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**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

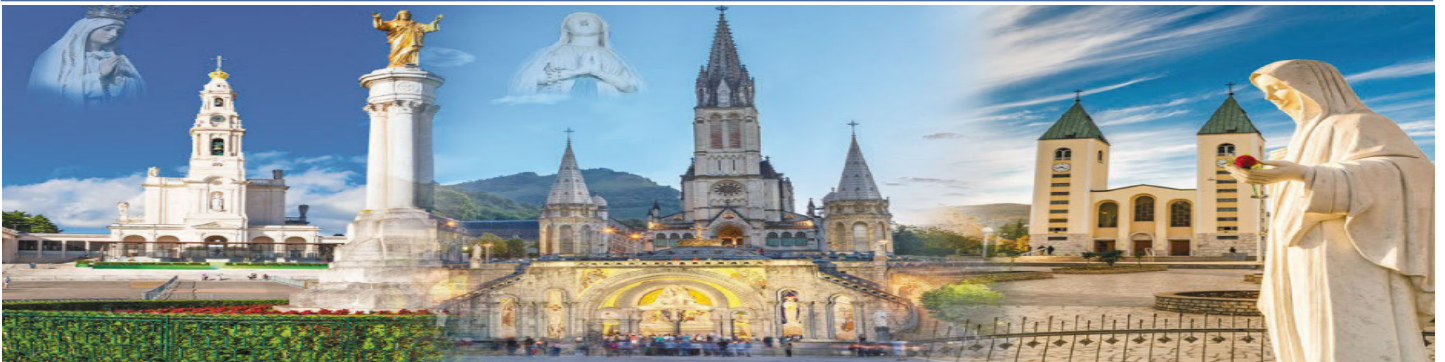
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*Christmas Play*

### **MARIAN PILGRIMAGE**

St. Joseph Church is hosting an 11 day Marian Pilgrimage to Fatima, Spain & Lourdes from September 23-October 3, 2024. A meeting will be held on Friday, January 19th, 2024 at 6 p.m. in the church office meeting room. The cost of the trip is \$3,499, which includes hotels, bus trips, plane tickets, tours, breakfast & supper. If you are interested in going or just want more information, you are invited to attend this meeting. ***This is a Golden Opportunity to grab this great deal.*** Deposits of \$500 will be collected at the meeting.





### ***A note from the Pastor:***

As we step into the new year, I wish and pray that the Lord showers His blessings upon you throughout this new year 2024. We do not know how the year is going to be, but we know that with the help of the Lord we will get through it. This is an occasion for us to thank God for the year 2023 and for the blessing we received. Many people could not make it into this new year, but we all made it with the grace of God. There are also things we did for which we regret. This new year is given to us so that we do not repeat such things again. Life is precious, every moment of our life is precious. Let us use it as best as we can. Let us also thank the Lord for all the blessings we received in our church. Let us also thank God for the support of everyone to keep this church a very active and a vibrant faith community. I wish you a very happy new year!

I would like to thank all those who came to decorate the church for Christmas and make it a beautiful place to worship and celebrate Christmas. God bless you all!

May you all have a wonderful New Year!

### **Holy Family Reflection**

The Feast of the Holy Family this weekend reminds all the families about their commitment to God and looking up to the holy family as their models. It is not that the holy family had no struggles, but they had much more than any couples or families have today. Yet they survived all that with their trust in the Lord and accepted the will of God in their life. The Feast of the Holy Family reminds us that, as the basic unit of the universal Church, each family is called to holiness. In fact, Jesus Christ has instituted two Sacraments in His Church to make society holy – the Sacrament of priesthood and the Sacrament of marriage. Through the Sacrament of priesthood, Jesus sanctifies the priest as well as his parish. Similarly, by the Sacrament of marriage, Jesus sanctifies not only the spouses but also the entire family. The husband and wife attain holiness when they discharge their duties faithfully, trusting in God, and drawing on the presence and power of the Holy Spirit through personal and family prayer, meditative reading of the Bible, and devout participation in Holy Mass. Families become holy when Christ Jesus is present in them. Jesus becomes truly present in the parish Church through the Sacrifice of the Holy Mass. Similarly, Jesus becomes truly present in a family when all the members live in the Christian spirit of sacrifice. This happens when there is mutual understanding, mutual support and mutual respect. There must be proper care and respect given by children to their parents and grandparents, even after they have grown up and left home. Let us all try to learn the values of the holy family, keep them as our model always.

