



## Saint Joseph Catholic Church

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### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass — 4:00 p.m.

Sunday — 7:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

9:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Victory

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 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](mailto:gail.borel@stjosephparishonline.org)

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Mrs. Sherry Hebert — [sherry.hebert@stjosephparishonline.org](mailto:sherry.hebert@stjosephparishonline.org)

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

The Adoration Chapel has reopened. The Main Church is also accessible from this entrance for your convenience.

### FUNERALS

Please contact the Church Office to make Funeral Service arrangements prior to your appointment with the Funeral Home.

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please contact the Church Office to make arrangements for your child's Baptism.

### SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please contact the Church Office six months prior to the desired date of marriage. No dates for marriage are reserved until after the first marriage interview with clergy.

### SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact the Church Office to set up an appointment.



God of might, Giver of every good gift, put into our hearts the love of Your Name, so that, by deepening our sense of reverence, You may nurture in us what is good and, by Your watchful care, keep safe what You have nurtured.

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

Stuart Sandoz, Duffy Domingue, Eric Clements, David Louviere, Trevor Louviere, Austin Willett, Willey Poirrier, Inez Barras, Butch and Debbie White, Lydia May, Louis "CoCo" Landry Jr., Rowena Borel, Falyon Sonnier, Caline Provost, Patricia Freyou, Lécia Broussard, Roshondra Nora, Noah Abraham, Jimmy LeBlanc, Chad Borel, Ashley Hebert, Stephen Dugas, Jade Delcambre, Pat and Elaine Villerman, Ira

Bourque, Hailey Thomasee, Lon Prioux, Brennan Wingfield, Betty Suire, Joe Judice, Lisa Adcock, Kathleen Heitkamp, Lori Brasseaux, Jamie Brady, Lisa N. Dugas, Nona Bourque, Leroy Begnaud, Betty Champagne, Keri Bonin Boutte, Leroy and Gloria Courville, Anna Richard, Wayne LeBlanc, Melvin Broussard, June Granger, Max Borres, T-Boy and Diane Leger, Vivian LeBlanc, Beckie LeBaron, Patricia Sorrell,

Ned Dugas, Ted Habetz, David Dupuy, Hazel LeBlanc, Ava Rose and Olivia James Dworaczky, Ray Broussard, Anne Adcock Hebert, Shyla Romero, Patti Gondron, Curt Tausin, Randy Jett, Nicholas Richard, Bart Doucet, Annette Dugas, Joan Arceneaux, Francis Crochet.

August 21, 2022

Regular Sunday Offering Envelopes	\$ 4,299.00
Regular Sunday Offering Loose	\$ 3,269.00
Regular Collection Total	\$ 7,568.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 7,385.00
Difference	+\$ 183.00
Present Loan Balance	\$ 243,784.85
Donation Against Loan Balance	\$ 1,181.00
Insurance Balance 2022-2023	\$ 36,428.00
Insurance Collection	\$ 277.00

**The Sanctuary Lamp is burning for**

The Community

**The Vocation Chalice is at the Adoration Chapel**

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

**The Bi-Monthly Statue is in the home of**

Parishioners

**Flowers on the Altar are in loving memory of**

Deceased Parishioners of St. Joseph Church.

**Saint Joseph Altar Candles are burning for**

Chad Romero, Deyna Champagne, Harold Champagne

Mark and Penny Landry Ancestors and Descendants

and Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priest, Religious

Vance Breaux Sr., Charles and Jackie Poirrier Family

Delcambre and Breaux Family, Jon-Luke Lancon

Martha Escagne Rodriguez, Steve and Donna Berard

Special Intention, Fritz and Anna Mae Duhon

Luke and Bertha Roberts, Jenny Lopez Romero

Phillip J. Quibodeaux, Ellis "E-Boo" Castille, Jr.

Louto and Anite Gondron

**Mass Intentions — 8/27 — 9/3**

**Saturday 4:00 p.m.** — Clarence and Hilda Landry, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Prince and Sis Broussard, Doris Boutte Barras, Dupoy and Lasseigne Family, Walter and Doris M. Judice, Delores Simon, Phil Harris, Ryan and Landry Families, Craig Breaux, Sidney Breaux Family, Pauline B. Guidry, Roslie LeJeune, John Lacour, Special Intention, Billy Degeyter, Chester "Butch" Gonsoulin and Parents, Muchie Ransonet, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Ossie Romero, Clyde Hebert, Lucille Landry Hebert, Audrie Hebert Delahoussaye, Ancestors and Descendants, Robert Lee Prados, Lucille Breaux Prados, Nola Champagne, Lloyd and Maudrey Landry, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Landry and Champagne Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priests, Religious, Elvage Prados, Matilda Prados and Becky Doucet Ancestors and Descendants, Gloria and Sam Delcambre and Family, Otto Sr. and Laurence Girouard, Terradot Family, Theresa Girouard Allen, Theresa Judice Viator, Dr. J. R. Hebert, Perry Judice, Lorrain Breaux Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Ronald Albert, Johnny Albert Sr. Family, John V. Perez Family, Chad Romero, Deyna Champagne, Harold Champagne, Paul Crochet Family, Jordan Prince and Special Intention, Vance Breaux Sr., Sally Domingue, Cabrol and Domingue Family, Martha Escagne Rodriguez, Melvin Dugas, Roy Sr. and Gladys Berard, Lloyd and Anne Broussard, Claude and Felicie Granger, Forbus and Myrtle Mestayer, Kay Dooley and William and Dolores Dooley, Kim Decuir, Leed and Mabel Gondron, Carolyn Aquillard.

