## 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Saint Joseph Catholic Church

P. O. Box 365 117 South Main St. Loreauville, Louisiana 70552 (337) 229-4254 FAX (337) 229-4255 Rev. Barry F. Crochet, Pastor Rev. Godwin Nzeh CMF, Associate Pastor Deacon Christopher Doumit, Pastoral Assistant pastor@stjosephparishonline.org stjosephparishonline.org

#### 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."



October 18, 2020

Almighty ever-living God, grant that we may always conform our will to Yours and serve Your majesty in sincerity of heart.



### 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. Betty Suire.

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 11, 2020	
Regular Sunday Offering Envelopes	\$ 2,653.00
Regular Sunday Offering Loose	\$ 3,068.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 7,385.00
Regular Collection Total	\$ 5,721.00
Difference	-\$ 1,664.00
Present Loan Balance	\$ 299,695.58
Donation Against Loan Balance	\$ 110.00
Insurance Balance 2020-2021	\$ 32,448.98
Insurance Collection	\$ 20.00

-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 Mr. and Mrs. Collins Louviere and Kerney Mr. and Mrs. Will Roberts, Fred Laviolettte

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 Edmond Lancon Family

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

Mr. and Mrs. Collins Louviere and Kerney and Mr. and Mrs. Will Roberts 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

*CDA Sunday* is this Sunday, October 18. Catholic Daughter Members will be attending the 10:00 a.m. Mass. The monthly CDA meeting will be on Thursday, October 22nd at 4:00 p.m. in Saint Theresa Hall

## 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.

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October 18	Rev. Francis Damoah, SVD/Gabe Dowden	
	Dcn. Kenneth David/Sr. Jacklyn Bunch, MSC	
October 19	Rev. Hampton Davis/Rev. Mr. Casey Dugas	
	Dcn. James Davis/Sr. Margaret Rose Cano, MSC	
October 20	Rev. Msgr. Jefferson DeBlanc/John Dugas	
	Dcn. Daniel Didier/Sr. Maria Luz Cervantes, MSC	
October 21	Rev. Michael DeBlanc/Tré Fontenot	
	Dcn. Sammy Diesi/Sr. Consuelo Champagne, MSC	
October 22	Rev. Edward Degeyter/Andrew Furka	
	Dcn. Chris Doumit/Sr. Brenda Comeaux, MSC	
October 23	Rev. Michael Delcambre/David Furka	
	Dcn. Keith Duhon/Sr. Jo Ann DeLoach, MSC	
October 24	Rev. Mark Derise/Jace Gyles	
	Dcn. Kyle Faber/Sr. Mary Elizabeth Demeo, MSC	

#### Mass Intentions — 10/17 — 10/23

Saturday 4:00 p.m. - Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants and Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious, Protection from and end to Corona Virus, Aymar "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 Mestaver Sr., Granger and Mestaver 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., Kamryn Dorsey, Andrus Fontenot, Michael J Landry, Sam T. Napoli, Jr., Doris Prados, Granger and Louviere Families, Francis and Lorena Dupoy, Patrick Lasseigne, Deborah Hinebaugh-Hayeck, Warren Dupoy, Sib and John Mullican, Suzette Judice, Antoine and Marie Judice Family, Lucille Berard Romero and Calvin Berard, Gloria and Sam Delcambre and Family, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, Deacon Jay Bergeron, Rev. Kendall Faulk, Archbishop Harry Flynn, Sue Crochet. Sunday 8:00 a.m. — 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 and Warren 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, Mike Judice, Suzette Judice, Antoine and Marie Judice Family, Kelly Louviere, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, Deacon Jay Bergeron, Rev. Kendall Faulk, Archbishop Harry Flynn, Sue Crochet.

**10:00 a.m.** — Edmond Lancon Family, Dons Prados, Ann, Jerry and Bubba Thibodeaux, Mike Judice, Suzette Judice, Antoine Judice Family, Philip, Jr. and Neil Hebert, 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, Angelle 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.

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.

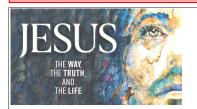
Tuesday 5:30 p.m. StJo — Kamryn Dorsey, Andrus Fontenot, Michael J Landry, Kathering Gilberg, Odile Henry Borel, Waldo Joseph Borel, Sr., Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants and Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious, Protection from and end to Corona Virus, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, Rev. Kendall Faulk, Deacon Jay Bergeron, Archbishop Harry Flynn, Sue Crochet.

Wednesday 6:45 a.m. StJo — Andrew "Tupee" 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, Archbishop Harry Flynn, Sue Crochet.

Thursday 5:30 p.m. StJo — Mr. and Mrs Collins Louviere and Kerney and Mr. and Mrs. Will Roberts, 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.

Friday 6:45 a.m. OLV — Mrs Naomi H. Bennett, Mrs. Clara Jacquet (36yr. Anniversary Mass), Mr. Edward Jacquet, 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, Archbishop Harry Flynn, Sue Crochet.

