

# Saint Joseph Catholic Church

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## **MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday Vigil Mass — 4:00 p.m.

Sunday — 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. [Temporary]

Monday and Friday — 6:45 a.m. at Our Lady of Victory

Wednesday— 6:45 a.m. at Saint Joseph

Tuesday and Thursday — 5:30 p.m. at Saint Joseph

First Saturday — 8:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Victory

## SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Every Saturday from 3:00 p.m. to 3:40 p.m. and one-half hour before all weekday Masses, or by appointment during office hours.

### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday through Thursday — 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

If possible please conduct parish business by phone or email.

## RECEPTIONIST/BOOKKEEPER/CEMETERIAN

Mrs. Gail Borel — gail.borel@stjosephparishonline.org

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Mrs. Sherry Hebert — sherry.hebert@stjosephparishonline.org

## **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

The Adoration Chapel is closed until further notice. The Main Church is open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday for your convenience.

## **FUNERALS**

A Funeral Service in church without Mass will be celebrated along with a graveside service at the cemetery.

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism will be celebrated with godparents and immediate family only. Those with compromised immune systems should not attend. Families may opt to delay the baptism until the whole family can gather in celebration. In the case of an emergency Baptism is always permissible.

## SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Weddings are to be celebrated according to the Rite for celebrating marriage outside of Mass with immediate family only. Engaged couples may wish to consider rescheduling their weddings, if possible.

## SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

"Anointing of the Sick will remain available as needed by the faithful."



May Your grace, O Lord, we pray, at all times go before us and follow after and make us always determined to carry out good works.



## YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

DIOCESE OF LAFAYETTE

ADORE.

OBEY.

SERVE.

## Please pray for our parish family members who are sick:

We invite you to submit the names of people who are in need of our prayers.



Lisa Adcock, Kendall Romero, Troy Barras, Kelly Ransonet, Jessica Scott, Mary Smith, Brian Thibodeaux, Jackie Savoy, Barry Thibodeaux, Doris "Boutte" Barras, Michele Dugas Burke, Paul Crochet, Craig Breaux, Helen Simon, Ross Rouly, Jamie Brady, Holly LeBlanc, Faye Gary, Tony Berard, Glenn Romero, Stuart Sandoz, Duffy Domingue, Eric Clements, David Louviere, Hayden Ransonet, Trevor Louviere, Vanessa Courville, Wayne Louviere, Austin Willett, Willey Poirrier, Inez Barras, Helen Bastian, Butch and Debbie White, Guy Thibodeaux, Lydia May,

Louis "CoCo" Landry Jr., Jerry Fruge, Jimmy Clifton, Rowena Borel, Megan Scully, Maxine Latiolais, Dawn Derouen, Falyn Sonnier, Rickey Sonnier, Caline Provost, Patricia Freyou, Lecia Broussard, Jason Walker, Michael Theriot, Roshondra Nora, Noah Abraham, Jimmy LeBlanc, Chad Borel, Sophie Bonin, Ashley Hebert, Stephen Dugas, Bonnie Hebert, Jon-Luke Lancon, Jade Delcambre, Gail Louviere, Pat Villermin., Ira Bourque, Hailey Thomassee, Lon Prioux, Francis Crochet, Brennan Wingfield, Danny Latiolais, Lawrence Albert, Lloyd Dugas.

Please note that our office will purge the names on our sick list every quarter. We ask anyone who lists someone's name to please call the parish office to add or remove a name.

October 4, 2020	
Regular Sunday Offering Envelopes	\$ 4,680.00
Regular Sunday Offering Loose	\$ 3,891.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 7,385.00
Regular Collection Total	\$ 8,571.00
Difference	+ \$ 1,186.00
Present Loan Balance	\$ 299,805.58
Donation Against Loan Balance	\$ 70.00
Insurance Balance 2020-2021	\$ 32,468.98
Insurance Collection	\$ 363.00

of 1314 families used collection envelopes (% participation). of 1314 families attended Mass this weekend (% attendance).

