



Our Lady of Perpetual Help
St. John the Apostle
John 17:21

Archdiocese of Galveston – Houston

The Catholic Churches of

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

310 North McKinney St, Sweeny, Texas 77480

& St. John the Apostle

807 Loggins Dr, West Columbia, Texas 77486

Our Lady of Perpetual Help's

SANCTUARY

THROUGH THE DECADES



1976



1989



1995



2000



2007



2026

"The beauty of the images moves me to contemplation, as a meadow delights the eyes and subtly infuses the soul with the glory of God."

St. John Damascene (675-749)
Father and Doctor of the Church

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Ellaina Madera (*President*), Tim Whitt
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Ron Smith

MAINTENANCE GROUP

Steve Bennett, Dennis Mican, Felix
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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.

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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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Office Hours

Monday – Thursday

9:00 am – 4:30 pm

Friday

9:00 am – 12:30 pm

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reception.olphsja@gmail.com

Website

www.olphsja.org

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



FROM THE PASTOR

Dear beloved sons & daughters of our Heavenly Father,

ACTIVE DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST of the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church He founded upon the rock of Peter, we have work to do as the gospel for this Sunday instructs us to "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you." We must always avoid mediocrity and complacency!! While the Holy Spirit has and continues to do marvelous works in our parishes to bring about UNITY, there is still a lot of work to be done and it takes a TEAM that is grounded and rooted in the EUCHARIST!! We must ALL be rowing in the same direction towards Calvary.

Ellaina Madera will be the new pastoral council president taking over for Dennis Mican after two years. The OLPH/SJA finance councils are in the process of coming up with the 2026/2027 budget. Our summer youth trips will begin in June and I am very grateful for all the support to help young families keep their kids rooted in the Eucharist. Our Catholic Bazaar will take place Sunday, October 25th at the Heritage Hall in West Columbia, and I invite you all to please get involved so we can continue to make disciples here in lower Brazoria County.

As we move into the summer months DO NOT take a vacation from your VOCATION!! What does this mean? Wherever you travel, make travel plans to keep Mass at the center of your travels and never forget, intentionally missing Mass is a MORTAL SIN, which is a sin that must be confessed before receiving the Eucharist again.

I encourage you all to keep learning about our Catholic faith by looking at something on Formed.org, reading about a saint, or reading about some topic on our faith so you can give a defense of the hope you have.

May the Holy Family guide and protect you all so our parishes will continue to bear an abundance of holy and good fruit.

Your servant and shepherd in Christ,
Father Preston Quintela



MASS INTENTIONS

May 16th — 24th | † Deceased

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

MONDAY, MAY 18

NO MASS

TUESDAY, MAY 19

NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20

NO MASS

THURSDAY, MAY 21

NO MASS

FRIDAY, MAY 22

NO MASS

SATURDAY, MAY 23

05:00 pm SJA † Henry Havel

SUNDAY, MAY 24

08:30 am OLPH † Leon Bertsch

10:30 am SJA † Robert Goodrum, Sr.

12:30 pm OLPH † Juan Arnoldo Salazar

PRAYER LIST

Vilra Salinas, Nora Mendoza, Omar Ramirez, Gabe Bragg, Andrew de La Pena, Kriztopher Alvarez, Betty Bromonsky, Mike Young, Emma Smith, Jace Charlebois, Darin Adams, Edward Stavinoha, Theresa Copperthite, Alex Martinez, Philip Sanchez, Maria Ortiz, Jessica Guerrero, Reyes Baltazar, Lorine Golden, Mary Ann Devine, Charles Jenkins, Tammy Sanderson, Laura Ramirez, Lucy Pendon, Stephanie Alejo, Gerald Schmidt, Paula Garza, Jennifer Donald, Bobby Tosch, Irene Costilla, Maria Lowrey, Jan Tilley, Sandra Brabrandt, Ed Waligura, Jorge Luis Gutierrez, Brittaney Fields, 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, Lucy Casarez, JeanMaire Pempek, Dorothy Havel, Eriverto Garcia, Marissa Miska, Myra Houston, Yolanda Guerrero, John Garza, Sr., Erica Janette Reyna, Itzel Rodriguez, Esperansa Curiel, and Rodolfo Curiel

In Loving Memory of

Lawrence Hluza

from

Theresa Hluza

CHURCH SUPPORT

Our Lady of Perpetual Help — May 10, 2026

Regular Collection	\$1,992.00
Second Collection — Local SVdP	\$600.00
Online Giving	\$780.00
Weekly amount needed	\$4,100.00
Last Year: May 11, 2025	\$4,101.00*
Difference: (\$1,329.00)	Decrease of 32.41%

St. John the Apostle — May 10, 2026

Regular Collection	\$1,448.00
Second Collection — Catholic Home Missions	\$367.00
Online Giving	\$2,472.70
Weekly amount needed	\$4,100.00
Last Year: May 11, 2025	\$3,630.00*
Difference: \$290.70	Increase of 8.01%

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

ONLINE GIVING

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To donate to **SJA**, text "Give" to 979-364-4259 or visit <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stjohnwestcolumbia>



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Please consider covering the administrative fee!