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



Bible Study 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! The 54-Day Rosary Novena

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.



#### 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

## Amy Barrett and the Intolerable by Stephen P. White

A strange ritual was conducted by the United States Senate last week. Senators took regular turns refining talking points into sound bites and cable news video clips, which will later be spliced into campaign ads and fundraising videos. The ostensible reason for this tedious rite was the vetting of a nominee for the vacant seat on the Supreme Court: Judge Amy Coney Barrett. Such confirmation hearings have become a farce.

Judge Barrett, for her part, demonstrated grace and patience, and flashes of legal brilliance, during the proceedings. If confirmed, Judge Barrett will be the sixth Catholic member of the Supreme Court. Judge Barrett's Catholic faith ... has been the subject of much discussion since she was nominated and confirmed to the Seventh Circuit back in 2017.

During those hearings, a senator infamously sneered that "the dogma lives loudly" in Amy Coney Barrett, who is the mother of seven. Barrett has been subject to a vile stream of abuse and ridicule online and from much of the press.

While the Constitution prohibits religious tests for office, the "volume" of one's religious belief still seems to matter to some. Catholics are welcome, so long as their words and actions don't proclaim certain dogmas too loudly.

The distinctiveness of Barrett's faith – and the consternation it causes among the champions of certain secular pieties – is refreshing. It also underscores the indistinctiveness of so many Catholics who hold public office.

The uncomfortable truth is that "being Catholic" in the United States no longer indicates a distinctive approach to politics. Even more concerning, from a Catholic point of view, is that "being Catholic" in America no longer indicates a distinctive set of religious practices. Indeed, the "mere" fact that someone is Catholic tells us next to nothing about the content of his or her religious beliefs.

James Joyce's line – "Catholic means 'Here comes everybody" – is a good reminder that our tribe has always been a varied and motley one, filled with sinners and saints alike. Still, the state of the Catholic belief in the United States, and thus the state of Catholic witness in public life, seems particularly degraded these days. This is one reason why "Catholic" so often comes with a modifier – liberal Catholic, conservative Catholic, JP2 Catholic, Pope Francis Catholic, Catholic in the Jesuit tradition, etc. The modifiers are needed to convey any meaningful distinction.



The necessity of such modifiers should give us pause, especially when we uncritically apply them to ourselves. Recall to mind Saint Paul's chastisement of the Corinthians for their worldly way of thinking: "Whenever someone says, I belong to Paul," and another, 'I belong to Apollos,' are you not merely human?"

It is an interesting question to ask how we have arrived at this state of affairs. One could point to other ideologies, left and right, that slowly stripped away the distinctiveness of Catholic life in this country ...

One could point to the years after the Second Vatican Council, when sacramental discipline collapsed amid social and cultural upheaval. One could blame bishops, who abdicated their responsibility to teach and govern, permitting their flocks to stray with impunity. There is probably a grain of truth in each of these explanations.

But we should be willing to acknowledge that Catholics in the United States lost our distinctiveness, not just because of something that happened to us, but because we chose to.

Elizabeth Bruenig, herself a Catholic, recently wrote about the unintended consequences of generations of Catholic striving to find a home in a Protestant America that was, for a long time, suspicious of Catholics. In short, we lost our Catholic distinctiveness because we wanted to fit in: "Perhaps Catholics have earned the right to no distinction, the privilege of blending seamlessly into the social and political landscape of the United States, the freedom of having no special moral obligations. And what a wide, barren, featureless liberty it is."

Like anyone else, we Catholics are shaped by the circumstances in which we find ourselves. For Catholics in America, that means a culture once dominated by Protestantism and largely dedicated to a political creed (liberalism) toward which the Church has long been wary. American bravado and individualism may have served early immigrants well and fueled the pioneer spirit. But these same typically American traits have proven particularly corrosive to the citizens of a superpower as affluent and technological as ours has become, especially in the years since World War II.

The effect on the Catholic faith has been corrosive, too. Call it inculturation. Call it syncretism. Call it, as Pope Francis has, the triumph of a "technocratic paradigm" which has deluded us into believing that ordering human society is about the technocratic exercise of power, when it's really about the proper ends of human existence, both natural and supernatural.

If being Catholic isn't a sign of contradiction to the worldly orthodoxies of our time, then surely, we are doing something wrong. If we see the Church as a compassionate NGO [non-governmental organization], as Pope Francis has warned, then we are proclaiming, not Christ, but a "demonic worldliness." If our Catholic faith is indistinguishable from the spirit of the age, we are like salt that has lost its flavor.

And that brings us back to the kabuki theater of the Senate confirmation hearings. The hearings are not about justice, or the nominee's qualifications, but about power: power over life, over the family, over society, over nature, and over the Church. Judge Barrett – by the priorities she embodies and, yes, the dogma she proclaims – has convinced her opponents that her confirmation would be an intolerable obstacle to their exercise of that power.

Would that more of us Catholics were so intolerable. Our country would be better for it.