



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

I WILL OPEN
MY MOUTH
IN PARABLES

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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OLPH Members

Glenn Krauskopf (*President*), Kelly
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Steve Giles (*President*), Brian
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and 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.

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

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Phone Number & Fax

979-548-2020 ext. 4

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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 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



FROM THE PASTOR

Dear sons and daughters of the Heavenly Father,

I pray you all are doing well and staying prayed up by attending the sacrifice of the Mass every Sunday!! I just attended the Theology of the Body Conference on the topic Way of Beauty last week, July 12-17, and mentioned was a short reflection by Pope Benedict XVI on Art and Prayer.

Art and Prayer

In this period I have recalled several times the need for every Christian, in the midst of the many occupations that fill our days, to find time for God and for prayer. The Lord himself gives us many opportunities to remember him. Today I would like to reflect briefly on one of these channels that can lead to God and can also be of help in the encounter with him. It is the way of artistic expression, part of that "via pulchritudinis" — the "way of beauty", of which I have spoken several times and whose deepest meaning must be recovered by men and women today...

A work of art is a product of the creative capacity of the human being who in questioning visible reality, seeks to discover its deep meaning and to communicate it through the language of forms, color and sound. Art is able to manifest and make visible the human need to surpass the visible, it expresses the thirst and the quest for the infinite.

Indeed it resembles a door open on to the infinite, on to a beauty and a truth that go beyond the daily routine. And a work of art can open the eyes of the mind and of the heart, impelling us upward.

However some artistic expressions are real highways to God, the supreme Beauty; indeed, they help us to grow in our relationship with him, in prayer. These are works that were born from faith and express faith. We can see an example of this when we visit a Gothic cathedral: we are enraptured by the vertical lines that soar skywards and uplift our gaze and our spirit, while at the same time we feel small yet long for fullness....

You can find the full article below, and it is definitely worth the read about the importance of beauty in art and architecture: https://www.vatican.va/content/benedict-xvi/en/audiences/2011/documents/hf_ben-xvi_aud_20110831.html

Your servant and shepherd in Christ,
Father Preston Quintela

The kingdom of heaven
may be likened to a man
who sowed good seed
in his field. **MATTHEW 13:24**

MASS INTENTIONS

July 18th — 26th | † Deceased

SATURDAY, JULY 18

05:00 pm SJA † Frank Jankowiak

SUNDAY, JULY 19

08:30 am OLPH † Leon Bertsch

10:30 am SJA † Rolando Carrasco

12:30 pm OLPH Parish Family

MONDAY, JULY 20

NO MASS

TUESDAY, JULY 21

NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22

NO MASS

THURSDAY, JULY 23

NO MASS

FRIDAY, JULY 24

08:30 am OLPH † Leon Bertsch

SATURDAY, JULY 25

05:00 pm SJA † Paul & Gertrude Toyat

SUNDAY, JULY 26

08:30 am OLPH Special Intention
10:30 am SJA Darlene & Chris Wrbas —
Anniversary
12:30 pm OLPH Parish Family

PRAYER LIST

Mary Amason, Phillip James Sanchez III, 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

In Loving Memory of

Edward R. Smith

Junior & Dorothy Riggs

CHURCH SUPPORT

The Second Collection this weekend is for
GENERAL MAINTENANCE

Our Lady of Perpetual Help — July 12, 2026

Regular Collection	\$2,548.00
Second Collection — Archdiocesan SVdP	\$378.00
Online Giving	\$585.00
Weekly amount needed	\$4,100.00
Last Year: July 13, 2025	\$2,019.00*
Difference: \$1,114.00	Increase of 55.18%

St. John the Apostle — July 12, 2026

Regular Collection	\$1,794.00
Second Collection — Archdiocesan SVdP	\$210.00
Online Giving	\$1,578.85
Weekly amount needed	\$4,100.00
Last Year: July 13, 2025	\$5,557.00*
Difference: (\$2,184.15)	Decrease of 39.30%

*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

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/olphsweeny>

To donate to **SJA**, text "Give" to 979-364-4259 or visit

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stjohnwestcolumbia>



Scan to donate to **OLPH** Scan to donate to **SJA**
Please consider covering the administrative fee!

MASS ATTENDANCE



Weekend of July 11th & 12th

Saturday	05:00 pm	74 people
Sunday	08:30 am	86 people
Sunday	10:30 am	149 people
Sunday	12:30 pm	111 people

Total: 420 people

Total Registered Families: 303

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 JULY 19TH

Sunday | Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 12:13, 16-19/ Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16/ Rom 8:26-27/ Mt 13:24-43 or Mt 13:24-30

Monday | Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/ Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23/ Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday | Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/ Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8/ Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday | Feast of Saint Mary Magdalene

Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/ Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/ Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Thursday | Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/ Ps 36:6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11/ Mt 13:10-17

Friday | Jer 3:14-17/ Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/ Mt 13:18-23

Saturday | Feast of Saint James, Apostle

2 Cor 4:7-15/ Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/ Mt 20:20-28

Sunday | Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/ Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130/ Rom 8:28-30/ Mt 13:44-52 or Mt 13:44-46

