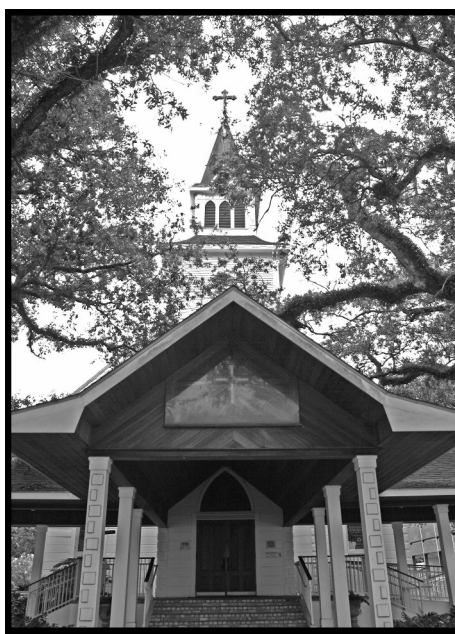


St. Joseph Bulletin

St. Joseph Catholic Church (Established 1848)

1011 First Street, Patterson, LA 70392



Celebration of Holy Mass

Weekends:

Saturday 4:30pm (Vigil Mass)

First Sat. Rosary 4pm

Sunday 8am, 10am, 5pm

Weekdays:

Mon. Wed. & Fri. 6:30am

Tues. Nursing Home 9:30am,

Thurs. 12:10pm

Reconciliation

20 minutes before Masses begin or anytime by appointment.

Rectory Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 9am - 3pm

Friday 9am - Noon

New Parishioners

We welcome you with great joy and invite you to register and worship with us regularly.

Forms are available in the rectory.

SACRAMENT INFORMATION

Baptism - Instructions are offered for both parents and godparents during the months of February, May, August, and November. Plan accordingly when expecting a child or choosing godparents and call 395-3881 to register for the class or to schedule a baptism.

Confirmation - Young people are prepared for Confirmation through the Confirmation Program. Adults are prepared for Confirmation through the R.C.I.A.

Matrimony - Diocesan Policy requires that a couple make arrangements with the pastor at least 6 months prior to desired date.

Sacrament of The Sick - Call the rectory to make arrangements for Communion and Anointing.

Rite of Christian Burial -

Arrangements to be made with a priest by the family.

Sacrament of Holy Orders or calling to religious life - please contact the priest in order to discern God's will.

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) - This process is structured to provide information for the formation of those who are seeking a fuller life as Christians in the Catholic Tradition. For information, please call the Office of Religious Education.

Religious Education For Children

Call the Office of Religious Education for information about registering your child.

Knights of Columbus - Meet the second Thurs. of the month at 7pm.

Come Lord Jesus Groups -

Seeking to become closer to God, learning more about scripture and being spiritually prepared for Sunday liturgy....consider joining a CLJ Group Call Marguerite Sumrall 395-5304 for more information.

Need a Ride to 10am Mass-call Evelyn Estay at 985-395-3610 by 3:00 PM on the Friday before each Sunday that you need assistance.

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time: The Courage to Be a Witness

This week I would like to speak with you about the call we have received to be witnesses to Christ. It takes tremendous courage to give witness to Christ. Perhaps we don't have to be afraid of being put to death for Christ as so many of the martyrs were, or as so many Christians still are in territories ruled by radical Islam, radical Hindi, etc. But we certainly risk being seriously hurt by the most influential people we might know.

Standing for the Lord, being His Witness, will trigger the worst in those who cannot fathom why we should be serious in allowing God to determine our lives. Sure, they will go to Church and give lip service to their faith, but when it comes to living that faith, they simply don't. And they cannot stand a person who refuses to join their immoral lifestyle. The person who does not sleep around, get drunk or stoned, who is faithful to marriage, who does an honest day's work, etc etc is an abomination to those who engage in some if not all of these. So, what do they do? They denounce the person. They talk about him or her. "You know, she says she's virtuous, but she isn't," "He didn't come to the party because he'd rather do drugs than alcohol," "She makes believe that she is honest, but she is the biggest liar around," and a person's reputation is instantly destroyed.

They think they have us, these so-called friends. They think they know us, but they don't. They know that it is natural to be concerned with what others are saying about us. But they don't know that is not our main concern. Our main concern is being witnesses for Jesus Christ.

