

St. Joseph Catholic Church (Port Aransas, Texas)

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 16, 2026

Mass Intentions

Sat.	8/15	5:00 p.m.	† Mary Figueroa By: Denise Figueroa † Louis & Lola Rizzo By: Deanna & Danny Collier † Diane Moy By: Shelly Moczygemba
Sun.	8/16	9:00 a.m.	For: Justin Peterek (birthday blessings) For: Students, Staff & Teachers (blessings) By: Peterek Family † Reba Sue Williams By: Rosie & Elvia For: Jack, Nancy Caparro & Family (blessings) By: Nancy & Jack † Olivia Grace Zidek By: Carol Zidek † Julian Moczygemba By: Carol Zidek
		11:00 a.m.	For: Thomas Burger (birthday blessings) By: The Burger Family For: Charlie Hutchins (healing) By: Frank & Barbara Culp
Mon.	8/17	8:30 a.m.	
Tues.	8/18	NO MASS	
Wed.	8/19	NO MASS	
Thurs.	8/20	8:30 a.m.	† Diane Moy By: Jason, Kamryn, Karter Erwin † Mary Figueroa By: Denise Figueroa
Fri.	8/21	8:30 a.m.	For: Donald Skrovan (healing) By: Frank & Barbara Culp For: Karen Decker Creighton (healing) By: Sandra Clark Family
Sat.	8/22	5:00 p.m.	† Burt Jones By: Carol Jones For: Dr. Molly Lubbock (blessings) By: Thomas Moy
Sun.	8/23	9:00 a.m.	† Frances Guzman By: Rosie & Elvia † Olivia Grace Zidek † Julian Moczygemba By: Carol Zidek

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LECTOR/EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER SCHEDULE

Sat.	8/15	5 pm	Elizabeth Winkelmann/Julie Winkelmann, Elizabeth Winkelmann, Nick Winkelmann
Sun.	8/16	9 am	Marvin Murray/Laura Peterek,
		11 am	Leticia Grounds, Mary Jo Matthews, Sabrina Jones, Barbara Smith
Sat.	8/22	5 pm	Julie Winkelmann/Julie Winkelmann, Nick Winkelmann,
Sun.	8/23	9 am	Yvette Jimenez/Marvin Murray,
		11 am	Barbara Lamson, Mary Jo Matthews, Sabrina Jones, Ken Chesshir

Did you know about the Saints: On August 15th, we celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of Mary. There was tremendous devotion to Mary and her Assumption in the early Church and as early as the 300s. However, it was not until November 1, 1950 that Pope Pius XII in the papal encyclical Munificentissimus Deus (The Most Bountiful God) proclaimed: “We pronounce, declare and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma that the immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul to heavenly glory.” Pope Benedict stated that, “she is close to each one of us, knows our hearts, can hear our prayers, can help us with her motherly kindness and has been given to us, as the Lord said, precisely as a “mother” to whom we can turn at every moment.” Our Lady, Queen of Peace, Pray for us!

Please Pray For the Sick: Javier Mendoza, Karen Gotto, Darlene Seich, Kayla Sheffield, Charlie Hutchins, Donald Skrovan, Dale Christensen, Dalinda Olivares, Nancy Francisco, Ani Enriquez, Olivia Adams, Joan Finn, Joshua Gueldner, Joan Dieker, Kathy Lord, Karen Decker Creighton, Matthew and Carrie Hogan, Christina Watson, Olga Castillo Hernandez, Cande Alderette, Julianna Cook, Kayla Sheffield, Dawson John Morris, Jim Shoemaker, Melissa Updahl, Sandy Davies, Robin Barlebo, Mike Houser, Sean Jackson, and all who are in need of prayer.

Please Pray For the Deceased: Steven Hutt
If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please call: (361)749-5825.

Pope Leo XIV said: The liturgical year is not simply a commemoration of events from the past, but the living presence of Christ, who continues the work of salvation in his Church and guides us to an encounter with Him.

Pastor’s Note: God’s love is universal....

As we continue to journey with Jesus as he goes around teaching, preaching and healing, we get a personal insight into the love of Jesus for the people and through it, the love of God, with all its magnanimity. This Sunday, we are reminded that the love God has for his people is not something that is limited to a particular people or reserved exclusively for the chosen and the perfect people. The love of God surmounts every barrier that divides people, be it race, language, nationality or religious affiliations. In the first reading, taken from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah, we hear the that the Lord’s salvation is about to reach the people and it further highlights that this salvation is something that is made open to everyone, natives and foreigners alike. The Lord’s house will be called a house of prayer for all peoples. Anyone who professes one’s faithfulness to the way of the Lord will surely receive his blessings. The Responsorial Psalm is a supplication to our God that all the nations would praise him. It goes on to pray that all the people may experience his goodness and, thus, admire his merciful love. In the second reading, we hear St. Paul reminding the Gentile Christians, that their experience of the mercy of God has now become a means by which the Jews, who rejected Jesus, are now drawn to him, in order to experience his salvific love. Gospel describes the healing of the daughter of a Canaanite woman, as a result of the extreme faith this woman showed. Canaanites were not Jewish people, thus were considered Gentiles. In spite of the enmity that existed between the Jews and Gentiles and the prejudice that guided their behaviors, this woman musters enough courage to come to Jesus and ask for help. Jesus is able to break down that dividing wall and graciously heals her child. God’s love has no limits.

Vacation for Father George

Father George will be on his vacation from August 19 to September 5. Let us keep him in our prayers. In his absence, there will be no Masses on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Religious Education Classes will be held every Wednesday from 5:30-7 p.m. in the Religious Education Building. Welcome back night and registration is Wednesday, September 16 in the Religious Education Building. Registration Forms are in the church foyer. Please contact Carly Carlough, our Religious Education Director, (361)332-9273 for more information.

The **Quo Vadis Council of the Knights of Columbus** are holding their annual **summer raffle** after the Masses until Labor Day Sunday. There are several prize packages. All proceeds benefit charities, including parish support, scholarships, the Food Pantry, Hope House, disaster relief, local schools, and financial relief to families with emergency needs. Please consider participating in the raffle. A poster board is in the church foyer displaying the different prize packages. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20.

Collection for August 9, 2026

Loose Collection	\$ 2,723.25
Envelope Collection	\$ 1,281.00
Diocesan Catholic Schools Development	\$ 869.00
Online Giving	\$ 885.00
Total	\$ 5,758.25

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HAVE A LAUGH: The homeowner was delighted with the way the painter had done all the work on his house. "You did a great job." he said and handed the man a check. "Also, in order to thank-you, here's an extra \$80 to take the missus out to dinner and a movie."

Later that night, the doorbell rang and it was the painter. Thinking the man had forgotten something he asked, "What's the matter, did you forget something?"

"Nope." replied the painter. "I'm just here to take your missus out to dinner and a movie like you asked."