#### **In Our Parish This Week**

##### **Monday, January 1st: (New Years Day)**

- \* Mass —9 a.m.
- \* Church Office Closed

##### **Tuesday, January 2nd:**

- \* No Mass
- \* Cleaning Angels—Sheila's Group @ 9 a.m.
- \* Church Office Closed

##### **Wednesday, January 3rd:**

- \* Mass—8:30 a.m.
- \* Parish Council Meeting—6:30 p.m./Church Office

##### **Thursday, January 4th:**

- \* Mass—8:30 a.m.
- \* Grief Support Leader Meeting—12:30 p.m./Cafeteria
- \* Grief Support Meeting—2 p.m./Cafeteria

##### **Friday, January 5th:**

- \* Mass—8:30 a.m.
- \* 1st Friday Devotion—9 a.m.

##### **Saturday, January 6th:**

- \* Mass—4 p.m.

##### **Sunday, January 7th:**

- \* Mass—8 & 10 a.m.
- \* Baptisms—11 a.m.
- \* Family Formation Mass—6 p.m.



#### **December 16 & 17**

##### **1st Collection**

<b>Envelopes:</b>	\$4,054.60
<b>Loose:</b>	433.50
<b>Online:</b>	70.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,488.10</b>

##### **2nd Collection**

<b>Envelopes:</b>	\$1,411.00
<b>Loose:</b>	216.14
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$1,627.14</b>

#### **Collection Counters**

**Jan. 3rd:** Mary Ann Griffin  
**Jan. 8th:** Paige McGehee  
**Tues. Jan. 16th:** Evelyn Pellegrin  
**Jan. 22nd:** Sheila Pitre

#### **Mass Attendance**

<b>4 p.m.:</b>	194
<b>8 a.m.:</b>	64
<b>10 a.m.:</b>	81

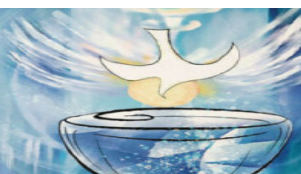


Born through Baptism into the family of Christ was:

**Riley James Dupre**

Child of

Kristen & Patrick Dupre



#### **CATHOLIC YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD**

The Knights of Columbus is sponsoring the Catholic Youth Leadership Award. The award is open to any high school senior boy and girl who attends St. Joseph Church. The award has three levels. The council level, diocesan level and the state level. Applications can be found on the Louisiana State Council website: [Catholic Youth Leadership Award \(louisianakc.org\)](http://CatholicYouthLeadershipAward(louisianakc.org)). The deadline to submit the application is January 25<sup>th</sup>. Applications must be submitted to either Mr. Jude Landry or Mr. Curtis Constrantiche.



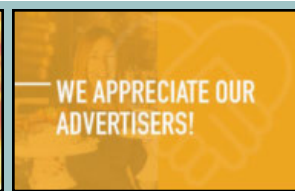
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### MASS INTENTIONS





