

St. Joseph Catholic Church (Port Aransas, Texas)

Second Sunday of Easter

April 12, 2026

Mass Intentions

Sat.	4/11	5:00 p.m.	† Sherlow Swilling By: Jody & Shawna Williamson
Sun.	4/12	9:00 a.m.	† Frances Guzman By: Rosie & Elvia † Judy & Cleo Lyle By: Stacey & Javier Mendoza For: Nathan Peterek (birthday blessings) By: The Peterek Family 11:00 a.m. For: Henry Collins (birthday blessings) For: Robert Carlough (birthday blessings) By: Heather Collins & Family † Tom & Ann Kinsella By: The Family of Tom & Ann Kinsella † Pier Giorgio Scorcelletti By: Dunia Scorcelletti & Sabrina Jones
Mon.	4/13	8:30 a.m.	† Andrew Lange By: Mark & Twila Haechten For: Joshua Gueldner (healing) By: Tommy Gueldner
Tues.	4/14	NO MASS	
Wed.	4/15	8:30 a.m.	For: Rain & Favorable Weather By: Ginger & Leon Matula † Sherlow Swilling By: Jody & Shawna Williamson
Thurs.	4/16	8:30 a.m.	† Brian Timmerman By: Dean Wyffels
Fri.	4/17	8:30 a.m.	† Gerry Frasco By: Fransco Family
Sat.	4/18	5:00 p.m.	For: Joseph Schaffer (blessings) By: Rita Schaffer
Sun.	4/19	9:00 a.m.	For: The Parishioners of St. Joseph 11:00 a.m. † Gerry Frasco By: Frasco Family † Tom & Ann Kinsella 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.

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LECTOR/EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER SCHEDULE

Sat.	4/11	5 pm	Tim Lamie/Charlie Hutchins, Tim Lamie,
Sun.	4/12	9 am	Laura Peterek/Stacey Mendoza, Javier Mendoza, Marvin Murray
		11 am	Sabrina Jones/Barbara Smith, Mary Jo Matthews, Ken Chesshir
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

Did you know about the Saints: On April 8, we celebrated Saint Julie Billiard (1751-1816) who founded the Congregation of the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur. Julie was paralyzed and had to flee for her life in a hay wagon from revolutionaries during the French Revolution. After joining Fr. Enfantin in intense prayer and a Novena to the Sacred Heart, the Lord cured her paralysis after 22 years. The Lord then instructed her to, "Go out to the whole world; teach them to observe all the commands which I have given you." Julie listened and today the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur currently serve and teach on 5 continents. Julie died in 1816 and was canonized in 1969. Saint Julie, pray for us!

Please Pray For the Sick: 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: I urge everyone to accompany this moment of delicate diplomacy with prayer, in hopes that a willingness to dialogue may become the means to resolve other conflict situations in the world as well.

Pastor's Note: Gift of Peace.... Easter Season is about transformation. This is the time for us to celebrate the gift of eternal life, as well as the gift of peace Jesus gives us. On this Second Sunday of Easter, we thank the Lord for the gift of mercy and thus is also celebrated as Divine Mercy Sunday, because it is the mercy of the Lord that enabled us to be children of life. All the readings make known the transforming intervention of Jesus in our lives and call on us to live as one family, rooted in the love and peace of Jesus. The first reading is taken from the Acts of the Apostles, and it describes the life of Early Christians, as they go about deepening their faith in the Risen Lord by spending time in prayer and in the common breaking of the bread. There was also a deep bond that existed among the believers, as they shared everything in common. This faithful witnessing to the Lord was what prompted many more people to join their fold. The Responsorial Psalm reminds us to give thanks to the Lord, because his love is everlasting. It is this everlasting love that is extolled in the second reading, taken from the Letter of Saint Peter. The love and mercy of the Lord is what enabled us to be born again, in and through Lord Jesus, who came back to life and is now our means of salvation. In the Gospel we see how Jesus strengthens the Apostles by making his presence felt in their midst. To the disciples, who are devastated by the death of Jesus, the first gift of Jesus, as he appeared to them, was peace. This peace was lacking in their lives, as they were living in fear. Through this appearance Jesus is enabling them to trust God and believe that the pain and suffering that they have to endure is only a passing phase in their faith journey. Jesus strengthens them, even Thomas, who seemed to doubt his appearance to the Apostles, to launch their ministry of proclaiming him to the world.



Congratulations to Kylie Elizabeth Templeton, Alayna Christine Templeton, and Maximilian Wayne Marquez on receiving the Sacraments!

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.

Collection for April 5, 2026

Loose Collection	\$ 5,809.25
Envelope Collection	\$ 2,330.00
Repair & Renovation	\$ 1,998.35
Holy Land Good Friday	\$ 685.00
Online Giving	<u>\$ 1,560.00</u>
Total	\$12,382.60

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HAVE A LAUGH: Community Picnic

A church had a picnic and invited the entire community to come. The Pastor placed a basket full of apples on one end of a table with a sign saying, "Take only one apple please - Remember that God is watching."

On the other end of the table was a plate of cookies where one of the children had placed a sign saying, "Take all the cookies you want -- God is watching the apples."