



SAINT JOSEPH

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MARCH 31, 2019 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

PARISH MINISTERS

Rev. William Schambough*Pastor*
 Deacon Keith Duhon*Deacon*
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 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



4th Sunday of Lent

Repentance. Envy. Joy. Hope. Have you felt these human emotions? Today's Gospel offers a rich story, one we can all find our place in. As we reflect on our own spiritual lives this Lenten season, it can be helpful to imagine ourselves in the story of the Prodigal Son.

"I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as you would treat one of your hired workers." The younger son has sinned greatly, betraying his father's trust and squandering his money in sin. Yet the parable turns on his deep repentance and humble return to his father. Is there any area of your life you have been wandering from God or you've squandered good gifts? This Lent, return to the sacrament of Confession! God, a merciful Father, waits for you there.

"While he was still a long way off, his father caught sight of him, and was filled with compassion. He ran to his son, embraced him and kissed him." The father in the parable sees his son's selfishness, perhaps even suspects what he might do, but gives him the inheritance anyway. After his son's departure, the father waits with hope for his son's eventual return. Has someone you love left the Church, made poor decisions, or abused your trust? This Lent is a time to let go of bitterness and to live in hope. Prepare your heart to be merciful!

Not all in the parable invite the mercy of God into their hearts. The self-righteous older brother dishonors his father with his pettiness. "My son, you are here with me always, everything I have is yours." Do you covet what others have? Do you feel as if you've been taken advantage of or that your work goes unseen? This Lent is a time to grow in gratitude. Take a close look at the blessings in our life that you might be missing.

We are all called to repentance. Open your heart to God's personal invitation to growth!

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 Kathleen Blanco Kim Vincent
- Betty Thibodeaux Rudolph Fabre Luby Landry
- Lilly Mae Romero Enola G. Bernard Bernice Breaux
- Mary Belle Broussard Raywood Decou Mary Trahan
- Virginia Lynn Burroughs Mark Broussard

Our Gift Back to God

Offertory	\$10,544.95
Mailed/Dropped in Office	+ 350.00
Total (March 24th)	\$10,894.95
Weekly Goal	\$12,000.00
Plus/Minus our Goal	\$(1,105.05)
Catholic Relief Services	\$ 1,851.08

Thank You!

This Week's Second Collection

Religious Education

Next Week's Second Collection

Building and Maintenance Fund

The stewardship message in the parable of the Prodigal Son is that it is never too late to become a good steward. Blessed is the elder brother who had been a good steward all along, but blessed, too, is the prodigal who had to lose all he had in order to understand the value of what he'd been given.

"His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants, 'let us celebrate with a feast because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again.'" - Lk 15:21-22a, 23b-24a

Mass Intention

Weekend of March 30th & 31st, 2018

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)

Zachary Hebert, John The Baptist, Zachary Esters, Eugene Broussard, M/M Gabriel Denais (Her Anniv.), Evelyn B. Landry, Wilda & Louis Theo Bares, Ryan Viator, Willis Morvant, Lynn D. Begnaud (Anniv.), Preston Venable, Jacob Theriot, Felix & Ronnie Begnaud (Living), Mary P. Meche, Jack North (3rd Anniv.)

Weekday Masses

- Monday 1 Vocations to the Priesthood
- Tuesday 2 First Responders and Those Serving in our Armed Forces
- Wednesday 3 Loyd Denais, Yenes & Elwood Baudoin (Elwood's Anniversary)
- Thursday 4 Robert "Tully" Landry
- Friday 5 Pierre Long Hebert, Frank & Viola Martin

Sanctuary Candle

Mary P. Meche (Birthday)



Lent

Way of the Cross

(Every Thursday during Lent)
6:30 p.m.

Consider Daily Mass as part of your Lenten observance. Mass times are as follows:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday:
6:30 a.m.

Thursday:
6:00 p.m.

Confessions: 20 minutes before daily Mass, Saturday from 3:00 -3:50 p.m. as well as by appointment.

