



SAINT JOSEPH

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OCTOBER 18, 2020 - TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH MINISTERS

Rev. William Schambough*Pastor*
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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



29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Nobody enjoys paying taxes. Despite our displeasure in being forced to do so, we also realize that the monies generated from taxes allows governments to provide essential services for its people. Corruption really gets our goat, however. When we witness malfeasance, overspending, irresponsibility, and dishonesty in governmental spending, the grave injustices make an already unpleasant and arduous task even more difficult. The inappropriate distribution and use of hard-earned monies can leave a person quite angry and disconnected. It's bad enough the government wants something from me, now God does, too?

God is not concerned necessarily with our money, although its proper use does factor into our faith life. As the payment of secular taxes speaks of our allegiance to the government, our return to God speaks of our allegiance to God. All of creation, even the entire universe, is fashioned in the image and likeness of God. What speaks to God and has meaning and relevance to him? All of creation and indeed our very selves! God delights in us and when we present ourselves back to him, he delights even more! As the payment of secular taxes is designed to secure the equitable distribution of goods and services to all people, so is our return of ourselves to God in gratitude meant to advance God's kingdom here on earth.

When our exclusive and sincere allegiance is given to God, God can use us to set things right and straight again. The wounds of sin distort our relationship and disorder our world. By giving ourselves and all of creation back to God in gratitude, we acknowledge the proper Creator and Author of life for who He is and devote our labors exclusively to God's kingdom and the justice, peace, or order God envisions. In giving back to God all that belongs to God, we set the axis of our lives correctly and put our priorities in proper order. All of our relationships, especially with God, our brothers and sisters, and all of creation are perceived more clearly as they really are. Using, accumulating, wasting, exploiting, hoarding, and self-preservation are no longer necessary.

Our Gift Back to God

Offertory	\$ 6,174.00
Mailed/Online/Dropped in Office	+ 5,232.19
Total (October 11th)	\$11,406.19
Weekly Goal	\$12,000.00
Plus/Minus Our Goal	\$ (593.81)

Thank You!

This Week's Second Collection
World Mission Sunday

Each year at tax time, we conscientiously give "to Caesar what belongs to Caesar." Does my stewardship indicate that I am as faithful about giving "to God what belongs to God"?

"Show me the coin that pays the census tax." Then they handed him the Roman coin. He said to them, "Whose image is this and whose inscription?" They replied, "Caesar's." At that he said to them, "Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." - Mt 22:19-21

Mass Intention

Weekend of October 17th & 18th, 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)

Jacob Theriot, Nolan Begnaud, Rodolphe Fabre, Jodie Crouch, Ryan Viator, M/M Wilmer Landry, Margaret McCowen Parkhill, Judith Gill (Birthday), Wilda & Louis Theo Bares, Zachary Hebert, Jeffrey Neil Ray, Evelyn B. Landry, Willis & Geri Morvant, Rudy Greenley, Preston Venable

Weekday Masses

Monday 19	St. Joseph Community
Tuesday 20	Patsy Sovie, Mrs. Edelweiss Kasiske Hempel (Birthday), Robert "Tully" Landry (10th Anniversary)
Wednesday 21	Nola Domas, Mr. Harry Hempel (Birthday)
Thursday 22	William L. Horne
Friday 23	Vocations to the Priesthood

Sanctuary Candle

Gayle James Stoute

Please Pray For The Sick

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

Blessing of the Cemeteries Our Annual Blessing of the Cemeteries will be held on Sunday, **November 1st**. Blessings will be at the following times:

St. Joseph Cemetery . . . 11:45 a.m.
Benoit Cemetery 12:30 p.m.
Picard Cemetery 12:45 p.m.
Baudoin Cemetery 1:15 p.m.
Broussard-Vincent 1:40 p.m.
Broussard-Robley Dr . . . 2:05 p.m.

Year of St. Joseph On Wednesday, **November 4th**, St. Joseph Church here in Milton will present “*The Grace of a Happy Death: Holy Hour and Teaching.*” The Holy Hour begins at 5:30 p.m. with a teaching starting at 6:00 p.m. One hundred fifty years ago, Pope Pius IX declared St. Joseph as the Universal Patron of the Church. In light of this anniversary, Bishop Deshotel has established a year of St. Joseph in the Diocese. Be on the lookout for events celebrating this year in one of the 13 Church parishes named for St. Joseph, and across the entire diocese. Wednesday, November 4th is our scheduled event for the Year of St. Joseph.

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

Baptism Seminar Please call the office at 856-5997 to make an appointment for Baptism Prep. Parents are encouraged to attend during pregnancy in order to avoid any delays.

The Laity’s Mission in the Church *We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.*

The Woodlawn Cemetery Blessing will take place Sunday, **October 25th** at 2:00 p.m.

Events This Week

Mon. (19th): First Grade CCD Starts
Tues. (20th): Third Grade CCD Starts
 Mass 8:30 a.m.
Wed. (21st): 4th Grade CCD Starts
 Mass 8:30 a.m.
 Adoration
 5:30-7:00 p.m.
Thurs. (22nd): Mass 8:30 a.m.
Fri. (23rd): Mass 6:30 a.m.
 Parish Office Closed
Sat. (24th): No Events Scheduled
Sun. (25th): 2nd Grade CCD Starts
 (9:15-10:15 a.m.)
 9th & 10th Grade CCD
 Starts 6:00-7:00 p.m.

