

St. Joseph Catholic Church (Port Aransas, Texas)

**Feast of the Presentation of the Lord
February 2, 2020**

Building Our Legacy

As you know, the "Building Our Legacy" fund-raising efforts kicked off December 1, 2019. The fundraising team has been very active identifying opportunities that allows everyone to take part in building our Church Campus.

To date the following efforts are underway:

Targeted Giving –

Religious Education Building (REB) Needs
Parish Hall Needs
Rectory Needs

Construction Bits & Pieces Needed –

Paint, Sheetrock, Drywall, Nails, Doors

Prints for Peace – Beautiful photos by John

Morris displayed in Church foyer.

Flyers are in the foyer of the church with information and donor sheets.

Campaigns soon to be available:

Memory Bricks – An area in front of the Church Office/REB will have a garden, and the bricks will surround that area.

Latest Financial Update – As of January 27, 2020

| Summary Sheet | Total Pledged | Total Received |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Cornerstone | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Religious Ed Building | \$28,200.00 | \$11,700.00 |
| Rectory | \$3,550.00 | \$0.00 |
| Parish hall | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Engraved Memory Bricks | | \$0.00 |
| Prints for Peace | | \$0.00 |
| | \$31,750.00 | \$11,700.00 |



To register for On-Line Banking go to the following link:
<https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1896>

Mass Intentions

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| Sat. | 1st | 5:00 pm | For The Parishioners of St. Joseph |
| Sun. | 2nd | 9:00 am | †Pete Fox By Genevieve Zapata †Maria Angel By Bob & Sandie Little †Nikolas Moralez By Alma DeWitt †Vincent Shioleno By The Shioleno Family |
| | 2nd | 11:00 am | †Sister Ann Catherine Burger By Dolores Nangle Pilar Robalino By Patti Hyland Connie Hudson By Dolores Nangle |
| Mon. | 3rd | 8:30 am | †Tom & Ann Kinsella By The Kinsella Children |
| Tues. | 4th | No Mass | |
| Wed. | 5th | 5:00 pm | †Tom & Ann Kinsella By The Kinsella Children |
| Thurs. | 6th | 8:30 am | †Tom & Ann Kinsella By The Kinsella Children |
| Fri. | 7th | 8:30 am | †Tom & Ann Kinsella By The Kinsella Children |
| Sat. | 8th | 5:00 pm | †Eldred & Frances Newland By Dolores Nangle |
| Sun. | 9th | 9:00 am | †Nikolas Moralez By Alma DeWitt †Betsy Graham By Carolyn McDermott †Connie Medrano By Sally Medrano †Mary Lee Finger By Beth Finger |
| | 9th | 11:00 am | For The Parishioners of St. Joseph |

Please Pray For the Sick:

Amy Pels, Clay Fedak, Caleb Derrick, and all who are in need of prayer. If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please call (361)749-5825.

Pope Francis says:

In the Christian life, it is not enough to be knowledgeable: unless we step out of ourselves, unless we worship, we cannot not know God. Christian life is a love story with God.



MINISTRY SCHEDULE: FEB 2020

| Date | | Lector | Eucharistic Ministers |
|---------|------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Sat 2/1 | 5pm | Liz Conces | Al Whitty |
| Sun 2/2 | 9am | Steve Lanoux | John Morris |
| | 11am | George Snell | Mary Jo Matthews |
| Sat 2/8 | 5pm | Daniel Merchant | Laura Merchant |
| Sun 2/9 | 9am | Stacey Mendoza | Javier Mendoza |
| | 11am | Carly Carlough | Alyn Snell |

Baby Bottle Boomerang Campaign

We have only two more weeks of our Baby Bottle Boomerang campaign in support of the Corpus Christi Hope House. If you haven't picked up a baby bottle, we encourage you to pick one up and fill it with loose change, currency or a check payable to Corpus Christi Hope House. All the proceeds will go towards the various programs that Hope House provides to women and children. The campaign ends the weekend of Feb. 15/16, but you may return your bottle after any of the Masses to one of the ladies of St. Joseph. Thank you!

Citywide Garage Sale February 15th

All proceeds will go towards the Building Fund. If you have something you would like to donate, you can bring it to the church hall this week between 2 & 3 M-F. All clothing must be clean & hung on a hanger, if appropriate.

Ladies of St. Joseph

Please join us for our meeting, Thursday, Feb. 6 at noon in the church foyer.

The second collection today is for the Building Fund.

Sunday Collection Report

January 26, 2020

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| Loose Collection | \$ 2313.83 |
| Envelope Collection | \$ 760.00 |
| Church in Latin America | \$ 591.00 |
| Online Giving | \$ 145.00 |
| TOTAL | \$ 3809.83 |

Pastor's Note: What is God's is given back to him...

Presentation of the Lord is about Jesus being made a part of the larger community. The real human aspect of Jesus is stressed here. The Lord of the universe, who took human form, is now able to associate himself with the beliefs and practices of the Jewish community. It is a way of total surrender to God and a way of giving gratitude to God. This little baby who is presented to the Lord in the Temple is not, however, an ordinary person. As the old man Simeon predicts, this baby was going to be reason for the rise and fall of many, and also a cause of division. This is not a comforting thing to hear, for the parents, about their child. Yet they joyously welcome the child as their own. In a way, they are saying yes to the will of God for this child. This scary prediction about the child does not create any doubt in the hearts of the parents of Jesus. They accept him as he is, because they know that Jesus is a gift from God and, therefore, ultimately he belongs to God. If it is God's will that this child is going to bring about division, as a result of doing what is right, then they were also going to accept and love the child. Their comforts and wellbeing is not their primary concern, but to do God's will and do it right.

HAVE A LAUGH . . . Helpful Prayer

Johnny had been misbehaving and was sent to his room. After a while he emerged and informed his mother that he had thought it over and then said a prayer.

"Fine", said the pleased mother. "If you ask God to help you not misbehave, He will help you."

"Oh, I didn't ask Him to help me not misbehave," said Johnny. "I asked Him to help you put up with me."