First Saturday Adoration Please join us for the Rosary beginning at 8:00 a.m. and Mass at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, **April 6th**.

The Next Elderberries Social will be held on Tuesday, **April 9th** from 9:30 a.m. till 12:00 noon. Please bring a friend and your favorite dish!

The Ushers will have their next meeting on Thursday, **April 11th**, at 6:30 p.m. in the Life Center.

“Hit the Road with Hospice of Acadiana” Raffle Hospice of Acadiana, Acadiana’s ONLY non-profit hospice, is holding its Annual “Hit the Road with Hospice” Raffle. Your \$20 ticket purchase gives you a chance to win a car, travel camper or trip and will assist us in providing the best in care for our patients and their families, continuing to provide care for the indigent, serve those in need and offer services such as FREE individual and group Grief Counseling, Mission Moments and much more. To learn more about our services, or to purchase a ticket, please call 232-1234 or visit www.hospiceacadiana.com.

Events This Week

- Mon. (1st):** No Events Scheduled
- Tues. (2nd):** Rosary Making 1:00 p.m. (Church)
Choir Practice 6:30 p.m.
- Wed. (3rd):** Bible Study 9:30 a.m.
- Thurs. (4th):** **Way of the Cross** 6:30 p.m.
- Fri. (5th):** Parish Office Closed
- Sat. (6th):** First Saturday Adoration Rosary 8:00 a.m.
Mass 8:30 a.m.
First Communion
- Sun. (7th):** 11th Grade Rel. Ed. (Last Class)

The Next Baptism Seminar will be held on Thursday, **April 11th**, at 6:30 p.m. in Church. Parents are encouraged to attend during pregnancy to avoid undue delays.

Word of Life “Because life is our first and most basic gift from an infinitely loving God, it deserves our utmost respect and protection. Direct attacks on innocent human life are always gravely wrong.” *That by their words and actions, they might work to preserve respect for the life of every human being.*

St. Anne’s Knights of Columbus will sell fried fish dinners during Lent though the Friday before Good Friday (April 12th). Dinners are \$8.00 each. Pick up at the K. C. Hall on Hwy. 92 on Fridays from 5:00-7:00 p.m.



First Communion will be celebrated on Saturday, **April 6th** at 10:00 a.m. at the Church.

2019/20 Religious Education Registration is now being accepted for all grades for this coming year’s CCD classes. Forms were sent home with students currently attending religious ed. For those students beginning 1st grade in the fall, or if you are a new student, you may print out a form online at www.stjo-milton.org or you may pick one up at the Rectory. Limited spaces are available and we have a new deadline this year which will be **MAY 31, 2019!!**

“FORMED” A revolutionary online platform that provides access to the best Catholic audio talks, movies, ebooks, and video-based studies. FORMED presents a tremendous opportunity to help the overwhelming majority of Catholics change the way they consume media and develop a daily habit of faith formation and prayer. Please visit our website www.stjo-milton.org and click on REGISTER NOW button and follow prompts.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b [2a]/Jn 4:43-54
- Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [8]/Jn 5:1-16
- Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18 [8a]/Jn 5:17-30
- Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [4a]/Jn 5:31-47
- Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23 [19a]/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
- Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 [2a]/Jn 7:40-53

Next Sunday’s Readings

- Isaiah 43:16-21
- Psalm 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6
- Philippians 3:8-14
- John 8:1-11



Our Personal Conversation with God A Three-night Lenten Mission on Prayer will feature Bishop Provost preaching on “Our Personal Conversation with God.” It will be held at St. Peter Catholic Church in New Iberia, 108 E. St. Peter Street, beginning on Sunday, **March 31st** through Tuesday, **April 2nd** at 7:00 p.m.

