

SAINT JOSEPH

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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JANUARY 21, 2018 - THIRD 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*
 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



3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"So they left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed him." What did Zebedee think about all of this? His sons and his partners, James and John, suddenly left their post and followed Jesus. So there he stood in the boat with a crew of employees, but not one of his sons. We can't help but wonder whether Zebedee was in favor of this promise that his heirs would become "fishers of men." Most likely, this event was the cause of some familial tension.

Throughout the Gospels, Jesus instructs us to love and serve others for the love of God. But the Lord also makes it clear that our devotion to him is meant to trump our devotion to anything-or anyone-else. For our part, we are called to allow this divine allegiance to exist in those we love, even when it means a sacrifice for us as well. Parents for example, like Zebedee, are called to encourage their children to follow the Lord's call. A son or daughter's vocation to religious life certainly exemplifies this kind of sacrifice for a parent who might have had a different plan in mind. But in truth every son and daughter has a vocation from God and parents have the opportunity to support and assist their children as they seek to hear and follow God's special plan for their lives.

We don't know for sure how Zebedee responded to the vocation of his sons, but we know that James and John were counted among the Twelve Apostles and that their devotion and dedication helped to spread the Gospel to the ends of the earth. Regardless of what he might have thought as he stood in that boat, we can be quite sure that looking back now, Zebedee can rejoice heartily in the choice of his sons to leave their nets and follow Christ.

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 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 Mary Belle Broussard
- Enola G. Bernard Kathleen Blanco Raywood Decou

Our Gift Back to God

Offertory	\$10,290.57
Mailed/Dropped in Office	+ 670.00
Total January 14th	\$10,960.57
Weekly Goal	\$12,000.00
Plus/Minus Our Goal	(1,039.43)

Thank You!

Next Week's Second Collection
Latin America

There is a certain urgency in today's Gospel as Jesus calls His first disciples - Andrew and Simon, James and John. Each one follows Jesus *immediately*, unhesitatingly abandoning nets and boats and father and fellow-workers. To what is Jesus calling me—at *this* moment, in *these* circumstances? What will I need to abandon in order to follow Him?

As he passed by the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting their nets into the sea; they were fishermen. Jesus said to them, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." - Mk 1:16-17

Mass Intention

Weekend of January 20th & 21st, 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)

Clifford "Bud" Broussard & Family, Clifford J. Viator & Family (Wedding Anniv.), Etienne & Leona Clark (His Birthday), Curtis J. Decou & Family (Anniv.), Douglas & Lula Lantier Duhon, Sr. (His Anniv.), Harold & Gloria Simon (His Anniv.), Dr. Robert Pavy, Pam McDonald, Lewis & Maude Picard, Zachary Tucker, Samuel & Lou Ella Blanchard, Zachary Esters

Weekday Masses

- Monday 22 Ronald LeBlanc, Sr. (Anniversary)
- Tuesday 23 George & Beatrice Stelly Stout (Anniversary of Marriage), First Responders & Those Serving in our Armed Forces
- Wednesday 24 Sick of the Community
- Thursday 25 Rev. Jean Marie Jammes, Emily S. Smith
- Friday 26 Vocations to the Priesthood

Sanctuary Candle

Curtis J. Decou & Family (Anniversary)





Baby Bottle Campaign Please return your baby bottle with your donation inside to the church gathering area or to St. Joseph Parish Office (208 E. Edith Road). Thank you for your generosity in to this campaign.

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

2017 Contribution Statements If you are in need of a 2017 Contribution Statement, please call the office at 856-5997.

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

Centennial News: Taking a Pro-Life Stand - The U. S. Supreme Court legalized abortion in the infamous Roe v. Wade decision on January 22, 1973. In a short span of days, 105 Lafayette Physicians, led by Dr. Zerben Biennu and others, wrote and signed a resolution stating their opposition to abortion and their resolve to preserve human life. Their advertisement read in part: "We maintain that life DOES exist before birth. As physicians, we intend to fulfill our commitment to preserve that life." The Diocese of Lafayette continues to respect, protect, and serve life from conception to natural death.

Centennial Indulgence an indulgence granted by Pope Francis can be gained throughout this Centennial Year by all who visit the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist and pray the Centennial Prayer (with the usual conditions for an indulgence). Please see the Diocesan Webpage for more information.

Events This Week
Mon. (22nd): 3rd, 4th & 5th CCD
 RCIA 7:00 p.m.
Tues. (23rd): Choir Practice 6:30 p.m.
Wed. (24th): 1st & 2nd CCD
Thurs. (25th): Knights of Columbus Meeting 6:30 p.m.
 Life Center
Fri. (26th): Parish Office Closed
Sat. (27th): No Events Scheduled
Sun. (28th): 9th, 10th & 11th Grade CCD



Pancake Breakfast

St. Jo 5k Jog/Walk 2018 Our annual one mile run/walk and 5K jog will be held on Saturday, **March 10th**. Registration and Sponsor Forms will be online soon. Any business or persons interested in contributing items for door prizes can drop these off at the Rectory. If you would like to volunteer to help with this event call the rectory at 856-5997. Come and cheer on Milton's best. Walkers and strollers are welcome to participate. We will have a DJ, pancake and sausage breakfast (following the race), and door prizes. The one mile run/walk begins at 9:00 a.m. followed by the 5K at 9:30 a.m.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26 [25a]/Mk 3:22-30
 Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 [8]/Mk 3:31-35
 Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30 [29a]/Mk 4:1-20
 Thursday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Mk 16:15-18
 Friday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10 [3]/Mk 4:26-34
 Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [12a]/Mk 4:35-41

Next Sunday's Readings

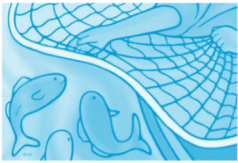
Deuteronomy 18:15-20
 Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9
 1 Corinthians 7:32-35
 Mark 1:21-28



Steubenville South Christian Conference Registration is now open for the Steubenville South Christian Conference on **June 22nd, 23rd, & 24th, 2018**. A down payment of \$35.00 will hold your spot. All youth who would like to attend should contact Eva Green at 856-0800.

