

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

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**July 17, 2022**

## Mass Intentions

Sat.	7/16	5:00 pm	For: <b>Haley McCoy-Ryan</b> (birthday blessings) By: Scott & Merci McCoy
Sun.	7/17	9:00 am	† <b>Maria Sorzano</b> By: The Family † <b>Franchoise Bouthiller</b> By: Roger Leblond
		11:00 am	In <b>Thanksgiving for Family Blessings</b> By: Bertha & Victor Rodriguez
Mon	7/18	8:30 am	For: <b>The Ahrs &amp; MBC Partners</b> By: Martha Wild
Tues.	7/19	NO MASS	
Wed.	7/20	8:30 am	For <b>Taylor Holloway</b> (birthday blessings) By: Louis & Sandra Hickl
Thurs.	7/21	8:30 am	† <b>Celine Leblond</b> By: Roger Leblond
Fri.	7/22	8:30 am	For: <b>The Ahrs &amp; MBC Partners</b> By: Martha Wild
Sat.	7/23	5:00 pm	† <b>Celine Leblond</b> By: Roger Leblond
Sun.	7/24	9:00 am	† <b>Frances Guzman</b> By: Rosie & Elvia
		11:00 am	† <b>Janie Marty</b> By: Dorothy Kissling

**Did you know about the Saints:** On July 23rd, we celebrate the Feast of Saint Bridget of Sweden (1303 – 1373). Bridget was married and had eight children. One of her eight children was Saint Catherine of Sweden. The Saint had many visions from our Lord throughout her life that would instruct her activism. Bridgett influenced the King of Sweden to donate land and a palace to start a monastery. The members of this monastery eventually became known as Bridgetines. Later in life, Bridget was called to work on the elimination of abuses by the church in Rome and that is where she spent the rest of her life. In 1999, she was named co-patroness of Europe along with Saint Catherine of Siena and Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross.

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<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

### AUTHORITY AND PARTICIPATION

A synodal Church is a participatory and co-responsible Church. How do we identify the goals to be pursued, the way to achieve them, and the steps to be taken? How is authority exercised within our particular Church? What are the practices of teamwork and co-responsibility? How are lay ministries and the assumption of responsibility by the Faithful promoted? How do synodal bodies function at the level of the particular Church? Are they a fruitful experience?

**Please Pray For the Sick:** Alberto Moreno, Douglas Bean, Travis Waddell, Patti Hyland, Cheryl Hole, 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, Deodato Ruiz, Jr., Janos Gardi, and all who are in need of prayer.

**Please Pray For the Deceased:** **Rainer Lothar Hellnick**  
If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please call: (361)749-5825.

### Pope Francis says:

I renew my closeness to the Ukrainian people, who are daily tormented by the brutal attacks that ordinary people are paying for. Let us [#Pray Together](#) that God might show the way to put an end to this senseless war!



**Pastor's Note: Going across the borders with love....**Last two Sundays we have been listening to the mission Jesus entrusts to his disciples. He sends them out to bring peace to everyone they encounter on their way and to care for everyone, even going beyond the established laws and norms of society and religion. Today, he builds further on this reaching out to others, even strangers and to givers of good things. The richness of God's mercy was made available even to the Gentiles, as stressed by Paul in the second reading, and thus, we are called to embrace even strangers. As we are reminded in the Responsorial Psalm, the one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord. Justice is an integral part of the Kingdom of God, as preached by Jesus. In fact, doing justice was something God sought from the people of Israel, in the Old Testament. Justice is a call to show fidelity to the relationship we have with God and others. This justice is rooted in the way God reached out to people, when they were in need. Doing justice is prompted by compassion, as stressed by Jesus in the parable of the Good Samaritan. The first reading talks about Abraham catering to the three strangers, by providing food and drink for them in the desert. Having been a person who has been wandering the desert, Abraham knew the perils of desert journey. Not having food or drink could be a life-threatening experience. Abraham sees the peril of these strangers and sets before them, food and drink. His compassion led him to act with justice. He is rewarded for this act of justice. When it comes to the Gospel, Jesus builds on his call to be compassionate and be singular minded in serving others. It is a call to be selfless and generous. As Jesus visits his friends, Lazarus, Martha and Mary, he is welcomed and made at home by their hospitality and love. The Gospel presents two contrasting characters in Martha and Mary. While Mary sits by Jesus, taking in every word that comes from his mouth, Mary was busy preparing the meal for Jesus. Both are commendable acts, and yet Jesus tells Martha that she was worried about too many things. What Jesus wants to stress is the need for total commitment and involvement in what we do and never to be distracted by the desire for appreciation, while serving others. Our gifts to others have to be given with no strings attached. It has to be a gratuitous one, as we received from God. Love is a free gift.

### Prayer for Rain

O God, in Whom we live and move, and have our being, grant us rain, in due abundance, that, being sufficiently helped with temporal, we may the more confidently seek after eternal gifts. Through Christ, our Lord.  
Amen

### LECTOR/EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER SCHEDULE

Sat.	7/16	5 pm	Liz Conces/Heather Collins
Sun.	7/17	9 am 11 am	Marvin Murray/Javier Mendoza Kim Locus/John Locus
Sat.	7/23	5 pm	Elizabeth Winkelmann/Nick Winkelmann
Sun.	7/24	9 am 11 am	_____/Javier Mendoza Cliff Strain/Ken Chesshir

**The Knights of Columbus** are holding a summer raffle with over \$4,500 worth of prizes. The drawing will be Sunday, September 4 (Labor Day Weekend). Tickets are \$5 each or 5 tickets for \$20. Please support the raffle as the money supports our parish, college scholarships, and local charities.  
Package #1 "Stay in Port A"  
Package #2 Guided Bay Fishing Package  
Package #3 Bay Fishing Package Island Queen  
Package #4 Family Fun Port Aransas  
Package #5—Family Fun Corpus Christi  
Package #6 Golf/Dining La Palmilla  
Package #7 History of Port Aransas

The second collection this week-end is for the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa.

### Collection for July 10, 2022

Loose Collection	\$ 2,628.02
Envelope Collection	\$ 660.00
Building Fund	\$ 50.00
Online Giving	\$ 395.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,733.02</b>

**HAVE A LAUGH:** When a young minister was still single, he preached a sermon he entitled, "Rules for Raising Children." After he got married and had children of his own, he changed the title of the sermon to "Suggestions for Raising Children." When his children got to be teenagers, he stopped preaching on that subject altogether.