

SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

1125 Blankenship Drive
Deridder, Louisiana 70634
<https://www.stjosephderidder.org>

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 Weinnig
Parish Secretary: Gracia Acosta
Parish Bookkeeper: Aimee Brasseaux
Maintenance Head: Trevor Smith
Parish Catechetical Leader (PCL):
Julie Roussel
Assistant PCL: William Frost
Order of Christian Initiation (OCIA):
Angela Lannen
Music Minister: Darlene Watson

PARISH PHONE NUMBERS

Pastoral Center 337-463-6878

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

REDEDICATE YOURSELF
TO THE MISSION



REDEDÍCATE
A TI MISMO A ESTA MISIÓN

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.

From the desk of Father Wayne:

Funerals and Cremations

One of the Spiritual works of mercy is to pray for and bury the dead. I am reminded to tell you that we do not just celebrate funeral for Catholics. I have been asked to do funeral for someone who is not Catholic. The Funeral Rite is of the Church to remind us that death unequivocally confronts the mystery of life and death in our personal story of faith, the loving family bonds, the friendships and the words and acts of kindness of the deceased person. It is first and foremost to thank God for the life which the deceased had been given from God and the connection especially as we are connected in faith by baptism, anointing and fed at the Eucharistic banquet. We the Christian faithful pray support and care for those loved ones who have been left to remind us of the everlasting life which God offers us. Funeral services and Masses of Christian Burial offers us the sacred time and Rites of the Church.

There has been some confusion over the last few years since the Catholic Church has allowed for the cremations of loved ones with certain guidelines concerning the liturgies and committal of the cremains.

In 1997, after request from the USCCB- United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, the Apostolic See gave an indult to permit the diocesan bishop to allow the presence of the cremated remains of a body at the funeral liturgy in dioceses of the United States. This indult permitted the Funeral Liturgy where the texts and ritual adaptations for the celebration of the Funeral Liturgy.

When one wishes to have the body of the deceased family member or friends to be cremated it may be done after the Liturgy of Christian Burial with the body present for the service or after the body is cremated. The Churches stance on Cremation is that the same respect for the cremated remains must be shown as if you had a body for a funeral. Our bodies are a temple of the Holy Spirit and should be treated with the same respect that is shown to a body prepared for burial. This is very important because due to the Commercialization of Funeral Home Services we have seen examples of wanting to take the remains and placing them in pendants or jewelry to take the loved one with them wherever they may be. This is in direct opposition to the Churches stance to keep the cremains intact. No scattering of ashes, no sprinkling at sea or lake or mountain, no placing them on a shelf or in a drawer in the house.

The Churches official stance is that the Cremains (The Ashes of the body) must be kept intact to bury or placed in a niche or Columbarium- a place where urns of Cremains are placed like a Mausoleum.

The Church does allow for someone to be cremated before the Mass of Christian Burial with the cremation placed on a pedestal and placing of a Pall (smaller than one for a casket) as one would for a funeral. Either the funeral director or a family member would bring in the urn and placing it on the pedestal for the Mass. The Pascual (Easter) Candle is placed near the urn just as we would with a casket. When the Mass is complete with those there for internment are proceeded to the cemetery.

In conclusion, the Church's Rites for Christian Burial with its prayers for the Church honors the remains of the deceased, always focusing on our relationship to God. We would be reminded to not show the respect that is due as a created of God.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS/INTENCIONES

Monday 9/22	Communion Service
Tuesday 9/23	Velma Anderson
Wednesday 9/24	Aristides Remar
Thursday 9/25	Thomas Wilson
Friday 9/26	Jane Ellen Bollinger
Saturday 9/27	Parishioners and Visitors
Sunday 9/28 9:00 am	Charles Hebert, Jesse and Eva Blake- man, Dr. Ted J. Hoerner, In Thanks- giving, Family of Jayne Robinson, Deacon Sumner Kohlund, Beauregard Parish Doctors
Sunday 9/28 11:30 am	Kay and Gary Cooper, Andrew Cronic, Vanessa Walker

Why do we have Mass Intentions?