**Saturday, December 30th, 6th Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord, (1 Jn 2:12-17; Lk 2:36-40); Sunday Vigil - (Gn 15:1-6, 21:1-3; Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40) 4 p.m.** Danny Lirette, Jr.; Jonathon Theriot; Noel Curby Foret Jr; Fr. Gus & Josette Lapeyrouse & fly; Noble & Tod Thibodeaux; Rodney & Cecile Ledet; Patricia Ann Trahan & fly; Marie Eschete; Eugene "Skip" Pellegrin; Grace Chauvin; Earl Pellegrin, Jr. & Sr. & family; Gurvis "Go" Blanchard; Lawrence & Hilda Foret; Irene Martin; Julius "NuNu" Robichaux; Ural Neal; Charles "Poncho" Neil & Destinee; Lauren, Mildred & Newell Dumond; Allen & Winnie "MaeMae" LeBlanc;  
**Sunday, December 31st, The Holy Family of Jesus Mary & Joseph, (Gn 15:1-6, 21:1-3; Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40) 8 a.m.** Jonathon Theriot; George Sevin; Linda C, Ira & Ouida Pete; Houston "Sou" & Helen Lirette & fly; Mary Beth D Price; Melvin "Micky" Duplantis, Sr.; Chester, Thelma, Ricky, Laverne & Jessica Rouse & the Rouse fly; Philip Chauvin, Sr. & family; Bryan LeBoeuf; Merline & Larry White, Jr.; Dawn Guy; Wilbert Thibodeaux; **10 a.m.** St Joseph Parish Family; Jonathon Theriot; Glynn Hebert; Deanna Knight Dufrene; Una Arcement; Drui, Ismay & Lisa Lirette; Felton Boudreaux; Lillian Lapeyrouse; Nathan Guilfou; Jody Price; Gregory Lopez; Drui Neil; Noella Champagne  
**Monday, January 1st, The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord; Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God, (Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21) 9 a.m.** Rita (anniv.), Lenis, Sr. & Evelyn Authement; Marie Eschete; Jonathon Theriot; Abraham & Brent Griffin; Lapeyrouse & Schmidt families; Emos & Judy Lirette; Glynn Hebert; Deanna Knight Dufrene; Clark Dugas, Sr.; Ida & Roland Picou, Sr. & Jr.; Caprise LeBlanc; Cheryl Domangue; Wallace & Thelma Lafont; Telemac & Glorance Pellegrin; Wiley & Bernice Lirette; Melvin "Micky" Duplantis, Sr. (anniv.); Warren Thomas Fanguy  
**Tuesday, January 2nd, Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory, (1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28) No Mass**  
**Wednesday, January 3rd, Christmas Weekday, (The Most Holy Name of Jesus) (1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Jn 1:29-34) All Souls List 8:30 a.m.**  
**Thursday, January 4th, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, (1 Jn 3:7-10; Jn 1:35-42) 8:30 a.m.** Milton "Pete" Pitre (anniv.)  
**Friday, January 5th, St. John Neuman, (1 Jn 3:11-21; Jn 1:43-51) 8:30 a.m.** Eugene "Skip" Pellegrin (anniv.); Noble Thibodeaux; Kenneth LeCompte; Angelo Roberts, Jr.; Roy & Leola Thibodeaux & family  
**Saturday, January 6th, Christmas Weekday, (St. Andre Bessette), (1 Jn 5:5-13; Mk 1:7-11); Sunday Vigil: (Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2:3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12) 4 p.m.** Danny Lirette, Jr.; Jonathon Theriot; Noel Curby Foret Jr; Fr. Gus & Josette Lapeyrouse & fly; Noble & Tod (anniv.) Thibodeaux; Rodney & Cecile Ledet; Patricia Ann Trahan & fly; Marie Eschete; Eugene "Skip" Pellegrin; Grace Chauvin; Earl Pellegrin, Jr. & Sr. & family; Gurvis "Go" Blanchard; Lawrence & Hilda Foret; Irene Martin; Julius "NuNu" Robichaux; Ural Neal; Leon "Ponoke" Champagne; Wilbur, Ruth & Kelly Lyons; Ora, Nolan & Darry Portier; Leo & Joyce Martinez; Allie & Trasimond Portier; Wilma & Andrew "Boy" LeBoeuf; Therese Eschete; Alex & Lydia Punch; Luby "Richard" Neal;  
**Sunday, January 7th, The Epiphany of the Lord, (Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2:3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12) 8 a.m.** Jonathon Theriot; George Sevin; Linda C, Ira & Ouida Pete; Houston "Sou" & Helen Lirette & fly; Mary Beth D Price; Melvin "Micky" Duplantis, Sr.; Chester, Thelma, Ricky, Laverne & Jessica Rouse & the Rouse fly; Philip Chauvin, Sr. & family; Bryan LeBoeuf; Abraham & Brent Griffin; Jerry & Nancy Bergeron; E.J., Doicy & Ed "Nootsie" Blanchard; **10 a.m.** St Joseph Parish Family; Jonathon Theriot; Glynn Hebert; Deanna Knight Dufrene; Una Arcement; Drui, Ismay & Lisa Lirette; Felton Boudreaux; Lillian Lapeyrouse; Nathan Guilfou; Sylvia Trahan's deceased family members; Reis, Melva & Derrel Hebert; Donald John Tivet, Jr. & family; Olin, Sr. & Merrill Soudelier; Gregory Lopez; Henry Davis; Junius Blanchard (anniv.); Edward Domangue, Sr. (anniv.); Fr. Wilfred Plunkett; Arthur Eschete






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