Thanks to those who practice Sacrificial Giving and give of their time, talent and treasure as an act of profound Christian stewardship.

## The Sanctuary Lamp is burning for

Bob Thibodeaux, Claude and Nola Dugas

### The Vocation Chalice is in Church

Please pray for vocations. If you would like to have the vocation chalice in your home please call the rectory office at 229-4254

Flowers on the Altar in memory of Deceased Parishioners of Saint Joseph Church

The Bi-Monthly Statue is in the home of Parishioners

The Weekly Statue is in the home of Parishioners

## Saint Joseph Altar Candles are burning for

Delcambre and Breaux Families, Jon-Luke Lancon
Deyna Champagne and Chad Romero
Landry and Champagne Families
Ancestors and Descendants and Souls in Purgatory
Pope, Priests, Religious
Protection from and end to Corona Virus
Charlene Stanley and Ethan Kyle Arnold (Special Intention)
Charles and Jackie Poirrier Family

Recovery
In Thanksgiving
Peaceful Death
Safety from Storm

# Please pray for our priests, seminarians, deacons and religious

Eternal Father, we lift up to You these special sons and daughters. Sanctify them. Heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness of Your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.

October 11	Rev. Nathan Comeaux/Nicholas Ware	
	Dcn. David Chambers/Sr. Rita Lanie, FMOL	
October 12	Rev. Gregory Cormier/Cole Zaunbrecher	
	Dcn. Ronald Chauvin/Sr. Uyen Vu, FMOL	
October 13	Rev. Msgr. Douglas Courville, JCL/Pier Zeringue	
	Dcn. Jerome Collins/Sr. Ann Louise Arno, MSC	
October 14	Rev. Randy Courville/Dylan Allen	
	Dcn. Adam Conque/Sr. Lurlie Boudoin, MSC	
October 15	Rev. Robert Courville/Reed Bellingham	
	Dcn. Frank Cormier/Sr. Eileen Brosnahan, MSC	
October 16	Rev. Angelo Cremaldi/Haden Coleman	
	Dcn. Mike Crain/Sr. Magdalen Broussard, MSC	
October 17	Rev. Barry Crochet/Myles Creek	
	Dcn. Harry Darce/Sr. Elvira Brown, MSC	

## Mass Intentions — 10/10 — 10/16

Saturday 4:00 p.m. — Sam T. Napoli, Jr., Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants and Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious, Protection from and end to Corona Virus, Avmar "Poon" and Beulah Dugas, Ide Dugas Family, Alexis Laviolette Family, Wayne LeBlanc, Lily Mae and Alvin LeBlanc, Otto Sr. and Laurence Girouard, Terradot Family, Theresa Girouard Allen, Chad Romero, Deyna Champagne, Audrey Crochet, Jordan Prince and Special Intention, Barry Eldridge and Ned Broussard Families, Melvin Dugas, Roy Sr. and Gladys Berard, Forbus and Myrtle Mestayer Sr., Granger and Mestayer Family, Ronald, Sr. and Mildred Gonsoulin, Leed and Mabel Gondron, Fred Laviolette, Louis and Grace Moran, Virginia Frioux, Lennet and Marie Antoinette Crochet, Clenie and Eve Segura and Billie, Sally Domingue, Cabrol and Domingue Family, Martha Escagne Rodriguez, Lloyd Broussard, Claude and Felicie Granger, Nancy Broussard, Clarence and Hilda Landry, Billie and Armance Barrilleaux, Kay Dooley and William and Dolores Dooley, Earl Mestayer, Kim Decuir, Chris and Annie Decuir Family, Benjamin Decuir Family, Ron and Jana Angelle Family, Michael Decuir Family, Ossie Romero, Jr., Doris Prados, Granger and Louviere Families, Deborah Hinebaugh-Hayeck, Ronald Albert, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Peltier, Sr., Walter and Doris M. Judice, Gloria and Sam Delcambre and Family, Justin Boudreaux, Elton Bourque Family, Philip Hebert Family, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, Rev. Kendall Faulk, Deacon Jay Bergeron, Archbishop Harry Flynn, Sue Crochet. Sunday 8:00 a.m. — In Thanksgiving to

