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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Monday @ 12:00 noon

PARISH INFORMATION

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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

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Monday – Thursday

9:00 am – 4:30 pm

Friday

9:00 am – 12:30 pm

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SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Preparation classes are required for the parents and godparents. The next class will be **June 6, 2026 @ 9:00 am at OLPH.**

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

SHARE IN THE POWER

This Sunday is two weeks before Pentecost, but already the readings prepare us for that feast. The first reading from Acts shows us the conversion of the Samaritans, thanks to Philip's preaching and curing the sick. He did this through the power of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit makes Jesus present today, not just in the sacraments, but through us, his disciples.

The Gospel gives us a hint of this in Jesus' words: "I am in my Father and you are in me and I in you" (John 14:20). Jesus knew that after his Resurrection appearances, he would not be visible as a man. Instead, he would live in all of his followers through the power of the Holy Spirit. That's why he tells the disciples that the Spirit will be with them and in them. So the Sacrament of Confirmation, the laying on of hands (Acts 8:17), reminds us that when God lives in us, we share in the power of the Holy Spirit.

In the second reading, Peter gives us practical advice. First, he tells us to be ready to explain our hope in the Lord. That hope comes from our faith in the Resurrection. When you see someone curing the sick, you could be tempted to say, "I can't do that." But when you hear that people saw and talked to Jesus after he rose from the dead, then hear that anyone who follows Jesus will share in that resurrection, you begin to have real hope. When we share that hope, we do so gently and reverently. We are all sinners and Christ's death brought us all forgiveness.

Next, Peter tells us to avoid sin, not because we won't be forgiven again, but to show that we can live a life free from sin, selfishness, and hatred. Freedom from sin allows us to give a good example of how to live. Abandoning selfishness allows us to love others without counting the cost. When we are free from hatred, we are able to forgive others as we have been forgiven. As we live in Jesus and he in us, our happiness will attract people to God.

By Tom Schmidt
Reflections — The Word In Our Lives (Diocesan.com)



MASS INTENTIONS

May 9th — 17th | † Deceased

SATURDAY, MAY 9

05:00 pm SJA † Emil Miska

SUNDAY, MAY 10

08:30 am OLPH Special Intention

10:30 am SJA Parish Family

12:30 pm OLPH † Legion de Maria Members

MONDAY, MAY 11

NO MASS

TUESDAY, MAY 12

05:00 pm SJA † Jerry McKeon

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13

08:30 am OLPH Special Intention

Adoration following Mass

THURSDAY, MAY 14

08:30 am SJA † Catholic Life Insurance

Adoration following Mass Members

FRIDAY, MAY 15

08:30 am OLPH † Leon Bertsch

SATURDAY, MAY 16

05:00 pm SJA Parish Family

SUNDAY, MAY 17

08:30 am OLPH Special Intention

10:30 am SJA † Rolando Carrasco

12:30 pm OLPH † Felipa Salazar

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Our Lady of Perpetual Help — May 3, 2026

Regular Collection	\$3,221.00
Second Collection — Faith Formation	\$110.00
Online Giving	\$955.00
Weekly amount needed	\$4,100.00
Last Year: May 4, 2025	\$2,334.13*
Difference: \$1,841.87	Increase of 78.91%

St. John the Apostle — May 3, 2026

Regular Collection	\$3,972.00
Second Collection — Catholic Home Missions	\$107.00
Online Giving	\$2,103.85
Weekly amount needed	\$4,100.00
Last Year: May 4, 2025	\$3,940.00*
Difference: \$2,135.85	Increase of 54.21%

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

ONLINE GIVING

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God bless the members of our armed forces!

