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Our Lady of Perpetual Help

310 North McKinney St. Sweeny, TX 77480

St. John the Apostle

807 Loggins Dr. West Columbia, TX 77486

NOVEMBER 8, 2026 | 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



PARISH INFORMATION

Welcome Visitors and 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!

MASS SCHEDULE

Our Lady of Perpetual Help (OLPH)
310 North McKinney Street,
Sweeny, TX 77480

SUNDAY
8:30 am English | 12:30 pm Spanish
WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY
8:30 am
Adoration & Benediction:
WEDNESDAY from 9:00 - 10:00 am

St. John the Apostle (SJA)
807 Loggins Drive,
West Columbia, TX 77486

SATURDAY: 5:00 pm
SUNDAY: 10:30 am
TUESDAY: 5:00 pm
THURSDAY: 8:30 am
Adoration & Benediction:
THURSDAY from 9:00 - 10:00 am

PARISH OFFICE

Address
310 North McKinney Street,
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(Middle building behind church)

Phone Number & Fax
979-548-2020 ext. 4
979-548-4253

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Office Hours
Monday - Thursday
9:00 am to 4:30 pm

Friday
9:00 am to 12:30 pm

Email
reception.olphsja@gmail.com

Website
www.olphsja.org

SACRAMENTS

Baptism
Preparation classes are required for both parents and godparents. These classes are offered quarterly in our parishes. Please plan appropriately as to when you will need to attend a class!
Our Next Class: December 5 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm - SJA hall

OCIA Program
Looking to become Catholic or need to receive a missing sacrament? Please contact Rebecca Giles at 832-212-4988.

Have questions about any of the Sacraments? Contact Rebecca Giles at 832-212-4988.

Confession
Held 15 minutes before or after daily Mass, from 4:15 to 4:50 pm on Saturday, and by appointment.

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

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.

CONNECT WITH US

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BIBLICAL THEME
(July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027):
"Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word."
- Luke 1:38

flocknote

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BULLETIN DEADLINE

Bulletin Announcements must be print ready and emailed to Jolie Orsak by 12:00 pm on Monday (6 days) before intended Sunday of publication

THE LAMPLIGHT OF OUR LIVES

In today's Gospel, we are given one directive: be ready. We are all living alongside each other in the world. We have our families, our friends, and our work associations among other groups of people with whom we spend time, but that does not mean we are all the same. We are not all living the same interior lives. The ten virgins in the parable all lived alongside each other, but only half were prepared to meet the bridegroom. And let us not be mistaken; the bridegroom is Jesus.

The ten virgins wander out into the dark to wait, and yet some of them don't remember to bring extra flasks of oil with them. Not knowing how long they would wait or when the time would come for the bridegroom to appear, they should have assessed the situation before they went out. They even got drowsy and fell asleep in their waiting, even those who didn't bring extra oil for their lamps.Many people live this way, moment to moment, without a thought of preparation for things to come. They get along in life, asking those who are prepared to share their stores.

This reminds me of the old cartoon based on Aesop's Fable about the ants and the grasshopper, where the ants work all summer long building up their stores, while the grasshopper lies back and enjoys itself until winter comes and is unprepared. Then, the suffering begins. It is a deadly way to live, and in the reading today, Jesus isn't talking about surviving the night or the winter. He is alluding to everlasting life.

Half of the virgins were sent to go off to buy more oil for their lamps at midnight. It's the darkest hour, and they have to go in search of oil while those who prepared are called into the feast. Where will they find a vendor to buy oil from at midnight? Did they knock on doors that weren't answered only to delay them further? Their inability to plan pushed them even further from the banquet, but the time had already passed. The door was locked right away after those whose lamps were still lit entered the feast. There was no more time for preparation. Their chance had passed.

Jesus warns us, "For you know neither the day nor the hour." We must prepare now during our earthly lives through prayer, receiving Sacraments, and spending our time by carrying forth the teachings of Jesus. For when our last breath passes out of us and our lamplight goes out, the time for preparation will have passed.