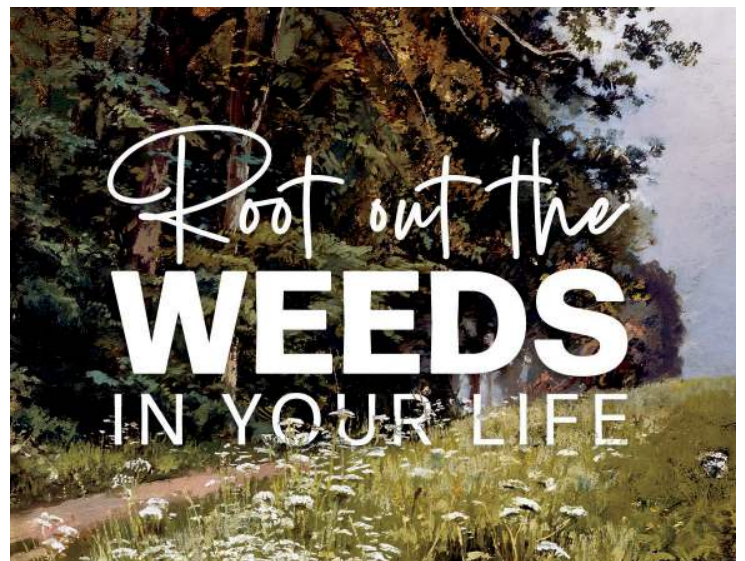
PRAYER LEADERS

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

July 18	05:00 pm	Kathy Humbird
July 19	08:30 am	Laurie Kane
July 19	10:30 am	The Phillips

ROSARY — LUMINOUS

July 25	05:00 pm	Susan Hatch
July 26	08:30 am	Janie Bannert
July 26	10:30 am	Lisa Orsak



HAPPENING THIS WEEK

No daily Mass Tuesday — Thursday

Father is attending the ECHO: Theology of the Body Retreat

Sunday, July 19

1:30 pm Social Sunday — OLPH hall

Monday, July 20

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

Tuesday, July 21

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

HAPPENING IN THE AREA



ANNIVERSARIES

JULY 18TH — 24TH

19 th		Kody & Paige Shaw	12 Years
20 th		Gary & Mary Fails	37 Years
20 th		Troy & Jennifer Kay	21 Years
20 th		Trent & Dana Roundtree	26 Years

The Spirit comes to the aid of our weakness

Romans 8:26

ARCHDIOCESAN WEDDING JUBILEE MASSES

Couples celebrating their 25th or 50th anniversary 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 Mass will begin @ 3 pm. Early bird pricing: \$25. Standard pricing: \$40. More details/registration 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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PARISH IMPROVEMENTS SURVEY

We'd LOVE your feedback... In an effort for Fr. Preston to better prioritize the needs that matter most to you, our parish families, we've created a survey regarding capital improvements at both OLPH and SJA! Please have each member of your family take this survey (junior high and older)! Parents, go through this with your teens and have them pray about the improvements that will also benefit them. You can access the survey through our website, Facebook, BAND, or our weekly email that is sent out. This survey will only be available through **July 31!**

THE TURKEY BOARDS ARE OUT!

The Turkey Boards have been put out at the back of both churches! This is another way for you to help both parishes offset the cost of our Catholic Bazaar. Please take stickers off of the board and place them into a turkey envelope, with the donation amount listed on the front of each sticker you pulled, and put that envelope into the regular collection slot of the collection box.

Please know that you are NOT ACTUALLY going out to buy the item on the sticker you pulled — instead, you are giving a monetary donation to cover the cost of that item!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25TH

SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING



With the start of a new school year, many volunteer opportunities will soon arise! Per the Archdiocese: **"All clergy, employees, volunteers, members of groups, movements, and organizations over the age of 18, who work, volunteer, or participate in any capacity are required to complete the Archdiocesan Safe Environment Training and a criminal background check before they may begin employment, volunteer, or participate with ministries, groups, movements, and organizations. In addition, the mandatory renewal training must be completed every 5 years and a new background check submitted before the 5-year expiration of prior training. The Safe Environment compliance training and renewal training is a condition of employment and for volunteer ministry in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston."**

If your training is near expiration, you will receive a letter from our Parish Office! Renewal instructions, or instructions for new users, can be found on our website (www.olphsja.org) under resources. If you have questions, please contact Trish at 979-548-2020 ext 6.

 #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 "BALDERAS FAMILY"		Join The Altar Society Keep God's House Beautiful		 <i>Holy Mary Mother of God</i> Gnadalupanas Pray For Us Sinners		S.E. ROOFING & BUILDING Patios, Siding, Gutters & Windows Billy Worrell Robert Goodrum southeastroofer.com 548-3004 • 292-5674		<i>Compliments Of</i> James E. & Irma M. Jones 548-3782 548-2933	
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<i>In Loving Memory of</i> Edward & Eunice Moy		<i>In Loving Memory of</i> John, Pauline & Johnny Olsovsky From Olsovsky Family		<i>In Loving Memory of</i> Edward R. Smith Junior & Dorothy Riggs					
<i>In Loving Memory of</i> <i>the Members of the</i> Edward R. Smith Family		<i>In Loving Memory of</i> Lawrence Hluza <i>from</i> Theresa Hluza		<i>In LOVING MEMORY OF</i> Jerry & Annie Sliva, Libert & Pat Vitek, Howard "Bubba" Smith <i>From Sharon Hardwick</i>		<i>In Loving Memory of</i> Thomas Bennett & James Buenger Bill Bennet <i>from Steve & Pat</i>		Knights of Columbus COUNCIL #8548 BINGO Every Thursday Church or national holidays excluded Doors Open 5:00pm First number pulled @7:00pm, usually out by 10pm \$2500 pay-out horse races, All plays, Pull Tabs.	
<i>In Loving Memory of</i> Leon & Maria Nunez <i>from Felix & Mamie</i>		<i>In Loving Memory of</i> Rene Carreon, Jr. Casen Holt Christopher Baca		<i>In Loving Memory of</i> Rob Tosch		<i>In Loving Memory of</i> Andrus, Theresa & David Lacombe <i>From Debra</i>		<i>In Loving Memory of</i> Juan, Juana & Jose Ordenez <i>from the family</i>	