**Sunday 7:00 a.m.** — Martha Escagne Rodriguez, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Hebert, Delcambre and Breaux Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Roy and Glenda Guidry, Suzette Judice, Sandra Daigle,

Chris Desormeaux, Anna Mae Foti Jimmy Clifton, Clifton and Shirley Maturin Family, John Michael Steiner, Jay Gonsoulin Family, Paul Sonnier Family and Clyde Warfel Family, Antoine "Boy" LeBlanc Family, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Albert Sr., Virginia Landry, Lloyd and Maudrey Landry, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants, Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priests, Religious, Maude Granger and Warren, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Granger Dr. Raymond Schneider, Elaine Schneider, Skip Schneider, Lolly Harbin, Joe and Rita Habetz, Mary Kay Habetz, Tom Voorhies, Oris Cormier, S.J. "Bute" Granger, Junius and Mary Hebert, Lovell Romero.

**10:30 a.m.** — Larry Crochet, Pliny Walet Family, Louis Breaux, Sr. Family, Anthony Melancon, Sr. Family, Pliny and Caroline Breaux Walet, Patrick and Theresa Melancon Latiolais, Nick Crochet, Kim Crochet, Jamie Wade, Katie Boutte, Justin Boudreaux Family, Jan Bourque, Loto Louviere, Jr. Gilman Gondron Family, Cathy Defelice, Tracey Defelice Guilbeau, Sandra Angelle and Glenn Angelle, Angelle Family.

**Monday 6:45 a.m. OLV** — Lloyd and Maudrey Landry, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants, Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priests, Religious, Donna and Steve Berard, Special Intentions, Souls in Purgatory, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families, Ancestors and Descendants.

**Tuesday 5:30 p.m. StJo** — Lloyd and Maudrey Landry, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants, Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priests, Religious, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families, Ancestors and Descendants, John and Doris Prados, Judice and Walet Family, Jason Suarez Family, Cameron Barrilleaux Family, Destani Armstong Family.

**Wednesday 6:45 a.m. StJo** — Lloyd and Maudrey Landry, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants, Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants, Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priests, Religious, Clarence and Nola Champagne, Families Ancestors and Descendants, John Michael Steiner, Andrew "Toupee" Bonin.

**Thursday 5:30 p.m. StJo** — Lloyd and Maudrey Landry, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants, Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants, Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priests, Religious, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Jerry Fruge, Delores Simon.

**First Friday 6:45 a.m. OLV** — Lloyd and Maudrey Landry, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants, Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priests, Religious, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants, Gam and Velma Gondron, Donna and Steve Berard Ancestors and Descendants, Pliny Walet, Carolyn B. Walet, Ancestors and descendants, Rhule, Mable and Wayne Gondron, Judice and Walet Families

**First Saturday 8:00 a.m. OLV** — Lloyd and Maudrey Landry, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families, Ancestors and Descendants, Landry and Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants, Souls in Purgatory, Pope, Priests, Religious, Clarence and Nola Champagne Families Ancestors and Descendants, Donna and Steve Berard Ancestors and Descendants, Brian Robichaux, Jane Watkins, Claire Landry, Milton Martinez, Bishop Warren Boudreaux, Bishop Joseph Latino, Msgr. John Newfield, Msgr. Francis Amedee, Msgr. Andrew Frey, Rev. Albert Richardson, Msgr. Richard Soseman, Fr. Varin Slacke OFM, Ruben Rogers, Elizabeth Capps Rogers, Wayne Rogers, Alfred Crochet, Claude Hebert, Cecile Hebert, Deacon Jay Bergeron, Archbishop Harry Flynn, Sue Crochet.



**Please pray for our Priests, Seminarians and Deacons**

Eternal Father, we lift up to You these special men. 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.

<b>August 28</b>	Rev. Jason Vidrine/Zachary Fuselier Deacon Daniel Didier
<b>August 29</b>	Rev. Richard Vidrine/Bro. Francis Xavier, CJC Deacon Sammy Diesi
<b>August 30</b>	Very Rev. Thomas Voorhies, VF/Evan Hebert Deacon Christopher Doumit
<b>August 31</b>	Rev. Thomas Hein Vu/William Hebert Deacon Keith Duhon
<b>September 1</b>	Pope Francis/Rev. Blake Dubroc, Dir. of Vocations & Seminarians Deacon Tim Maragos
<b>September 2</b>	Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI/ Seminary Faculty, Parents and Benefactors of Seminarians Deacon Tim Marcantel
<b>September 3</b>	Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel/Caleb Henry Deacon Paul Matte

**MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK**

	<b>Readers</b>	<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	<b>Altar Servers</b>
<b>September 3 4:00 p.m.</b>	Earl Price	Brad Clifton	Volunteers
<b>September 4 7:00 a.m.</b>	Sandy Sonnier	Debbie Oubre	Volunteers
<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	Claire Breaux	Raymond Bergeron	Volunteers

**Rejecting a Culture of Lies**  
by **Randall Smith**

It was a very revealing moment. I was driving with a friend through a major university campus. He was working in an office responsible for managing the resources of the university. And I happened to say, "You know, I've been wondering, I know there are complex moral questions like what to do if there are five guys in a lifeboat but only room for four, but I've started to suspect that most of our moral issues from day to day are fairly straightforward applications of the Ten Commandments that only *seem* complicated because we convince ourselves that *in this instance* it would be better to steal or lie or whatever."

"Lying," my friend exploded. "If we could only get people to stop lying. In my office, we can't even figure out what we *have* because everyone is always lying, so we can't make any reliable judgments about what we need."

For example, he explained, that since they knew every department always overstated their budget by 20%, his office simply cut every budget by that amount, presuming that they had lied. Some departments began to catch on to this and had started to overstate their budgets by 25%. As a consequence, his office began cutting every budget by 25%.

After a while, this game of cat-and-mouse becomes so complex no one knows anymore what target they are supposed to be shooting at or whether they have any real arrows left in their quiver.

We all live in circumstances in which we cannot know everything we need to know to make all the decisions we need to make. So we need to be able to trust the truth of the information given to us by others. One rejoinder would be the classic one of Pontius Pilate: "Truth, what is that?" There is *your* truth and *my* truth. Or, as some pragmatists claim, *truth* is what serves some pragmatic end.

But hasn't our recent experience shown us the dangers of allowing "truth" to be subservient to someone's pragmatic ends?

Mark Twain once wrote, "There are three kinds of lies: Lies, Damned Lies, and Statistics." In our age, we know that there are Lies, Damned Lies, and News. To take a recent example, consider the case of Elaine

Riddick, a passionate black pro-life advocate who was raped when she was 13. After giving birth to her child, she was forcibly sterilized by the doctor. And ever since, she has been fighting for the rights of women and unborn children.

And yet, when *The Washington Post* wrote about her, the title of the article was: "She Survived a Forced Sterilization. She fears more could occur post-Roe." This made it seem as though she was against the *Dobbs* decision. But nothing could be further from the truth.

In a subsequent article in *The Pillar*, she states: "*The Washington Post* falsely portrayed me as supporting a pro-choice agenda even though they clearly knew, and I stated in the interview, that I am against abortion and am pro-life." In the *Post* article, she was quoted as saying, "I think a woman should have control of her body." But in fact, Riddick was speaking about forced sterilization, not abortion. What else can we call such a "news" article other than a knowing, intentional out-and-out lie?

Major news outlets have played fast-and-loose with the truth for so long that we find ourselves with two terrible situations.

The first is that people only believe the news that fits with their own pre-conceived notions or narratives.

The second is that some people don't believe the news at all, even when it is telling the truth.

Why did some people believe Alex Jones' *InfoWars* when it claims that the murder of twenty children and six adults at the Sandy Hook Elementary School was a hoax, so much so that they began harassing the parents of the murdered children?

Why do some people still believe the Holocaust didn't happen? Because people believe what they want to believe, and they reject even overwhelming evidence to the contrary. Two hundred history books say one thing: no verification quite yet. One web article says the opposite: Aha! Proof!

The media's obsession with re-affirming their own narratives, whether liberal or conservative, whether it's NPR or Fox News, gets in the way of people actually getting the information they need to make prudent judgments. Major news outlets, websites, and talk show hosts are making billions playing on fear and anger.

Catholics are called to something better.

But don't take my word for it. What do you imagine God is calling us to when He said: "Whoever is slow to anger has great understanding, but he who has a hasty temper exalts folly?" (Proverbs 14:29) And "Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience." (Colossians 3:12)

But should we be patient with evil all around us? Well, God says this: "Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for Him; do not fret when people succeed in their ways, when they carry out their wicked schemes." (Psalm 37:7) And finally, there is this: "Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the *truth* with his neighbor, for we are members one of another." (Ephesians 4:25)

I don't see how we can take any of that seriously and continue letting ourselves be consumed by the obsessions of the news media, social media, and the Twitter mob. More of the same sort of information from the same biased sources is not going to get us what we need. What we need are calm minds searching for the full truth, not angry minds searching for justifications for our own self-righteous anger.

We would be better served if we lived lives that proclaimed, not that "truth is what my news source says it is," but "truth is the humble and patient submission of the mind to reality."

Randall B. Smith is a Professor of Theology at the University of Saint Thomas. He is the author of **Reading the Sermons of Thomas Aquinas: A Guidebook for Beginners** and **Aquinas, Bonaventure, and the Scholastic Culture of Medieval Paris: Preaching, Prologues, and Biblical Commentary** (2021). His website is: [randallbsmith.com](http://randallbsmith.com).





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