

# SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

1125 Blankenship Drive  
Deridder, Louisiana 70634

## ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

*"My soul proclaims the  
greatness of the Lord;  
my spirit rejoices in  
God my savior."*

Luke 1:46-47

## ASUNCIÓN DE LA VIRGEN MARIA

*"Proclama mi alma la  
grandeza del Señor, y mi  
espíritu se alegra en  
Dios mi Salvador."*

Lucas 1, 46-47



### OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm  
Office closed 12:00 noon - 1:00pm

### HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Communion Service at  
12:10pm  
Tuesday-Friday Mass at 12:10pm  
Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm  
Sunday 9:00 am & 11:30 am  
Mass in Spanish every 4th Sunday  
of the month at 5:00 pm  
Holy Day Mass Schedule will be  
announced

### CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:00-3:45pm  
Sunday: 8:00-8:45am & 10:45-11:15am

### ADORATION

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is  
every Wednesday after the 12:10pm  
Mass from 12:40 to 4:00pm, ending  
with Benediction at 4:00pm.

### PARISH STAFF

**Pastor:** Fr V. Wayne LeBleu  
**Deacon:** Al Winnig  
**Parish Secretary:** Gracia Acosta  
**Parish Bookkeeper:** Aimee Brasseaux  
**Maintenance Head:** Trevor Smith  
**Parish Catechetical Leader:**  
Julie Roussel  
**Order of Christian Initiation (OCIA):**  
Angela Lannen  
**Music Minister:** Carie Barnes

### PARISH PHONE NUMBERS

Pastoral Center 337-463-6878

### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

The couple preparing for marriage must contact the parish priest at least six months in advance of the desired time.

Confirmation of date of wedding must be made by the priest officiating the wedding.

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call the Pastoral Center to schedule an interview and register for Baptism. 337-463-6878

### FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

The parish priest is to be contacted before the family makes any arrangements with the funeral director. Family members are also asked to meet with the priest to prepare for the funeral liturgy.

## Are you Talking to Me?

In today's Gospel Jesus talks about being prepared, using the parable of the servants waiting for their master's return from a wedding. Parables usually have a surprise twist and this one is no exception. Jesus pictures the master coming back at a late hour and finding the servants ready for him. The master is so pleased that he begins to wait on the servants—he serves them a meal. (I can almost hear the disciples saying, "No way!")

Perhaps Peter was thinking, "Surely we will be prepared when Jesus comes again. He must be talking about the rest of the people." To answer Peter's question, Jesus warns that the servant who knew his duties would be punished more than one who was ignorant of those expectations. Peter and the disciples should have seen themselves as the servants who knew what was expected.

That warning is one for us to hear also. We may look down on non-Christians or wonder if they will get to heaven. But the Lord doesn't expect as much from those who don't know God. Instead of judging them, we would be better off looking at ourselves. Am I serious about my faith, serious enough to show it in my actions? Has my good example ever brought a non-believer to the Church?

There are examples of this even in your own parish. If you have been in the parish for many years, you could be expected to notice a newcomer more readily. How do you welcome them? "So how much does Jesus expect of me?" The answer could be in how well you know Jesus.

Tom Schmidt

## ¿Me Hablas a Mí?

En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús habla de estar preparados, utilizando la parábola de los criados que esperaban el regreso de su señor de una boda. Las parábolas suelen tener un giro inesperado, y esta tiene uno también. Jesús describe al señor regresando tarde y encontrando a los criados listos. El señor está tan contento que se pone a atenderlos a ellos y les sirve una comida. (Casi puedo oír a los discípulos decir: "¡No puede ser!").

Quizás Pedro pensaba: "Seguramente estaremos preparados cuando Jesús regrese. Debe estar hablando del resto de la gente". Para responder a la pregunta de Pedro, Jesús advierte que el criado que conocía sus deberes sería más castigado que uno que no conociera las expectativas. Pedro y los discípulos deberían haberse visto a sí mismos como los criados que sabían lo que se esperaba de ellos.

Esa advertencia también nos corresponde a nosotros. Podemos menospreciar a los no cristianos o preguntarnos si llegarán al cielo. Pero el Señor no espera tanto de quienes no conocen a Dios. En lugar de juzgarlos, sería mejor que nos examináramos a nosotros mismos. ¿Soy serio en mi fe, lo suficientemente serio como para demostrarlo con mis acciones? ¿Alguna vez mi buen ejemplo ha atraído a un no creyente a la Iglesia?

Hay ejemplos de esto incluso en tu propia parroquia. Si llevas muchos años en la parroquia, podrían esperar de ti que te des cuenta más fácilmente cuando llega alguien nuevo. ¿Cómo le das la bienvenida? "¿Cuánto espera Jesús de mí?" Podrías encontrar la respuesta en cuánto conoces a Jesús.

