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### Archdiocese of Galveston – Houston The Catholic Churches of

# Our Lady of Perpetual Help 310 North McKinney St, Sweeny, Texas 77480

## & St. John the Apostle

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THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

### PASTORAL STAFF

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### Our Lady of Guadalupe Coordinator

Rosa Patino

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

Dennis Mican (*President*), Tim Whitt (*Vice President*), Lee Ann Phillips (*Secretary*), Brenda Baca, Jessica Balderas, Alvin Bannert, Danny Buentello, Ed Knight, Ellaina Madera, and Chuy Rodriguez

### FINANCE COUNCILS

#### **OLPH Members**

Glenn Krauskopf (*President*), Kelly Bertsch, Paul Kibodeaux, Colleen Knight, and Penny Mican

#### **SJA Members**

Oscar Greak III (*President*), Brian Devine, Steven Giles, Larry Phillips, Trent Roundtree, and Ron Smith

#### MAINTENANCE GROUP

Steve Bennett, Dennis Mican, Felix Nunez, Larry Phillips, Tom Ronayne, and Ron Smith

#### **BULLETIN DEADLINE**

Monday @ 12:00 noon

### PARISH INFORMATION

### WELCOME VISITORS & NEWCOMERS!

Our Lady of Perpetual Help and St. John the Apostle are Catholic Churches rooted in Truth, Beauty, and Goodness to help spread the good news of Jesus Christ in Brazoria County.

Call or come by the Parish Office to register in our parishes!

### CONNECT WITH US

**Facebook** | @Our Lady of Perpetual Help & St. John the Apostle **Instagram** | olph.sja.youth

Flock Note | Text OLPHSJA to 84576 or visit olphsja.flocknote.com

### MASS SCHEDULE

Our Lady of Perpetual Help **SUNDAY** 

8:30 am in English 12:30 pm en Español

### WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY

8:30 am

Adoration & Benediction WEDNESDAY: 9:00 - 10:00 am

St. John the Apostle
SATURDAY

Anticipated Mass: 5:00 pm **SUNDAY:** 10:30 am

TUESDAY: 5:00 pm
THURSDAY: 8:30 am
Adoration & Benediction

**THURSDAY:** 9:00 - 10:00 am

### PARISH OFFICE

### **Address**

310 N. McKinney St. Sweeny, TX 77480 (Middle building behind church)

#### Phone Number & Fax

979-548-2020 ext. 4 979-548-4253

**St. Vincent de Paul** 979-548-2020 ext. 3

Office Hours Monday - Thursday

9:00 am - 4:30 pm **Friday** 

9:00 am - 12:30 pm

**Email** 

reception.olphsja@gmail.com

Website

www.olphsja.org

#### **SACRAMENTS**

**Baptism:** Preparation classes are required for the parents and godparents. The next class is <a href="December 6">December 6</a>, <a href="2025@9:00 am at OLPH">2025@9:00 am at OLPH</a>.

**Confession:** Held 15 minutes before or after daily Masses and by appointment. **SATURDAY:** 4:15 pm - 4:50 pm

**Confirmation:** Youth Confirmation is part of our Faith Formation program and Adult Confirmation is part of our OCIA program.

OCIA - Becoming Catholic Program: Contact Rebecca Giles at 832-212-4988.

**Marriage:** Please contact a priest a minimum of 6 months prior to your intended date.

**Anointing of the Sick:** This sacrament is conferred upon request, preferably before surgery or hospitalization.

BIBLICAL THEME (AUG 1, 2025 - JUL 31, 2026): JEREMIAH 17:7-8

### TURKEY DINNER/ BAZAAR GOAL

\*\* \$100,000 \*\*

Please prayerfully consider how you can fulfill your Baptismal responsibilities by helping out at our annual event! Located near the Turkey Board at the back of each church is a flyer with the various areas in which you can volunteer, along with contact information for all of the team leaders.

