

Saint Joseph Catholic Church

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LENTEN MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass — 4:00 p.m. Sunday — 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

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

Tuesday — 5:30 p.m. at Saint Joseph

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Thursday — 5:30 p.m. at Saint Joseph Friday — 6:45 a.m. at Saint Joseph and

5:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Victory

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 — 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.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 has reopened. The Main Church is also open from 7:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. 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

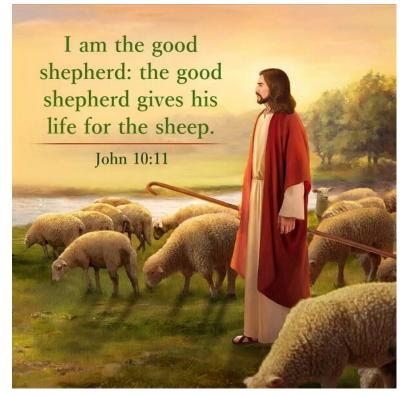
Baptism will be celebrated with godparents and immediate family only. Those with compromised immune systems should not attend. Families may opt to delay the baptism until the whole family can gather in celebration. In the case of an emergency Baptism is always permissible.

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."



Almighty ever-living God, lead us to a share in the joys of Heaven, so that the humble flock may reach where the brave Shepherd has gone before.

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.



Stuart Sandoz, Duffy Domingue, Eric Clements, David Louviere, Hayden Ransonet, Trevor Louviere, Austin Willett, Willey Poirrier, Inez Barras, Butch and Debbie White, Guy Thibodeaux, Lydia May, Louis "CoCo" Landry Jr., Jerry Fruge, Jimmy Clifton, Rowena Borel, Megan Scully, Dawn Derouen, Falyn Sonnier, Rickey Sonnier, Caline Provost, Patricia Freyou, Lecia Broussard, Jason Walker, Michael Theriot, Roshondra Nora, Noah Abraham, Jimmy LeBlanc, Chad Borel, Ashley Hebert, Stephen Dugas, Jon-Luke

Lancon, Jade Delcambre, Pat Villermin., Ira Bourque, Hailey Thomassee, Lon Prioux, Francis Crochet, Brennan Wingfield, Lawrence Albert, Betty Suire, Joe Judice, Lisa Adcock, Eric Suire, Nola Champagne, Kathleen Heitkamp, Lori Brasseaux, Jamie Brady, Lisa N. Dugas, Nona Bourque, Leroy Begnaud, Betty Champagne, Robin Wisdom, Keri Bonin Boutte, Leroy Courville, Robert, Mary and Kelly Hicks, Anna Richard, Wayne LeBlanc, Melvin Broussard, Dwight and Karen Devillier.

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.

April 18, 2021		
Regular Sunday Offering Envelopes	\$ 4,745.00	
Regular Sunday Offering Loose	\$ 2,983.00	
Weekly Budget	\$ 7,385.00	
Regular Collection Total	\$ 7,728.00	
Difference	+ \$ 343.00	
Present Loan Balance	\$ 294,591.58	
Donation Against Loan Balance	\$ 25.00	
Insurance Balance 2020-2021	\$ 27,461.00	
Insurance Collection	\$ 60.00	