In the Catholic Church, Mass intentions are specific requests for which a Mass is offered. These intentions are a way for individuals to connect their prayers with the sacrifice of the Mass, seeking God's grace for particular needs or in memory of loved ones. While every Mass benefits the entire Church, intentions allow for a focused application of the Mass's graces towards a specific person or situation.

Suggested minimum donation per intention is \$5

Church Registration

Do you worship with us regularly? Please consider registering with us online at our website:

<https://www.stjosephderidder.org/>

Scroll to the bottom of the welcome page and click on register.

Offertory for September 13th and 14th, 2025

Offertory	\$9,942
Bishop's Services Appeal	\$213
Insurance	\$248

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

2nd Collections for the Month of September

September 6-7 Bishop's Services Appeal

September 21-22 Insurance

September 27-28 Bishop's Services Appeal

Cereal for God's Food Box is collected on the 2nd week-end of the month, please drop in the foyer.

Catholic Charities accepts non-perishable items through the year, they can be dropped in the box in the foyer.

WEEKLY CALENDAR/CALENDARIO SEMANAL

Monday Lunes September/ Septiembre 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12:10 pm Communion Service/ Servicio de Comunión
Tuesday Martes September/ Septiembre 23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:30 am CLJ (English) 12:10 pm Mass / Misa
Wednesday Miércoles September/ Septiembre 24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12:10 pm Mass / Misa 12:40 - 4 pm Holy Adoration / Adoracion Eucarística 6 pm CLJ (English) 6 pm PREP
Thursday Jueves September/ Septiembre 25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:30 am CC Food Distribution/ CC Distribución de Comida 12:10 pm Mass/Misa 5:30 pm CLJ (English)
Friday Viernes September/ Septiembre 26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12:10 pm Mass / Misa
Saturday Sábado September/ Septiembre 27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:00 pm Mass / Misa 5:00 pm Ven Señor Jesús (Español)
Sunday Domingo September/ Septiembre 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 am Mass / Misa 10:00 am PREP 11:30 am Mass / Misa 5:00 pm Misa en español / Mass in Spanish- celebración Mes de la Hispanidad

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

September 27th/28th, 2025	Saturday Vigil 4:30 pm	Sunday 9:00 am	Sunday 11:30 am
LECTORS	Jill Simon	Dwain Ducote	Julie Roussel
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	Lesila Lee Matthew Lee Angela Lannen Jeff Fogleman	Deacon Al Missy Ducote Bill Frost Janelle Frost	Deacon Al John Burch Sonia Maskas Cathy Bradley
ALTAR SERVERS	Cameron Mac- Gregor	Grayson Gardner Celeste Gardner	Tanner Roussel Macie MacBride

Money Counters: Team 2

Saint Joseph Catholic Church



Vocation Prayer Book and Cross

We recognize the importance of praying for vocations for the Priesthood and Religious Life. Each week a family or member will pick up the Cross and Prayer Book to pray for increase vocations. The sign-up sheet is in the foyer of the Church. Please sign up!

Jacque and Heather Vidrine will take the Vocation Cross next weekend at the 11:30am Mass. (Return the Cross and book by the next Friday by 4:30pm)

"The Priest brings God to the people and the people to God"
~ Fr. Michael Caraway

Pray for our sick

(Please contact the Pastoral Center)



Kim Bailey, Danny Hernandez, Bret Kyle,
Ronnie Watson

Names will be removed after 1-3 months depending on circumstances and information

"Father God, you alone heal hearts and bodies, minds, and spirits. Today, we ask you to lay your healing hand on our loved ones. We ask for the healing of illness, physical weakness, and of broken hearts and spirits. " Tamela Turbeville

Candles \$5



Candles are available to burn in the Church or to take home. When lit they represent an expression of faith and devotion, often used to accompany prayers for specific intentions, such as intercession for the deceased, the sick, for loved ones, in thanksgiving. The light of the candle signifies the light of Christ and the prayers rising to God.

