

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

## Third Sunday of Easter April 19, 2026

### Mass Intentions

Sat.	4/18	5:00 p.m.	For: <b>Joseph Schaffer</b> (blessings) By: Rita Schaffer
Sun.	4/19	9:00 a.m.	† <b>Judy &amp; Cleo Lyle</b> By: Stacey & Javier Mendoza
		11:00 a.m.	† <b>Gerry Frasco</b> By: Frasco Family † <b>Tom &amp; Ann Kinsella</b> By: The Family of Tom & Ann Kinsella † <b>Richard A. Vacek</b> By: Theresa & Vinton James † <b>Donald Wyffels</b> By: Dean Wyffels
Mon.	4/20	8:30 a.m.	
Tues.	4/21	NO MASS	
Wed.	4/22	8:30 a.m.	For: <b>Brett Andrews</b> (blessings) By: Rita Schaffer For: <b>Gilbert Limon, III &amp; Gilbert Jr</b> (blessings) By: Martha Limon
Thurs.	4/23	8:30 a.m.	† <b>Claire Schniers</b> By: Regina Goetz
Fri.	4/24	8:30 a.m.	† <b>Margie Zentner</b> By: Ken & Vicki Halfmann
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

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

### Welcome to Online Giving

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<https://osvonlinegiving.com>



### LECTOR/EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER SCHEDULE

Sat.	4/18	5 pm	Tim Lamie/Charlie Hutchins, Julie Winkelmann, Nick Winkelmann
Sun.	4/19	9 am	Yvette Jimenez/Andy Peterek, Stacey Mendoza, Javier Mendoza
		11 am	Barbara Lamson/Sabrina Jones, Barbara Smith, Ken Chesshir
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

### Prayer To St. Francis of Assisi, Patron Saint of Peace

Saint Francis, our brother, you who eight hundred years ago went to meet Sister Death as a man at peace, intercede for us before the Lord.

You recognized true peace in the Crucifix of San Damiano, teach us to seek in him the source of all reconciliation that breaks down every wall.

You who, unarmed, crossed the lines of war and misunderstanding, give us the courage to build bridges where the world raises up boundaries.

In this time afflicted by conflict and division, intercede for us so that we may become peacemakers: unarmed and disarming witnesses of the peace that comes from Christ. 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:** Peace is not something we must invent: it is something we must embrace by accepting our neighbor as a brother or sister. We do not choose our brothers and sisters: we must simply accept one another! We are one family, inhabiting the same home: this wonderful planet that ancient cultures have cared for over millennia.

### Pastor's Note: Restore Communion ....

There is something beautiful about the Easter Season, that not only calls us to celebrate, but invites us to grow with Jesus and others. The readings through the season of Easter presents us with stories of transformation and the formation of a community rooted in the love of God and one another. This coming together and forming a community rooted in love becomes more relevant when we see it in light of the dispersal of the same members prior to the Resurrection of Jesus. This Sunday we reflect on the powerful preaching by Peter about Jesus who came back to life. He puts that in the context of the way the Jewish Leaders, in collusion with the Romans, treated Jesus and the crucifixion of Jesus as their way of silencing him. Even though Jesus went about doing good, he was not accepted by the religious leaders of his time, but as a sign that God was with Jesus, he was brought back to life and has now become the source of life for everyone who believes in him. This bold proclamation of Peter is itself a sign of his transformation in Jesus. As the Responsorial Psalm reminds us, we are shown the path to life, which is indeed through Jesus. The second reading stresses this reality of life that comes to us by virtue of our being in and with Jesus. This gift of love poured into our hearts by Jesus, continues to energize us, through the instrumentality of his Spirit bestowed on us. The Gospel passage presents the story of the transformation of two of the disciples of Jesus, who had lost hope and were leaving the city. They then encounter the Risen Lord and after the breaking of the bread together, they realized that they were called to communion with all the followers of Jesus, and they return to other disciples and proclaim their experience of the Risen Lord. Jesus continues to be alive when there is true communion and we live in harmony.



Congratulations to Kylie Elizabeth Templeton and Alayna Christine Templeton pictured with their 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.**

### Collection for April 12, 2026

Loose Collection	\$ 2,563.00
Envelope Collection	\$ 295.00
Online Giving	\$ 875.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,733.00</b>

**HAVE A LAUGH:** A little boy was kneeling beside his bed with his mother and grandmother and softly saying his prayers, "Dear God, please bless Mummy and Daddy and all the family and please give me a good night's sleep." Suddenly he looked up and shouted, "And don't forget to give me a bicycle for my birthday!!" "There is no need to shout like that," said his mother. "God isn't deaf." "No," said the little boy, "but Grandma is."