



# SAINT JOSEPH

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## DECEMBER 2, 2018 - FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### 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*
- Celeste Fortier.....*Safe Environment Coordinator*
- John Buroker .....*Choir 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.

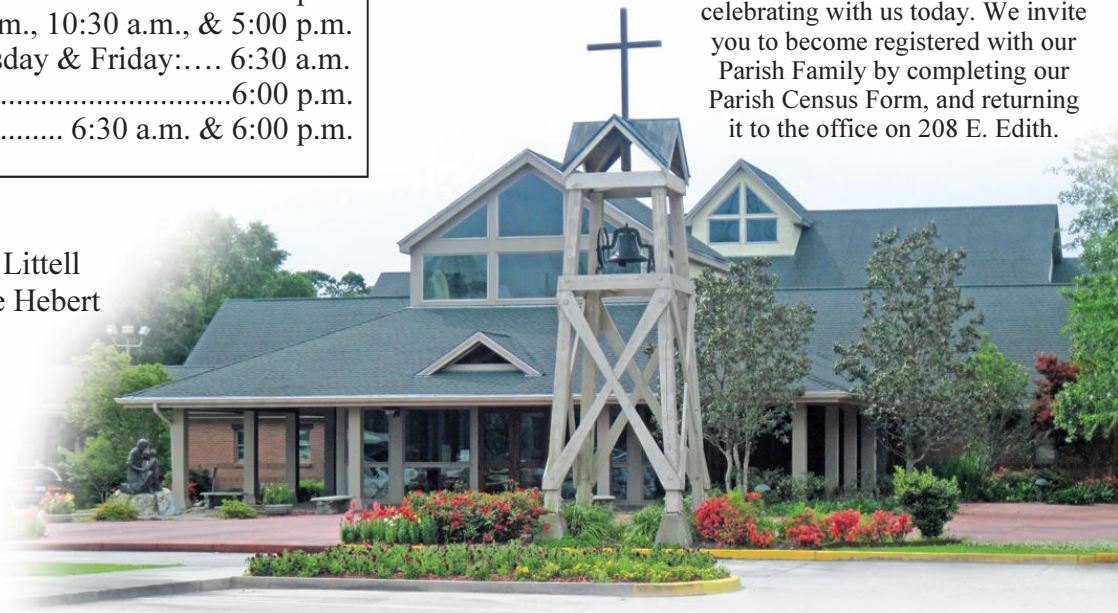
We extend a warm welcome to the individuals and families who are celebrating with us today. We invite you to become registered with our Parish Family by completing our Parish Census Form, and returning it to the office on 208 E. Edith.

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

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

### PARISH TRUSTEES

- Linda Desormeaux
- Robert Landry



**1st Sunday in Advent**

Tribulation. Wildfires. Tsunamis. Moral corruption. Disease. War. We tend to associate these things with the end times, and perhaps for good reason! In today's Gospel, Jesus says: "People will die of fright in anticipation of what is coming upon the world." Not exactly putting us in the Christmas spirit, is it? During Advent, we anticipate a celebration of Christ's first coming. There is a quiet stillness about our waiting, or at least we try to encourage that in ourselves. Perhaps we have an Advent devotional or we take time to pray together as a family around the Advent wreath.

But Jesus did not come only once into history. During Advent, we remember that he will come again. You may remember the rapture craze in the early 2000s, when a series of books and movies envisioned a future where Jesus was coming soon and all the true believers had been whisked away. Everyone else had one more chance to repent before things really went to hell...literally, in this case!

But is that what Jesus is talking about here? The truth is, we don't know what Jesus' Second Coming will be like. The actual return of Christ - though sudden and perhaps frightening to some - should not frighten us. Despite all the stories we may have heard about the apocalypse, the advice of Jesus is not to hang our heads or cower in fear. "Stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand." In a certain sense, we are already living in the end times. We already encounter great tribulation. We all find it easy to get distracted or discouraged in the grind of daily life. Today's Gospel reminds us that vigilance for God's presence is needed now.

