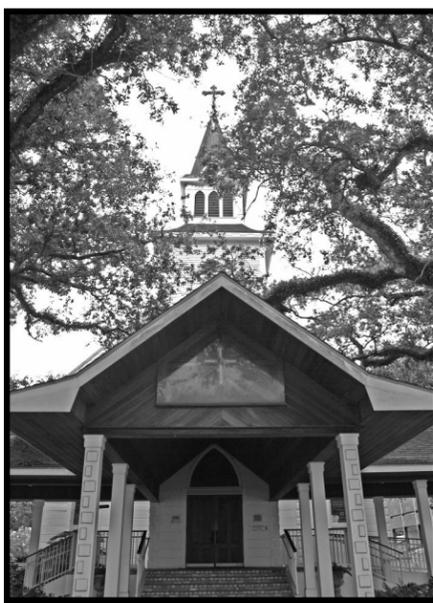


# St. Joseph Bulletin

**St. Joseph Catholic Church (Established 1848)**

**1011 First Street, Patterson, LA 70392**



## The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) Fr. Charles Irvin

When we go to a football game, a baseball game, or any other sports event we go to watch it being played. We watch television shows; we watch and listen to concerts. We watch so many events in our lives. But when we come to Mass, we should participate. The Church wants us to fully, actively, and consciously offer the Mass with the priest, not simply watch the priest and ministers offer Mass for us while we remain passive observers.



When we hear the term "Corpus Christi" we may tend to think of its meaning only in terms of Christ's Real Presence in the Blessed Sacrament. That is an unworthy notion. In reality, in the Eucharist we receive not only Christ in His Body and Blood but Christ in His entirety, an entirety that encompasses His activity, His project among us, His mission and purpose in engaging us and in engaging the world in which we live, move, and have our being. God our Father has sent His Son into our world with a mission. In Christ, we too are sent by God into our world, not to condemn it but to save it.

Often we think of the Body of Christ as the Eucharist, as Holy Communion, and as the Blessed Sacrament. Each of those terms has overlapping meanings with the others; all of them are a part of the meaning of Corpus Christi.

What is central is the sacramentality of Christ's presence among us. Each of the seven great Sacraments of the Church are particular expressions of the One Sacrament, namely Christ incarnate among us. Each of the Seven Sacraments brings us Christ in His active role of saving us; He is among us to encounter us, to join us into Himself and thereby bring us back to our Father in heaven through His birth, life, passion, death, resurrection, and ascension into heaven. He gathers us into Himself to bring us back to our Father, His Father and ours. It is in the Seven Sacraments that He joins Himself to us and we join ourselves into Him.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is something that is encouraged by our Church. Spending holy hours in adoration, spending time with Christ in the Blessed Sacrament is wonderful; it is a form of worship; it is sanctifying. At the same time, however, we are there in adoration not simply to receive; we are there to be energized so that we might give.

In Baptism and Confirmation, God's Holy Spirit consecrates the recipient and makes him or her at the same time a living member of the mystical Body of Christ, a participant in the mission of witnessing to his love and in bringing His light to our surrounding world.

The Body of Christ takes us into Jesus' entire life, a life given over to God in every way at every moment. His death on the cross was the culmination of His life among us as Jesus of Nazareth. Christ's resurrection was the beginning of His life as the Spirit-filled Christ risen in glory. This is what we mean when we enter into "the Paschal Mystery". When we receive the Body of Christ we enter into His life – His life in its fullest extent. We do not enter it simply because we will to do so, we enter into it because we are called and empowered to do so by the Holy Spirit. Mass (the Eucharist) is not something we watch; it is something we do.

God calls us to Himself not in some remote and distant heaven, but here on earth. His call is to us now; His call is present. Our response is not some future response; our response is now, here on earth. The bread and wine we offer at Mass symbolize the sacrifices of ourselves. Our giving thanks in the Eucharistic Prayer is our surrendering ourselves to God in Christ's surrendering of Himself to His Father.

We should never simply "get" or "receive" Holy Communion. We enter into Holy Communion; we enter into the totality of Christ's incarnate life among us. There is an intrinsic interconnection between the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass (which we call Eucharist), Holy Communion, and the Blessed Sacrament. In this sense, "receiving Holy Communion" is a dynamic reality: we receive Christ and in so doing, Christ receives us, and by the power of the Holy Spirit presents us to the Father.

All of this, however, is not just for our own sake, for our own salvation. All of this is so that we can bring that dynamic purpose of Christ to the world around us, a world into which we are called to bring the saving presence of Christ. To adore Christ in the Blessed Sacrament is to participate in His activity.

The intended result of our active participation in the whole offering of the Mass will be found in an ethic of life that participates in Christ's active life in our world, a life that is sent into the world "so that the world might believe" in God's caring love for us all as His children. We are here at Mass in order to be sent, sent with God's enterprise, with God's meaning and purpose for our lives. We come to Mass to join ourselves into Christ in His Mystical Body and into His mission among us.

