

# St. Joseph Catholic Church (Port Aransas, Texas)

## Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 4, 2024

### Mass Intentions

Sat.	2/3	5:00 p.m.	For: <b>The Parishioners of St. Joseph</b>
Sun.	2/4	9:00 a.m.	For: <b>The Parishioners of St. Joseph</b>
		11:00 a.m.	For: <b>The Parishioners of St. Joseph</b>
Mon.	2/5	8:30 a.m.	For: <b>The Parishioners of St. Joseph</b>
Tues.	2/6	NO MASS	
Wed.	2/7	NO MASS	
Thurs.	2/8	NO MASS	
Fri.	2/9	NO MASS	
Sat.	2/10	5:00 p.m.	For: <b>Anna Everett</b> (birthday blessings) By: Liz & Bob Conces
Sun.	2/11	9:00 a.m.	† <b>Marlene Thomas</b> By: Greg Thomas
			† <b>Frances Guzman</b> By: Rosie & Elvia
		11:00 a.m.	For: <b>The Parishioners of St. Joseph</b>

### Ladies of St Joseph/City Wide Garage Sale

The ladies will be accepting household items, furniture, and clean clothing (preferably on hangers) on **Thursday, Feb 8** and **Friday, Feb 9**, from 10 AM to 3PM for the City-Wide Garage Sale on Saturday, Feb 10. If you have items you would like to donate, we will be in the parking lot to accept. Thank you for your support of our apostolates.

If you wish to offer Masses for anyone, please contact the Parish Office.

### Welcome to Online Giving

To Register for On-Line Banking go to the following link:

<https://osvonlinegiving.com/1896>



### LECTOR/EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER SCHEDULE

Sat.	2/3	5 pm	Liz Conces/Charlie Hutchins, Julie Winkelmann, Nick Winkelmann
Sun.	2/4	9 am	Stacey Mendoza/Javier Mendoza, Marvin Murray, Andy Peterek
		11 am	Cliff Strain/Mary Jo Matthews, Sabrina Jones, Barbara Smith
Sat.	2/10	5 pm	Julie Winkelmann/Liz Conces, Charlie Hutchins, Nick Winkelmann
	2/11	9 am	Laura Peterek/Stacey Mendoza, Javier Mendoza, Marvin Murray
		11 am	Leticia Grounds/Juan Pablo Lozano Pena, Barbara Smith, Ken Chesshir

**Did you know about the Saints:** On February 3, we celebrate the feast of Saint Blaise. Blaise was a doctor and Bishop of Sebastia which is in modern day Turkey. Many miracles were documented showing the intercession of Saint Blaise in the "Acts of Saint Blaise" which was written approximately 400 years after his death. Blaise also showed great kindness to animals which is why he is often depicted alongside wild animals. Tradition is that he would go into the woods frequently to feed and heal any wounded animals. In the year 316, Blaise was arrested for being a Christian. While in the hands of his captors, a woman laid her son who had a fishbone stuck in his throat at the Saint's feet. The child was cured but Blaise was still put to death for not renouncing his faith. The relics of Saint Blaise are located in the Cathedral at Dubrovnik, Croatia. "Saint Blaise, holy Bishop and Martyr, friend of animals great and small, intercede for us. Through thy prayers, may God preserve us from sickness and all other evils. Amen."

**Please Pray For the Sick:** Victor Rodriguez, Tootie Barnes, Rosie Aguirre, Josh Gueldner, Diane Bean, Helen Skrovan, Brian & Robin Hempstead, Rosa Guajardo, Julian Angel, Alberto Moreno, Patti Hyland, George Snell, Elvia Tamayo, Shirley Culp, Jim Koenig, Tony Paschal, Mike Gibbs, Larry Tipler, Clayton Gard, and all who are in need of prayer.

**Please Pray For the Deceased:** If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please call: (361)749-5825.

**Pope Francis says:** Wrath is a widespread and destructive vice in human relationships. Therefore, Saint Paul advises, 'Let not the sun go down on your anger' (Eph 4:26). If some misunderstandings arise during the day, the night should not be handed over to the devil.



**Pastor's Note: A God who consoles the sick....**The Mission of Jesus springs from his awareness that God has sent him to make known to the people his compassionate love for them. Everything that Jesus would do and preach on, would be to enhance this compassionate love of God, especially for the afflicted people, who were waiting for the Lord to act. Last Sunday's readings focused on the authority with which Jesus taught, emphasizing the fact that the authority of Jesus came from God himself. Jesus is the true begotten Son of God, who can truly represent the ways of the Lord. It is this fulfillment of the hopes of the people that we focus on this week. The Responsorial Psalm puts it quite emphatically, when it says, "Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted." It goes on to say that the Lord binds up the wounds of those who are injured and that he sustains the lowly. This is exactly what Jesus is doing in the Gospel passage we hear this Sunday. After teaching authoritatively in the synagogue, Jesus goes and heals the mother-in-law of Simon. This is not just one action by Jesus to heal someone who is unwell. People keep bringing to him everyone who is ill or is possessed by a demon. He is able to cure and transform the lives of all of them. Even on the following day, people keep looking for Jesus in order for him to heal them. Jesus, by then, had conversed with God, in prayer, and stresses the need for him to move to other towns, so that they, too, may experience the healing power of God. Jesus is convinced of his mission to preach the Good News to everyone and to bring about true healing in all of them. That those who are afflicted can turn to the Lord for help, is amply expressed in the first reading, from the Book of Job. When Job narrates his afflictions, it is in fact a cry to the Lord, in whom he had trusted, to deliver him from his misfortunes. We can always turn to the Lord for help when we face difficulties in our lives. St. Paul reminds us that our discipleship in Jesus is a call to be there for those in need, as the Lord has been there for us. We can surely experience the consolation of God and then be messengers of that consolation to those who are hurting.



The Ladies of St Joseph invite you to participate in our Baby Bottle Boomerang campaign in support of the Hope House of Corpus Christi. You can pick up your bottle from the bassinet in the foyer of the church. We encourage you to fill your baby bottle with loose change, currency or a check (**payable to Corpus Christi Hope House**) over the next few weeks. If you need to drop off your bottle early, you can do so in the basket by the bassinet or at the church office. All the proceeds will go towards the various programs that Hope House provides to women and children. Thank you for your support.

### Ash Wednesday February 14

Mass with the distribution of ashes  
8:30 a.m. & 5:15 p.m.

### Priests on Retreat

The priests of the Diocese will be making their retreat this week. Please pray for them.

The second collection this week-end is for the Building Fund.

### Collection for January 28, 2024

Loose Collection	\$ 2,462.84
Envelope Collection	\$ 640.00
Building Fund	\$ 105.00
Church in Latin America	\$ 971.49
Online Giving	\$ 800.00
Total	\$ 4,979.33

### HAVE A LAUGH: Going Down

As the storm raged, the captain realized his ship was sinking fast. He called out, "Anyone here know how to pray?" One man stepped forward. "Aye, Captain, I know how to pray."

"Good," said the captain, "you pray while the rest of us put on our life jackets - we're one short."