***Please Pray For The Sick***

Gracie Broussard Meyer Moore Wilmer Landry  
 Lucy Broussard Chase Conway Stoute Trisha Doucet  
 Norval Knapp Brennen Albert Dina Broussard  
 Susan Vincent Gunner Breaux Hunter Henry  
 Joyce Comeaux James Benoit Joe Daigle  
 Diane Johnson Dolores Benoit Kathryn Trahan  
 Bobby Trahan Charlie Harrington Kathleen Blanco  
 Betty Thibodeaux Rudolph Fabre Kim Vincent  
 Luby Landry Lilly Mae Romero Enola G. Bernard  
 Mary Belle Broussard Judy Touchet Karen Hebert  
 Bernice Breaux Mary Trahan Raywood Decou

**Our Gift Back to God**

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| Offertory .....                       | \$11,882.24 |
| Mailed/Dropped in Office .....        | + 535.00    |
| Total (November 25th)                 | \$12,417.24 |
| Weekly Goal .....                     | \$12,000.00 |
| Plus/Minus our Goal .....             | \$ + 417.24 |
| Total (November 18th) .....           | \$13,619.43 |
| Campaign for Human Development .....  | \$ 1,665.50 |
| Funds for local Needy .....           | \$ 950.00   |
| Building/Maintenance (November) ..... | \$ 3,662.00 |

**Thank You!**

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

"Be on guard," Jesus warns in today's Gospel, "lest your spirits become bloated with indulgence." Let us heed His warning and follow the advice of St. Paul, conducting ourselves in a way pleasing to God, overflowing with love for one another.

"Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand." - Lk 21:27-28

***Mass Intention***

**Weekend of December 1st & 2nd, 2018**  
 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)

Mabel & Romain Hebert (Her Birthday), Mary P. Meche, Zachary Esters, Lawrence Benoit, Sr., Robert "Tully" Landry, Lewis & Maude Picard, Drew Eschete, Roland Louviere, Ryan Viator, Ronald Schexnaider, Jacob Theriot, Douglas & Lula Lantier Duhon, Sr. (Her Birthday), Willis Morvant, Preston Venable, Pam McDonald, Pierre Long Hebert, Jeanette Labry, Eugene Broussard, Wilda & Louis Theo Bares (His 5th Anniv.)

***Weekday Masses***

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| Monday 3    | Vocations to the Priesthood   |
| Tuesday 4   | Beatrice Stelly Stout (Anniversary)   |
| Wednesday 5 | Sick of the Parish  |
| Thursday 6  | Vernon Marshall (Anniversary), Wilton Larcade (Anniversary), Mary Lou David (2nd Anniversary) |
| Friday 7    | Pierre Long Hebert, Edvard & Lydia Hebert & Family, Frank & Viola Martin                      |

***Sanctuary Candle***

Mabel & Romain Hebert  
 Beverly C. Picard (Anniversary)  
 Gayle Stoute





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**The Light is On For You** On Wednesday, **December 5th & 19th**, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. St. Joseph Church and all the parishes of the Diocese of Lafayette will be open for individual confession. Please make plans to come on Advent Wednesdays and spread the word of this special outreach of mercy to those you know.

**Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day of Obligation)** An Anticipated Mass will be held on Friday, **December 7th** at 6:00 p.m. and on Saturday, **December 8th** the Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 a.m.

**The Elderberries Next Social** will be held on Tuesday, **December 11th**, from 9:30 a.m. till 12:00 noon in the Life Center. Bring your favorite dish and a friend!