The purpose of Mass is not to be seen as an action wherein the priest simply consecrates hosts; some people think their participation in the Eucharistic Prayer is all about watching the priest and then receiving Holy Communion. Truly it is much more.

By our Holy Communion we are incorporated into the Body of Christ, but our incorporation is not something that we simply receive. We are taken up rather into the totality of what Jesus Christ is all about.

May you fully, actively, and intentionally participate in that reality, a reality summed up in the dynamism of Corpus Christi.

### 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.**

## Parish Directory

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Bobbie Diaz (Office Manager) ext. 4 ~  
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Office Fax: 985-395-9129**

**Education Office: 985-395-3881**

**Mamie Perry (DRE) ext. 5 ~  
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**Websites:**

**St. Joseph Church**

**[www.stjosephatla.org](http://www.stjosephatla.org)**

**Diocese of Lafayette**

**[www.diolaf.org](http://www.diolaf.org)**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**MONDAY, JUNE 19**

6:30am: Fr. Vu,

**TUESDAY, JUNE 20**

9:30am: Nursing Home-

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21**

6:30AM:

**THURSDAY, JUNE 22 "DAY CAMP MASS"**

11:00AM: Addyson Bertrand & fly

**FRIDAY, JUNE 23**

6:30 AM:

**SATURDAY, JUNE 24**

4:30PM: Gertrude Bailey, Carey Mac Staples,

Luke & Virginia Lipari, Ed Kyle, Mike LeNormand,

**SUNDAY, JUNE 25**

8:00am: Ray Jude Vidos Sr., For the People of our

Parish, Dr. Earl Eues, Lenny Guzzino, John

Dimatteo, Mouton & Washington fly deceased,

Wendel, Loren, Bryant, & Kaylee Henry

Holy Souls in Purgatory, Special Intention

10:00am: Harold Allemond, 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  
Wendel Henry Family*

*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*

**Office of Religious Education & Formation**

Mamie Perry 395-3881 stjodre@teche.net



**Summer Bible Camp: June 19-23, 2017**

Once again a great week has been planned and we are all excited about all the campers arriving on Monday and spending the week with us. Our camp day is from 9:00-12:00. Campers may begin arriving at 8:50 and will gather in the Parish Hall.

Once again, we invite our parents and grandparents to our **Bible Camp Mass Celebration on Thursday @ 11:00** and our **Camp Talent Show on Friday, June 23 @ 11:00** in the Parish Hall.

**Our Special dress up days are:**

**Monday** - Come in your **favorite color** to join in the fun.

**Tuesday** - Come on fire with the Holy Spirit -- it's **Red day!**

**Wednesday** - Come wearing your **Camp T-Shirt.**

**Thursday - Camp Mass:** Come in your **Camp T-Shirt** with a canned good in hand to give away.

**Friday** - Camp Talent Show: Come dressed for **Wacky Day.**

Remember all the safety rules for picking up and dropping off your campers. Walkers and bike riders will need to have written permission by the parents before they can leave without an adult. Permission forms can be obtained at the Education Office.

**First Communion and Confirmation**

Pictures are in and can be picked up

**Mass of Thanksgiving for David Rozas**

Sunday, June 25

10AM Mass

St. Joseph Church, Patterson

Reception Following in our Parish Hall

David is registered @

Louisiana Church Interiors Crowley

Acadian Religious and Gifts in Lafayette

**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.

**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.

**DECORATING COMMITTEE**

We need help cleaning out the flower closet Saturday, June 24 at 7AM, any help will be appreciated.

**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.

**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 : \$3543.00  
Day Camp \$1018.75

**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.**

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	<p><b>Knights of Columbus</b> #1710</p>  <p>Protect... Catholic Families for Generations</p>	<p>CHRIST OUR <b>King</b> 90.5 FM <b>1230 AM</b> CATHOLIC RADIO FOR ACADIANA .COM</p>	<p><b>TOWN &amp; COUNTRY FLORIST &amp; GIFTS, INC</b> Owner: Glynda Lasseigne</p> <p>3515 Hwy 182, Berwick 985/385-6929 www.tandcflorist.com</p> 	
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**June 24 & 25**

**Extra Ordinary Ministers of Eucharist**

**Lector**

**Altar Servers**

Sat. 4:30pm	Leona Armato, Joy Guarisco	Chris Wheeler	Madalyn & Zachary Landry
Sun. 8:00am	AJ Gaudet, Jamie Guidry	Irene Mouton	Volunteer
Sun. 10:00am	Paula Boutte, Janet Carmody, Gloria Roy	Roland Delaune	Kaylee Craddock
Sun. 5:00pm	Angela Harrington, Henry Leray, Rosie Pellerin	Mike Brocato Jr	Mary Frances Cali, Landon Lipari