And so, like Jeremiah in today's first reading, we trust in the Lord to protect us. Jesus said in today's Gospel, "Fear no one." Instead, proclaim from the housetops what you have heard. Don't be concerned with those who can destroy your body, but not your soul. Be concerned with losing your soul, your very self, for the sake of protecting your standing with these forces of darkness.

Do not be concerned if people call you names because you have the courage to live your faith. Don't be concerned if people make stories up about you because what they really want to do is deflect attention away from their own shortcomings. Instead, recognize this, when we stand with God we stand with the Victor. Jesus Christ will win the battle. After all, our battle as witnesses is His battle.

Are not two sparrows sold for a small coin? Yet not one of them falls to the ground without your Father's knowledge. So do not be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows. Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father.

God is aware of the times we say, "No, that's wrong." or simply, "No, that's not my style." God is aware of the times that we stay away from certain people or certain places. He is also aware of how we are treated by some when we give witness to His Presence.

We are worth more than many sparrows. Our Heavenly Father cares for us. His Son loves us. His Spirit fills us. Sure, it is a normal reaction to be concerned with what others are saying about us. Sure, we are all afraid of being the butt of other people's jokes. We hate being mocked. But we have to recognize that good is always going to be opposed by evil. We cannot be afraid. When we stand up for that which is right and true, the Lord will win the battles for us. Maybe we might not get that promotion we want. Maybe we might not be part of the in-crowd. But it is infinitely better to be part of the in-heaven crowd than the in-crowd on earth.

Not a sparrow falls to the ground without our Father's knowledge. God is aware of our commitment to His Life. He is aware that we are His Witnesses. All we need to do is to proclaim the truth of the Lord and let God do the rest.

Fr. Joseph Pellegrino

Parish Directory

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Websites:

St. Joseph Church

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Diocese of Lafayette

www.diolaf.org

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, JUNE 26
6:30am: Fr. Vu,

TUESDAY, JUNE 27
9:30am: Nursing Home-

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28
6:30AM:

THURSDAY, JUNE 29
12:10AM: Addyson Bertrand & fly

FRIDAY, JUNE 30
6:30 AM:

SATURDAY, JULY 1
4:30PM: Gertrude Bailey, Carey Mac Staples, Marie & Anthony Morella

SUNDAY, JULY 2
8:00am: Ray Jude Vidos Sr., For the People of our Parish, Dr. Earl Eues, Lenny Guzzino, John Dimatteo
10:00am: Louis Lipari, Frank Governale, Randy Marks,
5:00pm: James Blocker Jr., Beth Verret, Katherine Cardinale, Ross Grimball, Elsa Y. Parchmont, Holy Souls, Judy Clark, Greg Cart, Donald Jumonville, Mary & Wilbert Drash Sr.,

Sanctuary Light

Note: If a name is not printed above, due to human error, be assured that God has accepted your intention in heaven. Canon Law 94

Sick Relatives & Friends

Please pray for the sick of our parish & their caregivers: Stella Saleme, Jason Hernandez, Herman Lajaunie, Archer Rogers, Rodney Hebert, Herbert Estay, Ruth Bourgeois, Amanda Boggs, Ahney Chauvin, Peggy Grimball, Drue Langlinais, Linda Adams, Nicole Hingle, Wilda Cali, Angelle Hebert, Aba Grace Lang, Sally Rogers, Ian Davis, Daniel Broussard, Robert, Susan, Karter Esprit, Evita Boutte, Cameron Boutte, Harold Gobert, Trinty Simons, Madeline Venable, Annie Russo, Danell Kimble, Tuwana Ray, Bobby Johnson, Cindy Guidry, Tanya Clamon, Billy Garcia, Tyra Newcomb, Kristi Liner, Ray LaHoste, Celeste Jumonville, Owen Hebert, Chad LaGrange, Jackie & B.L. Como, Sherry Hughes, Carol Sampey, Anna George, Doug Hood, Sean Nezat, Guy Gilmore Jr.

Please call the rectory to add or delete a name on the list.