If you do not feel called to volunteer, you can support our event by selling raffle tickets! If you have not picked up your envelope of tickets, please do so. If you have already sold all of yours and need more, please take a blank envelope of tickets from the back of the box or come by the Parish Office. Another way that you can help offset the cost of our event is through the Turkey Board. Simply take stickers off the board and enclose the total amount, along with the stickers you pulled, in an envelope and place it in the Regular Collection slot of the collection box with Turkey Board written on the front of the envelope.

We appreciate all of the donations and generosity that we have received already!! We can't wait to see all of you on October 26 — MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

### BEARING OUR CROSSES WITH JOY

We may have any number of crosses throughout our lives. Some may be small, some may be big. Some may be heavy, some may be light. Some may be temporary, some may be long lasting. As Christians, we are called to bear those burdens, not begrudgingly but joyfully. Sometimes that seems downright impossible. How can I have joy in my life when every moment is filled with pain (whether that be physical or emotional)?

The answer is, it is not possible without a profound relationship with our Lord, that includes constant surrender to His will. In His great love for us, He often allows things to happen that we don't understand, but are for our good or for the good of others. Afterall, the goal for each of us is eternal salvation, not earthly comfort.

But whether we suffer rejection, loneliness, illness, pain, hunger, cold, or even torture and death, we know that He has experienced it all and knows exactly how it feels. We can ask Him to walk with us each step of the way and be our strength when our own fails.

We may get to the point where we are able to rejoice in our sufferings like St. Paul, or endure them without complaint or remember to offer them up. But above all, may our crosses be a constant reminder to us of today's powerful Gospel passage: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life" (John 3:16). By Tami Urcia — Diocesan.com

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

September 13th — 21st | † Deceased

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

05:00 pm SJA † Emil Miska

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

08:30 am OLPH Parish Family
10:30 am SJA † Rolando Carrasc

10:30 am SJA † Rolando Carrasco 12:30 pm OLPH † Legion of Mary Members

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 NO DAILY MASS

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16** 

05:00 pm SJA † Peggy Barak

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

08:30 am OLPH Bill Boulio Adoration following Mass

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

08:30 am SJA † Julia Goodrum

Adoration following Mass

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19
08:30 am OLPH Parish Family

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20** 

05:00 pm SJA † Larry Barak

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21** 

08:30 am OLPH Parish Family

10:30 am SJA † Fr. Jose Hipolito Castillo

12:30 pm OLPH Parish Family

### PRAYER LIST

Severo Balderama, Maria Ortiz, Jessica Guerrero, Reyes Baltazar, Lorine Golden, MaryAnn Devine, Charles Jenkins, Mary Amason, Libby Wilkins-Rivas, Cayetana Martinez, Tammy Sanderson, Mary Holler, Tom Ronayne, Cesar Efren Rodriguez, Laura Ramirez, Paz Ordonez, Lucy Pendon, Esther Vera, Stephanie Alejo, Gevie Glowka, Gerald Schmidt, Paula Garza, Jennifer Donald, Bobby Tosch, Irene Costilla, Maria Lowrey, Jan Tilley, Sandra Brabrandt, Ed Waligura, Ruby Barrientez, Margo Master, Jorge Luis Gutierrez, Brittaney Fields, Cindy Mendez, Lori Comley, Ricky Bromonsky, Christine Goodrum, Lillian Rae Saldivar, Gary Evans, Christy Hanson, Bessie Highsmith, Estella Martinez, Lori Duran, Wayne Vinson, Dru Vinson, Willie Butler, Maria Garcia, Naomi Smith, SC Hutze, Dale Hudson, Eric Hatz, Viviana Salazar, Luis Covarrubias, Chrisitan Robles, Michael Rivera, Frances Gonzalez, Fatima Perez, Juan Martinez, Beth McQueen, Wayne Schmidt, Ed Klaiber, Lucy Casarez, JeanMaire Pempek, Dorothy Havel, Eriverto Garcia, Marissa Miska, Myra Houston, Yolanda Guerrero, John Garza, Sr., Erica Janette Reyna, Itzel Rodriguez, Esperansa Curiel, Rodolfo Curiel, and Leon Bertsch