St. Anthony, John Michael Steiner, Jay Gonsoulin Family, Paul Sonnier Family and Clyde Warfel Family, Loto and Leah Louviere, Antoine "Boy" LeBlanc Family, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Albert Sr., Champagne and Landry Families Ancestors and Descendants and Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious, Protection from and end to Corona Virus, Maude Granger, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Granger, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Granger, Dr. Raymond Schneider, Elaine Schneider, Skip Schneider, Lolly Harbin, Breaux and Delcambre Families, Lenwood Delcambre, Emus Borel, Gwen Borel, Chataignier Family, Joe and Rita Habetz, Mary Kay Habetz, Tom Voorhies, Oris Cormier, Lovell Romero, Charles Chataignier, S.J. "Bute" Granger, Junius and Mary Hebert, Catherine Defelice and Tracey Defelice Guilbeau, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, Rev. Kendall Faulk, Deacon Jay Bergeron, Archbishop Harry Flynn, Sue Crochet, In Thanksgiving.

10:00 a.m. — Lovell Romero, Doris Prados, Antoine Judice Family, Mike Judice and Suzette Judice, Rusty Ruiz, Alvin and Faye Tauzin, Edmonia Tauzin, Marcel and Nadage Broussard, Jimmy Eldridge, Elaine Plessala and Eldridge Family, Cheryl Segura, Pliny Walet Family, Agnes Breaux, Louis and Elbay Judice, Boots Thomas, Joe Boudreaux and Justin Boudreaux, Katie Boutte, Sandra Angelle and Glenn Angelle, Granger Family, Alvaro Jimenez, Robert Lawrence, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, Rev. Kendall Faulk, Deacon Jay Bergeron, Archbishop Harry Flynn, Sue Crochet.

Monday 6:45 a.m. OLV — Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants and Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious, Protection from and end to Corona Virus, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, Rev. Kendall Faulk, Deacon Jay Bergeron, Archbishop Harry Flynn, Sue Crochet.

Tuesday 5:30 p.m. StJo — Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants and Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious, Protection from and end to Corona Virus, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, Rev. Kendall Faulk, Deacon Jay Bergeron, Rev. Kendall Faulk, Archbishop Harry Flynn, Sue Crochet.

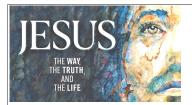
Wednesday 6:45 a.m. StJo — Andrew Bonin, Jr., John Michael Steiner, Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants and Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious, Protection from and end to Corona Virus, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, Rev. Kendall Faulk, Deacon Jay Bergeron, Rev. Kendall Faulk, Archbishop Harry Flynn, Sue Crochet.

Thursday 5:30 p.m. StJo — Destani Armstrong and Family, Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants and Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious, Protection from and end to Corona Virus, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, Rev. Kendall Faulk, Deacon Jay Bergeron, Rev. Kendall Faulk, Archbishop Harry Flynn, Sue Crochet.

Friday 6:45 a.m. OLV — Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants and Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious, Judice and Walet Families, Protection from and end to Corona Virus, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, Rev. Kendall Faulk, Deacon Jay Bergeron, Rev. Kendall Faulk, Archbishop Harry Flynn, Sue Crochet.



# Every Thursday after the 5:30 p.m. Mass



Bible Study Resumes this Monday at 6:00 p.m. in Saint Theresa Hall

Jesus is our savior, our redeemer, our Lord, and our God. Our belief in Jesus is what makes us who we are as Catholics, as Christians, but do we really know Him as we should? Is Jesus a part of your life, or is He at the center of your life as He should be? We invite you to make Him the center of your life by joining us for this video study program that explores the entirety of Jesus' life and what He means for us as Catholics today. Participants will meet every week to view an engaging video presentation by Marcellino D'Ambrosio, Jeff Cavins, and Edward Sri, followed by a lively group discussion and fellowship. Registration is \$40 and can be paid at the rectory. We hope you can join us!



