St. Joseph Catholic Church (Port Aransas, Texas)

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord April 13, 2025

		Mass	Intentions
Sat.	4/12	5:00 p.m.	For: John Heinan Family (Special Intention) By: John Heinan For: Kevin Guenther (healing) By: Mary Horman
Sun.	4/13	9:00 a.m.	†Frances Guzman †Julio Gonzalez By: Rosie & Elvia For: Nathan Peterek (birthday blessings) By: Peterek Family
		11:00 a.m.	For: Joshua Rombs (blessings) By: The Parishioners of St. Joseph For: Jane Sprunk (blessings) By: The Sprunk Family For: Patsy Uzzell (birthday blessings) By: Ken & Barbara Chesshir
Mon.	4/14	8:30 a.m.	†Rose Marie Heinan By: John Heinan
Tues.	4/15	NO MASS	
Wed.	4/16	8:30 a.m.	For: Rain & Favorable Weather By: Leon Matula Jr. Family
Thurs.	4/17	8:30 a.m.	†Marla Heinan By: John Heinan
Fri.	4/18	3:00 p.m.	
Sat.	4/19	6:00 p.m.	† Evelyn Hinkle By: Bob & Billie Binz
Sun.	4/20	9:00 a.m.	For: Ted Martin (healing & perseverance) For: Julianna Cook (healing & perseverance) By: Perotti Family † Yolanda Mendoza By: Adriel & Alejandro Jimene:
		11:00 a.m.	For: The Parishioners of St. Joseph

If you wish to offer Masses for anyone, please contact the Parish Office.

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LECTOR/EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER SCHEDULE				
Sat.	4/12	5 pm	Liz Conces/Nick Winkelmann, Charlie Hutchins, Julie Winkelmann	
Sun.	4/13	9 am	Marvin Murray/Andy Peterek, Stacey Mendoza, Javier Mendoza	
		11 am	Carly Carlough/Mary Jo Matthews, Sabrina Jones, Barbara Smith	
Sat.	4/19	6 pm	Julie Winkelmann/Nick Winkelmann, Charlie Hutchins, Heather Collins	
Sun.	4/20	9 am	Stacey Mendoza/Javier Mendoza, Marvin Murray, Laura Peterek	
		11 am	Leticia Grounds/Mary Jo Matthews, Barbara Smith, Ken Chesshir	

Did you know about the Saints: On April 16, we celebrate the feast of Saint Bernadette Soubirous (1844 – 1879). Bernadette was born into an extremely poor family in Lourdes, France. She suffered from asthma starting at a very young age and endured health problems for most of her life. On February 11, 1858 our Mother Mary appeared to Bernadette in a cave above the banks of the Gave River. This was the first of eighteen appearances of Our Lady to Bernadette who was instructed to pursue the building of a chapel at the location of the visions. Bernadette eventually entered the sisters of Notre Dame but soon after became very sick. She was allowed to profess her vows before her death. Today Lourdes, France is one of the most visited Marian Shrines in the world. Pope Pius XI canonized Saint Bernadette in 1933. The movie the "Song of Bernadette" was released in 1943 and won four Academy Awards. Saint Bernadette, pray for us.

Please Pray For the Sick: Jim Shoemaker, Melissa Updahl, Sandy Davies, Susan Staffier, Trian Pagurar, Colleen Wishall, Jo Lang, Liam Edwards, Robin Barlebo, Mike Houser, Daniel Kelly, Sean Jackson, Aubrey Harper, Jerry Gage, Lee MacFarland, Elvia Tamayo, Carl Cory, Bertha Rodriguez, Ralph Staffier, James Atkinson, Star Locke, Ted Martin, Rege Thornton, Steve Mehr, Michelle Wilkinson, Christina Watson, Victor Rodriguez, Tootie Barnes, Rosie Aguirre, Josh Gueldner, Julian Angel, Alberto Moreno, Mike Gibbs, Larry Tipler, Clayton Gard, Barb Ferretti, Vince Frangello, Julianna Cook, Marrilee Ahern, and all who are in need of prayer.

Please Pray For the Deceased:

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please call: (361)749-5825.

Pope Francis says: When Jesus gazes within us and loves us, what does He see despite our distractions and sins? Jesus sees our fragility, as well as our desire to be loved just as we are.



Pastor's Note: Glory gives way to contempt....Palm Sunday readings and liturgy represents the complexities of life faced by human beings. Life is a mixture of joy and grief, and this Sunday we go through those emotions and contemplate the meaning of faithfulness and commitment. Human beings are quite fickle minded, is very well portrayed in the readings. They operate on the principle of sticking with the powerful and denouncing the powerless. They operate on the principle of momentary gains and glory. In contrast to this attitude is the way we find Jesus, who is constant in his commitment to God, to the people, and to his values. He is able to face both glory and contempt with true determination. The day's liturgy begins with the blessing and distribution of palms, during which we hear the Gospel passage about the triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem, hailed by people as the king who comes in the name of the Lord. There is a euphoric excitement in their utterance. However, as soon as we reach the readings for the Mass, this euphoria gives way to negativity. Jesus, the one who was hailed as king, is now being tried as one who is a traitor. The crowd that hailed him as king is now demanding his execution. They are being swayed by their desire for approval by those in authority. All through the experience, we see Jesus remaining equanimous, not getting overly excited, or overly worried about the agonizing journey that awaits him. Jesus is determined to carry out the will of his Father. His concern is not his own wellbeing, but the commitment to truth and faithfulness to his Mission. The people who condemn Jesus to a shameful death, and the ones demanding his execution, are unaware of the depth of the commitment of Jesus and the effect of this death will have on their own wellbeing. They become beneficiaries of the death of Jesus and are not even grateful. Palm Sunday invites us to be faithful to God and to emulate the commitment of Jesus to truth and to a loving God.

Please join the Ecumenical Easter Sunrise Service at 7:00 a.m. at Roberts Point Park on Easter Sunday, April 20.

Holy Week Schedule

4/17 Thurs. 6 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper 4/18 Friday 3 pm Good Friday Service 4/19 Sat. 6 pm Easter Vigil Mass 4/20 Sun. 9 am Easter Mass

40 Cans for Lent Food Drive March 5-April 20: Benefiting local and rural food pantries of Catholic Charities and Mother Teresa Shelter. Collection bin is in church foyer.

EASTER EGG HUNT EASTER SUNDAY AFTER 9 AM MASS



Father George will be away

Father George will be away on vacation travelling to India April 30-May 16. If you need to discuss anything, please do so in the coming days. Please keep him in your prayers.

The Quo Vadis Council of the Knights of Columbus is now accepting applications for college scholarships for high school seniors and those currently attending college. The requirements are that the individual be a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church or a child or grandchild of a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Port Aransas, Texas. The deadline for submitting the application is May 15, 2025. Requests for applications can be made by contacting Bob Conces by email at: rgconces@gmail.com.

Collection for April 6, 2025

 Loose Collection
 \$ 1,967.00

 Envelope Collection
 \$ 590.00

 Repair & Renovation
 \$ 867.00

 Online Giving
 \$ 1,555.00

 Total
 \$ 4,979.00

HAVE A LAUGH: A police officer pulled over a car because it was swerving quite viciously on a quiet road. The officer pulls over the car and realizes that it's a priest driving the car, looking particularly merry. He asks the priest, "Have you had anything to drink sir?" The priest; quite clearly drunk, says "only water officer." Looking down, the officer sees a whole bunch of wine bottles rolling around the floor. "Sir there are wine bottles all over the floor of the car!" The priest looking dumbfounded, exclaimed, "Oh the Lord has done it again!!"