

## St. Joseph Catholic Church (Port Aransas, Texas)

**Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**October 18, 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. This opportunity concluded 9/30/20.

As of Sep 30, 2020

### Summary Sheet

	Total Pledged	Total Received
Cornerstone	\$0.00	\$0.00
Religious Ed Building	\$63,500.00	\$31,600.00
Rectory	\$9,200.00	\$8,350.00
Parish hall	\$11,200.00	\$11,200.00
Engraved Memory Bricks	\$11,050.00	\$11,050.00
Prints for Peace	\$165.00	\$165.00
Granite Crosses	\$480.00	\$480.00
Bits & Pieces & Misc Gifts	\$21,167.16	\$18,167.16
	<b>\$116,762.16</b>	<b>\$81,012.16</b>
<b>Pledged Goal</b>	<b>% of Goal Pledged</b>	
<b>\$400,000.00</b>	<b>29%</b>	

<https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/1896>

### *Mass Intentions*

Sat.	17	5:00 pm	For <b>The Parishioners of St. Joseph</b>
Sun.	18	9:00 am	† <b>Sarah Savigni Maxham</b> By The Family
		11:00 am	For <b>The Parishioners of St. Joseph</b>
Mon.	19	8:30 am	For <b>The Parishioners of St. Joseph</b>
Tues.	20	NO MASS	
Wed.	21	8:30 am	For <b>The Parishioners of St. Joseph</b>
Thurs.	22	8:30 am	For <b>The Parishioners of St. Joseph</b>
Fri.	23	8:30 am	For <b>The Parishioners of St. Joseph</b>
Sat.	24	5:00 pm	For <b>The Parishioners of St. Joseph</b>
Sun.	25	9:00 am	† <b>Ritchie Marty</b> By Janie & Wayne Marty
		11:00 am	For <b>The Parishioners of St. Joseph</b>

### Please Pray For the Sick:

George Snell, Diana Robinson, Norman Granberry, Larry Tipler, Clayton Gard, Clay Fedak, Sandy Reed 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 Prayer, we place our worries and petitions in the hands of God, and we trust that He will listen, for He knows what we need and will give us what is good for us.



### Thank You Alyn and George Snell

As George & Alyn are moving to San Antonio, we, as a Parish, want to thank them for the life they brought to the Parish here at St. Joseph. May God continue to bless them. Know that your Parish family will miss you.

The second collection today is for  
 World Mission Sunday.

### Sunday Collection Report-October 11, 2020

Loose Collection	\$ 1324.00
Envelope Collection	\$ 560.00
Building Fund	\$ 747.00
Online Giving	<u>\$ 393.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3024.00</b>

### All Souls Day Novena

**A Novena of Nine Masses will be offered for the Faithful Departed starting November 2. If you want your loved ones to be included, please use the envelopes provided in the church foyer.**

### **HAVE A LAUGH . . .** Sorry, Wrong Address

A couple decided to go to Cyprus for the weekend, but because they both worked it was hard to coordinate their diaries. So they decided the husband would go a day early, and his wife would join him the following day. On arriving, the husband thought he would email his wife from his laptop, but he accidentally mistyped her email address and sent it off without realizing.

A widow had just returned from her husband's funeral. He was a minister of many years who had been 'called home to glory' following a heart attack. The widow checked her e-mail, expecting messages from relatives and friends, but instead found this:

**To:** My Loving Wife  
**From:** Your Departed Husband  
**Subject:** I've Arrived!

I've just arrived and have checked in. I see that everything has been prepared for your arrival tomorrow. Looking forward to seeing you then! Hope your journey is as uneventful as mine was. (P.S. Sure is hot down here!)

### **Pastor's Note: Being faithful to God in every situation....**

The Religious leadership during the time of Jesus felt threatened by the number of people who were following Jesus. To add to their concern, Jesus always questioned the way the leadership propagated and practiced their religion. They now begin to find ways to trap Jesus in saying something controversial, so that they could turn people away from him. It is with this intention that the disciples of the Pharisees are sent to Jesus. They approach him and start a conversation that looked quite innocent at the outset. They are trying to use the religious sentiments of the followers when they ask him about the lawfulness of paying taxes to Caesar. Since the occupation of the land by a foreign power was something that was resented by all the Jewish people, with some considering a violent overthrow of the government, they knew that, the answer from Jesus will get him into trouble. Jesus was not led by malice or selfish interest, but was always following the will of the Father. He links paying taxes to the image that is on the coin. Since it belongs to Caesar, he asks them to give to Caesar, what belongs to him, and give to God, what belongs to him. Since every human being is the image of God, each human person belongs to him. It is with this awareness that we are called to live. This means that what we do and say will have to be in accordance with the ways of God. It is this commitment to God's ways which will bring us blessings and favor from God, which is expressed in the first reading of today. King Cyrus of Persia, who was instrumental in freeing the people of Israel from foreign occupation. This righteous action of Cyrus, even though he was not a believer of the God of Israel, brings blessing upon him. Our lives have to be in such way that it gives glory to God. Commitment to God and his ways will be challenging. It means to be truthful, loving, generous, selfless and forgiving at all times. When we are faithful to God, we will be giving to God what belongs to him. Religion is not something that has to be used for our benefits, but something that will help us grow closer to God and his ways, by being faithful always.