

SAINT JOSEPH

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APRIL 20, 2025 - EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

PARISH MINISTERS

Rev. William Schambough.	Pastor
Chenell Privat	
Tammy Hyde	
Eva Green	
John Buroker	

CELEBRATING THE EUCHARIST

Saturday		4:00	p.m.
Sunday:	8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., &	5:00	p.m.

Weekday Masses

Monday & Friday	6:30 a.m.
	Γhursday:8:30 a.m.
Holy Days:	6:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

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. your proposed date.

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

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Troy Boudreaux Bob Cole Charles Duchamp Dennis Dumas Nick Gaspard Dan Guidry Cindy LeBlanc

Steve Lemaire Nancy Messa Guy Picard Judy Picard David Walther Marie Walther

PARISH TRUSTEES

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Our Gift Back to God

Offertory (Due to early printing, not available) . \$

Next Weekend's Second Collection Bishop's Services Appeal

In the second reading today, St. Paul reminds the Colossians that they have been raised with Christ, exhorting them to "be intent on things above rather than on things of earth." We too, have been raised with Christ. Let us rejoice and be glad.

When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. - Jn 20:6-8

Mass Intentions Weekend of April 19th and 20th, 2025 Sat. 8 p.m., Sun. 8 a.m. for the intentions listed, Sun. 10:30 a.m. for our parish (Pro Populo)

Dolores Benoit, Kilren J. Cheramie, III, Drew Michael Courts, Clifford J. Viator, Viola D. Stevens, George Lee Broussard, Enola G. Bernard, Adra Manceaux, Randall Picard, Ernest & Jacquelyn Albert, Anna Burch, Gill Chopin, Gerald L. Landry, Jerry Landry, Olan & Marie LeMaire (Anniversary), David Brune, Gerry Brooks Laurent, M/M Pressley Broussard, Dianne Touchet, Larry Schexnaydre, Earless Romero, Zachary Hebert, Ellender "Dickie" Labbie, Cameron Bailey, Sue Naumann, Claudia Saunier, Wilda & Louis Theo Bares, Lawrence Benoit, Sr., Emily Kay Benoit, Lydia & Edvard Hebert & Family, Francis & Louella Hebert, Ronald Joseph Romero, Minus Romero, Loyd Denais, The Bolivar Family, Beverly C. & Mildred B. Picard, M/M Yenes Baudoin, Jimmy Courville Family, Elwood Baudoin, Debbie Duhon, Pam McDonald, Shirley Broussard, Carolyn & John Hutchinson, Etienne & Leona Clark, Janice Scott (Birthday), Chester Henry, Willis & Geri Morvant (Willis' Birthday), James V. King, Sr., Cheri Trahan, Robert & Andrea Hebert, Dalfred John Guidry, Lula & Alphonse Domingue, Thomas Privat, Sr., Anna Burch, Gloria Guidry, Floyd & Leonie Broussard, Nelton & Helen LaFleur, Xavier Broussard, Denis Domingue, Kearney Family, Louis & Theresa Guidry, Pete & Lucille Hebert, J. V. & Luby Landry, Jr., M/M Kilren J. Cheramie, Jr., Bradley Demette (Birthday), Ernest & Laura Hebert, John J. Ladner, M/M Clayus LeBlanc, M/M Wilmer Landry, John Ivy & Hazel Broussard & Family

Weekday Masses

Monday 21 Vocations to the Priesthood

Tuesday 22 Neil Boudreaux, Gertrude Boudreaux Wednesday 23 Harris Zeringue (Anniversary)

Thursday 24 Paul R. LaBauve (Wedding Anniversary),

Edvard Hebert, Jr.

Friday 25 Previous Bishops

Sanctuary Candle

Harry Floyd & Leonie V. Broussard

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord John 20: 1-9

When I was a young boy, my parents told me about their wedding. Then a few years later, they showed me my mother's wedding dress and my dad's suit. It was astonishing to see and touch garments that connected me to the event that led to my existence. Of course, I already believed they were married based on their word. But these holy garments made the event real and tangible for me.

Something like this is at play when St. John reports encountering in Jesus' tomb, "the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place" (John 20:7). Those two separate cloths, for his head and for his body respectively, meant a great deal to St. John and to the early Christians. Some years after the resurrection, there surfaced reports of two cloths with unusual characteristics, one bearing the image of a crucified man's body, another smaller one with the image of a wounded man's face. Some call them the Shroud of Turin and the Veil of Manoppello; they both can be seen today.

These two cloths have a long and complicated history, and scholars debate aspects of them. If you're curious, I encourage you to read about them. To be clear, I believe in the resurrection of Jesus because of the testimony of eyewitnesses and the gift of faith in the Church. Nevertheless, seeing these two mysterious cloths have made the life-giving event of Jesus' resurrection more real and tangible for me. Maybe they will for you, too.

