



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



# DO NOT BE AFRAID

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## 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.

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

## CONNECT WITH US

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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

### Address

310 N. McKinney St.  
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(Middle building behind church)

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979-548-2020 ext. 4  
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### St. Vincent de Paul

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### Office Hours

**Monday – Thursday**

9:00 am – 4:30 pm

### Friday

9:00 am – 12:30 pm

### Email

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### Website

[www.olphsja.org](http://www.olphsja.org)

## SACRAMENTS

**Baptism:** Preparation classes are required for the parents and godparents. The next class will be **September 5th @ 9:00 am at SJA.**

**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**

# THE GREATEST GIFT

"It's not fair!" said my son, holding up his sixth-grade homework. "What's not fair?" I answered, knowing his homework-stalling tactics. "Adam and Eve really messed us up!" he shot back. "Please, just do your homework," I said, adamantly.

That day at school, they had talked about the Garden of Eden and Adam's fall from grace, which affects us all. He couldn't accept their betrayal of God in favor of the sins of the devil, which closed the gates of heaven. Only Christ's sacrifice on the cross redeemed us.

Adam had everything he needed. He was created with a purpose: to serve as the steward of God's creation. After he named all the animals, he was blessed with a female companion. Together, they would work in harmony with the Creator in a peaceful world.

To my son's dismay, this didn't last, and the world remains far from peace. Humanity's decline began with Adam, but our recovery came through Christ. While the Lord's sacrifice on Calvary repaired the rift between God and mankind, the devil still taunts and tries to intrude in our relationships.

Today's second reading offers hope: "For if by the transgression of the one [Adam] the many [us] died, how much more did the grace of God and the gracious gift of the one man Jesus Christ overflow for the many."

God's generous gift reopened the gates of heaven for humanity. However, we still depend on God's grace to overcome our struggles with sin. The redemption of humanity was secured, but our individual salvation relies on our cooperation with God's will and attentiveness to His divine plan.

We walk in faith toward our heavenly home, hoping to receive the same welcome from the Father as shown in the parable of the Prodigal Son when he returns home. We long to return to the Father in our heavenly home and find our way back.

But living a good Christian life is difficult. Sometimes we feel like lambs among wolves. But Jesus tells us not to fear anyone, saying, "And do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul." Our eternal souls will outlast our fading bodies.

Today's Gospel states: "Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father. But whoever denies me before others, I will deny before my heavenly Father." In the end, we all want to be acknowledged.

The Christian martyrs gained recognition and paved the way, starting with St. Stephen, the first martyr. The word "martyr" means to "witness," referring to someone who testifies to the truth of Christ and refuses to deny it. A cloud of witnesses cheer us on.

Although few of us want to be martyrs, we still must live by faith, carry our crosses, and often bear others' burdens. Staying alert against lukewarmness or any loss of momentum, we continue our journey toward heaven. And one day, we will be able to embrace Jesus, our Great Gift.

**By Charlene Unterkofler**

*Inspiration Daily Reflection — Diocesan.com*

# MASS INTENTIONS

June 20<sup>th</sup> — 28<sup>th</sup> | † Deceased

## SATURDAY, JUNE 20

05:00 pm SJA † Agnes Miska

## SUNDAY, JUNE 21

08:30 am OLPH † Leon Bertsch

10:30 am SJA Parish Family

12:30 pm OLPH † Juan Arnoldo Salazar

## MONDAY, JUNE 22

NO MASS

## TUESDAY, JUNE 23

NO MASS

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24

NO MASS

## THURSDAY, JUNE 25

NO MASS

## FRIDAY, JUNE 26

NO MASS

## SATURDAY, JUNE 27

05:00 pm SJA † Jerry Babik

## SUNDAY, JUNE 28

08:30 am OLPH † Special Intention

10:30 am SJA Parish Family

12:30 pm OLPH † Gutierrez Family

# PRAYER LIST

Mary Amason, JeanMaire Pempek, Phillip James Sanchez III, Carolyn & James Pisklak, 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, Dorothy Havel, Eriverto Garcia, Marissa Miska, Myra Houston, Yolanda Guerrero, John Garza, Sr., Erica Janette Reyna, Itzel Rodriguez, Esperansa Curiel, and Rodolfo Curiel



# CHURCH SUPPORT

The Second Collection this weekend is for  
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## Our Lady of Perpetual Help — June 14, 2026

Regular Collection	\$2,651.00
Second Collection — General Maintenance	\$175.00
Online Giving	\$535.00
Weekly amount needed	\$4,100.00
Last Year: June 15, 2025	\$2,269.98*
<b>Difference: \$916.02</b>	<b>Increase of 40.35%</b>

## St. John the Apostle — June 14, 2026

Regular Collection	\$2,165.00
Second Collection — General Maintenance	\$360.00
Online Giving	\$1,578.85
Weekly amount needed	\$4,100.00
Last Year: June 15, 2025	\$2,415.00*
<b>Difference: \$1,328.85</b>	<b>Increase of 55.02%</b>

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

# ONLINE GIVING

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**Please consider covering the administrative fee!**

Thank you for your financial generosity to support our youth! If you would like to give to support the upcoming **VOCATION BIBLE SCHOOL**, please scan the QR code for **SJA** and select the fund Vocation Bible School.