ANNIVERSARIES

MAY 16TH — 22ND

16 th David & Karina Santacruz	11 Years
18 th Robert & Barabara Hardy	63 Years
18 th Michael & Kelly Bertsch	41 Years
18 th Samuel & Stephanie Grudzieski	35 Years
18 th Mike & Trisha Wleczyk	30 Years
19 th John & Tina Barber	42 Years
21 st Dennis & Penny Mican	43 Years
22 nd Tom & Ange Ronayne	50 Years

PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS

Pvt. Aidan Jesse Garcia, Jennifer Lopez, Staff Sgt. Ricky Lanes, Pvt. Aiden Silva, Dylan Garcia, Senior Airman Cody Lozano, Sgt. Abel Carrasco, SA Reese Whittington, Pvt. Evelyn Wallace, Spec. Nicholas Kane, HM 2 Catherine Boykin, 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!

SCRIPTURE READINGS

FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 17TH

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

Monday | Acts 19:1-8/ Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/ Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday | Acts 20:17-27/ Ps 68:10-11, 20-21/ Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday | Acts 20:28-38/ Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/ Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday | Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/ Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/ Jn 17:20-26

Friday | Acts 25:13b-21/ Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/ Jn 21:15-19

Saturday | Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/ Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/ Jn 21:20-25

Sunday | Pentecost Sunday
Acts 2:1-11/ Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34/ 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/ Jn 20:19-23



PRAYER LEADERS

ROSARY — GLORIOUS

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

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

May 23	05:00 pm	Linda Miska
May 24	08:30 am	Janie Bannert
May 24	10:30 am	Lisa Orsak

MASS ATTENDANCE

Weekend of May 9th & 10th

Saturday	05:00 pm	88 people
Sunday	08:30 am	86 people
Sunday	10:30 am	212 people
Sunday	12:30 pm	129 people

Total: 515 people

Total Registered Families: 297



HAPPENING THIS WEEK

No Daily Mass Tuesday – Friday
Father Preston will be at the Priests Convocation

Sunday, May 17

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

Monday, May 18

7:30 am Legion of Mary (English) — OLPH hall
8:30 am Rosary Warriors Workout & Prayer — SJA hall

Tuesday, May 19

8:30 am Rosary Warriors Workout & Prayer — SJA hall
5:00 pm Legion of Mary (Spanish) — OLPH hall

Wednesday, May 20

6 to 7 am That Man is You — OLPH hall
8:30 am Rosary Warriors Workout & Prayer — SJA hall

Friday, May 22

8:30 am Rosary Warriors Workout & Prayer — SJA hall



35th CZECH KOLACHE KLOBASE FESTIVAL

The local KJT Society No. 40 is having its 35th Annual Czech Kolache Klobase Festival on **Saturday, June 13** at Riverside Hall in East Bernard from 11 am to 6 pm! Admission: \$10 per person (covers parking & all events) Children 12 and under are Free. Sausage/BBQ Chicken plate lunch available beginning @ 11 am. Drive Thru available from 11 am to 1 pm. Come enjoy indoor entertainment, a cake walk, raffle, arts/crafts, a silent auction, and lots of kolaches! Visit www.kkfest.com or call 979-533-1902 for more information.

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 to give online!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

IN SYMPATHY

Alfred Giles, SJA parishioner and father of parishioners Steve & Rebecca Giles, passed away recently. May God grant repose to his soul and comfort to his loved ones.

ROSARY WARRIORS — LADIES GROUP

Ladies of both OLPH and SJA are invited to come workout and pray the rosary. This group meets **Monday-Wednesday and Friday** in the SJA hall @ 8:30 am. Please bring a mat, hand weights, and a rosary!

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 godparents 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.

OCIA CLASSES

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, or needs to receive a sacrament, please see the flyer below! Our OCIA program runs year-round and will be starting up again in June!

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

The First Meeting will be on **Thursday, June 11th @ 6:00 pm** in the OLPH hall

OCIA IS A FAITH JOURNEY...
AN ONGOING PROCESS...
OF CONSTANTLY TURNING TO THE LORD...
A CONTINUING ADVANTAGE THROUGHOUT LIFE...
A LOOK INTO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH...

THE OCIA PROCESS IS FOR THOSE WHO:

- ✦ Are unbaptized and want to become Catholic through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist.
- ✦ Are baptized Christians (Catholic or of another faith) who want full sacramental membership in the Roman Catholic Church through Confirmation and the Eucharist.
- ✦ Attend Catholic Church because of a loved one or spouse and are not sure if the Catholic Church is for them - but are willing to ask questions.
- ✦ Are already Catholic, but want to learn more about their faith.

FOR MORE INFORMATION - CONTACT:

Rebecca Giles (832) 212-4988
OCIA Coordinator

Laurence Thompson (979) 997-3431
OCIA Team

 <p>#1) 502 Main St., Sweeny 979-647-8226 #2) 2501 S. Velasco Rd., Angleton 979-848-1724 #3) 1220 7th St., Bay City 979-244-4774</p> <p>"BALDERAS FAMILY"</p>	<p>Join The Altar Society</p> <p>Keep God's House Beautiful</p>	 <p>Holy Mary Mother of God</p> <p>Guadalupeanas Pray For Us Sinners</p>	<p>S.E. ROOFING & BUILDING</p> <p>Patios, Siding, Gutters & Windows</p> <p>Billy Worrell Robert Goodrum</p> <p>southeastroofers.com 548-3004 • 292-5674</p>	<p>Compliments Of</p> <p>James E. & Irma M. Jones</p> <p>548-3782 548-2933</p>
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