Tom Schmidt

## Scripture Readings for the week of August 10, 2025

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or Heb 11:1-2, 8-12; Lk 12:32-48 or Lk 12:35-40
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Memorial of Saint Clare, Virgin</b> Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15 19-20; Mt 17:22-27
<b>Tuesday</b>	Dt 31:1-8; Dt 32:3-4ab, 7, 8, 9 and 12; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
<b>Wednesday</b>	Dt 34:1-12; Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17, Mt 18:15-20
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Memorial of Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr</b> Jos 3: 7-10a, 11, 13-17; Ps 114: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 18:21-19:1
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b> <i>Vigil:</i> 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28 <i>Day:</i> Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
<b>Saturday</b>	Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 11, Mt 19:13-15
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon	11	12:10 pm	Communion Service
Tues	12	12:10 pm	Rolanne Fisher
Wed	13	12:10 pm	Thomas Wilson
Wed	13	1:00-4:00 pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction
Thurs	14	12:10 pm	Sharon Henthorne
Fri	15	12:10 pm	LaNell Howell

## August 16th & 17th, 2025

**Vigil Saturday, 4:00pm:** For all Parishioners and Visitors

**Sunday, 9:00am:** Troy Bourne, Charles Hebert, Family of Jayne Robinson, Deacon Sumner Kohlhund, Beauregard Parish Doctors

**Sunday, 11:30 am:** James Dickerson, Raymond P. Mitchell Sr., Vanessa Walker, Kay and Gary Cooper, June and Rick Davis, Donald Laurent, Rolanne Fisher, Andrew Cronce

## Offertory for August 2nd and 3rd 2025

Offertory	\$12,699
Bishop's Services Appeal	\$2,005
Insurance	\$308

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT  
IT IS GREATLY APPRECIATED!**

## The 2nd collections for the Month

**1st weekend of the month — Bishop's Services Appeal**

**3rd weekend of the month -- Insurance**

**Cereal for God's Food Box** is collected on the 2nd weekend of the month

## Liturgical Ministers Schedule

August 16th & 17th, 2025

### Extraordinary Ministers

Richard Skinner, Lesila Lee  
Dawn Skinner, Matthew Lee  
Missy Ducote, Kathleen Nichols  
Tim Kyle, Nicole Kyle  
Sonia Maskas, John Burch  
Cathy Bradley, Jacque Vidrine

### Lectors

Rosemary Lestage  
Troy Gardner  
Julie Roussel

### Altar Servers

Cameron MacGregor  
Bret Kyle, Celeste Gardner  
Tanner Roussel, Sebastian Ballona

4:00pm

9:00am

11:30am

4:00pm

9:00am

11:30am

4:00pm

9:00am

11:30am

Money Counters: TEAM 1

## Upcoming Announcements

**Holy Day of Obligation** - Friday, August 15th, we celebrate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. There will be Masses at 12:10 pm and 6:00 pm. The Pastoral Center will be closed.

**Meetings: Senior Bingo** is on Thursday, August 14 at 10am in Kern Hall. **Knights of Columbus** will meet Thursday, August 14, at 7 pm.



### KERN HALL Work Day!

August 16, 8 am to 2 pm. We need volunteers to help clean all walls, baseboards, windows, etc. to help prepare walls for painting. General cleaning will be done. Lunch will be provided!

**August** is traditionally dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the month contains three Marian Feasts! This devotion is rooted in the belief that Mary's heart, a symbol of her love, virtue, and purity, is closely united with her Son's work of salvation.



**OCIA-Order of Christian Initiation of Adults.** Classes are held once a year for adults who desire to become Catholic to prepare them to enter the Church at Easter Vigil. These classes are also for those Catholics who need to complete their sacraments. Classes will begin in September, date to be announced. If you are interested, or if you know someone who is interested in knowing about our Catholic Faith, please call the Pastoral Center soon to initiate the process by making an appointment with Fr. Wayne.

## Vocation Prayer Book and Cross

**The Vocation Cross: Frank and Gertie Rossi** will pick up the Vocation Cross next weekend on Saturday at the 4pm Mass. (Return the Cross and book by the next Friday by 4:30pm) .

The **sign-up sheet** is in the foyer of the Church. Please sign up to pray for Vocations. *"The Priest brings God to the people and the people to God"* ~ Fr. Michael Caraway

# Saint Joseph Catholic



### PREP 2025-2026 Registration:

Registration: Late registration: July 16 - Aug 26: \$30 fee per child + \$15 late fee. In-person registrations will be taken beyond these dates at the Church office. You can use the QR code on the left or go to:

<https://www.osvhub.com/st-joseph-deridder/religious-ed/prep-2025-2026>

If making a payment in person, not online, please make payment in the Church Office. If money is placed in offertory basket, please place in envelope with name of the child/children.

### To all Clergy, Staff, PREP Catechists and All

**Volunteers:** per Policy of the Diocese Lake Charles, ALL volunteers working with the children are REQUIRED to complete the Safe and Sacred training and have a completed background check for the safety and protection of children and young people. The new training is now available. **If you are asked to complete a background check, please do so.**



Meal Train®

**NEW Meal Train Account! PREP will begin on Wednesday, September 3.** Please consider donating a meal to feed our students! Sign Up using the QR Code or by using this link:

<https://mealtrain.com/qgqn71>

The purpose of this Meal Train Ministry is to provide a hot meal on Wednesday night for our PREP students. This gives them time for fellowship together prior to instruction beginning.



**Parish App!** Remember to download **myParish App** so you can receive messages from the Church. You can download the app by visiting [myparishshapp.com](https://myparishshapp.com) or searching for myparish on your phone's app store, or using this QR code.



QR Code to download  
My Parish App



Parish App Logo

### Come, Lord Jesus! Bible Study

Are you ready for Mass to come alive for you as the Scriptures are open and read? Are you ready for your prayer life to be transformed? Join one of our small faith communities in studying God's word.



**Tuesday** at 9:30am in the Education Bldg  
**Wednesday** at 6:00pm in the Pastoral Ctr  
**Thursday** at 5:30pm in the Education Bldg

### Ven Señor Jesús Estudio Bíblico

Sábado a las 5 p.m. Edificio de educación

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