

SAINT JOSEPH

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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JULY 5, 2020 - FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH MINISTERS

- Rev. William Schambough*Pastor*
- Deacon Keith Duhon*Deacon*
- Chenell Privat*Secretary to the Pastor*
- Sandra Smith*Bookkeeper*
- Eva Green*Coordinator of 1st-11th Grade Religion*
- Celeste Fortier.....*Safe Environment Coordinator*
- 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.

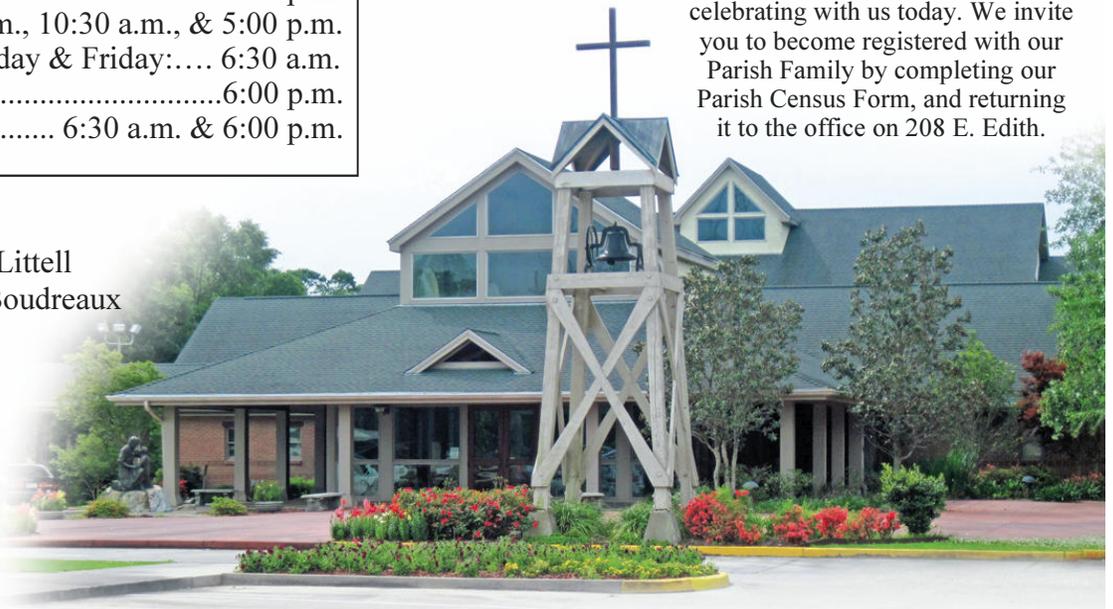
We extend a warm welcome to the individuals and families who are celebrating with us today. We invite you to become registered with our Parish Family by completing our Parish Census Form, and returning it to the office on 208 E. Edith.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

- Pam Begnaud Trista Littell
- Bob Cole Troy Boudreaux
- Dan Guidry
- Steve LeMaire

PARISH TRUSTEES

- Linda Desormeaux
- Robert Landry



14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We are all familiar with the refrain, “You have put on Christ. In him you have been baptized. Alleluia, alleluia!” In Baptism, we “put on” Christ. In putting on Christ, we put on all that Christ is and represents: hope, faith, and love. We are no longer bound to the sins and failures of the flesh, that part of us that resists God and relies exclusively on human means. It also means that we are not in debt to our past, complete with its sins, failures, regrets, fears, and unfulfilled dreams. There is always hope. In putting on Christ, we put on God’s vision for the world, for all of His children and for us. We have been given a road map to guide our paths and a blueprint to follow for our life’s journey.

There is no need for regret, and we are not tethered to our past. Is there anything in your past that you regret? Any decision or memory that continues to haunt you? We have all made mistakes, and we have this uncanny ability to continue beating ourselves up over things we can no longer do anything about, except learn from them. To put on Christ means that I can now bring God’s unconditional love to my hurtful memories and sinful choices. With each new moment and every new choice, I can start clean and live in freedom.

Imagine adults when the disciples were preaching and baptizing. They came to baptism not really knowing who they were, with pasts that were broken, seeking to live the joy of the Gospel they heard spoken to them and wanting the love they saw witnessed in the lives of those who believed. What tremendous celebrations their baptisms must have been! They could now have the support of a community, full participation in the sacraments of the church, focus for their disordered lives, consolation, healing, and an understanding of what life is really all about.

Our lives are meant to be celebrations of the Spirit we have received in Baptism. How does that joy get expressed in and through you? When we truly understand that we have put on Christ, our burdens can become much lighter. It is odd that so many Christians look like they are carrying the weight of the world on their shoulders. Wouldn’t it be wonderful if those weights could be lifted and joy experienced!

