

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

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**  
**April 26, 2026**

## *Mass Intentions*

Sat.	4/25	5:00 p.m.	For: <b>Stephen Schaffer</b> (blessings) By: Rita Schaffer
Sun.	4/26	9:00 a.m.	† <b>Frances Guzman</b> By: Rosie & Elvia
		11:00 a.m.	For: <b>Tripp Collins</b> (birthday blessings) By: Heather Collins & Family † <b>Cassandra Clark</b> By: Heather Collins & Family † <b>Tom &amp; Ann Kinsella</b> By: The Family of Tom & Ann Kinsella
Mon.	4/27	8:30 a.m.	For: <b>Brett Schaffer</b> (blessings) By: Rita Schaffer
Tues.	4/28	NO MASS	
Wed.	4/29	8:30 a.m.	† <b>Gerry Frasco</b> By: Frasco Family For: <b>Frank &amp; Cherie Dubord</b> (anniversary blessings) By: Carl & Linda Bartoszek
Thurs.	4/30	8:30 a.m.	† <b>Claire Schniers</b> By: Regina Goetz
Fri.	5/1	8:30 a.m.	† <b>Margie Zentner</b> By: Ken & Vicki Halfman † <b>Jerry Moynihan</b> By: Kerry Smith
Sat.	5/2	5:00 p.m.	† <b>Lori Knutson</b> By: Gene & Wanda Gully
Sun.	5/3	9:00 a.m.	† <b>Frances Guzman</b> By: Rosie & Elvia † <b>Edgar A. Williamson</b> By: Jody & Shawna Williamson
		11:00 a.m.	For: <b>The Parishioners of St. Joseph</b>

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

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### LECTOR/EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER SCHEDULE

Sat.	4/25	5 pm	Tim Lamie/Charlie Hutchins, Julie Winkelmann, Nick Winkelmann
Sun.	4/26	9 am	Marvin Murray/Laura Peterek, Stacey Mendoza, Javier Mendoza
		11 am	Carly Carlough/Mary Jo Matthews, Sabrina Jones, Barbara Smith
Sat.	5/2	5 pm	Julie Winkelmann/Charlie Hutchins, Nick Winkelmann, Julie Winkelmann
Sun.	5/3	9 am	Yvette Jimenez/Marvin Murray, Andy Peterek, _____
		11 am	Heather Collins/Mary Jo Matthews, Barbara Smith, Ken Chesshir

**Did you know about the Saints:** On May 1, we celebrate the Feast of Saint Joseph the Worker. The feast day was instituted by Pope Pius XII in 1955. Saint Joseph did the work that God asked of him as he was a faithful servant. Pope Pius emphasized that, as Catholics, our faith should permeate every aspect of our life including our work just as Saint Joseph. Saint John Paul II the Great in reference to this feast day stated, "Saint Joseph is a man of great spirit. He is great in faith, not because he speaks his own words, but above all because he listens to the words of the Living God. He listens in silence. And his heart ceaselessly perseveres in the readiness to accept the Truth contained in the word of the Living God." **Saint Joseph, patron of the universal Church and our parish, watch over the Church as carefully as you watched over Jesus, help protect it and guide it as you did with your adopted son. Amen**

**Please Pray For the Sick:** Nancy Francisco, Ani Enriquez, Olivia Adams, Joan Finn, Joshua Gueldner, 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:** Our problems do not disappear in the Lord's presence; they are illuminated. Just as every cross finds redemption in Jesus, so the story of our lives finds its meaning in the Gospel.

**Pastor's Note: A gateway to life....** Our journey through the Easter Season is a time to celebrate the life we have received through the Resurrection of Jesus. It is also an invitation to deepen that life and strive to live a life worthy of the one who brought us this life. The life that Jesus brought us was through a life and death prompted by deep love for us, and we are reminded that this love of Jesus makes us listen to him and follow him, because he is the Good Shepherd. All the readings remind us of the depth of love, care and concern Jesus has for us and how he was willing enough to lay down his life for us. The Responsorial Psalm sets the mood of the day when we, with great confidence and gratitude, proclaim that 'The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want'. In the first reading, we listen to the preaching of Peter, reminding the Jewish people who were listening, that the Jesus they put to death was made the Lord and Christ. He then calls on to those who were listening to repent and turn to Jesus, in order for them to save themselves, because this Jesus, who was crucified, has become the source of life for everyone. In the second reading, taken from the first Letter of St. Peter, we are reminded that we have been healed by the wounds of Jesus. This also means that we should be willing to be like our Lord Jesus Christ, becoming courageous enough to bear the hardships while witnessing to his love. In the Gospel passage we hear Jesus calling himself the Good Shepherd, who is willing to lay down his life for the sheep. The sheep listen to his voice and follow him where he leads them, because they know that he truly cares for them. In contrast to the ones who enter the sheepfold only to steal and destroy, Jesus enters the sheepfold to give life. It concludes by reminding us that Jesus came to us so that we may have life and life in its fullness. He is the gateway to life.



Congratulations to Maximilian Wayne Marquez pictured with his Godparents.

**LOOKING AHEAD:**

First Holy Communion will be May 3 during 11:00 a.m. Mass.  
Confirmation by Bishop Mario Aviles will be May 15 during 6:00 p.m. Mass.

The next **Parish Council Meeting** will be on April 26 after 9 a.m. Mass in the Parish Hall. Anyone who is interested may join the meeting.

**Mother's Day Spiritual Bouquet (Novenas) envelopes are located in the church foyer. Please return in the collection basket or to the church office by Wednesday, May 6.**

The second collection this week-end is for the Catholic Home Missions Appeal.

**Collection for April 19, 2026**

Loose Collection	\$ 3,404.00
Envelope Collection	\$ 425.00
Repair & Renovation	\$ 100.00
Online Giving	\$ 695.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 4,624.00</b>

**HAVE A LAUGH:** How many of each animal did Moses bring onto the ark? None! Moses was never even on the ark!  
Come on, didn't you Noah that?