— Father John Muir

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Please Pray For The Sick

Joyce Menard Laura Henry Beau Gaspard
Melissa Lapointe David McKeon Diana Johnson
Marc Broussard Mark Broussard
Yvonne LeBlanc Red Hall Jerome Auzenne, Sr.
Danny B. Comeaux Chuck Lindsey Reed McIver
Christine Marie Gotte Kenney Stickney
Polly Breazeale Pat Broussard



Sensory Mass (Family Mass) A monthly Sunday Catholic Mass option for families with children or young adults who could spiritually benefit from accommodations for sensory needs. Various arrangements for self-seating or standing or wheelchair access. Florescent lighting turned off, incandescent lights dimmed. Little or no music. Applicable brief homily, zero-step entry into Church. No rush environment to enjoy your family and time with God in worship. The next Mass will be held **April 26th** at 5:30 p.m.

Build Youth Group Nights are open to all high school students! We love meeting new people, so show up and bring a friend! The next one is scheduled for Sunday, April 27, 2025 at St. Anne Church, Youngsville. Visit buildyouthgroup@gmail.com.

Easter Egg Hunt join us at the St. Joseph Church Baby Oaks on Divine Mercy Sunday - April 27th at 11:40 a.m. following the 10:30 a.m. Mass for an Easter Egg Hunt.

The Next Baptism Seminar will be held on Thursday, May 8th, at 6:30 p.m. in church. Parents are encouraged to attend during pregnancy in order to avoid any delays.

Registration for Religious Ed is now underway for 2025-2026 for students in grades 1st through 8th. Registration forms can be found on the St. Joseph Website www.stjo-milton.org. The deadline to register is May 31, 2025! Please call Erin Dowd at 856-0800 if you should have any questions or concerns.



Easter Flowers and Décor In Memoriam

Betty & Buck Badeaux Michelle Foret Randy Moore M/M Willis Morvant Cameron M. Bailey LTC(Ret.) & Mrs. Robert L. Freshley, Sr. M/M Junius Norris Mr. & Mrs. Theo Bares Don & Jeanette Gallet Amy Kathryn Bartlett Amy Gremillion Robert & Anna Mae Pavy Elwood Baudoin Luke Guillot M/M Beverly Picard M/M Yenes Baudoin Dale Hebert Primeaux Family Lane Begnaud **Dolores & Doug Hebert** Tommy Privat Lynn D. Begnaud Francis & Lou Hebert Ana Ramirez Georgia & Howard Hebert John & Mabel Bellon Ruth & Lester Robinson Mable Romero Malcolm Bellon Pierre & Lucille Hebert Dawn Jimenez Salta Paul Eldon Benoit Robert Hebert Theresa Benoit Zachary Hebert Shirley Savoie Milton & Gloria Bergeron **Delores Hicks** M/M Roland Smith M/M Edier Broussard **Kearney Family** Roland J. Smith Faye, Paul & Freddie Broussard Kathy Knowlton **Leonard Spears** Ms. Leona Broussard Ellender Dickie Labbie Sidney A. Stoute Marie C. Broussard Curtis J. Landry Laci Taquino Randy & Pearl Taquino PJ, Barbara & Danny Broussard Maurice & Geraldine Lantier Virginia Broussard M/M Antoine Latiolais & Family Azeline Theriot Anne Burch Arthur LeBreton Hardy Theriot Mitchel Theriot Adam & Una Campbell Jim & Mary Lee Doug & Jane Claibourne Albert Libersat M/M Albert Thibodaux Jimmy Courville Jessica Lyons **Bootsy & Rod Thibodeaux** M/M Eugene Darnall Bonnita Martin John & Dolores Trosclair Deceased Family of UL Hebert Katry Martin Zachary Tucker **Dudley & Vivian Mayard** Ferdie Vasseur **Loyd Denais** Andre Viator Helen & Ernest Joseph Dupuis Pam McDonald Logan Dysart M/M Doak Meche **Barney Viator Menard Family** Marisana Fanniel Haywood Viator Jessie & Vida Miller M/M Clay Faucheaux Janice Whittington Elsie & Verny Fontenot Alex Moore

JC & Leona Moore

Linda Moore

Events This Week

Mon. (21st): Confession 6:00 a.m. Mass 6:30 a.m. Parish Office Closed

Marie Foret

Dr. & Mrs. Foret

Tues. (22nd): Confession 8:00 a.m. Mass 8:30 a.m.

Choir Practice 6:30 p.m.

Wed: (23rd): Confession 8:00 a.m. Mass 8:30 a.m. Bible Study 9:30 a.m. (Life Center) Adoration 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Thurs. (24th): Confession 8:00 a.m. Mass 8:30 a.m.

Knights of Columbus 6:30 p.m. (Life Center)

Fri. (25th): Confession 6:00 a.m. Mass 6:30 a.m.

