St. Joseph Catholic Church (Port Aransas, Texas)

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time February 23, 2020

Building Our Legacy

As you know, the "Building Our Legacy" fundraising 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

<u>Prints for Peace</u> – Beautiful photos by John Morris displayed in Church foyer.

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

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

Latest Financial Update – As of February 19, 2020

Summary Sheet			
	Total Pledged	Total Received	
Cornerstone	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Religious Ed Building	\$54,200.00	\$21,700.00	
Rectory	\$3,550.00	\$0.00	
Parish hall	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	
Engraved Memory Bricks		\$0.00	
Prints for Peace		\$0.00	
Bits & Pieces & Miscellaneous	\$4,515.00	\$4,515.00	
	\$62,265.00	\$29,215.00	

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

Mass Intentions

Sat.	22nd	5:00 p.m.	For The Parishioners of			
			St. Joseph			
Sun.	23rd	9:00 am	†Nikolas Moralez			
			By Alma DeWitt			
			†Phyllis Layne			
			By Bob & Debbie Wallace			
			†Betsy Graham			
			By Carolyn McDermott			
			†Connie Medrano			
			By Sally Medrano			
			†Mary Lee Finger			
			By Beth Finger			
		11:00 am	Clayton Gard (for healing)			
			By Bob & Sandie Little			
			Mike McBreen (for healing)			
			By Bob & Sandie Little			
Mon.	24th	8:30 am	†Tom & Ann Kinsella			
			By The Kinsella Children			
Tues.	25th	No Mass				
Wed.	26th	8:30 am	†Tom & Ann Kinsella			
			By The Kinsella Children			
Wed.	26th	5:00 pm	†Tom & Ann Kinsella			
			By The Kinsella Children			
Thur.	27th	8:30 am	Kenna Villarreal			
			(birthday blessings)			
			By Ken & Barbara Chesshir			
Fri.	28th	8:30 am	†Tom & Ann Kinsella			
			By The Kinsella Children			
Sat.	29th	5:00 pm	For The Parishioners of			
			St. Joseph			
Sun.	1st	9:00 am	†Nikolas Moralez			
			By Alma DeWitt			
			†Phyllis Layne			
			By Bob & Debbie Wallace			
			†Betsy Graham			
			By Carolyn McDermott			
			†Connie Medrano			
			By Sally Medrano			
			†Mary Lee Finger			
			By Beth Finger			
		11:00 am	†Pete Fox			
			By Genevieve Zapata			

Pope Francis says:

"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth." The "earth" to conquer is the salvation of our brother and sister. There is no earth better than someone's heart, no land more beautiful to gain than peace renewed with a brother or sister. This is the earth to inherit.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE: FEB/MAR 2020

Date		Lector	Eucharistic Ministers	
Sat. 2/22	5pm	Liz Conces	Ken Chesshir	
Sun 2/23	9am	Stacey Mendoza	John Morris	
	11am	Cheryl Hole	Debbie Wallace	
Sat 2/29	5pm	Dawn Gault/ Meade	Charlie Hutchins	
Sun 3/1	9am	Steve Lanoux	John Meyer	
	11am	George Snell	Mary Jo Matthews	

Ladies of St. Joseph

Thank you to everyone in our community who participated in our garage sale. We raised \$4,832.25, and we still have a bit more to come in from other sales. Because of this, we are able to sponsor quarter of a classroom towards "Building Our Legacy".

ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

February 26

8:30 a.m. Mass

5:00 p.m. Mass

There will be a second collection Ash Wednesday for Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

We will have Stations of the Cross every Friday of Lent after 8:30 a.m. Mass, starting February 28.

Sunday Collection Report, February 16, 2020

Sunday Collection Report,	rebrua	ry 16, 20
Loose Collection	\$	3330.06
Envelope Collection	\$	1053.00
Building Fund	\$	300.00
Online Giving	\$	120.00
TOTAL	\$	4803.06

Pastor's Note: Called to be perfect lovers...

If the teachings of Jesus can be summarized in one word, that word would definitely be, 'love'. All through the teaching ministry of Jesus, we see him giving great importance to love. And all his teachings were no mere words, they were reflections of the kind of life Jesus lived. He would also call on his followers to be perfect, like the Father. The perfection Jesus points to, is about a perfection in the way God the Father loves the world. This is a love that goes beyond and rises above all the imperfections of the world. It is not a relationship that is rooted in 'tit for tat'. God the Father, and Jesus himself, responds to the failures of people and their lack of love, not with retaliation, but with forgiveness and love. It is to this ideal, Jesus is urging his disciples to grow into. Our natural response to someone who hurt us is to pay back in the same token. Not just that, we would find it fitting to cut off all channels of communications with those who cause us harm. It is here that Jesus is challenging us to go against our natural instincts and conventional wisdom. Because we belong to a God who is love, we have to be holy like him, by loving everyone, even those who hurt us. That is how we become perfect lovers.

Please Pray For the Sick:

Clayton Gard, Mike McBreen, Clay Fedak, and all who are in need of prayer. If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please call (361)749-5825.

HAVE A LAUGH . . . Two canni-

bals meet one day. The first cannibal says, "You know, I just can't seem to get a tender Missionary. I've baked them, I've roasted them, I've stewed them, I've barbecued them, I've tried every sort of marinade. I just cannot seem to get them tender." The second cannibal asks, "What kind of Missionary do you use?" The other replied, "You know, the ones that hang out at that place at the bend of the river. They have those brown cloaks with a rope around the waist and they're sort of bald on top with a funny ring of hair on their heads."

"Ah, ha!" the second cannibal replies. "No wonder ... those are friars!"