



# SAINT JOSEPH

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## SEPTEMBER 15, 2019 - TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### PARISH MINISTERS

Rev. William Schambough .....*Pastor*  
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 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



**24th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

"Tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to listen to Jesus, but the Pharisees and scribes began to complain?" In this Sunday's Gospel, we learn the context for the forthcoming parables about the lost and found. A great mixed crowd surrounds Jesus. The religious elite are present, along with all manner of local lowlifes. The Pharisees seem a bit upset that this wasn't the lecture series they were hoping for. Why would Jesus welcome sinners?

Jesus responds as if it's the most obvious thing in the world. "Rejoice with me because I have found my lost sheep... rejoice because I have found the coin that I lost. Let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine... was lost, and has been found!" Each of the parables features a dramatic example. Of 99 sheep, one has gone astray. Of 10 coins, one has gone missing. The welcomed son has previously been a covetous scoundrel. Jesus' point to the Pharisees is clear. If the Gospel really is "good news," if our faith really has the power to save, why wouldn't we want everyone drawing near? Why wouldn't we do everything in our power to eke out that possibility for every single person, no matter where they have wandered? After all, if this message is not of value to everyone, why is it of value to anyone?

Our Christian faith is not a matter of rule adherence for the perfectionist elite. In our own ways, each of us is the lost sheep, the prodigal son. There is no one who "has no need of repentance." The Church is a mixed crowd. And we are mixed people. And the Gospel has good news for each of us today! There is no one Jesus doesn't go after, no one he does not catch sight of "while... still a long way off," no one to whom he does not run to embrace and welcome home.

***Please Pray For The Sick***

- Norval Knapp Brennen Albert Joe Daigle
- Susan Vincent Gunner Breaux Wilmer Landry
- Joyce Comeaux James Benoit Diane Johnson
- Dolores Benoit Kathryn Trahan Bobby Trahan
- Charlie Harrington Kim Vincent
- Betty Thibodeaux Rudolph Fabre Luby Landry
- Lilly Mae Romero Enola G. Bernard Bernice Breaux
- Mary Belle Broussard Mary Trahan Hunter Henry
- Virginia Lynn Burroughs Carla Randazzo

**Our Gift Back to God**

Offertory .....	\$13,629.74
Mailed/Dropped in Office .....	+ 775.00
Total September 8th	\$14,404.74
Weekly Goal .....	\$12,000.00
Plus/Minus Our Goal .....	+\$2,404.74
Catholic University .....	\$ 1,739.77
September 1st Collection .....	\$11,005.55

**Thank You!**

We can hear God speaking to us today in the words of the father to his elder son: "You are with me always, and everything I have is yours." What is my response to such a remarkable generosity? Do I give joyfully and generously as God gives to me?

"Rejoice with me because I have found my lost sheep.' I tell you, in just the same way there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance." - Lk 15:6c-7

***Mass Intention***

**Weekend of September 14th & 15th, 2019**  
**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)**

Preston Venable, Tanya Wilson (40th Birthday), Jacob Theriot, Anna Mae Hebert Bourque, Evelyn B. Landry, Eugene Broussard, Wilda & Louis Theo Bares, Ryan Viator, Eustis & Beulah Toups, Joyce & Pressley Maturin, M/M Alton Broussard, Zachary Esters, Zachary Hebert, Ryan Rabalais, Willis & Geri Morvant, Percy & Ophelia Rabalais, Bradley J. Demette, Etienne & Leona Clark

***Weekday Masses***

- Monday 16 Vocations to the Priesthood
- Tuesday 17 First Responders and Those Serving in Our Armed Forces
- Wednesday 18 Sick of the Parish
- Thursday 19 Elais L. DuBois (Anniversary)
- Friday 20 Jeffrey & Nola Broussard (Their Wedding Anniversary & His Birthday)

***Sanctuary Candle***

Previous Bishops





**A Parent/Student Orientation for Confirmation** will be held on Sunday, **September 22nd** (first day of class) following the 5:00 p.m. Mass.

