

SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

1125 Blankenship Drive - Deridder, Louisiana 70634

<https://www.stjosephderidder.org>

PARISH CLERGY

Rev. Levi Thompson, Pastor
Deacon Al Winnig

PARISH STAFF

Secretary: Julie Roussel
Bookkeeper: Aimee Brasseaux
Custodian: John Garantine
Paish Catechetical Leader (PCL):
Julie Roussel
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Angela Lannen
Music Minister: Darlene Watson

New Office Hours

Monday –Thursday 8:30am– 3:30pm
Office Closed 12:00 noon –1:00pm,
Friday 8:30am –12:00pm

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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.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (Vigil) 4pm

Sunday Masses 9:00am & 11:30am

Communion Service Mon 12:10pm

Daily Mass Tues-Fri, 12:10pm

Spanish Mass Every 4th Sunday at 5:00pm

CONFESSIONS

Tues –Thurs

11:40am –12:10pm

Saturday 3:00 –3:45pm

**Sunday 8:30 –8:45am &
11:00– 11:20am**

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

A Message from our Pastor, Father Levi

October is Right to Life month. In the United States, we are blessed with the unalienable rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. But sadly, the natural right to life is not currently offered to all. Abortion comes from the Latin root, Aboriri, which means to perish or die. The Catechism says that abortion is the direct killing of an innocent life and it is a grave violation of the 5th commandment to not kill. If a mother or father decides that they cannot have a child at this time due to circumstances, it is still legal to abort the child through abortion. Last year there were 1,126,760 abortions in the United States. These children were never given the chance to life. Their mothers and fathers are still suffering. This month we strive to seek the dark reality of abortion and the silent murder that his continuing in our country.

The US Bishop's Conference said that as Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning of life to its end, and at every point in between. We are called to reflect deeply on the dignity of every human life, from conception of the child to natural death. We must support life in our actions, prayers and voting for politicians who support life.

Please pray this month for an end to abortion in all cases, even in the most difficult cases of incest or rape. Abortion is not the solution. The child's life matters; the mothers' and fathers' lives matter. Pray for true support and care for mothers and fathers, and that life may be supported in all aspects, from the womb to the tomb. May our Blessed Mother, who conceived the Christ child in her womb, be



WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS/INTENCIONES

Monday 10/12	Communion Service
Tuesday 10/13	In Thanksgiving of Our Lady of Guadalupe
Wednesday 10/14	Linda Thibodeau Woods
Thursday 10/15	Holy Souls In Purgatory
Friday 10/16	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Saturday 10/17	For Parishioners and Visitors
Sunday 10/18 9:00 am	Connie Frost, Charles Hebert, Antonio Manino Family, Edward Mike Keuten Family of Jayne Robinson, Deacon Sumner Kohlhund, Beauregard Parish Doctors
Sunday 10/18 11:30 am	Andy Storer, Leticia Asperstrand, Meryl Roussel, Andrew Cronce, Jude Lowe, Indy Jones, Kay & Gary Cooper, Eatha Simon (Health) Polly St. Romain (Health)

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

October 3rd & October 4th, 2026

Offertory	\$ 18,425.35
Bishop's Services Appeal	\$ 1,750.00
Insurance	\$ 295.00

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

Collections for the Month of October

October 4	Bishop's Service Appeal
October 11	World Mission
October 18	Insurance

Cereal for God's Food Box is collected on the 2nd weekend 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 Oct 12/ oct 12	12:10 pm Communion Service / Servicio de Comunión
Tuesday Martes Oct.13/ oct 13	9:30 am CLJ (English) 12:10 pm Mass
Wednesday Miércoles Oct.14/ oct 14	12:10 pm Mass / Misa 12:40- 4 pm Holy Adoration / Adoración Eucarística 6:00 pm CLJ (English) - CCD 6:30 –8pm, Meal @ 6pm
Thursday Jueves Oct.15 / oct 15	12:10 pm Mass / Misa 5:30 pm CLJ (English)
Friday Viernes Oct.16/ oct 16	12:10 pm Mass
Saturday Sábado Oct. 17/ oct 17	4:00pm Mass 5:00 pm Come Lord Jesus (Spanish)
Sunday Domingo Oct. 18/ oct 18	9:00 am Mass / Misa, CDA Corporate Communion Mass 11:30 am Mass -Fr. Levi's Installation Mass (Bishop Provost) - CCD 10am –11:15am

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

October 17th & 18th	Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm	Sunday 9:00 am	Sunday 11:30 am
LECTORS	Jeff Fogleman	Kay Bourne	Sonia Maskas
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION	Richard Skinner Angela Lannen Henry Billings Dawn Skinner	Deacon Al Nancy Simmons Kathleen Nichols Ramona Brenski	Jacque Vidrine Claire Vidrine Tessa Granger Jeanette LaRosa
ALTAR SERVERS	Cameron MacGregor Claire MacGregor	Colson Bourque Lane Bourque Leo Burke Killian Burke	Andy Granger James Granger John Granger

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 an increase in vocations. The sign-up sheet is in the foyer of the Church. Please sign up!

Paul & Julie Roussel will receive the Vocation Cross next weekend (10/18) at the 11:30am Mass. (Please return the Cross and the book by next Friday by noon.

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

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.

Pray for our sick (Please contact the Pastoral Center)



Elena Curay Herna, Pat McBride, Don Gallemore
Judy Miller, Michael Guillory, Joe Lingo, Polly
St. Romain, Patricia O'Reilly Singletary, Alice Kidder,
Carole Fontenot, Sue Billot, Courtney Montgomery,
Ryan Dillard, Nancy Seybert Erickson, Tucker Greer,
Sky Fitzwater, Sarah Hawkins, Marguerite Wood,

Loving God, please bring comfort, strength, and healing to all the sick members of our parish. Wrap them in your gentle love, ease their pain, and grant peace to their families.

