SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

PARISH CLERGY

Rev. Levi Thompson, Pastor
Deacon Al Weinnig

PARISH STAFF

Secretary: Julie Roussel
Bookkeeper: Aimee Brasseaux
Custodian: John Garantine
Parish Catechetical Leader (PCL): Julie Roussel
Asst. PCL: Tessa Granger

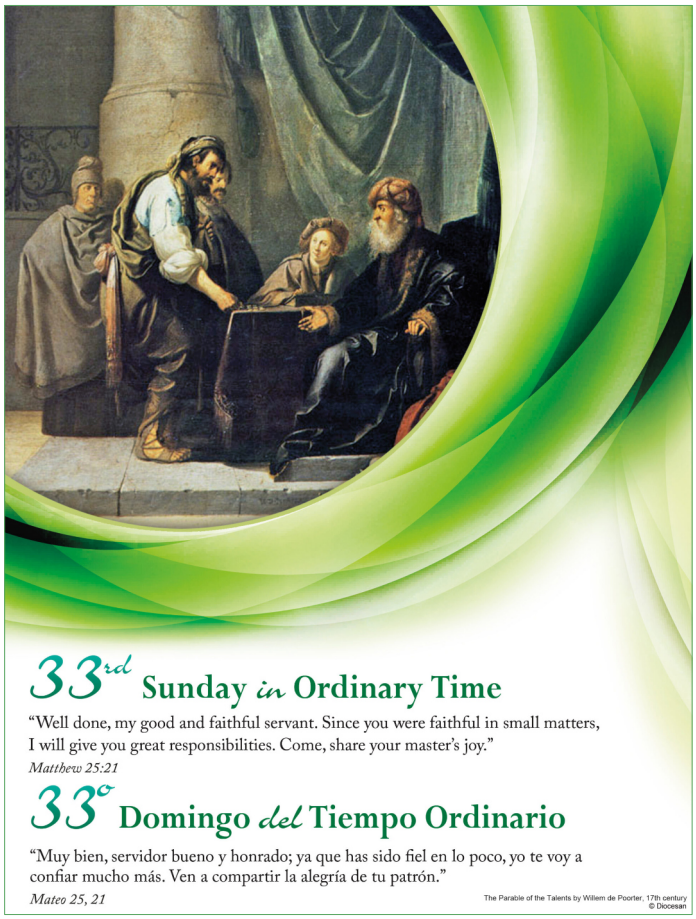
Order of Christian Initiation (OCIA): Angela Lannen
Music Minister: Darlene Watson

New Office Hours

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

Office Phone: (337)463-6878

stjosephcc@stjoederidder.org



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

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 15, 2026

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Use It or Lose It

I wonder what that third servant in the Gospel was doing all that time, after he buried the talent he was given. Probably nothing. What strikes me is that the word for money in this reading is "talent," which in our language is an ability or skill. Maybe this parable can remind us to use our abilities and not let them go to waste. A person might be strong and fast, but if she exercises and practices, she could be a great athlete. The same with spiritual gifts. Just having one doesn't make you a saint. So how do you know what gifts you have?

First, ask God in your prayers to show you what gifts you have been given. Read the scriptures, especially the Acts of the Apostles or the Letters of Paul (e.g., 1 Corinthians 12:1–11). Listen humbly to friends or loved ones who can tell you what strengths they see in you.

Second, look for ways to use your gifts. Check the parish bulletin or website or your diocesan newspaper for activities and organizations that you could take part in. Hospitals, schools, shelters, and nursing homes frequently offer opportunities for volunteers. Or you may see a need for some service that you can get started in the parish or community.

Just remember that you are called to service by your baptism and confirmation. Don't bury that calling by procrastinating or being afraid to try. Remember the "useless servant" with the one talent who was fearful and lazy (Matthew 25:25–26). At least he can remind us to use it or lose it.
Tom Schmidt.



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 signup sheet is in the foyer of the Church. Please sign up and pray for vocations!



will receive the Vocation Cross next weekend (11/22) at the vvam Mass. Please return the Cross and book by the next Friday by noon.