### Religious Ed Start Dates

6th, 7th & 8th - Sept. 15, 2019

11th Grade - Sept. 22, 2019

All other grades have already begun

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

### Events This Week

**Mon. (16th):** 3rd, 4th & 5th CCD  
**Tues. (17th):** Rosary Making  
 1:00 p.m. (Church)  
 Choir Practice  
**Wed. (18th):** 1st & 2nd Grade CCD  
 Ladies Enrichment  
 Bible Study (Life Center)  
 9:30-11:00 a.m.  
**Thurs. (19th):** No Events Scheduled  
**Fri. (20th):** Adoration 5:30 p.m. -  
 7:00 p.m.  
 Parish Office Closed  
**Sat. (21st):** No Events Scheduled  
**Sun. (22nd):** Lourdes Blood Drive  
 8:00 a.m.-12:00 Noon  
 9th & 10th Grade CCD  
 11th Grade Student/  
 Parent Meeting

**The STM Band** will be selling catfish dinner tickets for \$10 on Sunday, **September 21st & 22nd** after all masses. The pick up date for the dinners is on Saturday, October 19th at Saint Thomas More High School. Thank you for your support.



**Word of Life** “Throughout salvation history, God has welcomed repentant sinners with special joy. Jesus concludes the parable of the lost sheep with these words: ‘there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance’ (Lk 15:7).” *For all whose hearts ache from participating in abortion: may they be strengthened to seek the Lord’s compassion, mercy, and healing in the Sacrament of Reconciliation..*

### St. Joseph Church Blood Drive

Please invite your family and friends to come out and donate with you on, Sunday, **September 22nd** from 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lourdes Blood Mobile will be on location here at St. Joseph. Free T-shirt to all donors.

**The Next Ladies Altar Society Rosary Group Meeting** will be held on Tuesday, **September 17th** at 9:30 a.m. at the home of Joan Morvant. Please call Frances Landry at 852-2459 for directions.

**Hospice of Acadiana** is hosting a Volunteer Orientation for new volunteers on Saturday, **September 28th**, from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at 2600 Johnston Street. Participants will learn about the organization, how Hospice of Acadiana serves terminal patients, and the different roles the volunteer plays within the organization. Patient care will be the focus of the session but all of our programs will be discussed. For more information or to sign up, please contact Fawn Hernandez at 232-1234 or [fhernandez@hospiceacadiana.com](mailto:fhernandez@hospiceacadiana.com).

**The St. Joseph Ladies Enrichment Group** will visit the St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church Christian Service Center on Thursday, **October 3rd** at 10:00 a.m. We will leave the St. Joseph Church parking lot at 9:30 a.m. to travel to Abbeville. Fr. Schambough will accompany the group. The Christian Service Center is a non-profit organization which provides assistance to families in Vermillion Parish who are in crisis situations. Mr. Marcello Davis will provide a tour of the center and talk about the ministry of the CSC. All ladies of the Parish are invited to attend. Please call the parish office at 856-5997 if interested.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 28:2, 7, 8-9 [6]/Lk 7:1-10  
 Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13/Ps 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6 [2]/Lk 7:11-17  
 Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 7:31-35  
 Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16/Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10 [2]/Lk 7:36-50  
 Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/Lk 8:1-3  
 Saturday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Mt 9:9-13

### Next Sunday’s Readings

Amos 8:4-7  
 Psalm 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8  
 1 Timothy 2:1-8  
 Luke 16:1-13 or 16:10-13



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

**Please Pray for Our Priest:**  
 Rev. Bert Mead, SJ  
 Rev. Glenn Meaux, SOLT  
 Rev. Aaron Melancon  
 Rev. Bill John Melancon  
 Rev. Andrea Metrejean  
 Rev. Msgr. Paul Metrejean  
 Rev. Mark Miley