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

Our Organizations and Ministries

You can get involved and serve our Parish. 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

Un mensaje de nuestro párroco, el padre Levi

Octubre es el mes del derecho a la vida. En Estados Unidos, tenemos la bendición de contar con los derechos inalienables a la vida, a la libertad y a la búsqueda de la felicidad. Sin embargo, lamentablemente, el derecho natural a la vida no se garantiza actualmente a todos. La palabra «aborto» proviene de la raíz latina *aboriri*, que significa perecer o morir. El Catecismo afirma que el aborto es la muerte directa de una vida inocente y constituye una grave violación del quinto mandamiento: «No matarás». Si una madre o un padre decide que no puede tener un hijo en ese momento debido a las circunstancias, sigue siendo legal interrumpir el embarazo mediante el aborto. El año pasado se realizaron 1.126.760 abortos en Estados Unidos. A estos niños nunca se les dio la oportunidad de vivir. Sus madres y padres siguen sufriendo. Este mes nos esforzamos por reconocer la oscura realidad del aborto y el asesinato silencioso que continúa en nuestro país. La Conferencia de Obispos de Estados Unidos ha señalado que, como católicos, estamos llamados a valorar, defender y proteger a los más vulnerables, desde el inicio de la vida hasta su fin, y en todas las etapas intermedias. Estamos llamados a reflexionar profundamente sobre la dignidad de toda vida humana, desde la concepción del niño hasta la muerte natural. Debemos apoyar la vida mediante nuestras acciones, nuestras oraciones y nuestro voto por políticos que defiendan la vida.

- **La misa en español 25 de Octubre @ 5pm**
- **Tenga en cuenta que nuestro nuevo horario de oficina es:** de lunes a jueves de 8:30 a 15:30, cerrado de 12:00 a 13:00. Viernes de 8:30 a 12:00.

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



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

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A

POTLUCK Reception

IN HONOR OF FR. LEVI'S INSTALLATION
BY BISHOP PROVOST

OCTOBER 18, 2026
AFTER THE 11:30AM MASS

PLEASE BRING A VEGETABLE SIDE DISH, BREAD OR DESSERT

CDA will have their Corporate Communion Mass next Sunday, October 18th at the 9:00 am Mass.

Parents of Confirmation Candidates:

Reminder that **October 25, 2026** from 1:30pm - 4:30pm, there is an Afternoon of Reflection for both Candidate and Sponsor to attend.

Location: West Cal Event Center, Sulphur

There will not be a Mass at this event, please attend Mass prior to.

Many Diocesan events and activities can be found on the Diocese of Lake Charles website (retreats, meetings, special Masses, conferences, workshops, pilgrimages, etc.) <http://www.lcdiocese.org/3-news/304-upcoming-events-at-a-glance>

Youth News

**CCD Class Time: Sunday 10am –11:15am
Wednesday 6:30pm -8pm,
Meal in Kern Hall at 6pm**

Help nourish our CCD students and catechists by signing up to provide a meal. You can also donate \$\$ for meals. Donations will be accepted in the church office.



meal train

Every contribution is a meaningful way to support our faith-formation ministry.

We feed between 60-65 people. Thank you.

Sign up at <https://mealtrain.com/qgqn71>

Snacks are also needed, chips, cookies, etc.

*Nothing with nuts due to allergies –thank you.

Thank you for sharing your time and generosity!

Scripture Readings for the Week of October 11, 2026

Sunday	Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14 or Mt 22:1-10
Monday	Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1; Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a, 6-7; Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday	Gal 5:1-6; Ps 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48; Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday	Gal 5:18-25; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6; Lk 11:42-46
Thursday	Memorial of Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church Eph 1:1-10; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6; Lk 11:47-54
Friday	Eph 1:11-14; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13; Lk 12:1-7
Saturday	Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr Eph 1:15-23; Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 12:8-12
Sunday	Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

O.C.I.A. (Order of Christian Rite for Adults)

If you are interested in becoming Catholic or wish to receive the Sacraments of Initiation, or know of someone interested in becoming Catholic, please call the church office for more information.
(337) 463-6878

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 Ed. Bldg ,
Wednesday at 6:00pm in the Church Office
Thursday at 5:30pm in the Ed. Bldg



**FIND CALM FOR YOUR MIND
AND PEACE FOR YOUR SOUL**

**NOVEMBER 6-8, 2026
at SAINT CHARLES CENTER**
IN THE DIOCESE OF LAKE CHARLES



**RACHEL'S
VINEYARD**

**A therapeutic weekend
retreat for anyone impacted
by an abortion experience**



**Take your first steps
to healing after abortion**

- ✓ Find Hope & Healing
- ✓ Experience Forgiveness
- ✓ Journey Toward Wholeness
- ✓ Participation is Strictly Confidential

TO REGISTER: Call Marjorie Long at 337-489-2473
EMAIL: rachels.vineyard@lodiocese.org

**CONTACT TO JOIN
OUR NEXT RETREAT**

October Prayer Intention / Intención de Oración en Octubre Pope Leo XIV - Papa León XIV

For Mental Health Ministry

Let us pray that mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with

Por el ministerio de salud mental:

Oremos para que se establezca el ministerio de salud mental en toda la Iglesia, ayudando a superar el estigma y la discriminación que sufren las personas con enfermedades mentales.

Bishop Glen John Provost / Obispo Glen John Provost

For an end to abortion and a greater respect for human life, that God will instill in us a fervent desire to protect human life from conception until natural death.

Por el fin del aborto y un mayor respeto por la vida humana, para que Dios infunda en nosotros un deseo ferviente de proteger la vida humana desde la concepción hasta la muerte natural.