MASS ATTENDANCE



Weekend of May 2nd & 3rd

Saturday	05:00 pm	56 people
Sunday	08:30 am	89 people
Sunday	10:30 am	413 people
Sunday	12:30 pm	129 people

Total: 687 people

Total Registered Families: 297

SCRIPTURE READINGS

FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 10TH

- Sunday | Sixth Sunday of Easter**
Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/ Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20/
1 Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21
- Monday |** Acts 16:11-15/ Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/
Jn 15:26—16:4a
- Tuesday |** Acts 16:22-34/ Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/
Jn 16:5-11
- Wednesday |** Acts 17:15, 22-18:1/ Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13,
14/ Jn 16:12-15
- Thursday | Feast of Saint Matthias, Apostle**
Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/ Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/
Jn 15:9-17
- Friday |** Acts 18:9-18/ Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/ Jn 16:20-23
- Saturday |** Acts 18:23-28/ Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10/ Jn 16:23b-28
- Sunday | Seventh Sunday of Easter —** Acts 1:12-14/
Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8/ 1 Pt 4:13-16/ Jn 17:1-11a

In those places where the observance of the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord has been transferred to the 7th Sunday of Easter, the Mass and readings of the Ascension are used — Acts 1:1-11/ Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9/ Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/ Mt 28:16-20

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS GAME NIGHT

Left, Right Center!

When: June 4, 2026
Where: OLPH HALL
310 N McKinney street, Sweeny
Time: 6pm

What to bring

- Your favorite finger food
- 9 one dollar bills
- \$6 donation and canned goods for svdp

Drinks and dessert will be provided!

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Saturday, May 9

6:30 pm Holy Hour for Vocations — SJA

Monday, May 11

7:30 am Legion of Mary (English) — SJA hall

Tuesday, May 12

5:00 pm Legion of Mary (Spanish) — OLPH hall
6:30 pm St. Vincent de Paul Meeting — SJA hall

Wednesday, May 13

6 to 7 am That Man is You — OLPH hall

Last Faith Formation Class / End of Year Party!

Thursday, May 14

11:00 am SOAR Group Meeting — OLPH hall
6:00 pm Joint Finance Council Meeting — SJA hall

Sunday, May 17

10:30 am Graduates Mass — SJA
1:30 pm Social Sunday — OLPH hall

THEY RECEIVED THE
HOLY SPIRIT
Acts 8:17

BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG FUNDRAISER

The Pregnancy Help Center in Lake Jackson is hosting a fundraiser which begins this weekend, on Mother's Day, and will conclude on Father's Day, which is **Sunday, June 21**. To contribute to this fundraiser —

- **take a baby bottle home from the back of the church**
- **fill it with coins, cash, and/or a check**
(please make payable to The Pregnancy Help Center)
- **return your bottle back to church on Father's Day**

By filling a bottle, you are making an impact right here in our community through the life-changing ministry at The Pregnancy Help Center! Don't want to fill a bottle? Scan the QR code on the flyers at the back to give online!

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM PREP CLASS

Our next Baptism Prep Class (in both English & Spanish) is coming up on **Saturday, June 6** from 9 am until 12 pm at OLPH! This class is required for both parents and god-parents to attend if you are planning to baptize your child, or be a sponsor, within the next 3 years. We kindly ask that you **register for the class** by **Thursday, June 4** if you plan to attend! Please visit our website, under the Sacraments tab, to find the signup link. This class is only offered quarterly in our parishes, so please plan appropriately as to when you will need to attend! Contact Rebecca Giles at 832-212-4988 if you have any questions.

ANNIVERSARIES

MAY 9TH — 15TH

10th | Richard & Brenda Cole

35 Years

PRAYER LEADERS

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

May 9	05:00 pm	Linda Miska
May 10	08:30 am	Janie Bannert
May 10	10:30 am	The Phillips

ROSARY — GLORIOUS

May 16	05:00 pm	Kathy Humbird
May 17	08:30 am	Laurie Kane
May 17	10:30 am	Trisha Wleczyk

DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND

As of May 5th | www.archgh.org/dsf



	OLPH	SJA
Goal	\$4,945	\$3,762
Amount Paid	\$8,065	\$4,295
Amount Owed	\$0	\$0
Total Donors	21	16

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

The Holy Hour will begin following 5:00 pm Mass this weekend. All are invited to pray for our youth to better understand how the Lord is calling them to serve His Church — whether that be through marriage, priestly, or religious vocations!

GRADUATES MASS

All graduating high school seniors of OLPH and SJA are invited to participate in our graduates Mass and reception next **Sunday, May 17!** If you would like to participate, please contact the Parish Office at 979-548-2020 to RSVP, **no later than Thursday!!**



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