

St. Joseph Catholic Church (Established 1848)
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Parish Directory

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St. Joseph Church
www.stjosephpatla.org

Diocese of Lafayette
www.diolaf.org

Weekday

Monday & Thursday 11:00am
Tuesday 9:30 at Nursing Home
Wednesday 6:30am

Weekend

Saturday 4:30pm
Sunday 8:00am & 10:30am

Reconciliation

20 minutes before Masses or
anytime by appointment.

Rectory Office Hours

Mon. thru Thur. 9:am to 3pm
Fri. 9am to 12 noon

Education Office Hour.

Mon. thru Thur. 9:am to 3pm
Fri. 9am to 12 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.

I want to start off today by reminding you about the Biblical verses of Elijah and his protégé, Elisha. Elijah was the most powerful prophet in the Hebrew Scriptures, the Old Testament. He was a prophet who warned and punished the Kings of Israel for their sins. He called on God to begin a drought. He called on God to end the drought. He destroyed the false prophets of the pagan god Baal on Mount Carmel after he challenged them to a contest to demonstrate who was the true God, Yahweh or Baal. He raised a widow's son from the dead. He even outran King Ahab's chariot. There are many accounts in the First Book of Kings of Elijah's power. Then at the beginning of the Second Book of Kings, Elijah was taken into heaven. He had been told to anoint Elisha as a prophet to succeed him. Elisha journeyed with Elijah witnessing the power that God manifested through him. In the second chapter of the Second Book of Kings, Elijah and Elisha were in Gilgal. Elijah told Elisha that God was summoning him to go to Bethel, but Elisha should stay in Gilgal. Elisha said that he would not leave him. They came to the Jordan River. Again Elijah told Elisha that he would not leave him. Elisha took off his mantle, or cloak and struck it. And the river again crossed the river on dry ground. Then Elijah turned to Elisha and asked, "What is it that you desire of me?" Elisha responded, "What do you wish of me?" Elijah responded, "If you see me taken from you, your wish will be granted." And in a whirlwind, Elijah was taken up to heaven. But before he was out of sight, Elisha picked up the mantle, went back to the Jordan River and struck it. And the river again crossed the river on dry ground. Throughout his life, Elisha continued the work of his Master, Elijah.

One far greater, infinitely greater, than Elijah came to the world. His name was Jesus. You know well his deeds, and the power of his words. When it was time for him to rejoin his Father, he promised his disciples that he would send the Holy Spirit and they would continue His work in the world. So, on Pentecost Sunday, the disciples of the Lord waited in that same Upper Room where they had celebrated the Last Supper. The door was barred because they were afraid that the leaders of the Jewish people would arrest them as they had arrested Jesus. What must it have been like in that room? They were obviously afraid. Were they trying to understand the significance of the Passion, Death and Resurrection of the Lord? Probably. Were they trying to understand what their role would be in continuing the work of the Lord? Certainly.

Then the Spirit came upon them. They were empowered by the Holy Spirit to bring others to Christ and Christ to others. They threw open the door and proclaimed the Good News of Jesus Christ. People from all over the world listened to them, hearing them in their own languages. They were inspired to become disciples of Christ. That day, three thousand joined the disciples.

Pentecost is the empowering by the Master, Jesus Christ, to complete his work, the salvation of that part of creation made in the image of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Jesus entrusted his work to his prized disciples. He gave them the Third Person of the Trinity, the Holy Spirit, and they allowed his Spirit to flow through them. And the Church was born. And the Church is being born. And the work of the master continues.

The disciples became apostles on Pentecost Sunday. The learners, disciples, were empowered by the Holy Spirit to become missionaries, apostles. Their faith in Jesus Christ was confirmed by the presence of the Holy Spirit. It is the same for us. When we received the sacrament of confirmation, we were confirmed in the faith of our Baptism. Just as Baptism can be called a Personal Easter, Confirmation can be called a Personal Pentecost.

How can we utilize this great gift, the gift of the Holy Spirit? How, can we allow the Spirit to work through us? How can we bring Christ to others and others to Christ?

First of all, we need to be thoroughly committed to our union with Christ. This is far more than avoiding serious sin. We need to foster our union with Christ through our prayer life, daily as individuals and at least weekly as a community. If we do this then our proclamation of Christ flows naturally through us. The things we say or do actually become secondary to the action of the Spirit through us.

Second, we need to reach out to those in the world who are longing for a Savior. This is not limited to those who have never heard of Christ. It also refers to those leading desperate lives of insignificant drudgery. It refers to those who are caught up in the dictates of secular society, busy doing all sorts of things that fade away except the one thing that lasts, uniting themselves to the Lord.

Thirdly, we need to fight against our own reticence. We might hesitate to ask someone to pray with us, fearing that the person might say, "No". Maybe we are afraid that we will not be convincing enough. We need to remember that God supplies the words and actions that lead others to Him. We are merely the vehicles for the Lord. At the same time, a vehicle is useless if it stays in the garage. We need to do our best, and let the Spirit do the rest.

