

St. Joseph Catholic Church (Port Aransas, Texas)

Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 17, 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

Prints for Peace – Beautiful photos by John Morris. If you are interested, please contact John Morris at (361)249-0783 or naples2tx@gmail.com
 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 March 12, 2020

Summary Sheet	Total Pledged	Total Received
Cornerstone	\$0.00	\$0.00
Religious Ed Building	\$54,700.00	\$23,800.00
Rectory	\$3,700.00	\$1,050.00
Parish hall	\$6,700.00	\$6,700.00
Engraved Memory Bricks	\$1,900.00	\$1,900.00
Prints for Peace	\$165.00	\$165.00
Granite Crosses	\$480.00	\$480.00
Bits & Pieces & Misc Gifts	\$11,840.00	\$11,840.00
	\$79,485.00	\$45,935.00

Mass Intentions

Sat.	16th	5:00 pm	Mothers Day Novena
Sun.	17th	9:00 am	Mothers Day Novena
Mon.	18th	8:30 am	Mothers Day Novena
Tues.	19th	No Mass	
Wed.	20th	8:30 am	For The Parishioners of St. Joseph
Thurs.	21st	8:30 am	Liz Conces (birthday blessings) by Bob Conces
Fri.	22nd	8:30 am	† Michael McBreen by Bob & Sandie Little
Sat.	23rd	5:00 pm	† Michael McBreen by Bob & Sandie Little
Sun.	24th	9:00 am	† Sarah Savigni Maxham by Family † Michael McBreen by Bob & Sandie Little

First Holy Communion

May 31, 11:00 a.m.

Please pray for our children as they are guided on their journey of faith.

Sunday Collection Report—May 10, 2020

Envelope Collection	\$1505.00
Building Fund	\$ 150.00
Online Giving	<u>\$ 520.00</u>
Total	\$2175.00

Please Pray For the Sick:

Clayton Gard, 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.

Pope Francis says:

In (John 14:1-12), Jesus indicates two remedies for being troubled in heart. First: to not depend on ourselves but to have faith in Him. Second: to remember that here we are passing through and that Jesus has reserved us a place in Heaven.



Diocese of Corpus Christi

Abbreviated Directives regarding re-opening of our Parishes (Taken from Bishop Mulvey’s Directive as published on 30 April 2020)

- Public Masses will resume with limited seating (25% of seating capacity is permitted), on the weekend of May 9/10.
- All the faithful** are dispensed from the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday through the month of June.
- Those who are symptomatic or who have been exposed to someone with the virus within 14 days are not permitted to enter the church, in accordance with national, state and local health directives. All parishioners are asked to check their temperature at home before coming to church.
- Those who are at risk** because of an underlying health issue or who are over 65 are strongly encouraged, for their own health, to avoid the risk of attending public celebrations of the Mass.
- Parishes are encouraged to live stream Mass, even daily, so that those unable to attend in person may maintain spiritual connection with their local church.
- The faithful are encouraged** to wear a mask (or other face covering) upon entering the church and during the celebration of Mass. You may remove the mask when seated in the pew and to receive Holy Communion.
- REGARDLESS OF THE COUNTY IN WHICH YOUR PARISH IS LOCATED, THE 25% SEATING CAPACITY IS NOT TO BE EXCEEDED.**
- Holding Hands while reciting the Our Father is not permitted. The Sign of Peace is suspended.
- Gloves should not** be worn for the reception of Holy Communion.
- Distribution of Precious Blood to the assembly is prohibited. For those who are gluten intolerant, special arrangements are to be made with the pastor.

- During this time, Holy Communion is to be distributed in the hand** in keeping with the advice of state health officials and thereby avoiding the Communion minister’s fingers coming into contact with saliva.
- If you have any questions** concerning any of these Directives, please speak to your parish priest(s).

Pastor’s Note.... The Spirit reminds us to do what we have to... As the time nears for Jesus to return to his Father, he spends more time enabling the disciples to be courageous and faithful. He reminds them of the commandment to love and how that was going to be the hallmark of their commitment to Jesus. And the commandment to love has to be rooted in the life of Jesus. He asks his disciples to love as he loved. And since loving like Jesus is not an easy task, Jesus assures us that we will be reminded of this commandment every time we fail in our efforts. That is where he talks about the Spirit as a helper to each of the disciples. This Spirit, or the advocate, will remind the disciples of everything that they are expected to do. Today, in our lives, we are called to listen to, and respond positively to this Spirit, who every day, reminds us of our commitment to Jesus and the need to love as he did.

We Can Still Find A Reason to Laugh . . .
 I like how ads have gone from “buy a toyota” to “this is a difficult and uncertain time for us all...buy a toyota”

I ran out of toilet paper and had to start using old newspapers. Times are rough.

Did you hear the joke about the germ? Never mind, I don’t want to spread it around.

What do you tell yourself when you wake up late for work and realize you have a fever? Self, I so late.

What should you do if you don’t understand a coronavirus joke? Be patient.

What types of jokes are allowed during quarantine? Inside jokes!

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