Mass Intentions -4/24-5/1

Saturday 4:00 p.m. — Ronald Albert, Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants and Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious, Protection from and end to Corona Virus, Ronald Albert, 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, Harold 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, Gloria and Sam Delcambre and Family, 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, Ossie Romero, Jr., Elodie Leger Bodin, Landry and Champagne Family, ancestors and descendents and special intentions, Roy Thibodeaux, Johnny and Barbara Perez, Eula Mae Champagne, Eugene Braquet, Louto Braquet, Jr., Richard Guillotte, Vance Breaux, Sr., Walter and Doris M. Judice, Dr. John Rellus Hebert, D.D.S., John Sonnier, Jr. and Marie and John Sonnier, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Peltier, Sr., Lula Mae Broussard, Ludrick Labbe, Msgr. John NewField, Msgr. Francis Amedee, Msgr. Andrew Frey, Rev. Albert Richardson, Msgr. Richard Soseman, Alvaro Jimenez, Robert Lawrence, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, Deacon Jay Bergeron, 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, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Ransonet, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Granger, Dr. Raymond Schneider, Elaine Schneider, Skip Schneider, Lolly Harbin, Breaux and Delcambre Families, Lenwood Delcambre, Dugas, Borel and Chataignier Family, Joe and Rita Habetz, Mary Kay Habetz, Tom Voorhies, Oris Cormier, S. J. "Bute" Granger and Junius and Mary Hebert, Lovell Romero, Virginia Landry, Laurent and Camille Gondron and Vance Rodriguez, Lula Mae Broussard, Ludrick Labbe, Msgr. John NewField, Msgr. Francis Amedee, Msgr. Andrew Frey, Rev. Albert Richardson, Msgr. Richard Soseman, Alvaro Jimenez, Robert Lawrence, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, Deacon Jay Bergeron, Archbishop Harry Flynn, Sue Crochet.

10:00 a.m. — 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, Jan Bourque, Joe Boudreaux and Justin Boudreaux, Katie Boutte, Sandra Angelle and Glenn Angelle, Solari Family, Jan Bourque, S. J. "Bute" Granger and Junius and Mary Hebert, Lula Mae Broussard, Ludrick Labbe, Msgr. John NewField, Msgr. Francis Amedee, Msgr. Andrew Frey, Rev. Albert Richardson, Msgr. Richard Soseman, Alvaro Jimenez, Robert Lawrence, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, 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, Lula Mae Broussard, Ludrick Labbe, Msgr. John NewField, Msgr. Francis Amedee, Msgr. Andrew Frey, Rev. Albert Richardson, Msgr. Richard

The Sanctuary Lamp is burning for

Louto and Anite Gondron Family.

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

Deceased Parishioners.

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

Pliny Walet, Respect for Life, Charles and Jackie Poirrier Family, Special Intentions, Delcambre and Breaux Families, Jon-Luke Lancon, Deyna Champagne, Harold 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, Charles and Jackie Poirrier Family, Landry and Champagne Family, Ancestors and Descendants and Special Intentions, Mike and Liz

Thibodeaux (special intention), Glenn and Liz Delahoussaye, Mr. and Mrs. Collins Louviere and Kerney, Will and Lily Roberts Special Intention.

Soseman, Alvaro Jimenez, Robert Lawrence, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, 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, Lula Mae Broussard, Ludrick Labbe, Msgr. John NewField, Msgr. Francis Amedee, Msgr. Andrew Frey, Rev. Albert Richardson, Msgr. Richard Soseman, Alvaro Jimenez, Robert Lawrence, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, Deacon Jay Bergeron, Archbishop Harry Flynn, Sue Crochet.

Wednesday 6:45 a.m. StJo — John Michael Steiner, Landry and Champagne

Families Ancestors and Descendants and Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious, Protection from and end to Corona Virus, Mrs. Mae Olia V. Louis, Wilker Louis, King and Hartman Families, Andrew "Toupee" Bonin, Lula Mae Broussard, Ludrick Labbe, Msgr. John NewField, Msgr. Francis Amedee, Msgr. Andrew Frey, Rev. Albert Richardson, Msgr. Richard Soseman, Alvaro Jimenez, Robert Lawrence, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, Deacon Jay Bergeron, Archbishop Harry Flynn, Sue Crochet. Thursday 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, Lula Mae Broussard, Ludrick Labbe, Msgr. John NewField, Msgr. Francis Amedee, Msgr. Andrew Frey, Rev. Albert Richardson, Msgr. Richard Soseman, Alvaro Jimenez, Robert Lawrence, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps

Bergeron, 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, Protection from and end to Corona Virus, Judice and Walet Families, Lula Mae Broussard, Ludrick Labbe, Msgr. John NewField, Msgr. Francis Amedee, Msgr. Andrew Frey, Rev. Albert Richardson, Msgr. Richard Soseman, Alvaro Jimenez, Robert Lawrence, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert,

Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, Deacon Jay

First Saturday 8:00 a.m. OLV — Champagne and Landry Families Ancestors and Descendants and Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious, Protection from and end to Corona Virus, Sue Crochet.