How is it that we are all here in church? How is it that billions celebrate Jesus Christ? Was there a huge miracle that caused so many to become Christians? Was there a sign in the sky that said, "Go to Church?" Of course not. We are here because the Holy Spirit worked through others. I am here because others, particularly in my case as in most your cases, my parents, took their Catholicism seriously. I am here, as you are, because others have led me to Christ.

God uses His People to spread his Gospel. He empowers them with His Spirit, inspiring them and others through them to choose Christ. God uses us to do the work of His Kingdom. He has empowered us with the Holy Spirit.

The mantle has fallen from the sky. We are called to pick it up, strike the Jordan River and witness the power of God. May we have the Courage to continue the work of our Master.

Fr. Joseph Pellegrino



MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MAY 29 MEMORIAL DAY

9:00 A.M.: Wally Griffin, Anthony Marcell, Chris Cervantes, Cherie Boumans

TUESDAY, MAY 30

9:30 A.M.: Harris & Betty Pennison Sr.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 31

6:30 A.M.: Mamie Ann Guarisco

THURSDAY, JUNE 1

11:00 A.M.: Wally Griffin

FRIDAY, JUNE 2

11:00 A.M.: NO MASS

SATURDAY, JUNE 3

4:30 P.M.: Frank & Austin Guarisco, Alfred LaCoste, Donald & Leona Smith, Max Griffin, Graci Andrews, Hal Thomas, Wally Griffin, Luke & Virginia Lipari, Nadine Montgomery, Gulley & Anna Taylor, Michael Gunther, Joe & Gloria Gunther, AJ & Josie Moncada, Yvonne Adams, Butch & Sylvia Felterman, Mervin A. Sonnier, Andrus & Odelia LeCompte, Clyde G. Peterson, Irene B. Ganucheau, Juanita Bernauer, Myrtle Waddel, Karl C. Peterson, Edith Peterson, Anthony & Marie Morella, JP Morella, Justin Trimm

SUNDAY, JUNE 4

8:00 A.M.: Fred & Elsa Parchmont, Randy & Beth Verret, Charpentier & Costa Fly (Living & Deceased), Gertrude & Wilson Bailey, Ernest & Beverly Felterman, Bernice & Joseph Accardo, Junior & Thilde Harrington, Mary Jane Cremaldi, Wanda Thibodeaux

10:30 A.M. : For the People of our Parish

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, Angelle Hebert, Iris Roy, Celeste Jumonville, Rachel Caprito, Rose & Robert Johnson, Daisy LeBlanc, Linda Thomas, Austin Gabourel, Ruth Blocker, Troy Broussard, Agatha Wiggins, Ricky & Brenda Lamartiniere, Joseph Gomez, Mary Ann Trosclair, Lee Felterman, Mary Sehon, Kerry Montet Jr, Bryce Solar, Dolores Verret, Barbara Guarisco, Kenny Leger, Joann Landry, Diane Singleton, Garnet Acosta, Geraldine Dilly, Jamie Credeur, Heather Bourque, Samantha McGill, Doug Perry, Kirsten McGill, Jessica Fariar, Susan Murray, Brooke Rhodes, Melanie Lipari, Ronald Berry, Randy Ledet, Jan Fabre, Ray Rentrop, Jacqueline Hebert, Kim Hanks, Rip & Cheryl Verdin, Jason Percle, Judy Leray, Florence Bebe Viator, Justin Fabre, Karen Bertrand, Nanette Landry, Anthony Richard, Valerie Simon, Liz Clement, Ann Heard, Jimmy Russo, Rick Tabor, Bennie Collins, Sandra Bradford, Sheena Robertson, Kelly Dalton, L.P. Lipari, Janice Peterson, Stephen McReynolds, Kay Olds, Clara Barthelemy, Frank Hernandez, Jason & Theresa Babin, Michele Harrell, Lonnie Garza, Ryan Domingue, Penelope Meadows, Elijah Allen, Warren Soudelier, Keely Price, Carla LaSalle, Janice Boudier, Elizabeth Swan, Alex Lewis, Kate Hicks, Troy Landry, Barbara Vinning, Jane & Cursey Gordon, Layla Joseph, Veronica St. Romain, Mildred Trujillo, Jerry Trosclair, Wesley Munfon Jr., John Carmody, Jina Thomas, Abigail Watson, Howard Johnson, Grant & Terrell Darby, Drake Price, Angie & Clyde Aucion, Joni Ronsonet, Cory Fox, Gina Crooks, Tootie Carrier, Maxine Hebert, Dakota Hue, Jackson Perry, Tiffany Hardford, Butch Davis, Blaine St Romain, Roland Fruge, Debra Verret, Billy Giroir, Ken Montgomery, Ethan Perro, Pat Rock, Cindy Solar, Pattie Armato, Melissa Tarleton, Phyllis Russo, Jack (Bubba) Jones Jr., Jena Derise, Wieneva Acosta , Gloria & Author Roy, Eleanor Blanco, Jody Felterman, Gary Robicheaux, Kenny Orgeron, Ron Michel , Laquite Darnell, Bonnie Tallada, Collins LaSalle, Randy Barrilleaux, Charles, Sandra, & Amber Grogan, Mollie Grote, Paula Boutte

