

SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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<https://www.stjosephderidder.org>

THE HOLY FAMILY OF *Jesus, Mary & Joseph*

The child
grew and
became strong,
filled with
wisdom; and
the favor
of God
was upon him.

Luke 2:40

El niño crecía
y se desarrollaba
lleno de sabiduría,
y la gracia de
Dios permanecía
con él.

Lucas 2, 40

LA SAGRADA FAMILIA DE

Jesús, María & José

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

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.

Loving Obedience

One theme common to all three readings today is obedience. Sirach commends the son who obeys his father. St. Paul tells children to obey their parents "in everything." And the Gospel shows Joseph obedient to the warnings of the angel. Yet all three put obedience in terms of a larger relationship.

Sirach says that obedience is part of what makes a happy family. Children trust that their parents have good reason for telling them to do something. Children also learn both discipline and how to contribute to family life.

St. Paul shows how love of Christ transforms a family. When he talks about wives being subordinate and husbands loving them, he means that husbands and wives should defer to each other and love each other.

Parents might look at the gospel for support in encouraging obedience. Families can learn that stressing obedience can protect the child as well as teach.

Parents can also remind children that God asks for obedience for our good, not on a whim. When we obey God's law, we learn to trust God more deeply and to appreciate that God's law enables us to live more freely.

Tom Schmidt

Obediencia

Amorosa

Un tema común en las tres lecturas de hoy es la obediencia. La lectura de Eclesiástico elogia al hijo que obedece a su padre.

Luego San Pablo les

dice a los hijos que obedezcan a sus padres "en todo". Y el Evangelio muestra a José obediente a las advertencias del ángel. Sin embargo, los tres consideran a la obediencia en términos de una relación más amplia.

Eclesiástico afirma que la obediencia forma parte de la felicidad familiar. Los hijos confían en que sus padres tienen buenas razones para decirles que hagan algo. Los hijos también aprenden disciplina y a contribuir a la vida familiar.

San Pablo muestra cómo el amor de Cristo transforma una familia. Cuando habla de que las esposas deben ser subordinadas y los esposos deben amarlas, quiere decir que ambos deben respetarse y amarse mutuamente.

Los padres pueden buscar apoyo en el Evangelio para fomentar la obediencia. Las familias pueden aprender que enfatizar la obediencia puede proteger al niño, además de enseñarle. Los padres también pueden recordarles a sus hijos que Dios pide obediencia para nuestro bien, no por capricho. Cuando obedecemos la ley de Dios, aprendemos a confiar más profundamente en Dios y a valorar que la ley de Dios nos permite vivir más libremente.

Tom Schmidt

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS/INTENCIONES

Monday 12/29	Communion Service
Tuesday 12/30	Edward Cryer
Wednesday 12/31	For the sick and dying
Thursday 1/1	For the sick and dying
Friday 1/2	Lucille Guidry
Saturday 1/3	Parishioners and Visitors
Sunday 1/4 9:00 am	Connie Frost, Charles Hebert, Charles Duplechien, Jesse and Eva Blakeman, Dr. Ted J. Hoerner, Family of Jayne Robinson, Deacon Sumner Kohlund, Beauregard Parish Doctors
Sunday 1/4 11:30 am	Andrew Cronic, Donnelly Family, Kay and Gary Cooper

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 December 20th and 21st, 2025

Offertory	\$TBA
Bishop's Services Appeal	\$TBA
Insurance	\$TBA

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

2nd Collections for the Month of January

January 3-4	Bishop's Services Appeal
January 17-18	Insurance
January 24-25	Church in Latin America

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 throughout the year, they can be dropped in the box in the foyer.

WEEKLY CALENDAR/CALENDARIO SEMANAL

Monday Lunes December/ Diciembre 29	OFFICE CLOSED/OFICINA CERRADA • 12:10 pm Communion Service / Servicio de Comunión
Tuesday Martes December/ Diciembre 30	OFFICE CLOSED/OFICINA CERRADA • 9:30 am CLJ (English) • 12:10 pm Mass/Misa
Wednesday Miércoles December/ Diciembre 31	OFFICE CLOSED/OFICINA CERRADA • 4:00 pm Vigil Mass / Misa Vigilia
Thursday Jueves January / Enero 1	MARY, MOTHER OF GOD / MARÍA, MADRE DE DIOS OFFICE CLOSED • 10:00 am Mass / Misa
Friday Viernes January / Enero 2	• 12:10 pm Mass / Misa
Saturday Sábado January / Enero 3	• 4:00 pm Mass / Misa • 5:00 pm Ven Señor Jesús (español)
Sunday Domingo January / Enero 4	• THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD/ LA EPIFANÍA DEL SEÑOR • 9:00 am Mass / Misa • 11:30 am Mass / Misa

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

January 3rd/4th, 2026	Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm	Sunday 9:00 am	Sunday 11:30 am
LECTORS	Jeff Fogleman	Nicole Kyle	Sonia Maskas
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	Dawn Skinner Richard Skinner Frank Rossi Gertie Rossie	Deacon Al Tim Kyle Tori Rider Katie Winnig	Michelle Lingo Theresa Stout John Burch Eartha Simon
ALTAR SERVERS	Cameron MacGregor Claire Macgregor	Peyton Rider Bret Kyle	Jude Lowe Sebastian Ballona Ayden Wilber

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!

