**, from 9:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m. at the W.O.W. Hall in Maurice. Presale tickets \$10.00 and at the door \$12.00. No outside alcohol and must be 18 or older to attend. For tickets call 893-1601 or 893-5428.

**Milton Civic Organization** The Milton Civic Organization is having their annual Jambalaya Fundraiser on Sunday, **October 8th**. Serving time will be from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and pick up will be at the Milton Civic Center at Picard Park.

**The Elderberries Next Social** will be held on Tuesday, **October 10th**, from 9:30 a.m. till 12:00 noon in the Life Center. Bring your favorite dish and a friend!

**Pro-Life Rosary** Please join us Thursday, **October 12th**, following the 6:00 p.m. Mass to pray the Rosary.

**The Next Baptism Seminar** will be held on Thursday, **October 12th**, at 6:30 p.m. in Church. Parents are encouraged to attend during pregnancy to avoid undue delays.

**Events This Week**

- Mon. (2nd):** 3rd, 4th & 5th CCD
- Tues. (3rd):** Choir Practice
- Wed. (4th):** 1st & 2nd Grade CCD
- Thurs. (5th):** No Events Scheduled
- Fri. (6th):** Parish Office Closed
- Sat. (7th):** First Saturday Adoration  
Rosary 8:00 a.m.  
Mass 8:30 a.m.
- Sun. (8th):** 6th, 7th & 8th CCD



**Youth Group** St. Joseph Church youth group will meet this Sunday, **October 1st**, in the Life Center from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Anyone in grades 8th through 12th are welcome to attend. We will have food, fun and fellowship. Bring a friend!

**Word of Life** “Whether it lasts for a brief moment or for a hundred years, each of our lives is a good and perfect gift. At every stage and in every circumstance, we are held in existence by God’s love...God invites us to embrace the lives we have been given, for as long as they are given. Every life is worth living.” *For Catholics throughout the world: May the Holy Spirit help us bear witness to the truth that every life is worth living.*

**Welcome New Parishioners!** We would like to extend a warm welcome to the following Parishioners who registered with St. Joseph during the month of September: M/M Adam Girouard, M/M Brian Spears, M/M Jason Olivier, M/M Alan Day, M/M Patrick Clark and M/M Dien Tran. We would also like to remind parishioners who have not registered with us, to consider this also. Registration forms can be found in the gathering area of church or online at [stjo-milton.org](http://stjo-milton.org). If you should have any questions, please call the office.

**St. Thomas More Open House** You are invited to St. Thomas More High School Open House on Thursday, **October 12th**. Continuous tours from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Last tour beginning at 7:00 p.m. For more information, call the Admissions Office at 988-3700 ext. 187 or visit our website at [www.stmcougars.net](http://www.stmcougars.net).

**Public Square Rosary Crusade** On Saturday, **October 14th** at 12:00 noon you are invited to join the 100th Anniversary Public Square Rosary Crusade scheduled to take place here at St. Joseph’s. This Rosary will be one of approximately 20,000 rallies that will take place all across the United States on that day. Let us join together in answer to Our Lady of Fatima’s request to pray the rosary for peace in our hearts, our nation, and the world. If you would like to sign up to lead a decade of the rosary, please email the church office: [secretary@stjo-milton.org](mailto:secretary@stjo-milton.org).

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Monday: Zec 8:1-8/Ps 102:16-23, 29/Mt 18:1-5, 10
- Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-7/Lk 9:51-56
- Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8/Ps 137:1-6/Lk 9:57-62
- Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Ps 19:8-11/Lk 10:1-12
- Friday: Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9/Lk 10:13-16
- Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-37/Lk 10:17-24

**Next Sunday’s Readings**

- Isaiah 5:1-7
- Psalms 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20
- Philippians 4:6-9
- Matthew 21:33-43



**September**

We welcome into the family of St. Joseph’s the newly Baptized. We also pray for their parents and Godparents. Welcome:

*Peyton Angelle Broussard*



**Life Chain** Join the Life Chain on Sunday, **October 1st**, from 4:00-5:00 p.m. Stand with thousands of pro-lifers throughout the USA! Gather at the corner of Evangeline Thruway and Simcoe Street. Park in the St. Genevieve Church parking lot. Water, lawn chairs, umbrellas and strollers welcome.

