

St. Joseph Catholic Church (Port Aransas, Texas)

Easter Sunday
April 17, 2022

Mass Intentions

Sat.	4/16	6:00 pm	† Daniel Merchant By: The Parishioners of St. Joseph
Sun.	4/17	9:00 am	† Janie Fernandez By: Delfina Fernandez
		11:00 am	For: The Parishioners of St. Joseph
Mon.	4/18	8:30 am	For: Merrit Perotti (healing) By: Maurisa Perotti
Tues.	4/19	NO MASS	
Wed.	4/20	NO MASS	
Thurs.	4/21	NO MASS	
Fri.	4/22	8:30 am	† Mary Pham By: Janie Zeller
Sat.	4/23	5:00 pm	For: Margie Quigley (birthday blessings) By: Louis & Sandra Hickl
Sun.	4/24	9:00 am	† Frances Guzman By: Rosie & Elvia
		11:00 am	For: Bernadette Everett (birthday blessings) By: Liz & Bob Conces

Did you know about the Saints ... Through a humble Polish nun, Saint Maria Faustina Kowalski (Feast Day Oct. 5), Jesus instructed the world about the Lord's Divine Mercy, "My daughter, tell the whole world about my inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls." Saint Faustina recorded the conversations with Jesus in her Diary. In the year 2000, Saint John Paul II the Great confirmed that the Feast of Divine Mercy will be celebrated each year on the second Sunday of Easter. Our Parish will be participating in the Divine Mercy Novena by reciting the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at the church from April 15 to 23 at 3pm. The chaplet will also be said before each mass on Divine Mercy Sunday on April 24.

Welcome to Online Giving

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

PRAYER FOR THE SYNOD: We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen

Knights of Columbus Scholarship

Graduating seniors and college students are eligible to apply for the Knights of Columbus Scholarship. Applicants must be a child or 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, 2022. 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, 2022. Requests for applications can be made by contacting Bob Conces at: conces@suddenlink.net



Thanks to all for your Easter flower offerings. See the list on the bulletin board in the foyer.

Thank you to Stacey & Javier Mendoza for sponsoring the Easter flowers.

Please Pray For the Sick: Bob Wallace, Debbie Wallace, George Snell, Elvia Tamayo, Shirley Culp, Sandy Clark, Roco Logiodice, Jim Koenig, Betty Paschal, Tony Paschal, Mike Gibbs, Larry Tipler, Clayton Gard, and all who are in need of prayer.

Please Pray For the Deceased:

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please call: (361)749-5825.

Pope Francis says: The peace of the Lord follows the way of meekness and the cross: it is taking responsibility for others. Indeed, Christ took on himself our evil, sin and death. In this way he freed us. His peace is not the fruit of some compromise, but rather is born of self-giving.



Pastor's Note: Seeking the living among the alive.... Forty days of Lent, a time of Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving, culminates in the joyful celebration of Easter, which we commemorate this week. Easter is the celebration of life, not just of Jesus who rose from the dead, but also of everyone who is born into Christ, by virtue of their Baptism. It is the celebration of the New Life we all received when we were Baptized, a fullness of life towards which we are led each and every day. This weekend's Liturgy begins with the Easter Vigil, which we celebrate on the night of Holy Saturday. The most important aspect of this celebration is the Blessing of the fire and the lighting of the Easter candle. The whole ceremony celebrates the Light which Jesus brought into the darkness of our human sin, which resulted in death. We proclaim Jesus as the Light that dispels all the darkness of sin and death. Then, with lighted candles which we light from the Easter Candle, we process into the church and light up the church which has all the lights turned off during the procession. As we do the Easter Proclamation, after we take our places inside the church, we recall the great act of God, all through the history of humanity, where he came to the aid of human beings, culminating in the Resurrection of Jesus, our Messiah and Savior. Then we journey through time, as we read from the Scriptures and rejoice at the presence of God at every turn of event in history. Then, the Gospel reminds us that Jesus, who was tortured and killed and who was buried in a tomb, has come back to life again. As various readings from the New Testament would remind us, Jesus was rewarded with New Life for the love and obedience he demonstrated during his suffering and death. If the mood, as we left the church on Good Friday, was somber, the mood, as we leave the church on Easter, is joyous. The disciples were all crestfallen, when they witnessed the arrest, torture and death of Jesus. The women who accompanied him in his death also thought that the story of Jesus was over and that he has just become a distant reality. This is where the power of God intervened and transformed, not just the life of Jesus, but that of everyone. He is no more dead, but alive. Jesus is to be sought among us, who are called to live a life of fullness in him. Happy Easter!

Vacation for Father George

Father George will be on his vacation April 18 to May 21. Please keep him in your prayers. If you need to discuss anything before he leaves, please call the office.

LECTOR/EUCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

Sat.	4/16	6 pm	Kim Locus, Elizabeth W, Dr. Whitty/Charlie H
Sun.	4/17	9 am	Donata Morris/Marvin Murray
		11 am	John Locus/Ken Chesshir
Sat.	4/23	5 pm	Elizabeth Winkelmann/Nick Winkelmann
	4/24	9 am	Stacey Mendoza/Javier Mendoza
		11 am	Carly Carlough/Barbara Smith



May the new life, peace and joy of Easter dwell in your hearts and your homes!

Collection for April 10, 2022

Loose Collection	\$ 3,534.25
Envelope Collection	\$ 900.00
Building Fund	\$ 900.00
Online Giving	\$ 415.00
Total	\$ 5,749.25

HAVE A LAUGH . . . Between The Pages

A little boy opened the big and old family Bible with fascination, and looked at the old pages as he turned them. Suddenly, something fell out of the Bible, and he picked it up and looked at it closely. It was an old leaf from a tree that had been pressed in between the pages.

"Momma, look what I found," the boy called out.

"What have you got there, dear?" his mother asked.

With astonishment in the young boy's voice, he answered: "I think it's Adam's suit!"