# ANNIVERSARIES

JUNE 20<sup>TH</sup> — 26<sup>TH</sup>

21 <sup>st</sup>   Alvin & Janie Bannert	51 Years
24 <sup>th</sup>   Angel & Ana Luisa Jimenez	40 Years

# PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS

Pvt. Aidan Jesse Garcia, Jennifer Lopez, Staff Sgt. Ricky Llanes, 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 JUNE 21<sup>ST</sup>

## **Sunday | Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Jer 20:10-13/ Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35/ Rm 5:12-15/ Mt 10:26-33

**Monday** | 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/ Ps 60:3, 4-5, 12-13/ Mt 7:1-5

**Tuesday** | 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/ Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11/ Mt 7:6, 12-14

## **Wednesday | Solemnity of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist**

*Vigil:* Jer 1:4-10/ Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab and 17/ 1 Pt 1:8-12/ Lk 1:5-17

*Mass during the Day:* Is 49:1-6/ Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/ Acts 13:22-26/ Lk 1:57-66, 80

**Thursday** | 2 Kgs 24:8-17/ Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9/ Mt 7:21-29

**Friday** | 2 Kgs 25:1-12/ Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6/ Mt 8:1-4

**Saturday** | Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/ Ps 74:1b-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21/ Mt 8:5-17

## **Sunday | Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/ Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19/ Rm 6:3-4, 8-11/ Mt 10:37-42



# PRAYER LEADERS

## DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

June 20	05:00 pm	Kathy Humbird
June 21	08:30 am	Laurie Kane
June 21	10:30 am	Lisa Orsak

## ROSARY — SORROWFUL

June 27	05:00 pm	Linda Miska
June 28	08:30 am	Janie Bannert
June 28	10:30 am	Trisha Wleczyk

# MASS ATTENDANCE

## Weekend of June 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>

Saturday	05:00 pm	76 people
Sunday	08:30 am	96 people
Sunday	10:30 am	128 people
Sunday	12:30 pm	105 people

**Total: 405 people**

**Total Registered Families: 301**



# HAPPENING THIS WEEK

**No Daily Mass Tuesday – Friday**  
**Father Preston is away with our youth at Camp!**

## Monday, June 22

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

## Tuesday, June 23

5:00 pm Legion of Mary (Spanish) — OLPH hall

6:30 pm St. Vincent de Paul Meeting — SJA hall

## Thursday, June 25

6:00 pm OCIA Class — OLPH hall



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## DENIM & DIAMONDS DINNER AND DANCE

The CDA Court #2073 proudly presents their 3rd Annual Denim & Diamonds Dinner & Dance! This year's patriotic theme of Red, White, and Blessed, promises to make it even more special as our nation celebrates its 250th anniversary. **Saturday, July 25** from 6 to 11 pm at St. John the Baptist Hall in Alvin. Early Bird Tickets are \$40. After July 19, tickets are \$50. Featuring a steak dinner by Joe's BBQ, Raffle, Games, a Live & Silent Auction, and live entertainment by Justin van Sant. Visit our website for tickets.

## ARCHDIOCESAN WEDDING JUBILEE MASSES

Couples celebrating their 25- or 50-year anniversaries in 2026 are invited to the annual Archdiocesan Wedding Anniversary Jubilee Masses at the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart. Check in opens @ 2 pm and the Mass will begin @ 3 pm. Early Bird pricing: \$25/couple. Standard pricing: \$40/couple. Includes a professional photo with the celebrant, your names featured in the Worship Aid, and a signed certificate congratulating you on your anniversary. If you register after the deadline, your names may not appear in the program, nor will your certificate be ready the day of the Mass. Still, you're welcome to participate, your certificate will just be mailed to the address on file. Register at [archgh.org/weddingjubilee](http://archgh.org/weddingjubilee).



**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20**  
**CELEBRANT: ARCHBISHOP JOE VASQUEZ**  
Early Bird pricing through July 31  
Registration Deadline is August 21



**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11**  
**CELEBRANT: BISHOP ITALO DELL'ORO**  
Early Bird pricing through August 31  
Registration Deadline is September 20

# VOCATION BIBLE SCHOOL



## SUMMER WITH THE SAINTS

**Come DISCOVER the timeless virtues while going on ADVENTURES with The Saints!**

Monday, July 13 – Friday, July 17 at OLPH Hall

**Kinder – 5th: 8:00 am to 12:00 pm**

**6th – 12th: 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm**



For more details and to register your child, please scan the QR code!

## FEELING THE CALL TO VOLUNTEER... SAY YES!

**There are many different ways you can help!**

Scan the QR code to complete the sign up form for Volunteers. As 1 Peter 4:10 says, "As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace."



## SUMMER YOUTH CAMPS

**21st – 26th:** Life Teen Leadership Conference — Kansas

**21st – 26th:** Wild Sky — Burnet, TX

## MARRIAGE CONFERENCE



Married and engaged couples are invited to the 12<sup>th</sup> annual Together in Holiness Marriage Conference on **September 26** from 10:00 am - 6:00 pm. The conference will be held simultaneously at three locations: Shrine of the True Cross in Dickinson, St. Theresa Catholic Church in Sugar Land, and St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church in The Woodlands. **This one-day conference will help you strengthen your relationship with your spouse and discover God's plan for your family!** Registration: \$64/couple and \$5/child for on-site childcare. An Early Bird discount is available through August 10, as well as scholarships upon request. This conference is presented by the St. John Paul II Foundation. For more info, visit [forlifeandfamily.org/together-in-holiness/](http://forlifeandfamily.org/together-in-holiness/) or email [TH@forlifeandfamily.org](mailto:TH@forlifeandfamily.org).

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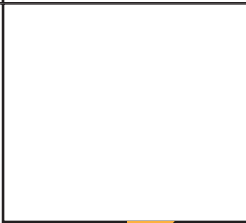
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