Our Organizations and Ministries
You can get involved and assist in
our Church- Contact the Pastoral Center

Altar Society
Catholic Daughters of the Americas
CDA)
Junior Catholic Daughters
Knights of Columbus
Come Lord Jesus

Altar Servers / Lectors /
Extraordinary Ministers

Avisos de la Parroquia

RIFA: Los Caballeros de Colón están haciendo una rifa de una estatua de San Francisco de Asís. Están vendiendo boletos a la salida de todas las misas. El costo de cada boleto es de \$5 ó cinco boletos por \$20. La rifa es a beneficio de un seminarista de la Diócesis. La rifa se llevará acabo el 5 de Octubre.

Misa en Español : La siguiente misa en español es el próximo Domingo, 28 de Septiembre a las 5pm! Esperamos verlos! Después de la Misa, para celebrar el mes de la Hispanidad, nos reuniremos en Kern Hall para para compartir con boquitas/ aperitivos y palomitas de maíz y ver la película "Para Mayor Gloria", la historia de La Cristiada!

Segunda Colección el 28 de septiembre será para la apelación del obispo, para la obras de la Diócesis.



Bendición de Mascotas! Trae tu mascota el Sábado 4 de Octubre, día de San Francisco de Asís, a las 5:30 pm para ser bendecido.

Día de limpieza de la Iglesia: El día sábado, 18 de Octubre habrá un día de limpieza en la Iglesia si pueden venir a ayudar de 8am a 2pm. Almuerzo incluido.

La Iglesia tendrá el Festival Anual de Halloween el 25 de Octubre. Más información por venir.



Peregrinación: Tendremos una peregrinación local durante el día viernes 7 de noviembre a los lugares: Grand Coteau, la Iglesia de San Carlos Borromeo (con misa), almuerzo en el Café Josephine, la Iglesia de San Landry y la tumba de Charlene Richard (la pequeña Santa cajún). Viajaremos en un autobús charter. Si está interesado en asistir, por favor, firme la hoja de interés en el vestíbulo de la iglesia. Habrá una cuota, pero aún no sabemos cuánto costará (intentamos mantener el costo en \$50 por persona).



Ven Señor Jesús Estudio Bíblico

¿Estás listo para que la Misa cobre vida al abrir y leer las Escrituras? ¿Estás listo para que tu vida de oración se transforme? Únete a una de nuestras pequeñas comunidades de fe para estudiar la palabra de Dios.

Sábado a las 5 p.m. Edificio de educación

Si quieres una intención durante una misa, favor comunicarte a la oficina. La donación por intención es de \$5 mínimo.

Misas en Español
2025 (4to Domingo
del mes)

28 de Septiembre

26 de Octubre

23 de Noviembre

28 de Diciembre

Tenemos una imagen de la Virgen de Guadalupe Peregrina —por favor contactar a la oficina para que la recibas en casa! El Padre te la dará durante una Misa si quieres.

VELAS (\$5)



Puedes encender velas en la Iglesia para acompañar oraciones e intenciones específicas. La luz de la vela simboliza la luz de Cristo y las oraciones que se elevan a Dios.

Parish Announcements

Knights of Columbus Raffle



Food Distribution by Catholic Charities: Will be on Thursday, September 25th, at 9:30 am.

Mass in Spanish will be next Sunday, September 28th at 5pm.

Second Collection: There will be a second collection next weekend for the Bishop Service Appeal.

Altar Server Training: Will be on Saturday, September 27th, at 11:00 am for new people.

Eucharistic Ministers Training will be on Saturday, October 4th at 11:00 am for new people.



Blessing of the Pets will be on the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi., Saturday, October 4th at 5:30 pm on the Church lawn.

Save the Date: We will have a Fall cleaning day on October 18th, from 8am to 2 pm.