This is a call for ALL Americans to PRAY, PRAY, PRAY, that GOD'S WILL is done in this election and in this country! This 54-Day Rosary Novena is a series of 6 nine-day novenas said one right after the other. One Rosary is said each day, praying the Mysteries for that day, with the Spiritual Communion prayer after the Rosary. Our Blessed Mother said that with prayer and fasting even the laws of nature can be changed. So, please do any and all little sacrifices you can for this novena. Remember NO sacrifice is too small. It does not take heroic deeds, only small deeds done with great love! Offer them all up to God for the intentions of this Novena, and surely He will hear our prayers.

The first 27 days of three Novenas are prayed for the petition that God's Holy Will be done in this election and in this country! The second 27 days of three Novenas are prayed for the petition of

Thanksgiving to God for hearing our petition, whether or not we get the answer we desire! Always be grateful to God!

The Novena begins on Friday, September 11 and ends on Tuesday, November 3, the day of the General Election. Even if you start late, don't worry, just continue! This country needs so many prayers. If you are late, or miss a day, do not stop! Pick up on the next day. It is NOT a reason to stop just because you forgot or got too busy to pray the day before! The key to this is just keep at it!

What is also most important, is to pray with sincerity of heart, not just sounding Hail Marys and Our Fathers! Lift your heart to God Our Father, love Him, ask Him to reach down from Heaven and help us! We ALL need God, especially the President, and President-to-be.

# Please make an appointment for your house

Exorcism and Blessing Make it happen! 229-4254









## Prayer to Charlene Richard (1947-1959)

Charlene, when you were only twelve years old, you showed heroic faith, hope, and love; dying of leukemia, you joined yourself to Jesus on His Cross and offered your intense pain for others.

You thereby echoed Saint Paul's words in Colossians 1:24:

Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up

what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ on behalf of His Body, the Church.

Charlene, I believe you are with God.

Please ask our Heavenly Father,
His only Begotten Son, Jesus Christ,
and the Holy Spirit to grant me the following favor:

(mention favor sought)

Charlene, thank you for helping me. May Jesus Christ always be praised. May Mary, Jesus Ever-Virgin Mother, always be called blessed. Amen.

## **Prayer for Beatification**

Our Father in Heaven, moved by the Holy Spirit of Jesus Christ, Your Son and our Savior, we lift up our hearts to You and ask that, if it be Your will, You grant our request. May Your servant and native of Louisiana, Charlene Marie Richard, be raised to sainthood by the Holy Father, Successor of the Apostle Saint Peter, and visible head of Jesus' Church on earth. We trust this prayer to You through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of Jesus, under her title by which She is known as the Patroness of Louisiana: The Immaculate Conception. Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be

# Loving and Knowing Jesus by Fr. Robert P. Imbelli

In the foreword to the first volume of his **Jesus of Nazareth**, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI reveals the deep theological and pastoral concern that inspired his labors. Owing to certain currents in biblical studies from the 1950s on, an impression has become widely diffused that "we have little certain knowledge of Jesus and that only at a later stage did faith in His divinity shape the image we have of Him."

This theological challenge has immediate pastoral consequences. Benedict rightly discerns that this constitutes "a dramatic situation for faith, because its point of reference is being placed in doubt: Intimate friendship with Jesus, on which everything depends, is in danger of clutching at thin air."

Intimate friendship with Jesus is the heart of the matter.

Benedict had already sounded a similar theme in his first encyclical, *Dens Caritas Est.* In a much-quoted sentence, he writes: "Being Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a Person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction." Saint John's Gospel describes that event in these words: "God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should ... have eternal life." (3:16)

This "encounter" by its very nature is destined to grow into an abiding "friendship" as the Last Supper Discourse in Saint John's Gospel makes clear. "No longer do I call you servants ... but I have called you friends." (John 15:15) "Abide in me and I in you ... He who abides in me, and I in him, bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing." (John 15:4-5)

I would like to explore three dimensions of "friendship with Jesus" that may serve us as we all seek to appropriate and deepen this call to friendship with the Lord.

