

St. Joseph Catholic Church (Port Aransas, Texas)

The Second Sunday of Lent March 16, 2025

Mass Intentions

Sat.	3/15	5:00 p.m.	†Colton Miller By: Carl & Suzanne Booth †Mary Lynn Ryan By: Tom Pauken
Sun.	3/16	9:00 a.m.	†Marlene Thomas By: Greg Thomas †Mary, Steve, MaryAnn Shiverski By: Carl & Linda Bartoszek
		11:00 a.m.	For: Joan Lawrence (health) By: Linda & Carl Bartoszek
Mon.	3/17	8:30 a.m.	For: A Safe Spring Break By: Mary Ann Hajek
			For: The Parishioners of St. Joseph
Tues.	3/18	NO MASS	
Wed.	3/19	8:30 a.m.	For: Pamela Rayner (birthday blessings) By: Rose Petersen †Frank Azzi By: Perotti Family
Thurs.	3/20	8:30 a.m.	For: A Safe Spring Break By: Mary Ann Hajek
Fri.	3/21	8:30 a.m.	†Carmen Cardenas By: Barbara Lamson
Sat.	3/22	5:00 p.m.	†Ruth Ann Binz By: Bob & Billie Binz
Sun.	3/23	9:00 a.m.	†Frances Guzman By: Rosie & Elvia
			†Dolores Hillock By: Carl & Linda Bartoszek
		11:00 a.m.	For: The Parishioners of St. Joseph

If you wish to offer Masses for anyone, please contact the Parish Office.

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LECTOR/EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER SCHEDULE

Sat.	3/15	5 pm	Julie Winkelmann/Nick Winkelmann, Charlie Hutchins, Liz Conces
Sun.	3/16	9 am	Marvin Murray/Andy Peterek, Marvin Murray
		11 am	Barbara Lamson/Mary Jo Matthews, Barbara Smith, Ken Chesshir
Sat.	3/22	5 pm	Dawn Larson/Julie Winkelmann, Nick Winkelmann, Charlie Hutchins
Sun.	3/23	9 am	Yvette Jimenez/Marvin Murray, Laura Peterek, Stacey Mendoza
		11 am	Leticia Grounds/Barbara Smith, Sabrina Jones, Ken Chesshir

Did you know about the Saints: On March 19th, we celebrate **Saint Joseph**, the patron of the Universal Church and our parish. He is also the patron Saint of families, expectant mothers, fathers, and travelers. Saint Joseph fulfilled the Lord's instructions to care for and protect Mary and Jesus. Just as he guarded the Holy Family, Joseph also watches over the Holy Catholic Church. There is a legend that Joseph was chosen from other men to be Mary's husband when his staff blossomed like a Lilly. This is one reason why he is often depicted in art with a white Lilly. Tradition also holds that he had a peaceful death as both Mary and Jesus were at his side. Catholics throughout the world will celebrate on this day to commemorate the feast day of this "just man." Ave Ioseph, custos Iesu salvatoris (Hail Joseph, protector of Jesus the Savior).

Please Pray For the Sick: Susan Staffier, Trian Pagurar, Colleen Wishall, Jo Lang, Liam Edwards, Robin Barlebo, Mike Houser, Daniel Kelly, Sean Jackson, Aubrey Harper, Jerry Gage, Lee MacFarland, Elvia Tamayo, Carl Cory, Bertha Rodriguez, Ralph Staffier, James Atkinson, Star Locke, Ted Martin, Rege Thornton, Steve Mehr, Michelle Wilkinson, Christina Watson, Victor Rodriguez, Tootie Barnes, Rosie Aguirre, Josh Gueldner, Julian Angel, Alberto Moreno, Mike Gibbs, Larry Tipler, Clayton Gard, Barb Ferretti, Vince Frangello, Julianna Cook, 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 Francis says: In the face of temptation, we sometimes fall; we are all sinners. Our defeat, however, is not definitive, because after every fall, God lifts us up by His infinite love and forgiveness.



Pastor's Note: It is a glory-filled life....

Lent comes with an unexciting presentation of itself. This dull mood is manifested in the way we decorate the Altar and its surroundings. Flowers have given way to dry twigs, and the life-radiating green color has been replaced by an unstimulating purple color. We do not sing the Gloria during Mass, and we do not hear Halleluia, until Easter Vigil. Then there is this great emphasis on Fasting, which involves making sacrifices. True, Lent calls us to take a deeper look at ourselves and own up our mistakes and to make necessary changes and be better disciples of Jesus. This may not always be a pleasant experience. Even with all this unattractiveness about Lent, the real experience Lent provides is joy and celebration, even though delayed by a few weeks. Today, we get a glimpse of that celebration and the reason for us to trust the process that will result in transformation. All this effort on our part, the fasting, the almsgiving, the prayer and everything else, is for us to experience the glory that awaits us. The glory that was revealed during the Transfiguration of Jesus. The Apostles, who were with him during the event, were also gripped by a dull mood, due to what Jesus had told them prior to this experience. The experience of the Transfiguration filled them with great excitement. All the readings this weekend focus on the glory of God that we experience and the transformation that this experience can bring about in our lives. In the first reading God transforms the life of Abraham and his progeny, through his intervention. In the second reading, St. Paul remind us that there is going to be a transformation of our bodies to conform to the glorified body of Jesus. This glorified body is what the Apostles saw during the Transfiguration of Jesus. Since all the dullness we experience today is going to give way to glorification, we are called by the readings to trust the power of God, and continue on our Lenten disciplines with great hope and love.



Stations
of the Cross
Will be prayed on
Fridays after Mass
During Lent

THE LADIES OF ST. JOSEPH monthly meeting will be held Tuesday, March 18 at 5 p.m. in the Parish Hall. All ladies of our parish are welcome!

All are welcome to stop by the Parish Hall for coffee and donuts after 9 a.m. Mass. Please come join us!

Holy Week Schedule

4/17	Thurs.	6 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper
4/18	Friday	3 pm	Good Friday Service
4/19	Sat.	6 pm	Easter Vigil Mass
4/20	Sun.	9 am	Easter Mass
		11 am	Easter Mass

Lenten Mission

St. Joseph Church, Port Aransas
Thursday and Friday
April 3-4 6:00-7:00 p.m.
Penetential Service will be April 4 at 7 p.m.

Collection for March 9, 2025

Loose Collection	\$ 3,128.00
Envelope Collection	\$ 765.00
Black & Indian Missions	\$ 989.25
Central & Eastern Europe	\$ 846.35
Online Giving	\$ 1,790.00
Total	\$ 7,518.60

HAVE A LAUGH: For the umpteenth time Mrs. Youngston came to her pastor to tell him, "I'm so scared! Joe says he's going to kill me if I continue to come to your church."
"Yes, yes, my child," replied the pastor, more than a little tired of hearing this over and over. "I will continue to pray for you, Mrs. Youngston. Have faith - the Lord will watch over you."
"Oh yes, he has kept me safe thus far, only...."
"Only what, my child?"
"Well, now he says if I keep coming to your church, he's going to kill YOU!"
"Well, now," said the pastor, "Perhaps it's time to check out that little church on the other side of town."