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

November 7th & November 8th, 2026

Offertory	$10,570.01
Bishop's Services Appeal	$ 1,582.00
Insurance	$ 48.00

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

Collections for the Month of November

November 8	***Bishop's Service Appeal***
November 15	***Priest Retirement Fund***
November 22	***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.*

Saint Joseph Catholic Church

WEEKLY CALENDAR/CALENDARIO SEMANAL

Monday Lunes Nov 16/ Nov 16	• 12:10 pm Communion Service Service / Servicio de Comunión
Tuesday Martes Nov 17/ nov 17	• 9:30 am CLJ (English) • 12:10 pm Mass
Wednesday Miércoles Nov 18/ nov 18	• 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 Nov 19 / nov 19	• **9:30am Food Distribution** • 12:10 pm Mass / Misa • 5:30 pm CLJ (English)
Friday Viernes Nov 20/ nov 20	• 12:10 pm Mass Church Work Day, 1-4pm
Saturday Sábado Nov 21/ nov 21	• 4:00pm Mass • 5:00 pm Come Lord Jesus Spanish
Sunday Domingo Nov 22/ nov 22	• 9:00 am Mass / Misa • 11:30 am Mass / Misa • Christ the King Eucharistic Procession (after 11:30 Mass) • **Misa en español a las 5 p. m.** • **NO CCD - Thanksgiving Break**

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS/INTENCIONES

Monday 11/16	• Communion Service
Tuesday 11/17	• Marx Family
Wednesday 11/18	• Linda Thibodeau Woods
Thursday 11/19	• Loudise Richard
Friday 11/20	• Holy Souls In Purgatory
Saturday 11/21	• For Parishioners and Visitors
Sunday 11/22 9:00am	Louis Manino Family, Charles Hebert, Family of Jayne Robinson, and Deacon Kohlhund Sumner
Sunday 11/22 11:30am	Michael Brenski Jr., Eartha Simon, Andy Storer, Leticia Asperstrand, Andrew Cronce, Jude Lowe, Kay & Gary Cooper, Levi, Lyndi & Mason Rykard, Stephanie Alvarez, Wallace James

The Sanctuary Candle in the Church burns in November for:

Sanctuary Candle

St. Joseph Parish Staff



Sanctuary Candle Donation

You may make an offering to have the Sanctuary Candle burn for a special intention or in memory of a loved one. Please contact the parish office to arrange your donation and intention. (337) 463-6878.
Donation amount: $30 (Duration - 2 Weeks)

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

November 21st & 22nd	Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm	Sunday 9:00 am	Sunday 11:30 am
LECTORS	Chuck Potts	Ryan Cook	Sonia Maskas
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION	Jeff Fogleman Nancy Simmons Henry Billings Gertie Rossi	Deacon Al Glen Granger Jody Cline Tori Rider	Danny Hernancez John Burch Cathy Bradley Laura Black
ALTAR SERVERS	Cameron MacGregor Claire MacGregor	Colson Bourque Lane Bourque Aiden Hauser	Andy Granger James Granger John Granger

Money Counters: Team 3

Pray for our sick
(Please contact the Pastoral Center)



Judy Miller, Evelina Smith, Michael Guillory, Joe Lingo, Polly St. Romain, Courtney Montgomery, Ryan Dillard, Nancy Seybert Erickson, Tucker Greer, Sky Fitzwater, Sarah Hawkins, Maguerite Wood, Rykard Triplets, Beverly Fontenot, Stephanie Alvarez, Debra Smith, Lydia DeRouen

Loving God, please bring comfort, strength, and healing to all the sick members of our parish. Wrap them in 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.**

Avisos de la Parroquia



* La misa en español es el 22 de noviembre de 2026 a las 5 p. m.

Nov 26: 7:30 Confesiones, 8:00 a. m. Misa -¡DÍA DE ACCIÓN DE GRACIAS! OFICINA CERRADA

Nov 27: OFICINA CERRADA -11:40 Confesión, 12:10 Misa

Me pregunto qué estuvo haciendo ese tercer siervo del Evangelio todo ese tiempo, después de enterrar el talento que le fue dado. Lo más probable es que no estaba haciendo nada. Lo que me llama la atención es que la palabra para "dinero" en esta lectura es "talento", que en nuestro idioma significa una habilidad o destreza. Tal vez esta parábola pueda recordarnos que debemos utilizar nuestras habilidades y no dejar que se desperdicien. Una persona puede ser fuerte y rápida, pero si hace ejercicio y practica el deporte, podría llegar a ser una gran atleta. Es lo mismo con un don espiritual. Solo tenerlo no te convierte en un santo. Entonces, ¿cómo sabes cuáles dones tienes?