Nobody signed to take the Cross (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)



Eartha Simon, Thelma Ringer, Kinsley Johnson, David Dimas, Danny Hernandez, Ronnie Watson, Helen Chaisson, Roberta Gray, Susan Hill, Jenna Picou trim, Kalyn Picou, Ryann Landry, Steven Boudreaux, Alice Kidder

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

"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

Feliz Año Nuevo a sus familias!

Que las bendiciones, la salud, la paz, la alegría y la unión familiar se manifiesten diariamente en todo el año.

Horario de Misas

31 de Diciembre—4 pm Misa de Vigilia
1 de Enero—10 am Misa María, Madre de Dios

La oficina estará cerrada del 29 de Diciembre hasta el 1ro de Enero.

La Sagrada Familia de Jesús, María y José TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

En Nicaragua y otras naciones latinoamericanas se celebra el final de un año con la “quema del año viejo”. Construyen grandes muñecos con ropa vieja, pólvora y papel que se encienden a medianoche entre los dos años. Celebrar el comienzo de un año nuevo tiene una larga trayectoria en la historia humana. Hace unos 4000 años el pueblo de Babilonia ya festejaba la llegada de un nuevo año con grandes fiestas de primavera. Los judíos, al igual que otros pueblos agrícolas, también celebraban su año nuevo durante la primavera, el primer día de Nisán (a principios de abril).

Fue Julio César quien nos dio la fecha del primero de enero como el inicio de nuestro calendario. En 1582 el Papa Gregorio XIII reformó el calendario para darnos el que actualmente está en uso. No obstante, los cristianos continuaron celebrando el año nuevo en primavera para evitar los excesos del “hombre viejo”. Hace 400 años la Iglesia comenzó a celebrar el día primero de enero buscando cristianizarlo lo mejor posible. Por eso en el calendario litúrgico este día es dedicado a María, Madre de Dios.
—Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM



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 2025-2026
(4to Domingo del mes)

28 de Diciembre
25 de Enero
22 de Febrero
22 de Marzo

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



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



Schedule for Masses

December 31st	4 pm	Vigil Mass
January 1st	10 am	Mary, Mother of God

The Office will be closed Monday December 29th through Thursday, January 1st.

Thank You from Lowe Family.

The Lowe Family would like to extend their heartfelt thanks and appreciation for everyone's kind words, words of comfort, donations and most of all prayers. A special thanks to the Catholic Daughters, Catholic Charities of SWLA, Deacon Al, and especially Father Wayne for going above and beyond. Words cannot express our gratitude. Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and prosperous New Year! God Bless you all! With love, The Lowe Family.

DON'T MISS



THE TAX BREAK

Your gift makes an impact while reducing your taxable income.

QUALIFIED CHARITABLE

DISTRIBUTION

FROM YOUR IRA

Age 70 ½ or older Distribution must be made by Dec 31, 2025
 Contribution must be sent directly from your IRA to your church parish



Other year-end gifts
- by check, online
donation, or
appreciated stock –
are also welcome.

A Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) can count toward your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) if you are 73 or older, while reducing your taxable income.

CONTACT THE CHURCH
OFFICE FOR MORE
INFORMATION



Meal Train Account! Please consider donating a meal to feed our students on Wednesdays! **We have a priority for meals in December!** Sign Up using the QR Code or by using this link:



Meal Train®

<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.



No PREP through January 4th.



Scripture Readings for the Week of December 28, 2025

Sunday	Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23
Monday	1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35
Tuesday	1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-8a; 8b-9, 10; Lk 2:36-40
Wednesday	1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13; Jn 1:1-18
Thursday	Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God Num 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
Friday	Memorial of Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 1:19-28
Saturday	1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6; Jn 1:29-34
Sunday	The Epiphany of the Lord Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Mt 2:1-12

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

December Prayer Intention / Intención de Oración en Diciembre Pope Leo XIV - Papa León XIV

For Christians in areas of conflict

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

Por los cristianos en zonas de conflicto

Oremos para que los cristianos que viven en zonas de guerra o conflicto, especialmente en Oriente Medio, sean semillas de paz, reconciliación y esperanza.

Bishop Glen John Provost / Obispo Glen John Provost

Let us pray for a renewal of faith in the Incarnation and the hope it brings to live in peace and with joy.

Oremos por una renovación de la fe en la Encarnación y la esperanza que ella trae para vivir en paz y con alegría.