**Events This Week**

**Mon. (3rd):** 3rd, 4th & 5th CCD  
**Tues. (4th):** Rosary Making Ministry  
 1-2:00 p.m. (Church)  
 Choir Practice 6:30 p.m. (Church)  
**Wed. (5th):** The Light Is On  
 6:30-8:00 p.m.  
 1st & 2nd Grade CCD  
**Thurs. (6th):** No Events Scheduled  
**Fri. (7th):** Parish Office Closed  
**Immaculate Conception Anticipated Mass 6:00 p.m.**  
**Sat. (8th):** Immaculate Conception Mass 8:30 a.m.  
**Sun. (9th):** 6th, 7th & 8th Grade CCD

**Mass for Healing** Fr. Manny Fernandez will be having a Mass for Healing at St. Nicholas Church in Lydia (7809 Weeks Island Road, New Iberia) on Friday, **December 14th**. Confession at 5:00 p.m. with Mass at 7:00 p.m. Individual blessings after Mass. Questions/Information please call 369-7510.

**Welcome New Parishioners!**  
*We would like to extend a warm welcome to the following Parishioners who registered with St. Joseph during the month of November: M/M Marcus Landry, M/M Michael Gardner & Ashley Dore'. 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.*

**Ten Tickets for “Tolton From Slave to Priest”** have been purchased by St. Joseph Church. These tickets are free to anyone interested in attending this performance on Thursday, **December 6th** or Friday, **December 7th** at St. Pius X at 7:00 p.m. Please call the Rectory to inquire about the tickets. (See next page for complete details on this performance).

**Holy Land Pilgrimage** Fr. Aaron Melancon will be leading a Holy Land Pilgrimage November 18th-28th, 2020. An orientation meeting will be held on Thursday, **December 13th** at 7:00 p.m. at St. Theresa Parish Life Center in Duson. Please RSVP for this meeting by calling 291-1933 or [info@holyltravels.org](mailto:info@holyltravels.org).

**The Next Baptism Seminar** will be held on Thursday, **January 10th, 2019** at 6:30 p.m. in Church.



**November**

We welcome into the family of St. Joseph's the newly Baptized. Welcome:

*Oliver James Vallot  
 Landyn Cane Brailey*

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11  
 Tuesday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 [cf. 7]/Lk 10:21-24  
 Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Mt 15:29-37  
 Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a [26a]/Mt 7:21, 24-27  
 Friday: Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Mt 9:27-31  
 Saturday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

**Next Sunday's Readings**

Baruch 5:1-9  
 Psalm 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6  
 Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11  
 Luke 3:1-6



**The Real Sister Act** Coming for the first time to Lafayette for *one night only*, the Daughters of St. Paul Choir will be performing **Glorious Night Christmas Concert!** The Sisters have been singing in Christmas Concerts for over 20 years to sold-out crowds, so you won't want to miss this local performance - be sure to mark your calendar and get your tickets now! This concert will take place on Wednesday, **December 5th** at 7:00 p.m. at Angelle Hall, 601 E. St. Mary Boulevard on the campus of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. Go online for sponsorships or tickets at: [Pauline.org/LAFconcert](http://Pauline.org/LAFconcert) or call 504-887-7631.

**Tolton From Slave to Priest** *Tolton* tells the incredible true story of Father Augustus Tolton, the first African American Catholic Priest. Born into slavery near the beginning of the Civil War and rejected by every seminary in the United States, Fr. Tolton is remarkable not only for his courage and perseverance, but for his humility and intense love for souls. Actor Andrae Goodnight brings this extraordinary priest to life in a stirring one-man live drama. Through the performance, audiences enter into Fr. Tolton's world and experience his message of reconciliation and hope, as poignant and relevant today as it was during his lifetime. It will be held **December 6th & 7th** at St. Pius Elementary School Auditorium, Lafayette. Showing begins at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$25.00.