Primero, pídele a Dios en la oración que te demuestre cuáles dones te ha concedido. Lee las Escrituras, especialmente los Hechos de los Apóstoles o las Cartas de San Pablo (como 1 Corintios 12,1–11). Escucha con humildad a tus amigos o seres queridos que te pueden decir cuales fortalezas ven en ti.

Segundo, busca diferentes maneras de utilizar tus dones. Consulte el boletín o el sitio web parroquial o el periódico diocesano para encontrar actividades y organizaciones en las que podrías participar. Los hospitales, escuelas, refugios y hogares de ancianos con frecuencia ofrecen oportunidades para voluntarios.O quizás ves la necesidad de algún servicio que puedes iniciar en la parroquia o en la comunidad.

Acuérdate que por tu bautismo y confirmación eres llamado al servicio. No entierres ese llamado posponiendo las cosas y no tengas miedo de intentar algo. Acuérdate del "siervo inútil" con un solo talento, que era temeroso y perezoso (Mateo 25,25-26). Por lo menos él nos puede recordar que si no lo utilizamos, lo perdemos.
Tom Schmidt.

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



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 ios.

Parish Announcements



Knights of Columbus
Council 3857
Fish Fry
November 15 2026
After the 9am and 11:30 Masses
Menu
Fried Cat Fish
Breaded Seasoned Potato Wedges
(Jo Jo Potatoes)
Hush Puppies
Dine in or to go available
Price $10

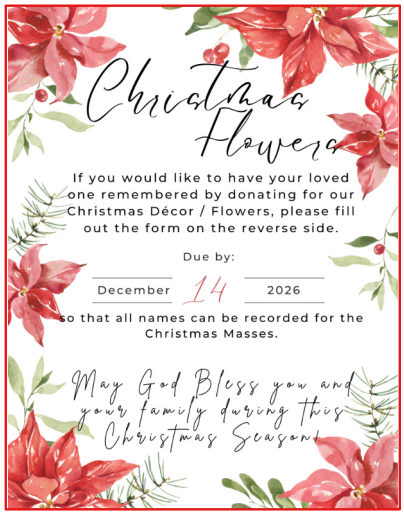


Catholic Charities Food Distribution, Thursday November 19th @ 9:30am

November 22nd

Christ the King Eucharistic Procession after the 11:30 Mass.





Forms for Pecan Orders and Christmas Flower Donations can be found in the foyer of the Church and the Church Office.

Many Diocesan events and activities can be found on the Diocese of Lake Charles website: (retreats, meetings, special Masses, conferences, workshops, pilgimages, etc) http://www.lcdiocese.org/3-news/3044-upcoming-events

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/qgqn7l**

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 November 15, 2026

Sunday	**Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time** Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; 1 Thes 5:1-6, Mt 25:14-30 or Mt 25:14-15, 19-21
Monday	Rev 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6; Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday	**Memorial of Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious** Rev 3:1-6, 14-22; Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5; Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday	Rev 4:1-11; Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 19:11-28
Thursday	Rev 5:1-10; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6b, 9b; Lk 19:41-44
Friday	Rev 10:8-11; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Lk 19:45-48
Saturday	**Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary** Rev 11:4-12; Ps 144:1, 2, 9-10; Lk 20:27-40
Sunday	**The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe** Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46



Church Registration

Are you a REGISTERED member of our St. Joseph Family or need to update your information? Please call the Church Office if you're unsure about registration. You can also register on the website:
https://www.stjosephderidder.org/
Scroll to the bottom of the welcome page and click on register.

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

COME, LORD JESUS!

November Prayer Intention / Intención de Oración en Noviembre

Pope Leo XIV - Papa León XIV

For the proper use of wealth

Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

Por el uso adecuado de la riqueza:

Oremos por el uso adecuado de la riqueza: que, sin sucumbir a la tentación del egoísmo, se ponga siempre al servicio del bien común y de la solidaridad con quienes tienen menos.

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.