"Come to the Well" - Grief Retreat Today’s fast paced society provides little time, space or support for those who have suffered loss. “Come to the Well” is a day of hope and restoration for anyone who has suffered the loss of a loved one: parents, children, siblings, spouse, etc. The day is filled with prayer utilizing meditation “Living Scripture,” music, journaling and personal sharing to honor and embrace the reality of shared loss. “Come to the Well” offers opportunities for retreatants to find strength in the sharing to move through the losses of life with hope for a renewed vision. The retreat will be held at the Immaculata Center on **November 7th** from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. The cost is \$35.00/person. Go to www.diolaf.org to register by October 30th, or call 261-5598 for more information.



Religious Ed Start Dates:

- 5th Grade - Sunday, October 18th
(3:30-4:30 p.m.)
- 6th Grade - Sunday, October 18th
(6:00-7:00 p.m.)
- 7th Grade - Sunday, October 18th
(6:00-7:00 p.m.)
- 8th Grade - Sunday, October 18th
(6:00-7:00 p.m.)
- 1st Grade - Monday, October 19th
- 3rd Grade - Tuesday, October 20th
- 4th Grade - Wednesday, October 21st
- 2nd Grade - Sunday, October 25th
(9:15-10:15 a.m.)
- 9th Grade - Sunday, October 25th
(6:00-7:00 p.m.)
- 10th Grade - Sunday, October 25th
(6:00-7:00 p.m.)

Word of Life “We are called to reverence and love every human person as ourselves. It is our responsibility to care for and protect human life, especially the lives of the most vulnerable among us. *The Gospel of Life* teaches us that ‘the task of accepting and serving life involves everyone; and this task must be fulfilled above all towards life when it is at its weakest.’ *That the life of every person, from conception to natural death, will be protected in our laws and cherished in our hearts.*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Eph 2:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4ab, 4c-5 [3b]/Lk 12:13-21
 Tuesday: Eph 2:12-22/Ps 85:9ab-10, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 9]/Lk 12:35-38
 Wednesday: Eph 3:2-12/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [cf. 3]/Lk 12:39-48
 Thursday: Eph 3:14-21/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19 [5b]/Lk 12:49-53
 Friday: Eph 4:1-6/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Lk 12:54-59
 Saturday: Eph 4:7-16/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [1]/Lk 13:1-9

Next Sunday’s Readings

Exodus 22:20-26
 Psalm 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51
 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10
 Matthew 22:34-40



St. Landry Cemetery Tours “TriCentennial Spirited Celebration” is the theme of the St. Landry Cemetery Tours held in Opelousas. The dates of the tours are **October 17th & 18th** with Saturday tours at 6:00, 6:30, 7:00, 7:30 & 8:00 p.m. and the Sunday tours at 2:00 & 3:00 p.m. Travel back in time to a place where the voices from our past will give you a reflection of times gone by. The tour of St. Landry Cemetery gives one a perspective of how our past has shaped our present and reflects into the future generations of community. The Spirits joining in the “Spirited” celebration in our 2020 Cemetery Tours will be our historic Jim Bowie, an Alamo figure, Madame Baldwin, a woman of color businesswoman, Rev. CB Anderson, first ordained Catholic priest from Opelousas, Rev. Hyland, the first pastor of Holy Ghost, which is celebrating 100 years and an Orphan train rider agent will be on board to let us know of the family displacement of the children in the homes of local residents plus few more spirits will be brought to life for patrons to enjoy their legends. Tours are \$10/person, will be limited to groups of 15 (walking shoes), conducted hourly, are not handicapped accessible and children under 10 not suitable (safety). For more information call 942-6552 or 308-3474. Proceeds used for historical grave restoration. This year we are planning handicapped tours for Sunday, **October 18th** at 3:00 p.m.

Thought of the Week
Forgiveness liberates the soul. It removes fear. That is why it is such a powerful weapon.

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

Please Pray for Our Priest:
 Rev. Francis Damoah, SVD
 Rev. Hampton Davis
 Rev. Msgr. Jefferson DeBlanc
 Rev. Michael DeBlanc
 Rev. Edward Degeyter
 Rev. Michael Delcambre
 Rev. Mark Derise

Abide Women’s Conference
February 5th-7th, 2021! Mark your calendars. With your participation, hundreds of Catholic Women will experience Christ’s forgiveness in the Sacraments of Reconciliation, further enabling them to rest and renew. Additionally, we will be blessed to celebrate Mass with Bishop Deshotel once again! More information will follow in the coming months.



What Are “Special” Masses?

Question: Why do Parishes Offer Special Masses like Thanksgiving and Memorial Day, even though they’re not Holy Days of Obligation? Am I obligated to attend?

Answer: Out of respect for the various civil celebrations that take place during the year, many dioceses and parishes will host special Masses. However, while it always worthwhile to come together to worship as a community, Catholics are not obligated to attend these celebrations. As the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* notes, the only times that we are obligated to participate in celebrations of the Eucharist are on Sundays and holy days of obligation:

The first precept (“You shall attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation and rest from servile labor”) requires the faithful to sanctify the day commemorating the Resurrection of the Lord as well as the principal liturgical feasts honoring the mysteries of the Lord, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the saints; in the first place, by participating in the Eucharistic celebration, in which the Christian community is gathered, and by resting from those works and activities which could impede such a sanctification of these day.

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Liturgical Ministers October 24th & October 25th, 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, October 24th, 4:00 p.m.
 Sacristan:
 Lectors:
 Eucharistic Ministers:
 Altar Servers:

Sunday, October 25th, 8:00 a.m.
 Sacristan:
 Lectors:
 Eucharistic Ministers:
 Altar Servers:

Sunday, October 25th, 10:30 a.m.
 Sacristan:
 Lectors:
 Eucharistic Ministers:
 Altar Servers:

Sunday, October 25th, 5:00 p.m.
 Sacristan:
 Lectors:
 Eucharistic Ministers:
 Altar Servers:

No Schedule at this time