Our Gift Back to God

Offertory . (Due to early printing, not available). \$
 Online/Mailed/Dropped in Office ±
 Weekly Goal \$12,000.00
 Plus/Minus Our Goal \$
 Building & Maintenance (June) \$ 4,541.45

Thank You!

Next Weekend’s Second Collection
 Catholic Communications

“Let all Your works give You thanks, O Lord, and let Your faithful ones bless You,” says the Psalmist. Stewardship is this “attitude of gratitude” for the many gifts God has given us.

“Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light.” - Mt 11:28-30

Mass Intention

Weekend of July 4th & 5th, 2020
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)

Earless Romero, Yenes & Elwood Baudoin, Robert Brasseaux (Birthday), Ryan Viator, Zachary Esters, Loyd Denais, Jean Wattingy, Margie Bujol, Irvin Arceneaux, Preston Venable, Jeffrey Neil Ray, Jodie Crouch, Mike Rickard, Del Goodson, M/M Earl Sinitiere, Judith Gill, Pierre Long Hebert, Margaret McCowen Parkhill, Rodolphe Fabre, Robert "Tully" Landry, Jacob Theriot, Lucy Woods Benoit, Trent Meche

Weekday Masses

Monday 6	Sick of the Community
Tuesday 7	First Responders and Those Serving in Our Armed Forces
Wednesday 8	Vocations to the Priesthood
Thursday 9	St. Joseph Community
Friday 10	Previous Bishops

Sanctuary Candle

Previous Priests

Please Pray For The Sick

Norval Knapp Brennen Albert Wilmer Landry
 Susan Vincent Gunner Breaux Bernice Breaux
 Joyce Comeaux James Benoit Diane Johnson
 Dolores Benoit Kathryn Trahan Bobby Trahan
 Charlie Harrington Kim Vincent Hunter Henry
 Betty Thibodeaux Luby Landry Jeanette Gallet
 Lilly Mae Romero Enola G. Bernard Gail Anslem
 Mary Belle Broussard Mary Trahan Sara LaCroix
 Guy McKeon III Lynne Burroughs
 Jeremy Broussard Jamie Jennings



A Spiritual Communion - to be prayed daily

O my divine Jesus, how great is my desire to receive your sacred body! Oh, come now into my soul, at least, by a spiritual communion! O Jesus, my divine Savior, save me.

O my God, hiding myself with a humble confidence in your dear wounds, I give up my soul into your divine hands. Oh, receive it into the bosom of your mercy. Amen.

Guardian Angel, go to St. Joseph Church for me O holy Angel at my side go to the Church for me. Kneel in my place at Holy Mass where I desire to be.

At Offertory in my stead take all I am and own And place it as a sacrifice upon the altar throne.

At holy Consecration's bell adore with Seraph's love, My Jesus hidden in the Host come down from heaven above. And when the Priest Communion takes,

O bring my Lord to me, That His sweet Heart may rest on mine And I His temple be. Amen.

Adoration Join us for Adoration every Wednesday at Church from 5:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Word on Fire Digital We now have a subscription to Word on Fire digital media. This requires a user name and password that you can create by going to <https://stjosephmilton.flocknote.com> and follow instructions to connect. Word on Fire digital gives us instant access to catholic films and study programs. Published by Bishop Robert Barron. Experience the beauty, truth and goodness of the faith.

Baptism Seminar At this time, we ask that you call to make an appointment by calling the Parish Office at 856-5997. Parents are encouraged to attend during pregnancy in order to avoid any delays.

Events This Week

- Mon. (6th):** No Events Scheduled
- Tues. (7th):** No Events Scheduled
- Wed. (8th):** Adoration 5:30-7:00 p.m.
- Thurs. (9th):** No Events Scheduled
- Fri. (10th):** Parish Office Closed
- Sat. (11th):** First Communion Practice 9:00 a.m. (Church)
- Sun. (12th):** First Communion (All Masses)

St. Joseph Church Website

Please visit our Parish Website at www.stjo-milton.org. Online Giving has also been set up through the Diocese for those who unable to attend Mass at this time but would like to continue to tithe. You can give to St. Joseph Church on-line by clicking on <https://diolaf.org/online-parish-giving> (this link is found on the front page of our website, just scroll down once you log-in). Offerings can also be mailed to P. O. Box 299, Milton 70558.

Welcome New Parishioners!

We would like to extend a warm welcome to the following Parishioners who registered with St. Joseph during the month of June: Jackie Jolivette, M/M Cory Lemoine, M/M Shaun Pitre, Adam Vincent, Chase Broussard, M/M Jason Domingue, M/M John Quinn, Angela Guillory, Mary Delaune, M/M Tyler Miller, LaTasha Bearb and Jacob Gaspard. We would also like to remind parishioners who have not registered with us, to consider this also. Registration forms can be found in the gathering area of church or online at stjo-milton.org. If you should have any questions, please call the office.