Brigittine/Carmelite Rosary

All are invited to participate in a special Rosary on Thursday, July 13, 2017 at 6:30 P.M. at St. Joseph, Patterson, LA presented by Mary, Beloved of the Trinity OCDS Community of New Iberia, LA. Learn the history and how to pray the Brigittine/Carmelite Rosary. We will be praying for peace and conversions in our nation and throughout the world, for healing and renewal of faith in our families, for an end to violence in our communities and respect for life, and for reparation of the sins of humanity.

ST. JOSEPH FOOD PANTRY

The food pantry is in need of these items: canned milk, canned meat, rice, mac & cheese, spaghetti sauce, crackers, cereal, grits, oatmeal, bathroom tissue, peanut butter, jelly and snacks for kids.

Our Pantry is Bare!!

Monetary donations are also greatly appreciated.

“Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink...”
Matthew 25:34

Baptism

Welcome into our Catholic Family!



Josie Mae Mahaffey

Child of Grant M. Mahaffey & Angela Bellard Mahaffey

**Kennedy Daya Givens
Harland Terrance Givens**

Child of Veronica Patrice Herzog

Layla Brielle Joseph

Child of Jordan D. Joseph & Kerrie E. Foret

Congratulations to our newest members & their families!

UPCOMING EVENTS...

Adult Discussion Group: class this Monday 6:30pm in the parish hall

First Saturday Rosary:

The Holy Rosary will be prayed before the Vigil Mass in church beginning at 4pm the first Saturday of each month. Please join us.

“PRAY & GEAUX”- Come Pray the Rosary every Monday morning at 8:30am @ St. Joseph Church.

There will be a **FUNDRAISING committee meeting** at 5:30 on July 5, 2017, in the parish hall. **ANYONE** interested may attend. **Suggestions for fundraisers are welcome.** Contact **Donette Freeman (504-390-7015)** for more information.

Prayer for Hurricane Season

By Bishop Maurice Schexnayder

O God, master of this passing world; hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the master of land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger, over which we have no control: the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awaken from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land and spread chaos and disaster.

During this hurricane season, we turn to you, o loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid, and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with the passing of time.

O Virgin, Star of the Sea, our beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son on our behalf; so that spared from the calamities common to this area, and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach heavenly Jerusalem, where a stormless eternity awaits us. Amen.

St. Joseph is now accepting Bulletin ads. You may purchase an Ad for your business or in memory of someone. Ads are \$20.00 a month or \$240.00 a yr. If you would like to place an Ad in the Bulletin please call the rectory 395-3616.

NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION

Welcome! Our parish family extends a warm welcome to all who are joining us for worship. We invite you to register and make St. Joseph your parish. Please complete the form, place in the collection are mail to parish office.

NAME: _____
PHONE: _____
E-MAIL: _____
ADDRESS: _____

Stewardship Area

“Give to the Most High as He has given to you, for the Lord is one who always repays, and He will give back to you sevenfold.” Sirach 35:10

Last Weekend : \$4400.00

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		<p>Knights of Columbus #1710</p>  <p>Protect... Catholic Families for Generations</p>	<p>CHRIST OUR King 90.5 FM 1230 AM CATHOLIC RADIO FOR ACADIANA .COM</p>	<p>TOWN & COUNTRY FLORIST & GIFTS, INC Owner: Glynda Lasseigne</p> <p>3515 Hwy 182, Berwick 985/385-6929 www.tandcflorist.com</p> 
<p>Frank's Agency, Inc. Complete insurance Services 985-395-9351 frankg@bellsouth.net</p>	 <p>Darnall, Sikes, Gardes & Frederick Certified Public Accountants 985-384-6264</p>			<p>Member FDIC</p>  <p>PATTERSON STATE BANK</p>

<p>July 1 & 2</p> <p>Sat. 4:30pm Sun. 8:00am Sun. 10:00am Sun. 5:00pm</p>	<p>Extra Ordinary Ministers of Eucharist</p> <p>Linda Thomas, Jane Watson, Terry Burgess AJ Gaudet, Mamie Perry, Lola Verret Deanna Allemond, Gloria Roy, Bubba Richoux Tina Dugas, Keith & Michelle Grimball</p>	<p>Lector</p> <p>Chris Wheeler Irene Mouton Jamie Guidry Mike Brocato Jr.</p>	<p>Altar Servers</p> <p>Kobi Lipari Paris Guidry Mallory Perry Brian Landry, Alex Haven</p>
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