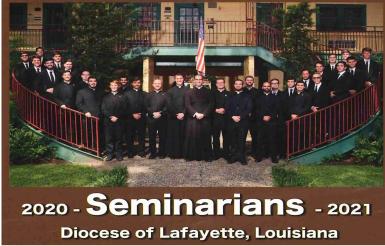
Cecile Hebert, Deacon Jay Bergeron, Archbishop Harry Flynn, Sue Crochet.

MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK			
	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
May 1 4:00 p.m.	Earl Price	Debbie Oubre	Volunteers
May 2 8:00 a.m.	Maxine Latiolais	Isela Kerne	Volunteers
10:00 a.m.	Mike Lawson	Deacon Chris	Volunteers

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.

April 25	Rev. Lawrence Abara/Reed Bellingham
	Dcn. Daniel Didier/Sr. Ann Louise Arno, MSC
April 26	Rev. Ambrose Akalawu, CSSp/Haden Coleman
	Dcn. Samuel Diesi/Sr. Lurlie Boudoin, MSC
April 27	Rev. Alexander Albert/Rev. Mr. Casey Dugas
	Dcn. Keith Duhon/Sr. Eileen Brosnahan, MSC
April 28	Rev. Thainese Alphonse/John Dugas
	Dcn. Christopher Doumit/Sr. Magdalen Broussard, MSC
April 29	Rev. Anthony Anala, SVD/Tré Fontenot
	Dcn. Kyle Faber/Sr. Elvira Brown, MSC
April 30	Rev. Rick Andrus, SVD/David Furka
	Den. Gary Gaudin/Sr. Jacklyn Bunch, MSC
May 1	Pope Francis/Rev. Patrick Broussard, Director of Seminarians
	Dcn. Shawn Gautreaux/Sr. Margaret Rose Cano, MSC



Rev. Mr. Casey Dugas
Rev. Mr. Seth Lemaire
Rev. Mr. Connor Poirrier
John Dugas
Alex Lancon
Nicholas Ware
Reed Bellingham
David Furka
Riley Maturin
Michael Vidrine
Calvin LeMaire
Jace Gyles
Myles Creek
Andrew Furka
Dylan Allen

Tre Fontenot
Bret Lee
Joseph Marcantel
Luke Kirk
Evan Hebert
Jacob LeBlanc
Stephen Melancon
Cole Zaunbrecher
Gabriel Dowden
Eric Hernandez
Pier Zeringue
Haden Coleman
James Hamilton
Caleb Henry
Brian Nguyen

We take this occasion to express our great appreciation for Saluto's Italian Cookies of Harvey, Louisiana for their gracious donation of Italian cookies for our Saint Joseph Altar of March 19. Contact information is:



Saluto's Italian Cookies 2072 Bonn St. Harvey, LA 70058 504-328-4836

salutoscookies@gmail.com salutositaliancookies.com

Please drop them a note and maybe even place an order. You will not be disappointed.

Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood

Almighty and eternal God, in Your unfailing love You provide ministers for Your Church. We pray for those whom You call to serve the Diocese of Lafayette as priests Inspire in them a generous response. Grant them courage and vision to serve Your people. May their lives and service call Your people to respond to the presence of Your Spirit among us that, faithful to the Gospel and hope of Jesus the Christ, we may: announce glad tidings to the poor proclaim liberty to captives, set prisoners free and renew the face of the earth. Amen.