By Anita L Renaghan
Inspiration Daily Reflection - Diocesan.com



MASS INTENTIONS

November 7th - 15th | † Deceased

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7
9:00 am OLPH † Henry de los Santos
5:00 pm SJA † Legion of Mary Members

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8
8:30 am OLPH Parish Family
10:30 am SJA † Daniel Orsak
12:30 pm OLPH † Elida Avila

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9
No daily Mass

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10
5:00 pm SJA † Jeanmaire Pempek

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11
8:30 am OLPH † Betty Klasel
Adoration following Mass

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12
No daily Mass

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13
No daily Mass

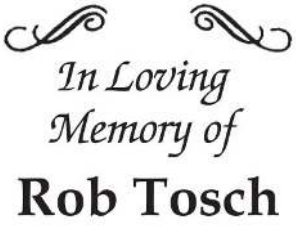
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14
5:00 pm SJA † Kirk Hedrick

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15
8:30 am OLPH Special Intention
10:30 am SJA Parish Family
12:30 pm OLPH † Candelario P. Gutierrez - Birthday

In Honor/Remembrance
Mass intentions are $5.00 each and can be purchased in honor or in memory of a loved one. Please call or come by the Parish Office if interested!

PRAYER LIST

Sarah Smith, Debra McCormac, Nick Gutierrez, Vic Collins, Mary Pavlovsky, Helen Peter, Heather Dupont, Sheila Newton, Felix Garza, 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, 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



WEEKLY OFFERTORY

FROM THE WEEKEND OF NOVEMBER 1ST

	OLPH	SJA
Regular Collection	$1,385.00	$1,915.00
All Saints & All Souls Collection	$555.00	$325.00
Online Giving	$930.00	$1,553.85
Weekly Amount Needed	$4,100.00	$4,100.00
Last Year November 2, 2025	$2,928.00*	$2,804.00*
Difference Compared to last year	($613.00) 20.94% Decrease	$664.85 23.71% Increase

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

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Contact Trish in the Parish Office if you'd like to begin receiving these envelopes.

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Each phone number and QR code is church specific!

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979-356-3309 or
← Scan QR code

St. John the Apostle
979-364-4259 or
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PRAYER LEADERS

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

November 7 - 5:00 pm: Kathy Humbird
November 8 - 8:30 am: Laurie K. | 10:30 am: Stowers

ROSARY – GLORIOUS

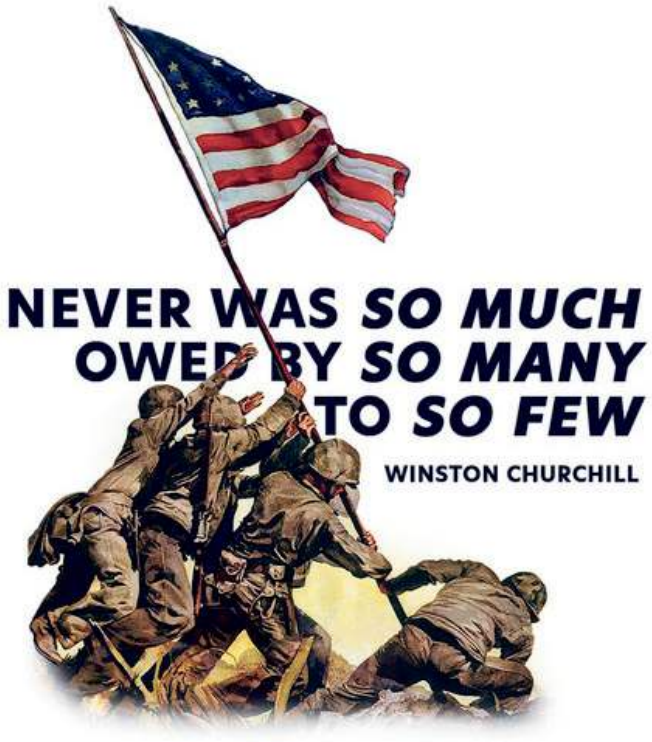
November 14 - 5:00 pm: Susan Hatch
November 15 - 8:30 am: Janie B. | 10:30 am: The Giles

PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS

Pvt. Aidan Jesse Garcia, Jennifer Lopez, Staff Sgt. Ricky Llanes, Pvt. Aiden Silva, Dylan Garcia, Senior Airman Cody Lozano, 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