> In Loving Memory of Rene Carreon, Jr. Casen Holt Christopher Baca

### CHURCH SUPPORT

The Second Collection this weekend is for:

FAITH FORMATION

#### Our Lady of Perpetual Help — September 7, 2025

Regular Collection	\$2,089.00
Second Collection — Univ of St. Th	nomas \$45.00
Online Giving	\$1,365.00
Weekly amount needed	\$4,100.00
Last year: September 8, 2024	\$4,044.00*
Difference: (\$590.00)	Decrease of 14.59%

#### St. John the Apostle — September 1, 2025

Regular Collection	\$1,462.00
Second Collection — Univ of St. Thor	mas \$161.00
Online Giving	\$2,419.00
Weekly amount needed	\$4,100.00
Last year: September 8, 2024	\$4,237.00*
Difference: (\$356.00)	Decrease of 8.40%

\*sum of the Regular Collection and an ESTIMATE for Online Giving

### ONLINE GIVING

To donate to **OLPH**, text "Give" to 979-356-3309 or visit <a href="https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/olphsweeny">https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/olphsweeny</a> To donate to **SJA**, text "Give" to 979-364-4259 or visit <a href="https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stjohnwestcolumbia">https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stjohnwestcolumbia</a>





Scan to donate to OLPH Scan to donate to SJA

Please consider covering the

administrative fee when giving online!

### MASS ATTENDANCE



#### Weekend of September 6th & 7th

Saturday	05:00 pm	46 people
Sunday	08:30 am	68 people
Sunday	10:30 am	212 people
Sunday	12:30 pm	94 people

Total: 420 people

Total Registered Families: 285

### LEGION OF MARY

Want to know Christ better? Let Mary lead you to him!

For English, join the ladies every **Monday**@ **8:15 am** (location varies), or to become an auxiliary member, call Anita Heble at 979-480-3224!

For Spanish, join the ladies every **Monday @ 6:00 pm** in the OLPH hall. They also meet to pray the rosary on **Wednesdays @ 6:30 pm** in the grotto!

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

### FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 14TH

Sunday | Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross Nm 21:4b-9/ Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/ Phil 2:6-11/ Jn 3:13-17

Monday | Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows 1 Tm 2:1-8/ Ps 28:2, 7, 8-9/ Jn 19:25-27 or 1k 2:33-35

Tuesday | Memorial of Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop and Martyrs
1 Tm 3:1-13/ Ps 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6/ Lk 7:11-17

**Wednesday** | 1 Tm 3:14-16/ Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/ Lk 7: 31-35

**Thursday** | 1 Tm 4:12-16/ Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10/ Lk 7:36-50

**Friday** | 1 Tm 6:2c-12/ Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/ Lk 8:1-3

Saturday | Memorial of Saint Andrew Kim Taegon, Priest, and Paul Chong Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs — 1 Tm 6:13-16/ Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/ Lk 8:4-15

Sunday | Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Am 8:4-7/ Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8/ 1 Tm 2:1-8/ Lk 16:1-13

## PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS

Dylan Garcia, 1st Class Airman Cody Lozano, Sgt. Abel Carrasco, SA Reese Whittington, Ashton Thompson, Pvt. Evelyn Wallace, PV 2 Nicholas Kane, HN Catherine Kane, Major Stephen Koether, GY Sgt. Phillip James Sanchez III, Javier Villisana, Major Mike Knight, Major Ciara Knight, Chris Roche, Jared Nelson, Staff Sgt. Robert Reynolds, Cpt. Jake Knight, Warrant Officer Dylan Diaz, Sgt. Gabriel Quinones, Pvt. Edgar Servantes, Staff Sgt. Jazmin Cisneros, D.J. Cisneros, and Gage Alderman

God bless the members of our armed forces!

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

LOCAL SOCIETY NEWS

Together, we can lift our neighbors in need.