Resurrection of the Dead by Randall Smith

The most common image of Jesus depicts Him on a cross. Some portray Him as He was in death, hanging lifeless; others, more iconic, portray Him on the cross, yet risen, eyes open and arms outstretched, inviting all to come to Him. Together these images attempt to capture the two-fold truth that Christ died and is risen. Both affirmations have always been at the heart of the Christian creed.

If, as Saint Paul proclaims, "Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep" (I Corinthians 15:20), then we can understand something of what is in store for us by attending closely to what Christ has revealed in His Death and Resurrection. One thing that should be clear right away is that the Christian promise of eternal life is not the same as the transhumanist goal of immortality. It is not a promise that Christians will never die

In John's Gospel, soon after Jesus has washed the disciples' feet, He says to them: "In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And when I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. And you know the way where I am going." (John 14:2-4)

From this statement alone, we might imagine that Jesus is saying that He is going to a place and will later show the apostle how to get to that place. Thomas, suffering this misunderstanding, says: "Lord, we do not know where You are going; how can we know the way?" (John 14:5) But Thomas has missed Christ's subtle play on words. Jesus *is* "the Way." So when He says, "And you know the way," He means "You know Me, and I am the Way." Indeed this is precisely what He says to Thomas: "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life." (John 14:6)

Toward the end of Mark Twain's comic tale "The Diaries of Adam and Eve," Adam, who had at first been resistant to Eve, this new creature invading his space, laments at Eve's grave,

having realized, "Wheresoever she was, there was Eden." Twain's "Diary" is a comic love story, not complex theology, but it raises an important question: Is Paradise a place, or a person? As Christians, are we also not called upon to recognize that Paradise is not merely a place; it is union with a Person (or Persons) – Christ, Who sends the Holy Spirit to "spread charity abroad in our heart" and bring us into union with the Father?

At the Last Supper, Christ tells His disciples that He must go away, but He will send the Holy Spirit to help and guide them after He has gone. And He does "go away" — eventually. But after His Death on the Cross, He makes a stop on His way back to His Father (so to speak) to spend some extra time with the disciples.

Why? Hasn't He told them everything they need to know? Hasn't He shown them "the Way"? They have the evidence of the empty tomb of His Resurrection from the dead.

Perhaps one or two Resurrection appearances are needed to convince the apostles that He still lives. But He stays with them for a full forty days and comes to them multiple times. Why?

If, as Saint Paul claims, Christ is the "first fruits" of what the faithful departed will enjoy in the general resurrection, what do His Resurrection appearances reveal to us about our resurrected life?

Two things, I suggest.

First, His death has not, as it might have seemed, cut Him off from the Father; rather He shares fully in the Father's glory, which is revealed more fully now that He has risen from the dead. But, second, the person before them is still the Jesus they knew and loved. We sometimes say that Christ's presence among the Eleven in the upper room was a glorified presence, but this does not mean He was any less present to them than He was during life. They were still able to sit, talk, and eat with Him.

What is promised to us, then, by the risen Christ, Who is the "first fruits" of what we too will enjoy, is that we can, after death, be united fully with God and

share in the eternal communion of love shared between the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. And yet, in this union with the Triune God, we will not be lost like the drop of water in the ocean.

What many people fear in death, whether their own or others', is the loss of connection with their loved ones. If we think of going to Heaven as though it were like going to Cleveland (only better), then we are sad that they or we are "going away," even if we hope it is a "better place." But if Heaven is union with the Father in Christ through the Spirit, and if Christ lives and is in each of us, then we too remain connected with our loved ones — even more intimately and fully — in Christ's Body and the Communion of Saints.

One of the great tragedies, when people lose faith in Christ's Real Presence in the Eucharist, is that they soon lose their hope in the Communion of Saints – that even in death we remain present to loved ones and they to us. If Christ isn't risen and present to us, then neither are any of our beloved dead. And that's just too sad to contemplate.

So rejoice in the Good News. Christ is risen, love is not defeated, the gates of death have been broken open, and the saints stream toward us rejoicing.

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