**Grieving Fathers Retreat** Red Bird Ministries is offering an overnight weekend retreat at The Lodge in Butte La Rose (1031 La Salle St., Breaux Bridge) for grieving fathers to experience hope, healing, and fellowship. Follow Me, will be held on Friday, **September 20th-September 22nd**. Check in will be held on Friday from 5:30-7:00 p.m. Retreat concludes on Sunday at 11:00 a.m. Men who have experienced any form of child loss are invited (including miscarriage, still birth, and the loss of an infant, child, adolescent, or adult child). Early registration \$125 by 8/15. Late Registration \$150 by 9/8. Register now at [redbird.love/dadsretreat](http://redbird.love/dadsretreat).

**A Day of Prayer for Women struggling with Infertility** So often women carrying the cross of infertility carry it in silence and alone. Join us for a Women’s Day of Prayer and Reflection for women of faith struggling with infertility. The date is **October 5th** from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., so mark your calendars and invite others! More information coming soon! Contact [itiswellcommunity@gmail.com](mailto:itiswellcommunity@gmail.com) with any questions.

**Thought of the Week** He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep, to gain what he cannot lose.

**Thank our Advertiser of the WEEK**

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**St. Landry Cemetery Tours** “Founders of Our Past” is the theme of the St. Landry Church Cemetery Tours held in Opelousas. The dates of the tours are **October 12th, 13th, 19th & 20th** with Saturday tours at 6, 6:30, 7, 7:30 & 8 p.m. and Sunday tours at 2 & 3 p.m. Travel back in time to a place where the voices from our past will give you a reflection of times gone by. 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.

**Adult Cancer Survivors: Register for 2019 Camp Bluebird** All adult cancer survivors are invited for this three day, two night retreat held at the Wesley Center in Woodworth, LA on **November 8th-10th**. A “survivor” is considered anyone living with a history of cancer-from the moment of diagnosis through the remainder of life. Campers do not need to be a patient of Our Lady of Lourdes. For more information about Camp and/or registration, contact Kristy Thomasse, RN, OCN, Camp Director, at 470-2696.

**“Come to the Well” Grief Retreat** Today’s fast paced society provides little time, space or support for those who have suffered loss. “Come to the Well” is a day of hope and restoration for anyone who has suffered the loss of a loved one: parents, children, siblings, spouses, etc. It will be held on Saturday, **November 9th** at the Immaculata Center. The cost is \$35 per person (includes lunch). Registration due November 1st. Call 261-5607 to register.

**Liturgical Ministers September 21st & 22nd, 2019**  
**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, September 21st, 4:00 p.m.**  
**Sacristan:** Cyndi Miller  
**Lectors:** Cyndi Miller, Dan LaPointe  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Eadie Slimbach, Gene Mouton, Ashton Mouton  
**Altar Servers:** Graham Verret, Tucker Styles

**Sunday, September 22nd, 8:00 a.m.**  
**Sacristan:** Morgan & Curlis Savoy  
**Lectors:** Toddy Guidry, Shannon Phillips  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Henri Quereau, Morgan Savoy, Curlis Savoy, Lacy Quereau, Deidre Toups, Janice Bourque, Gwen Miller  
**Altar Servers:** Emma Begnaud, Karly Segura

**Sunday, September 22nd, 10:30 a.m.**  
**Sacristan:** Leslie Breaux  
**Lectors:** Leslie Breaux, Randy Blanchard  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Deacon Keith Duhon, Kim Sonnier, Chrissy Smith Joan Morvant, Earline Blanchard, Vickie Jacques, Gerard Labat  
**Altar Servers:** Jaylon Etienne, Javon Etienne, Jayden Etienne

**Sunday, September 22nd, 5:00 p.m.**  
**Sacristan:** Natalie Hidalgo  
**Lectors:** Velma Cheramie, James Blanchard  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Deacon Keith Duhon, Paul Guillot, Angelle Blanchard, Natalie Hidalgo, Sara Blady, Sarah Gary  
**Altar Servers:** Alyssa Blanchard, Konnor Benoit