

St. Joseph Catholic Church (Port Aransas, Texas)

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 10, 2025

Mass Intentions

Sat.	8/9	5:00 p.m.	For: The Stanton Family (blessings) By: T. & M. Stanton
Sun.	8/10	9:00 a.m.	† Frances Guzman By:: Rosie & Elvia
		11:00 a.m.	For: Robert Barnard Family (blessings) By: Family † Richie Marty † Janie Marty By: Wayne Marty
Mon.	8/11	8:30 a.m.	For: Special Intention By: Ginger & Leon Matula
Tues.	8/12	NO MASS	
Wed.	8/13	8:30 a.m.	For: The Stanton Family (blessings) By: T. & M. Stanton
Thurs.	8/14	8:30 a.m.	For: Rain and Favorable Weather By: Ginger & Leon Matula
Fri.	8/15	8:30 a.m.	For: The Parishioners of St. Joseph
Sat.	8/16	5:00 p.m.	† Martin & Maria Rodriguez By: Dalinda & Cesar Olivares
Sun.	8/17	9:00 a.m.	† Dennis Stuart By: Gloria & Tony Gutierrez
		11:00 a.m.	† Dr. Samuel Ganz By: Barbara Lamson † Drew Dean By: The Sprunk Family

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.	8/9	5 pm	Julie Winkelmann/Nick Winkelmann, Charlie Hutchins, Liz Conces
Sun.	8/10	9 am	Laura Peterek/Stacey Mendoza, Javier Mendoza, Marvin Murray
		11 am	Carly Carlough/Mary Jo Matthews, Sabrina Jones, Barbara Smith
Sat.	8/16	5 pm	Dawn Larson/Julie Winkelmann, Nick Winkelmann, Charlie Hutchins
Sun.	8/17	9 am	Marvin Murray/Laura Peterek, Stacey Mendoza, Javier Mendoza
		11 am	Cliff Strain/Mary Jo Matthews, Sabrina Jones, Ken Chesshir

Did you know about the Saints: On July 31, Pope Leo XIV announced that **Saint John Henry Newman** (1801 – 1890, Feast Day September 24) will be named as the 38th Doctor of the Universal Church. Newman was an Anglican priest who was highly regarded for both his written works and preaching. His continued quest for truth and understanding led him to the Catholic Church. In 1845, he asked and was received into the Catholic Church. A year later, he entered the seminary and after three years, he was ordained a Catholic priest. Of his ordination, he later wrote, “It was like coming into port after a rough sea, and my happiness on that score remains to this day without interruption.” Pope Leo XIII named him as a Cardinal in 1879. He was beatified by Pope Benedict XVI in 2010 and Canonized by Pope Francis in 2019. At Newman’s Canonization mass, Pope Francis stated, “Newman encountered the living heart of Jesus, capable of setting us free, giving meaning to each moment of our lives, and bestowing true peace.” Saint John Henry Newman, pray for us.
Canonization Countdown: 28 days until the canonization of Frassati and Acutis at Saint Peters on September 7th.

Please Pray For the Sick: Kayla Sheffield, Debbie Wallace, Ellen Gray, Dr. Al Whitty, Dawson John Morris, Jim Shoemaker, Melissa Updahl, Sandy Davies, Trian Pagurar, Colleen Wishall, Liam Edwards, Robin Barlebo, Mike Houser, Daniel Kelly, Sean Jackson, Aubrey Harper, Jerry Gage, Lee MacFarland, James Atkinson, Michelle Wilkinson, Christina Watson, Victor Rodriguez, Tootie Barnes, Josh Gueldner, Clayton Gard, 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: Every act of willingness, every gratuitous act, every gesture of forgiveness given in advance, every effort patiently accepted, is a way to create an environment where God can dwell.

Pastor’s Note: Trusting the invisible God....Faith is a decision, a personal response to our God, who enters our lives often without our invitation. Often, we are oblivious to his presence, and we do things and live our lives without even becoming aware of his interventions and invitations. Then there comes a moment when we are caught up with the reality of God’s presence, and this encounter with God is what actually leads us on the path of our faith journey. This weekend we are called to reflect on the impact of faith in our lives. The passage taken from the letter to the Hebrews, for our second reading, describes faith as ‘realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen. In other words, faith enables us to see and perceive things which are actually not visible yet. It then goes on to describe the experience of Abraham, who trusted in God and set out on a journey without even having any idea as to what awaited him. His only reliance was on the power of the word of God. He trusted and he realized, first hand, the effectiveness of God’s word. The Responso-rial Psalm reminds us of the power of God, who chooses us to be his own and trans- forms our lives for the better, when we truly trust in him. It is this transformation which the people of Israel, who lived in Egypt, experienced in their lives that the first reading, from the Book of Wisdom is highlighting. Their journey from Egypt to an unknown land was indeed a leap of faith. Faith is also about faithfulness to the God we believe in, whether we see him or not. This is what Jesus reminds us in the Gospel passage, taken from the Gospel according to Luke. The faithfulness of the steward to the will of the master, even in his absence, shows his preparedness to face the master at any time. We are called to be faithful and prepared, like the steward in this parable. Our response to God’s call and trying every moment to live faithful lives, even when we do not perceive his physical presence, is actually true faith.

Holy Day of Obligation: The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is **Friday, August 15**, and is a **holy day of obligation**. We will have the Feast day Mass at 8:30 AM, Friday.

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 10, 5:30 p.m.** in the Religious Education Building. **Classes start September 17.** 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 from Memorial Day weekend until Labor Day Sunday. There are several prize packages, with the total value in excess of \$3,500. A recent addition to the prizes is an airplane ride for two over Port Aransas! 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 packages. Tickets are \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00.

Collection for August 3, 2025

Loose Collection	\$ 2,691.00
Envelope Collection	\$ 640.00
Repair & Renovation	\$ 1,232.00
Online Giving	<u>\$ 1,540.00</u>
Total	\$ 6,103.00
Thank you for your generosity.	

HAVE A LAUGH: The temporary Sunday School teacher was struggling to open a combination lock on the supply cabinet. She had been told the combination, but couldn't quite remember it.
Finally she went to the pastor's study and asked for help. The pastor came into the room and began to turn the dial.
After the first two numbers he paused and stared blankly for a moment.
Finally he looked serenely heavenward and his lips moved silently.
Then he looked back at the lock, and quickly turned to the final number, and opened the lock.
The teacher was amazed. "I'm in awe at your faith, pastor," she said.
"It's really nothing," he answered. "The number is on a piece of tape on the ceiling."