First Communion There will be First Communion Practice on **July 11th & July 18th** in Church at 9:00 a.m. First Communion will be held on **July 12th and July 19th** at all Masses on those days. **Students will only attend one of each.** Please call Eva Green (856-0800) with any questions or concerns you may have regarding this information.

Confirmation will be held on Sunday, **August 23rd** at St. Joseph Church at 5:00 p.m. This is the new date for those who were making their confirmation in May 2020. Please call Eva Green at 856-0800 for any questions you may have.

Confirmation Registration for 2020-21 has started. Please visit stjo-milton.org for registration forms. The deadline to register is **September 11th!** For questions call Eva Green at 856-0800.



June

We welcome into the family of St. Joseph's the newly Baptized. Welcome:

- Mila Grace Haydel (May)
- Jiordyn Elyse Lewis
- Flynn Michael Roger
- Owen Landry Finch
- Mia Grant Hebert

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mt 9:18-26
- Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10 [9a]/Mt 9:32-38
- Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [4b]/Mt 10:1-7
- Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16 [4b]/Mt 10:7-15
- Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17 [17b]/Mt 10:16-23
- Saturday: Is 6:1-8/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Mt 10:24-33

Next Sunday's Readings

- Isaiah 55:10-11
- Psalm 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14
- Romans 8:18-23
- Matthew 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Kissing the Altar at Mass

Question: Why do priests kiss the altar at the start of Mass?

Answer: Our churches and chapels are filled with symbols. We might think of the more common symbols (like the crucifix, statues, stained-glass windows, vestment color and altar cloths) as well as major symbols (such as the paschal candle and the baptismal font). But there are some things that we can take for granted in our sacred spaces, because unfortunately, they seem to just be part of the building, including three of the main symbols of our liturgy: the ambo (lectern), the chair for the priest celebrant, and the altar.

These three objects are placed in a specially designated area called the sanctuary. They are the places where the Word of God is proclaimed, where the priest prays and presides at the celebration, and where the bread and wine are offered by the priest during the Eucharistic Prayer. Although each of these objects is sacred because of the role they play in our worship, the altar holds a special place. In a document containing the rules and instructions for the Mass — the “General Instruction of the Roman Missal” — we read: “The altar on which the Sacrifice of the Cross is made present under sacramental signs is also the table of the Lord to which the People of God is called together to participate in the Mass, as well as the center of the thanksgiving that is accomplished throughout the Eucharist” (no. 296).

One of the ways that we recognize the importance of the altar is when the priest and deacon kiss the altar at the beginning of Mass. Kissing is an ancient act of devotion. Remember, we also kiss the cross on Good Friday, and the deacon or priest kisses the “Book of the Gospels” after the Gospel is proclaimed. This act of devotion reminds us that the altar is a symbol of Jesus, the “living stone” (see 1 Peter 2:4), the foundation stone of our faith. It is a symbol gesture, but it is a powerful reminder of the One on whom our faith is built and in whose name we gather as the “household of faith” (see Galatians 6:10).

Thought of the Day Your thoughts have unlimited potential to, directly or indirectly, make you feel empowered, uplifted and hopeful.



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

Please Pray for Our Priest:

- Rev. Michael Russo
- Rev. Francois Sainte-Marie, MIC
- Rev. Garrett Savoie
- Rev. William Schambough
- Rev. Gary Schexnayder
- Rev. Paul Schott, SJ
- Rev. Andrew Schumacher

Engaged Couples 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 **August 7th-9th, September 18th-20th, November 13th-15th, January 8th-10th.** For cost of weekends, other dates, and to learn more, visit our website at www.ceelafayette.org or contact Paul & Carolyn Trahan at 254-8947 or cee.trahan@gmail.com.

“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.formed.org and click on REGISTER NOW button.

Word of Life “O God our creator...through the power and working of your Holy Spirit, you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world, bringing the light and the saving truth of the Gospel to every corner of society.” *For our nation: May our laws protect the right of every human being, from conception to natural death.*



Liturgical Ministers July 11th & 12th, 2020
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, July 11th, 4:00 p.m.

Sacristan:
Lectors:
Eucharistic Ministers:
Altar Servers:

Sunday, July 12th, 8:00 a.m.

Sacristan:
Lectors:
Eucharistic Ministers:
Altar Servers:

Sunday, July 12th, 10:30 a.m.

Sacristan:
Lectors:
Eucharistic Ministers:
Altar Servers:

Sunday, July 12th, 5:00 p.m.

Sacristan:
Lectors:
Eucharistic Ministers:
Altar Servers:

No Schedule at this time