**St. Landry Church Cemetery Tours** "Leaders & Legends" is the theme of the cemetery tours held in Opelousas. The dates of the tours are **October 14th, 15th, 21st & 22nd** with Saturday tours at 6:00, 6:30, 7:00, 7:30 and 8:00 p.m. and the Sunday tours at 2:00 and 3:00 p.m. Travel back in time to a place where the voices from our past will give you a reflection of times gone by. The one hour tour of the cemetery gives one a perspective of how our past has shaped our present and reflects into the future generations of community. The St. Landry Church Parish and Opelousas Little Theater are pleased to bring this reenactment for your enjoyment. Tours are \$10 per person, will be limited to groups of 15 (walking shoes), conducted hourly, are not handicapped accessible and young children under 10 years of age not suitable (safety). For more information, call 942-6552 or 308-3474. Proceeds used for historical grave restoration. This year we are planning handicapped accessible tours for Sunday, October 15th and 22nd at 3:00 p.m.

**St. Joseph Church (Maurice)** The annual Church Garage Sale will be held on Saturday, **October 14th** from 6:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Church Hall. The Barbeque Chicken and Pork Steak Dinners will be sold on Sunday, **October 15th**. Dinners are \$10.00 and can be picked up in the Church Hall or Drive Thru. For dinner tickets call 893-5428 or 893-1601.

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

**Please Pray for Our Priest:**  
 Pope Francis  
 Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI  
 Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel  
 Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell  
 Rev. Wilbur "Sonny" Brown  
 Rev. Kenneth Buddendorff, SJ  
 Rev. Edward Buvens, SJ

**Food for the Journey** a monthly lunchtime speakers series designed to help Catholics live out our faith in our daily lives. Food for the Journey will be held on Tuesday, **October 10th**, at River Oaks Catering and Event Center, 520 E. Kaliste Saloom 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 Danielle Huval at 232-1322.

*Thought of the week* *It's not the wound that shapes our lives, it's the choice we make as adults between embracing our wounds or raging against them.*

**Divorce Recovery Program** Wednesday, **October 18th**, at St. Pius X Church (200 E. Bayou Parkway) will host a 12-week Divorce Recovery session. Sessions will be held from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. For more information and registration, please call Ashton Mouton at 237-5130 or email [evangelization@stpiusxchurch.org](mailto:evangelization@stpiusxchurch.org).

**Prayer Clinic** A workshop designed to help Catholics grow deeper in prayer. Saturday, **October 21st**, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at The Community of Jesus Crucified, 103 Railroad Ave., St. Martinville. Sessions include: dealing with distractions in prayer, purification and dryness in prayer, drawing close to Christ with the Rosary. Includes Mass and opportunity for confession. No registration necessary. Please bring a brown bag lunch. Call 394-6550 for more information.



**Liturgical Ministers October 7th & 8th, 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, October 7th, 4:00 p.m.**  
**Sacristan:** Cheryl Prejean  
**Lectors:** Shelly Broussard, Dan LaPointe  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Edie Slimbach, Michelle Bayard, Sherry Kenner  
**Altar Servers:** Kaleb Lail, Alyssa Lail, Isabella Lail

**Sunday, October 8th, 8:00 a.m.**  
**Sacristan:** Robert & Angie Landry  
**Lectors:** Ali Picard, Joyce Broussard  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Deacon Keith Duhon, Robert Landry, Angie Landry, Liz Lanier, Liz Curnutt, Stacey Picard, Vance Lanier  
**Altar Servers:** Reed Broussard, Logan Broussard, Parker Broussard

**Sunday, October 8th, 10:30 a.m.**  
**Sacristan:** Leslie Breaux  
**Lectors:** Leslie Breaux, Dina Segura  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Deacon Keith Duhon, Cindy LeBlanc, Lisa McCowen, Earline Blanchard, Randy Blanchard, Joan Morvant, Leurline Norris  
**Altar Servers:** Elizabeth Roy, Jude Bourque

**Sunday, October 8th, 5:00 p.m.**  
**Sacristan:** Margaret Siffert  
**Lectors:** Emelie Boudreaux, Dennis Dumas  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Peyton Lege, Mary Richard, Debbie Dumas, Margaret Siffert, Ruby Boudreaux, Pam Begnaud, Wayne Begnaud  
**Altar Servers:** Noah Poff, Copper Poff, Tyler Boudreaux