Save the Date: We will be having the annual Fall Fest / Trunk or Treat this year on Saturday, October 25th. If you are interested to help with any of the following activities, please sign up in the sheets in the foyer: Trunk or Treat Spot, games inside St Joseph Hall, Small treats for a Cake Walk. More information to come.



Remember the date, Pilgrimage: We will have a local Pilgrimage during the day on Friday, November 7 with locations including Grand Coteau, Church of St Charles Borromeo (with a Mass), lunch at Café Josephine, St. Landry Church, Gravesite of Charlene Richard (Little Cajun Saint). We will ride a charter bus. Please sign in the sheet in the Foyer of the Church if interested in attending. There will be a fee, but do not know yet how much it will be (trying to keep cost at \$50/person).

Many activities can be found in the Diocese of Lake Charles website (retreats, meetings, special Masses, conferences, workshops, pilgrimages, etc)

<http://www.lcdiocese.org/3-news/3044-upcoming-events-at-a-glance>

PREP

Parish Religious Education Program



Meal Train®

NEW Meal Train Account! Please consider donating a meal to feed our students on Wednesdays! **We have a priority for meals in September and October right now!** Sign Up

using the QR Code or by using this link:

<https://mealtrain.com/qgqn71>

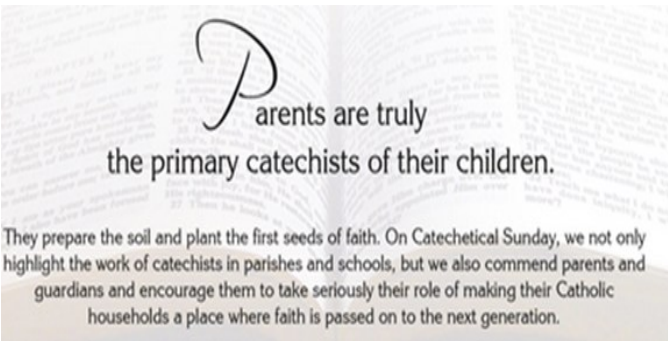
The purpose of this Meal Train Ministry is to provide a hot meal on Wednesday night for our PREP students. This gives them time for fellowship together prior to instruction beginning.



OCIA, Order of Christian Initiation of Adults,

classes have begun! If you are interested, or know someone who is interested in knowing about our Catholic Faith, please call the Pastoral Center to initiate the process by making an appointment with Fr. Wayne.

Today we celebrate Catechetical Sunday which honors catechists and highlights the importance of faith formation for all Catholics.



THANK YOU!

Thanks to all our catechists! We thank God for their service and ask for blessings upon them, like wisdom, courage, and faith. Thank you for all the time, effort, and sacrifice that you place in teaching others about the faith which you yourselves love.



September is dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows. Mary is venerated under this title to commemorate the seven sorrows that she suffered: The prophecy of Simeon, the flight into Egypt, the loss of the child Jesus in the temple, meeting Jesus carrying his cross, the Crucifixion, receiving the body of Jesus from the cross, and the burial of Jesus. A devotional image of her shows her heart pierced with seven swords to represent these sorrows.

Scripture Readings for the Week of September 21, 2025

Sunday	Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Am 8:4-7; Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8; 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13
Monday	Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday	Memorial of Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday	Ezr 9:5-9; Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday	Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Lk 9:7-9
Friday	Hg 2:1-9; Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4; Lk 9:18-22
Saturday	Memorial of Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45
Sunday	Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31

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

September Prayer Intention / Intención de Oración en Septiembre

Pope Leo XIV - Papa León XIV

For our relationship with all of creation

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

Por nuestra relación con toda la creación

Oremos para que, inspirados por San Francisco, experimentemos nuestra interdependencia con todas las criaturas amadas por Dios y dignas de amor y respeto.

Bishop Glen John Provost - Obispo Glen John Provost

Let us pray for the unity of the Church to witness to the world Her fidelity to our Lord and His teachings.

Oremos por la unidad de la Iglesia para dar testimonio al mundo de su fidelidad a nuestro Señor y a sus enseñanzas.