

St. Joseph Catholic Church (Port Aransas, Texas)

Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 20, 2026

Mass Intentions

Sat.	9/19	5:00 p.m.	†Diane Moy By: Jason, Kamryn and Karter Erwin
			†Orest Muzyka By: Patricia Muzyka
Sun.	9/20	9:00 a.m.	For: Safe Travels By: Steve & Iris Matthiesen
			†Edgar Williamson By: Jody & Shawna Williamson
		11:00 a.m.	†Mavis Olenski By: The Peterek Family
Mon.	9/21	8:30 a.m.	For: The Parishioners of St. Joseph For: Jessica Carly (birthday blessings) By: Rita Schaffer
			†Joan Finn By: Barbara & Frank Culp
Tues.	9/22	NO MASS	
Wed.	9/23	8:30 a.m.	†Herbie Dankworth By: Steve & Iris Matthiesen
			†Orest Muzyka By: Patricia Muzyka
Thurs.	9/24	8:30 a.m.	†Diane Moy By: Lupe and Allejos Avanda Jr.
			†Donald Skrovan By: Barbara Lamson
			For: Ryan Richardson (healing) By: Dorie Cavins
Fri.	9/25	8:30 a.m.	†Mike & Emily Broll †Dolores Neugebauer By: Kenneth & Barbara Pawelek
			For: Ryan Richardson (healing) By: Dorie Cavins
Sat.	9/26	5:00 p.m.	†Diane Moy By: Jason, Kamryn, and Karter Erwin
			†Orest Muzyka By: Patricia Muzyka
Sun.	9/27	9:00 a.m.	†Frances Guzman By: Rosie & Elvia
			†Edgar Williamson By: Jody & Shawna Williamson
			†Doris & Ray Stepanek By: Dorie Cavins
		11:00 a.m.	For: The Parishioners of SJ

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LECTOR/EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER SCHEDULE

Sat.	9/19	5 pm	Julie Winkelmann/Julie Winkelmann, Nick Winkelmann, Stacey Mendoza
Sun.	9/20	9 am	Marvin Murray/Andy Peterek, Marvin Murray, _____
		11 am	Barbara Lamson/Barbara Smith, Sabrina Jones, Mary Jo Matthews
Sat.	9/26	5 pm	Julie Winkelmann/Julie Winkelmann, Nick Winkelmann, Stacey Mendoza
Sun.	9/27	9 am	Yvette Jimenez/Marvin Murray, Andy Peterek, _____
		11 am	Cliff Strain/Barbara Smith, Mary Jo Matthews, Ken Chesshir

Did you know about the Saints: On September 19th, we celebrate the Feast of Saint Januarius. Januarius was the Bishop of Benevento, Italy during the period known as Diocletian’s persecution around the year 300. When traveling to meet some of his imprisoned deacons, Janarius and his companions were captured and sentenced to death. They were thrown to the wild beasts but were not harmed. They were then beheaded. Januarius’ relics can be found in the Cathedral of Naples. Those in Naples believe that the city was saved numerous times due to the intercession of Januarius. The relics consist of his bones and a hermetically sealed four-inch-thick glass reliquary of his blood. The blood has and continues to liquefy three times every year except on rare occasions. The dates of the liquefaction are September 19, December 16, and the first Sunday in May. Saint Januarius, Pray for us!

Please Pray For the Sick: Ann Harper, Christina Reyes, Javier Mendoza, Karen Gotto, Darlene Seich, Kayla Sheffield, Charlie Hutchins, Dale Christensen, Dalinda Olivares, Ani Enriquez, Olivia Adams, Joshua Gueldner, Joan Dieker, 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, and all who are in need of prayer.

Please Pray For the Deceased: Deborah Smith
If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please call: (361)749-5825.

Pope Leo XIV said:

In the era of [#ArtificialIntelligence](#), when human dignity is threatened by new forms of dehumanization, ours is the pressing duty to remain profoundly human. We must lovingly safeguard the grandeur of humanity bestowed upon us and revealed in its fullness in Christ, the splendor of which no machine can ever replace.

Pastor’s Note: A gracious and generous God.... Faith in God calls us to be faithful to him and his ways. Our concept about God and our experience of him in a very personal way guide our way of life here in this world. Since faith in God calls on us to transform our lives in accordance with the way of the Lord, it is of prime importance that we have a correct understanding of the way God deals with people. This weekend’s readings remind us that the way God deals with the reality of human life defies the way we humans deal with other human beings. Our God’s generosity far surpasses the generosity with which we deal with others in our lives. In the first reading, taken from the Book of Isaiah, the Lord communicates to the people that his ways are not like that of the people. He reminds them that his thoughts are not their thoughts. Given that, this is communicated in the context of the Lord calling on people to turn to him and to experience his mercy, he is conveying his merciful love, which surpasses the love and mercy that human beings exhibit in their lives. The Responsorial Psalm reminds us that ‘the Lord is near to all who call upon him.’ That belonging to God calls us to be like him and be selfless and other-centered, is what St. Paul reminds us in the second reading. We are called to conduct ourselves in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ. In the Gospel, we listen to a parable Jesus proposes to his disciples. The parable describes the generosity of a landowner, who hires laborers during various times during the day. There were those who were hired to work from morning and some who were hired to work almost at the close of day. The landowner then pays everyone equal wages, enraging the ones who were called to work from the morning. Jesus thus reminds the disciples that the generosity of the Lord surpasses that of the world. His love and mercy is available to everyone alike, no matter when or how they turn to the Lord.

We are having Mass in the Parish Hall because our church air conditioning is being replaced, which will cost us \$130,000.00. Thank you for all your support in the past and your continued support which enabled us to respond to this emergency situation.

RED MASS: This year’s Red Mass will take place on Thursday, October 8, 2026 at 6 p.m. at the Corpus Christi Cathedral. Mass will be celebrated by Most Reverend Mario A. Aviles, Bishop of Corpus Christi. Following Mass, a light reception will follow across the street at 555 N. Carancahua St. in the 1st floor Atrium. For questions regarding Red Mass, please contact Olivia Rodriguez at orodriguez@diocesecc.org or (361)882-6191 ext. 675.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Religious Education Classes are held every Wednesday from 5:30-7 p.m. in the Religious Education Building. Registration Forms are in the church foyer. Please contact Carly Carlough, our Religious Education Director, (361)332-9273 for more information.

The second collection this week-end will be for Disaster Relief.

Collection for September 13, 2026

Loose Collection	\$ 2,682.03
Envelope Collection	\$ 1,230.00
Catholic University of America	\$ 685.00
Online Giving	\$ 820.00
Total	\$ 5,417.03

Thank you for your generosity.

HAVE A LAUGH: A police officer pulled over a car because it was swerving quite viciously on a quiet road. The officer pulls over the car and realizes that it's a priest driving the car, looking particularly merry. He asks the priest, "Have you had anything to drink sir?" The priest; quite clearly drunk, says "only water officer." Looking down, the officer sees a whole bunch of wine bottles rolling around the floor. "Sir there is wine bottles all over the floor of the car!" The priest looking dumbfounded, exclaimed, "Oh the Lord has done it again!!"