First is what the liturgical and theological Tradition speaks of as the "prevenient" [preceding in time or in order] love of Jesus. Friendship with Christ is not our initiative nor is it within our natural capacity. It depends utterly on the initiative of Jesus. "Love of Jesus" is, in the first instance, Jesus' love of us. Saint Paul is firm in his persuasion: "the Lord Jesus Who loved me and gave Himself for me." (Galatians 1:20)

Our love of Jesus is our grace-endowed and grateful response to His love of us even to Death, Death on a Cross. I can still remember the deep affection with which, as a youngster participating in the Stations of the Cross, I joined with many in professing: "I love you, Jesus my love, I repent of having offended You."

A second dimension of friendship with Jesus flows from this. Namely, the love of Jesus gives rise to our knowledge of Jesus. My primary knowledge of the Lord is that of His love for me. To adapt Paul: I know "the Lord Jesus Who loves me and gives Himself for me." Real, not merely notional, knowledge of Jesus is the abiding fruit of love of Jesus. And the experiential setting for this knowledge is the Church's celebration of the Eucharist where Jesus' loving self-gift is re-presented and made actual.

So our knowledge of Jesus has its genesis as an affective, interpersonal knowledge. It is the type of knowledge to which Pascal points in his famous dictum: "the heart has its reasons which reason does not comprehend." It underlies John Henry Newman's conviction that "heart speaks to heart." One may call it a "participatory knowledge," the mutual knowledge that characterizes true friendship, as friends share one another's values, views, and virtues.

Of course, here we have an absolutely unique friendship and relation: Jesus remains ever the Teacher and we the disciples; Jesus ever the Head and we the members of His Body. Thus one comes to "know" Jesus more deeply the more one is conformed to Him. "You are My friends if you do what I command you." (John 15:14) These "commands," however, are not obedience to external precepts, but adhering to a person, making one's own the vision and Mission of Jesus, abiding in His love.

Paul, apostle and mystic, brings out the depth of his identification with his Savior. "I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ Who lives in me." (Galatians 2:20) And all the great Christian spiritual masters have each, in his or her own fashion, echoed Paul's cry.

This "Christification," this being configured to Christ, begins in baptism. But the seed planted there must be nourished so that the plant may grow sturdy. And then it must be further pruned and strengthened to withstand the "wickedness and snares" of world, flesh, and devil. Its full flowering will come only when the Lord gathers His

beloved from the ends of the earth into the Kingdom of the Father.

The third dimension of our friendship with Jesus is already adumbrated [indicated] in the previous quote from Paul. As Paul and all the saints bear witness: growth in friendship with Christ entails an ever more generous embrace of His Cross. In the Letter to the Philippians Paul recounts his own experience of "cruciformity." He speaks of the life-giving loss of all he had formerly counted of worth, the prideful pomp of the "flesh:" pedigree, accomplishments, death-dealing zeal for the ego-inflating cause. All unmasked as vanity in the revelatory light of "knowing Christ Jesus my Lord." (Philippians 3:8)

Yet, at the same time, Paul humbly acknowledges not yet being "perfected" (teleios), not yet fully transformed: "But I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me His own ... forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead." (Philippians 3:12-13) Only at the end of our journey shall we finally know and love even as we are known and loved.

This conviction undergirds and continually nourishes the excruciating, transfiguring adventure of our friendship with Him Who is Savior, Lord, ever-faithful Friend.

Robert P. Imbelli, a Priest of the Archdiocese of New York, studied in Rome during the years of the Second Vatican Council. He has taught theology at Saint Joseph's Seminary, Dunwoodie, at Maryknoll School of Theology, and at Boston College. He is the author of **Rekindling the Christic Imagination: Theological Meditations on the New Evangelization**.