**Thought of the Week** "Every gift I acknowledge reveals another and another until, finally, even the most normal, obvious, and seemingly mundane event ...proves to be filled with grace." *Henri Nouwen*

*"A priest is not a priest for himself, he is a priest for you." - Cure' of Ars*  
**Please Pray for Our Priest:**  
Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI  
Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel  
Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell  
Rev. Ryszard Kalinowski, SVD  
Rev. Darrell Kelly, SVD  
Rev. Steven Kimmons, SJ  
Rev. Andrew Kirschman, SJ

**40 Hours Devotion** "The priests of the Diocese of Lafayette invite you to join them in a 40 Hours Devotion at Our Lady of Fatima in Lafayette. This popular devotion involves 40 hours of Eucharistic Adoration, and will be staffed by priests. It will begin with Holy Mass at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday (Fr. Russo), **December 6th** and will conclude with Holy Mass at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, **December 8th** (Fr. Champagne, CJC). This devotion is being offered for the reparation of sins committed by priests. Feel free to drop in at any time during this period for quiet prayer in the presence of our Eucharistic Lord. Please join us in praying for our Church and the sanctification of the clergy."

**Food For The Journey** A monthly lunchtime speaker series will be held on Tuesday, **December 11th** with Rev. Floyd Calais as the speaker. Held at River Oaks Catering, 520 Kaliste Saloom Road, beginning at 12:00 noon. An optional buffet is available for purchase beginning at 11:30 a.m. Pre-registration is not required. Call Danielle Huval at 232-1322 for more information.

**Centennial Mass** The closing Mass for the Centennial Year of our Diocese will be **December 12th** at the Cajundome Convention Center at 6:00 p.m. Our Diocese and the wonderful people of our diocese and how God poured forth His Love and guidance upon us in these last 100 Years will be the focus—A Century of Love. Along with Mass, there will be a Historical Display before and after the Mass as well as a presentation of the many people and cultures of our Diocese. The doors will open at 4:30 because there will be much to be a part of and see. All Catholics throughout our whole Diocese are invited and encouraged to attend.

**Liturgical Ministers December 7th, 8th & 9th, 2018**  
**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.

**Friday, December 7th, 6:00 p.m. (Immaculate Conception Anticipated Mass)**  
**Sacristan:** Natalie Hidalgo  
**Lectors:** Natalie Hidalgo, Velma Cheramie  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Dina Segura, Lisa LeBlanc, Kim Sonnier, Ouida Roy, Pam Begnaud, Wayne Begnaud, Macy Toups  
**Altar Servers:** Cooper Poff, Noah Poff

**Saturday, December 8th, 8:30 a.m. (Immaculate Conception Mass)**  
**Sacristan:** Cyndi Miller  
**Lectors:** Cyndi Miller, C. J. Miller  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Deacon Keith Duhon, Brandi Badeaux, Becky Prejean  
**Altar Servers:** Mollie Boudreaux, Ali Boudreaux

**Saturday, December 8th, 4:00 p.m.**  
**Sacristan:** Linda Desormeaux  
**Lectors:** Chenell Privat, Linda Desormeaux  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Deacon Keith Duhon, Ricky Broussard, Anna Bernard  
**Altar Servers:** Tucker Styles, Abigail Stacks

**Sunday, December 9th, 8:00 a.m.**  
**Sacristan:** Doug & Sue Duhon  
**Lectors:** Trish Marullo, Toddy Guidry  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Mable Chaisson, Doug Duhon, Sue Duhon, Deidre Toups, Emily Landry, Ryan Ward, Donna Pitre  
**Altar Servers:** Emma Begnaud, Karly Segura

**Sunday, December 9th, 10:30 a.m.**  
**Sacristan:** Dan Guidry  
**Lectors:** Randy Blanchard, Dina Segura  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Deacon Keith Duhon, Stacey Frederick, Paige Gary, Suzie Trappey, Earline Blanchard, Gerard Labat, Dan Guidry  
**Altar Servers:** Elizabeth Roy, Graham Snodgrass

**Sunday, December 9th, 5:00 p.m.**  
**Sacristan:** Mary Landry  
**Lectors:** Velma Cheramie, Dennis Dumas  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Mary Landry, Bubba LaFleur, Jerry Besson, Kristie Besson, Kenny Darbonne, Renee Darbonne, Debbie Dumas  
**Altar Servers:** Randal Greene, Meghan Tavares