Parish Office Closed

Sat. (26th): Confession 3-3:55 p.m.

Mass 4:00 p.m. Sensory Mass 5:30 p.m.

Sun. (27th): Masses:8:00 a.m.,10:30 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt 11:30 a.m.

Mass 5:00 p.m.

Word of Life "Like us Christ entered the world through the womb of a woman. willingly experienced the fullness of human suffering. He breathed his last on the Cross at Calvary in order that He might save us. Therefore, 'God is the foundation of hope: not any god, but the God who has a human face and who has loved us to the (Spe salvi 31)." For all who work to build a culture of May the hope of the life: Resurrection renew and sustain them in their mission.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15 Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18 Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35 Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48 Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14 Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15

Next Sunday's Readings

Acts 5:12-16 Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (R/. 1) Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19 John 20:19-31



Easter Sunday

Today, on the most important day of the liturgical year, the Apostle Paul is calling us out.

"I see you hiding in that tomb," he says. "I see you baking with that old, stale yeast, thinking no one will notice."

He says it a little more elegantly, I'll grant you. But the message is this: If you want to be raised with Christ, you'd better be ready to step out of the shadows. Seek what is above — not what is on earth.

I can feel myself responding almost reflexively, "Great idea, Paul — but I'm pretty comfy here." Because sometimes, it's just easier to stay in the tomb. It's easier to crouch in the shadows and look outward at everyone else, thinking of the changes they could make or the sins they could overcome.

Today we are called to embrace newness. New hearts, new lives, new futures, new chances. If there's anything keeping you from that, you need to leave it in the tomb. It's a little scary, sure maybe Jesus thought so before he stepped into the light of that first Easter morning. But no loaf of bread worth eating was ever baked using stale yeast that wouldn't rise. No new life worth having was ever lived through the broken sins of yesterday. No Easter morning ever dawned without the tomb sitting empty.

Step into the light. He is waiting for you.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

"A priest is not a priest for himself, he is a priest for you." -Cure' of Ars

Please Pray for Our Priests: Rev. Christopher Cambre Rev. Corey Campeaux Rev. Joseph Campion Rev. Michael Champagne, CJC Rev. Gregory Chauvin Rev. Jose Cherian

Rev. Edward Chiffriller, SSJ

Preschool St. Anne in Youngsville: 2025 -2026 registration for new students is now open. Tours are being scheduled now. St. Anne Preschool enriches the lives of talented two, three and four year olds in a dynamic Catholic learning environment with small classes. Find their registration at www.stannechurch.net.





Hospice of Acadiana join us in supporting Hospice of Acadiana's Annual "Hit the Road with Hospice" Raffle! Your \$20 ticket purchase gives you a chance to win a car, a camper or a trip for 2! As Acadiana's ONLY non-profit hospice, your purchase will provide patients with the care they need, regardless of the cost or their ability to pay. Hospice of Acadiana also offers several programs & services to the community at-large, free of including charge, Grief Counseling, Loss & Transition Workshops, Camp Brave Hearts, WE Honor Veterans program, and much more. For more information or to purchase

Youngsville Meal Site Connect with other seniors (60 and older) at the new Youngsville Meal Site located at the VFW Hall, 204 Lafayette Street, Youngsville. Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. excluding holidays. Registration is required. Call 337-262-5990. Meals are \$1.25. Meet other people, eat a nutritious meal and enjoy activities.

a ticket, please visit our website

at www.hospiceacadiana.com.



Liturgical Ministers April 26th and 27th, 2025
Sacristans, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers
We ask all ministers to please be there 15 minutes before Mass. Sacristans, please be there 30 to 45 minutes before Mass. Please request a sub on your ministry pro app if unable to make your scheduled time.

Saturday, April 26th, 4:00 p.m.
Sacristan: Sherry Kenner
Lector: Beth Viator
Eucharistic Ministers: Sherry Kenner, Eadie Slimbach, Michelle Bayard
Altar Servers: Vivian Deshotel, Ella Gaspard, Jack Gaspard

Sunday, April 27th, 8:00 a.m.
Sacristan: Trish Suire
Lector: Ali Picard
Eucharistic Ministers: Cole Ruckstuhl, Paige Gary, Stacey Picard
Altar Servers: Nathan Waguespack, Matthew Brou

Sunday, April 27th, 10:30 a.m.
Sacristan: Leurline Norris
Lector: Gib Broussard
Eucharistic Ministers: Leurline Norris, Jude Bares, Beth Tate
Altar Servers: Jonah DePrima, Russell DePrima, Gabriel Gremillion

Sunday, April 27th, 5:00 p.m.
Sacristan: Mary Landry
Lector: Patrick Briese
Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Landry, Renee Darbonne, Kenny Darbonne
Altar Servers: Thomas Roy, Annie Roy