St. Joseph Catholic Church (Port Aransas, Texas)

Third Sunday of Easter **April 18, 2021 TODAY'S READINGS** First Reading -Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 Psalm Second Reading -1 Jn 2:1-5a Cf. Lk 24:32 Alleluia Lk 24:35-48 Gospel— **READINGS FOR THE WEEK** Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Ps. 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 Mt 4:4b; Jn 6:22-29 Acts 7:51-8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 & 7b Tuesday: &8a, 17 & 21ab; Jn 6:35ab; Jn 6:30-35 Wed.: Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a; 4-5, 6-7a; Jn 6:40; Jn 6:35-40 Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 Thursday: Jn 6:51; Jn 6:44-51

Mass Intentions			
Sat.	17	5:00 pm	†Dennis Meade By Sandie & Bob Little
Sun.	18	9:00 am	For Thanksgiving for Family Blessings By The Rodriguez Family
		11:00 am	For The Parishioners of St. Joseph
Mon.	19	8:30 am	For Janie Jimenez (healing) By Sandie & Bob Little
Tues.	20	NO MASS	
Wed.	21	NO MASS	
Thurs.	22	NO MASS	
Fri.	23	8:30 am	For April Birthdays (blessings) By Sandie & Bob Little
Sat.	24	5:00 pm	For Bernadette Everett (birthday blessings) By Liz & Bob Conces
Sun.	25	9:00 am	For The Parishioners of St. Joseph
		11:00 am	†Michael McBreen By Sandie & Bob Little

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Friday:

Saturday:

Sunday:

Wednesday: Saint Anselm of Canterbury,

Jn 6:52-59

bishop and doctor of the Church

Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:56;

Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15,

Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26,

28, 29; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:14; Jn 10:11-18

16-17; Jn 6:63c, 68c; Jn 6:60-69

Friday: Saint George, martyr

Saint Adalbert, bishop and martyr

Please Pray For the Sick: Izza (family of Father George), Janie Jimenez, Mike Gibbs, Alyn Snell, George Snell, Arturo Lara, Diana Robinson, Norman Granberry, Larry Tipler, Clayton Gard, Clay Fedak, Sandy Reed and all who are in need of prayer.

<u>Please Pray For the Deceased</u>: Janie Fernandez If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please call: (361)749-5825.

Pope Francis says:

Jesus is the Risen One, the Lord who passed through death in order to lead us to safety. Even before we begin to seek Him, He is present beside us. He lifts us back up after our falls. He helps us grow in faith.



Welcome to Online Giving

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

Vacation for Father George

Father George is on his vacation from April 14 to May 7. Let us keep him in our prayers.

YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH PILGRIMAGE CENTER

Bishop Michael Mulvey has designated all the churches bearing the name of St. Joseph in the Diocese to be a pilgrimage center for the year of St. Joseph. St. Joseph Port Aransas is, therefore, a pilgrimage center where people can visit to pray and to receive plenary indulgence by fulfilling all the requirements, which include a confession and the reception of Holy Communion. Every Saturday the church will remain open from 12 noon until the end of the Mass. St. Joseph pray for us. Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

LECTOR SCHEDULE				
Sat. 4/17	5 pm	Al Whitty		
Sun. 4/18	9 am	Stacey Mendoza		
_	11 am	Cliff Strain		
Sat. 4/24	5 pm	Dawn Gault Meade		
Sun. 4/25	9 am	Donata Morris		

Knights of Columbus Scholarship

Heather Collins

Graduating seniors and college students are eligible to apply for the Knights of Columbus Scholarship. Applicants must be a child or a grandchild of a parishioner of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Port Aransas. Previous recipients of a scholarship must resubmit a new application to be eligible for the grant. The deadline for submitting applications is May 15, 2021. The Council will review applications and will fund as many qualified applicants as feasible. Applicants will be notified by mail of the results and individuals receiving the scholarship(s) will be announced at all masses prior to June 30, 2021. Requests for applications can be made by contacting Bob Conces at conces@suddenlink.net.

Collection for April 11, 2021					
Loose Collection	\$ 1822.66				
Envelope Collection	\$ 905.00				
Building Fund	\$ 540.00				
Online Giving	\$ 490.00				
Total	\$ 3757.66				

HAVE A LAUGH . . . A priest was driving and gets stopped for speeding.

The state trooper smells alcohol on the priest's breath and then sees an empty wine bottle on the floor of the car. He says, "Father, have you been drinking?"
"Just water," says the priest, fingers crossed.
The trooper says, "Then why do I smell wine?"

The priest looks at the bottle and says "Praise be to God! He's done it again!"

Pastor's Note: A love that embraces the whole universe....

Love never abandons the ones it loves. This is especially true of the love of God demonstrated in and through the person of Jesus. Jesus, after his Resurrection, does not leave the apostles and move on to heaven. Caring for the Apostles also involves making things clear for them, so that they would understand the saving act of Jesus. The suffering of Jesus was not something they were able to understand. During his lifetime Jesus predicted his death, and the Apostles did not understand that fully. Now that Jesus is vindicated through his Resurrection, he is able to explain things to the Apostles and he is also able to assure them that he is still in control. This personal encounter and interaction with Jesus transforms the Apostles, from being fearful to fearless defenders and proclaimers of the suffering and death of Jesus. The assurance of Jesus makes them understand the need to proclaim the salvation preached by Jesus to all the nations. From a life of lost glory, as a result of sin and death, the whole universe will now experience the renewed glory of being God's creation. Jesus meets them at their level and makes them experience the enduring love of God for them. Easter Season is a time for us to be transformed into the image of the Resurrected Lord. The glory that is revealed in Jesus is the glory that comes to us by being children of love and life. When we bear witness to the life and love of Jesus, we become one with him, and his glory will shine on us. Then we, like Jesus, will be able to bring the love of God to everyone, going beyond the boundaries set up by human ignorance and selfishness. Easter joy is about becoming people who are able to reach out and make a difference in the lives of others. Let Easter journey continue.