

# St. Joseph Catholic Church (Port Aransas, Texas)

## Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord March 29, 2026

### Mass Intentions

Sat.	3/28	5:00 p.m.	†Kevin Guenther By: Mary Guenther-Koeller & Brenda Glass
Sun.	3/29	9:00 a.m.	†Ken Shivers By: Carl & Linda Bartoszek
			†Edgar Williamson By: Jody & Shawna Williamson
			For: Kevin Kozak (healing) By: Becky Kozak
		11:00 a.m.	For: Maggie Schaffer (blessings) By: Rita Schaffer
Mon.	3/30	8:30 a.m.	For: Rain and Favorable Weather By: Ginger & Leon Matula
Tues.	3/31	NO MASS	
Wed.	4/1	8:30 a.m.	For: Father George Johnson Vallamattam (birthday blessings) By: The Parishioners of St. Joseph
			For: Timothy Farrell (blessings) By: Rita Schaffer
Thurs.	4/2	NO MORNING MASS 6:00 p.m.	†Nancy May Coleman By: Barbara Lamson
Fri.	4/3	3:00 p.m.	Good Friday Service
Sat.	4/4	6:00 p.m.	†Frank & Norma Borroni By: Lori Borroni-Engle
Sun.	4/5	9:00 a.m.	†Tom & Ann Kinsella By: The Family of Tom & Ann Kinsella
		11:00 a.m.	For: The Parishioners of St. Joseph

If you wish to offer Masses for anyone, please contact the Parish Office. We are in need of Mass Intentions.

### Welcome to Online Giving

To Register for On-Line Banking go to the following link:  
<https://osvonlinegiving.com>



### LECTOR/EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER SCHEDULE

Sat.	3/28	5 pm	Tim Lamie/Charlie Hutchins, Dave Schinker, Carol Schinker
Sun.	3/29	9 am	Yvette Jimenez/Marvin Murray, Laura Peterek, Stacey Mendoza
		11 am	Barbara Lamson/Mary Jo Matthews, Sabrina Jones, Ken Chesshir
Sat.	4/4	6 pm	Tim Lamie/Charlie Hutchins, Heather Collins, Tim Lamie
Sun.	4/5	9 am	Stacey Mendoza/Javier Mendoza, Marvin Murray, Laura Peterek
		11 am	Leticia Grounds/Barbara Smith, Mary Jo Matthews, Ken Chesshir

**Did you know about the Saints:** On April 1, we celebrate **Saint Hugh of Grenoble** (1053 – 1132). Hugh was born in the foothills of the Alps in the small French town of Chateauuneuf-sur-Isere. Under Pope Gregory VII he became Bishop of the nearby town of Grenoble for 52 years. When he first became a Bishop, Hugh immediately had to deal with corruption in many areas of the church. This at times was very overwhelming but Hugh prevailed and is known today for his work to improve the Church. Because of this Hugh can certainly be considered as the patron of leaders who are overwhelmed by events outside of their control. In 1084, Hugh helped Saint Bruno and his companions found the great Carthusian monastery. *Prayer to Saint Hugh, O Heavenly Patron, in whose name I glory, pray ever to Christ for me, strengthen me in my faith, establish me in virtue guard me in conflict that I may vanquish the foe and attain to glory everlasting. Amen.*

**Please Pray For the Sick:** Joshua Gueldner, Lori Mangrum, Joan Dieker, Ed Fedak, 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:**  
If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please call: (361)749-5825.

**Pope Leo XIV said:** God dwells in our hearts. Every vocation requires us to dialogue intimately with God, with true joy and generosity. He is the One who calls and invites us to respond, despite the deafening noise of the world.

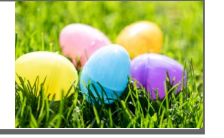
**Pastor's Note: Tenacious love....** We are entering Holy Week, with the celebration of Passion Sunday, or, in common parlance, Palm Sunday. Holy Week leads us through the timeline of the last few days of Jesus here on earth. This begins with Palm Sunday, when we recall the 'triumphant entry' of Jesus into the City of Jerusalem. The day's liturgy begins with the blessing of the palms and the reading of the Scripture that references the entry of Jesus to the city, while being cheered by the crowds. Jesus was presented in the synoptic Gospels as a man who is on a Mission, who has set his sight on the Holy City of Jerusalem, and he is walking towards the city with great determination. Jerusalem is the city of his destiny, where he will go through his passion and death. Even though we celebrate the entry of Jesus with great fanfare, he is aware that this entry is going to lead to his suffering and death. The reason we call it the Passion Sunday is that this entry of Jesus has more of a Theological meaning to all of us, because he is going to go through the experiences of this week, by which we are redeemed, and we remember those events with great gratitude. The people who were hailing Jesus and singing hosanna to him were expecting him to be a kingly Messiah, who would liberate their land from the rule of the Romans. Passion Sunday leads us on the path of a transformation of people who, when they feel that Jesus was indeed not so powerful as they thought he was, begin to ask that he be put to death. Jesus was powerful enough to transform the seemingly lost cause into something more significant for the people of his time and for us today. His love and commitment won for us a life that can never be taken away. All the readings present this painful journey of Jesus and the significance of that for his followers. We are called to hail Jesus as our Savior and his tenacious love.

**The Holy Land Collection is Good Friday, April 3.** Proceeds from this annual collection support ministries and works in the Holy Land, largely under the direction of the Franciscans. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection offers a direct opportunity for parishioners to be witnesses of peace. Their support is a sign of Christian unity which helps protect the Holy Places and supports Christians in The Holy Land. This annual Collection unites all Christians with the Holy Land.

Please join the Ecumenical Easter Sunrise Service at 7:00 a.m. at Roberts Point Park on Easter Sunday, April 5.

Holy Week Schedule			
4/2	Thurs.	No Morning Mass	
		6 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper
4/3	Friday	3 pm	Good Friday Service
4/4	Sat.	6 pm	Easter Vigil Mass
4/5	Sun.	9 am	Easter Mass
		11 am	Easter Mass

**EASTER EGG HUNT**  
**EASTER SUNDAY AFTER 9 AM MASS**



**40 Cans for Lent Food Drive** February 18-April 5: Benefitting food pantries of Catholic Charities of Corpus Christi (including Holy Family Catholic Church) and Mother Teresa Shelter. Collection bins are in the church foyer.

Collection for March 22, 2026	
Loose Collection	\$ 3,593.00
Envelope Collection	\$ 680.00
Repair and Renovation	\$ 1,500.00
Online Giving	\$ 285.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 6,058.00</b>

*Thank you for your generosity.*

**HAVE A LAUGH:** A Catholic priest steps into the pulpit to deliver his homily. He taps the microphone to check if it's on. He hears no sound. Frustrated, he taps again. Still no sound. He makes a commotion, trying to get the microphone to work. Tap, tap, tap. Finally, he exclaims, "Something is wrong with this microphone!" Instantly, the congregation responds in unison, "And also with you!"