SCRIPTURE READINGS

FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 8TH	
Sunday	**Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time** Wis 6:12-16/ Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/ 1 Thes 4:13-18 or 1 Thes 4:13-14/ Mt 25:1-13
Monday	**Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome** Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/ Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/ 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/ Jn 2:13-22
Tuesday	**Memorial of Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church** Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/ Ps 37:3-4, 18 and 23, 27 and 29/ Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday	**Memorial of Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop** - Ti 3:1-7/ Ps 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6/ Lk 17:11-19
Thursday	**Memorial of Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr** - Phlm 7-20/ Ps 146:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/ Lk 17:20-25
Friday	**Memorial of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin** - 2 Jn 4-9/ Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18/ Lk 17:26-37
Saturday	3 Jn 5-8/ Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/ Lk 18:1-8
Sunday	**Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time** Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/ Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/ 1 Thes 5:1-6, Mt 25:14-30 or Mt 25:14-15, 19-21



HAPPENING THIS WEEK

at Our Lady of Perpetual Help & St. John the Apostle

NO DAILY MASS THURSDAY OR FRIDAY

Sunday, November 8
9:00 am First Reconciliation Class - SJA hall
10:30 am OCIA Rite of Acceptance during Mass - SJA

Monday, November 9
7:30 am Legion of Mary (English) - OLPH hall
6:00 pm Andrew Dinner - SJA hall

Tuesday, November 10
5:00 pm Legion of Mary (Spanish) - OLPH hall
6:00 pm EMHC Ministry Training - SJA
6:30 pm St. Vincent de Paul Meeting - SJA hall

Wednesday, November 11
Veterans Day
6:00 am Parish Brothers in Christ (TMiY) - OLPH hall
Faith Formation Classes

Thursday, November 12
11:00 am SOAR Group Meeting - OLPH hall
6:00 pm OCIA Class - OLPH hall

Sunday, November 15
9:00 am Confirmation 2 Class - SJA hall

ANNIVERSARIES

NOVEMBER 7TH – 13TH

7th |	Pedro & Helen Reyna	11 Years
8th |	John & Rebecca Novak	46 Years
8th |	Cody & Heather Dupont	23 Years
8th |	Leonardo & Petra Armendariz	18 Years
10th |	Jim & Nancy Crossey	47 Years
10th |	Enrique & Rosalva Vera	25 Years
11th |	Vance & Annabel Sechelski	59 Years
11th |	Bernie & Connie McAda	31 Years

MASS ATTENDANCE

FROM THE WEEKEND OF NOVEMBER 1ST



Saturday - 5:00 pm Mass	55 people
Sunday - 8:30 am Mass	79 people
Sunday - 10:30 am Mass	148 people
Sunday - 12:30 pm Mass	103 people
Total Attendance	**385 people**
Total Registered Families	**313**

The temple of God, which you are, *is holy*

1 Corinthians 3:17

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Monday, November 9
@ 6:00 PM IN THE SJA HALL

THE ANDREW DINNER

High school young men ages 14-18 are invited to an evening of prayer, group sharing, and dinner with Diocesan priests to learn more about the priesthood. Planning to attend? **Please scan the QR to register**!

UPCOMING MINISTRY TRAININGS

Father Preston is requesting a refresher training/ meeting for all Liturgical Ministers (EMHC, Sacristans, and Lectors) who are **CURRENTLY SERVING** at OLPH & SJA! The objective is to help establish consistency throughout all the ministries across both parishes. All trainings will take place at SJA from **6 to 7 pm**. Please contact Rebecca if you have any questions!
Below are the dates for each specific ministry:

- **Tuesday, November 10th** - Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
- **Monday, November 16th** - Sacristans
- **Monday, November 30th** - Lectors

CATHOLIC BAZAAR YARD SIGNS

If you took a yard sign home to promote our Catholic Bazaar, the time has come for you to return those back to the churches! These are not for you to keep. Please bring your sign(s) with you when you attend Mass next, and leave them either at the back of OLPH or SJA. We appreciate your help spreading the word about our event!



BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

Our next Baptismal Prep Class will be on **Saturday, December 5** from 9 am to 12 pm at SJA! Preparation classes are required for both parents and godparents if you are planning to baptize your child, or be a sponsor, within the next 3 years. This class will be offered in English and Spanish. We kindly ask that you RSVP by December 3 if you plan to attend! To do so, please visit our website. If you have any questions, contact Rebecca Giles. These classes are only offered quarterly in our parishes, so please plan appropriately as to when you'll need to attend!

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