<u>Local SVdP Members:</u> Cheryl Tosch, Susan Hatch, Mary Amason, Robbie Smith, Angie

Waligura, Kim Effenberger, Jessica Follett, Roxann Martinez, Trisha Wleczyk, Eva Smith, Lee Ann Phillips, Sherri Moy, Steve & Rebecca Giles, Debbie Garcia, and Jennifer Garro. **COME JOIN US!** — For more information, contact Susan Hatch at 979-319-0206!

### **HAPPENING** THIS WEEK

### Sunday, September 14

9 to 10:15 am 1st Reconciliation Class — SJA hall

### Monday, September 15

Legion of Mary (English) — SJA hall 8:15 am

Catholicism 101 w/ Fr. Preston — OLPH hall 6:00 pm

### Tuesday, September 16

9 to 10:30 am Adult Faith Formation — OLPH hall Legion of Mary (Spanish) — OLPH hall 6:30 pm

### Thursday, September 18

OCIA Class — OLPH hall ma 00:6

### Sunday, September 21

9 to 10:15 am Confirmation 2 Class — SJA hall 10:30 am OCIA Rite of Acceptance — SJA Social Sunday — OLPH hall 1:30 pm





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### BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG CAMPAIGN

From the Pregnancy Help Center in Lake Jackson:

We are deeply grateful for your generous support of the Pregnancy Help Center's 2025 BBB campaign. Through the kindness of your church community, \$482.82 was raised to support women, children, and families in our area. You were part of a much larger story — 68 churches and over 2,300 individuals participated this year, helping raise a total of \$106,145.74! These funds go directly to supporting the life-affirming ministries of the PHC. The PHC serves all clients at no cost and does not receive any federal or state funding. This means that everything we do is made possible through the support of churches, individuals, and mission-minded partners like you. We want to recognize the **Buentello Family**, your church liaisons, for their dedication in organizing and collecting bottles. Their faithful service made your churches involvement possible.

May God Bless you as you continue to bless others. Thank you again for your incredible support! Michelle D. Carter, Executive Director

### **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

### SEPTEMBER 13TH — 19TH

Avelardo & Pat Carrasco 41 Years Ernest & Cynthia Calvillo 35 Years Salome & Guadalupe Anguiano 25 Years Antolin & Clara Rubio 10 Years

### PRAYER LEADERS

### ROSARY — JOYFUL

September 13 05:00 pm Linda Miska September 14 08:30 am Janie Bannert September 14 10:30 am The Phillips September 14 12:30 pm Mirtha Covarrubias

### DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

September 20 05:00 pm Susan Hatch September 21 08:30 am Jessica Pena 10:30 am September 21 Lisa Orsak 12:30 pm September 21 Erika Hernandez

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

The announcements are no longer read before Mass! To view them, please visit: www.olphsja.org or see the informational blurbs below.

### ADUIT FAITH FORMATION

Adult Faith Formation begins Tuesday!! Sessions will be held on Tuesday mornings from 9 to 10:30 am in the OLPH hall. Mark your calendars — we hope to see you there!

### ST. JOSEPH'S ANNUAL MARKET DAYS

St. Joseph on the Brazos Catholic Church in Brazoria is excited to announce their first Annual Market Day! Join them Friday, September 26 from 3:00 to 8:00 pm, and Saturday, September 27 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Entry is FREE! There will be Home Décor, Wreaths, Gifts, a Raffle drawing every hour, Crafts, Food, and so much more!

#### WEDDING JUBILEE MASSES

#### 25TH AND 50TH WEDDING ANIVERSARY JUBILEE MASSES

Couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2025 are invited to the annual Archdiocesan Wedding Anniversary Jubilee Masses with Archbishop Vásquez. The 50th Wedding Anniversary Jubilee Mass will take place on Sunday, September 21 at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart @ 3:00 pm. The 25th Wedding Anniversary Jubilee Mass is scheduled for Sunday, October 21 at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart @ 3:00 pm. The registration fee (\$40 per couple) includes a professional photo with Archbishop Vásquez, your names featured in the Worship Aid, and a signed certificate congratulating you on your anniversary. To register, please visit: www.archgh.org/weddingjubilee