Word of Life "When a woman is facing a difficult pregnancy, the reaction of the first person she tells tends to set the tone for her decision-making. How do we respond in a loving way that is life-affirming for both her and her baby?" Find out in "What to Do When a Friend is Considering Abortion: www.bit.ly/friend-considering-abortion. May God grant them the humility, wisdom, and courage to defend all human life.





VITA (Volunteer Instructors Teaching Adults) Tutor Training Workshop Thursday, **January 25th** and Thursday, **February 1st**, 5:00-7:30 p.m. Please note that session 1 is a prerequisite for session 2. Tutors provide one-to-one instruction to adults who want to improve their reading, writing, English, and math skills. You can help someone change their life! VITA, 905 Jefferson Street, Suite 404, Lafayette. Call 234-4600 for more information or to register.

Victims of Violence Mass All are invited to participate in the Diocese of Lafayette's annual Victims of Violence Mass, which will be hosted by the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist on Sunday, **February 4th** at 2:00 p.m. A reception will immediately follow the Mass.

Steps to Heaven is a non-profit organization which provides families with burial remembrances (burial gowns, pocket blankets, keepsake pillows, and stone angels) free of charge to those who have experienced the loss of an infant through miscarriage, still birth, or infant death. If interested you can donate your wedding dress which will be used to create the gowns. Please call Phyllis Berberich at 654-1781 for more information.



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

Please Pray for Our Priest:

Rev. William Massie
 Rev. Kenneth Mayne
 Rev. Louis McCabe, SJ
 Rev. Garrett McIntyre
 Rev. Bert Mead, SJ
 Rev. Glenn Meaux, SOLT
 Rev. Aaron Melancon

A Day of Prayer and Reflection for Women of Faith

Saturday, **February 17th**, 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Held at St. Pius X School Theater, 201 E. Bayou Parkway. Sponsored by the Theresians of Roses of Acadiana District. Deadline for early registration will be February 5th. Retreat Fees: Advance \$25, at the door \$30, UL Students \$15.00 (fees include light breakfast and lunch). Make checks payable to Theresians Roses of Acadiana District. Please visit www.acadianatheresians.com for more information.

Thought of the week The more our soul is peaceful and tranquil, the more God is reflected in it...the more His Grace acts through us. Jacques Philippe

Please Pray for Seminarians
January

Andrew Furka
 David Furka
 Jace Gyles
 Jonathan Harris
 Nicholas Hebert
 Sal Istre
 Luke Johnson
 Andrew Killeen
 Luke Kirk
 Hayden Lacour
 Joshua LaFleur
 Alex Lancon
 Rev. Mr. Corey LaVergne
 Cade LeBlanc
 Calvin LeMaire
 Seth Lemaire
 Joseph Marcantel
 Riley Maturin
 Scott Mitchell
 Rev. Mr. Stephen Pellessier
 Rev. Mr. Ben Pitre
 Connor Poirrier
 Rev. Mr. Andrew Schumacher
 Rev. Mr. Brent Smith
 Michael Vidrine
 Nicholas Ware
 Rev. Mr. Kyle White
 Rev. Kevin Bordelon, Director of Seminarians
 Rev. Patrick Broussard, Director of Vocations
 Parents, Benefactors and Seminary Faculty of Seminarians
 Reed Bellingham

Liturgical Ministers January 27th & 28th, 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.

Saturday, January 27th, 4:00 p.m.

Sacristan: Linda Desormeaux
Lectors: Linda Desormeaux, Wally Broussard
Eucharistic Ministers: Eadie Slimbach, Sylvia Broussard, Ricky Broussard
Altar Servers: Sarah Styles, Tucker Styles, Graham Verret

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

Sacristan: Robert & Angie Landry
Lectors: Robert Cole, Judy Cole
Eucharistic Ministers: John Landry, Paula Landry, Robert Landry, Angie Landry, Mary Adams, Mable Chaisson, Gwen Miller
Altar Servers: Karly Segura, Emma Begnaud, Emily Landry

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

Sacristan: Dan Guidry
Lectors: Pam Burley, Mary Ann Hebert
Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Keith Duhon, Kim Sonnier, Paige Gary, Earline Blanchard, Randy Blanchard, Vicki Jacques, Dan Guidry
Altar Servers: Jaylon Etienne, Javon Etienne, Jayden Etienne

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

Sacristan: Natalie Hidalgo
Lectors: Emilie Boudreaux, Velma Cheramie
Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Keith Duhon, Darlene Russell, Natalie Russell, Ruby Boudreaux, Natalie Hidalgo, Paul Guillot, Michelle Guillot
Altar Servers: Tyler Boudreaux, Konner Benoit