Lenten Mission with Fr. Dave Pivonka What happens to your life when peace, clarity, and truth are hard to find? Could prayer make a difference? What would it look like if we prayed with the Holy Spirit? Join us **April 1st, 2nd & 3rd** at Sacred Heart in Broussard at 5:30 p.m.: meal and community in the Parish Life Center 6:00-7:30 p.m.: presentation in the Church. Childcare provided for children under six.

Catholic Engaged Encounter Weekend Spend a weekend away from the cares and distractions of everyday living. Attend a Catholic Engaged Encounter Weekend. The weekend is open to any engaged couple wanting to prepare for a deeper more meaningful life together in a marriage recognized by the Catholic Church according to its Church law. Upcoming dates are: **April 5th-7th, May 24th-26th, and August 2nd-4th.** For cost of weekends, other dates, and to learn more, visit our website at www.ceelafayette or call Paul & Carolyn (254-8947 or 898-9257), or cee.trahan@gmail.com.

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

Please Pray for Our Priest:
 Very Rev. Thomas Voorhies, VF
 Pope Francis
 Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI
 Bishop J. Douglas Deshotel
 Bishop Emeritus Michael Jarrell
 Rev. Thomas Vu
 Rev. Richard Wagner, SSJ

Food For The Journey The Central Deanery of the Diocese of Lafayette presents “Food for the Journey”, a monthly lunchtime speakers series designed to help Catholics live out our faith in our daily lives. Our speaker for April is Rev. Nicholas Dupre, Pastor, St. Joseph Church, Parks. Food for the Journey will be held on Tuesday, **April 9th**, at River Oaks Catering, 520 E. Kaliste Saloom, beginning at 12:00 noon. An optional buffet is available for purchase beginning at 11:30 a.m. All are welcome to come “eat and be fed” - please bring a friend! Pre-registration is not required. For more information, call Danielle Huval at 232-1322.

“Come and See” Weekend at St. Bens Thought about the priesthood lately? Been on your mind? Come and see what God has to say about it. St. Joseph Seminary College in St. Benedict, Louisiana is hosting a “Come and See” weekend vocation retreat, **April 12th-14th.** The weekend, open to young men, high school juniors and older, is about how to discern God’s call for your life. No cost to you. Meals, accommodations, transportation, and prayer are all provided. Contact Fr. Patrick Broussard (Vocations Director) at 261-5690, email vocations@diolaf.org, or visit lafayettevocations.org.

Fourth Sunday of Lent For Kumba, whom we encounter through CRS Rice Bowl, and all students, that through education they find new opportunities to grow-and to give back to their community.

Thought of the Week Kind words are short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless.
 Mother Teresa

Liturgical Ministers April 6th & 7th, 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, April 6th, 4:00 p.m.

Sacristan: Judy Touchet
Lectors: Shelly Broussard, Dana Carter
Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Keith Duhon, Ricky Broussard, Angelique Latiolais
Altar Servers: Morgan Massie, Graham Verret

Sunday, April 7th, 8:00 a.m.

Sacristan: Doug & Sue Duhon
Lectors: Ali Picard, Joyce Broussard
Eucharistic Ministers: John Landry, Paula Landry, Doug Duhon, Sue Duhon, Stacy Picard, Janice Bourque, Gwen Miller
Altar Servers: Logan Broussard, Parker Broussard, Emily Landry

Sunday, April 7th, 10:30 a.m.

Sacristan: Dan Guidry
Lectors: Dina Segura, Lisa McCowen
Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon Keith Duhon, Paige Gary, Cindy LeBlanc, Dan Guidry, Gerard Labat, Joseph Santiago, Amie Dupuis
Altar Servers: Graham Snodgrass, Elizabeth Roy, Alayna LaFleur

Sunday, April 7th, 5:00 p.m.

Sacristan: Margaret Siffert
Lectors: Emilie Boudreaux, Dennis Dumas
Eucharistic Ministers: Cherie Bailey, Debbie Dumas, Margaret Siffert, Troy Boudreaux, Ruby Boudreaux, Macy Toups, Sara Blady
Altar Servers: Tyler Boudreaux, Meghan Tavares