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

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 Offerings

\$3329.00

Property & Liability

\$666.00

You're invited

St. Joseph's Summer Day Camp

June 12-16

9:00am-12:00pm



Campers Gr. K-6

*Camp Mass- Thursday

*Talent Show- Friday

We are in need of : Counselors (Gr. 7 and above), Directors, & Volunteers!

Please call 985/395-3881 to volunteer &/or for registration information.


Updates and registration information will be shared on social media, the church bulletin, back of church and our parish website.

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St. Joseph's

DIAPER Drive




JUNE 10-JUNE 25, 2023

To help support

The Unexpected Pregnancy Center in

New Iberia



Donations of diapers can be brought to any mass.

There will be a box in the back of Church for your donations.

Any question please contact Regina Wheeler (985)518-6768

Father's Adult Discussion Group

No Class this Monday

You Need to Know:

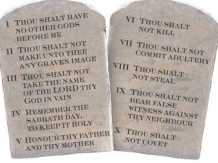
(continuing with the Fifth Commandment) Taking care of our lives is also considered under the Fifth Commandment. We are required to take care of our health-both for ourselves and for others. Society is responsible for helping its citizens to maintain health by providing the conditions necessary to do so, Section 2288 states. Nevertheless, the Catholic Church rejects the ‘cult of the body” which section 2269 describes as “neo-pagan...to idolize physical perfection and success in sports.” Every type of excess is to be avoided in regard to food, alcohol, tobacco, or medicine. “Grave guilt” occurs when drunken drivers endanger the lives of others whether on land, sea, or in the air, section 2290 warns. “Clandestine production of and trafficking in drugs are scandalous practices. They constitute direct cooperation in evil,” section 2291 cautions.

Expanding upon care for the human person, the Catholic Church supports and encourages medical research as ways of contributing “to healing the sick and the advancement of public health” (section 2292). The CCC cautions, however, that all scientific research “...must be at the service of the human person, of his unalienable rights, of his true and integral good, in conformity with the plan and the will of God” (section 2294). Acts contrary to those goals are “contrary to the dignity of persons and to the moral law” (section 2295). Section 2296 addresses an area not covered in older catechisms: organ transplants. These are positive actions if they conform with the moral law and the donor or those legitimately speaking for the donor give informed consent. However, “It is morally inadmissible directly to bring about the disabling mutilation or death of a human being, even in order to delay the death of other persons.

This part of the CCC also addresses kidnapping and hostage taking, which are banned in section 2297. Terrorism and torture are offenses against justice and charity and are contrary to respect for the person and for human dignity. Only therapeutic medical amputations, mutilations, or sterilizations are allowed (section 2297).

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We are now accepting Bulletin ads. You may purchase an ad for your business or in memory of someone. Ads are \$20/month or \$240/yr. If you would like to place an ad in the Bulletin please call the rectory 395-3616.

<div><div>Knights of Columbus</div><div>#1710</div><div></div><div>Protecting Catholic Families</div></div>	<div><div>JEFF PRESIDENT</div><div>CARDINALE</div><div>CARDINAL LUMBER & SUPPLY, INC.</div><div>985-395-9580</div><div>800 HWY. 90 WEST PATTERSON, LA</div></div>	<div><div>Frank's Agency, Inc.</div><div>Complete insurance Services</div><div>985-395-9351</div><div>glynnnguarisco@bellsouth.net</div></div>	<div><div>GOAL: \$67,200</div><div></div><div>75%</div><div>\$50,614</div><div>St. Joseph Catholic Church</div><div>Capital Campaign Progress</div></div>
<div><div>Member FDIC</div><div></div><div>PATTERSON STATE BANK</div></div>	<div><div>MORGAN CITY SUPPLY of Louisiana</div><div></div><div>985/384-3650</div><div>6911 Hwy 182 E Morgan City, LA</div></div>	<div><div>C. Whitten Photography</div><div>cwhittenphotography.com</div></div>	
<div><div>VITAL SIGNS</div><div>CUSTOM SIGNS & GRAPHICS</div><div>vitalsigns1995@gmail.com</div><div>985-518-1234</div></div>			

June 3 & 4	Extra Ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:	Lectors:	Altar Servers:
Sat. 4:30pm	Jane Watson	Alecia Rabalais	Zachary Landry
Sun. 8 :00am	Mike Brocato	Michael Brocato	Parker Brocato
Sun. 10:30am	Sandra Marshall, Angela Harrington, Deanna Allemond	Riley Chaisson	Lex Chamberlain