

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

## Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 24, 2022

### Mass Intentions

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| Sat.   | 7/23 | 5:00 pm  | † <b>Celine Leblond</b><br>By: Roger Leblond  |
| Sun.   | 7/24 | 9:00 am  | † <b>Frances Guzman</b><br>† <b>Rainer Hellnick</b><br>By: Rosie & Elvia  |
|        |      | 11:00 am | † <b>Janie Marty</b><br>By: Dorothy Kissling  |
| Mon.   | 7/25 | 8:30 am  | For: <b>Allison Makus</b><br>(birthday blessings)<br>By: Liz & Bob Conces   |
| Tues.  | 7/26 | NO MASS  |   |
| Wed.   | 7/27 | 8:30 am  | † <b>Celine B. Leblond</b><br>By: Roger Leblond   |
| Thurs. | 7/28 | 8:30 am  | For: <b>Juliette Makus</b><br>(birthday blessings)<br>By: Liz & Bob Conces  |
| Fri.   | 7/29 | 8:30 am  | † <b>Charles Pacola</b><br>By: Wayne & Ginny Ryback   |
| Sat.   | 7/30 | 5:00 pm  | For: <b>The Parishioners of St. Joseph</b>  |
| Sun.   | 7/31 | 9:00 am  | In Thanksgiving for the Annual<br><b>Schott Family</b> Coast Trip<br>† <b>Wilburn Schott</b><br>By: The Schott Family |
|        |      | 11:00 am | † <b>Janie Marty</b><br>By: Dorothy Kissling  |

**Did you know about the Saints:** On July 26th, we celebrate the Feast of Saints Anne and Joachim, the mother and father of Mary. The names of these two great Saints are not found in the New Testament but are attributed to a traditional source. Evidence of the holy lives of Anne and Joachim are evident in Mary's actions as a young woman. Mary's tremendous faith, her dedication to prayer, and her commitment to the Lord was formed in the "domestic church" of her childhood. Saints Anne and Joachim are the patron Saints of Grandparents. Saint Anne is the patron Saint of Mothers and Women in Labor.

### 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

### DISCERNING AND DECIDING

In a synodal style, decisions are made through discernment, based on a consensus that flows from the common obedience to the Spirit. By what procedures and methods do we discern together and make decisions? How can they be improved? How do we promote participation in decision-making within hierarchically structured communities? How do we articulate the consultative phase with the deliberative one, the process of decision-making with the moment of decision-taking? How and with what tools do we promote transparency and accountability?

**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:

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

**Pope Francis says:** The word of Jesus is a teaching that touches and shapes life, frees it from the dullness of evil, satisfies and infuses it with a joy that does not pass: it is the better part. Therefore, Mary gives it first place: she stops and listens. The rest will come after.



**Pastor's Note: Praying to the one who will hear us....** Having focused on the way a disciple is called to respond in various situations, this Sunday we focus on the way God responds to our needs. "Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me", is the responsorial Psalm today, reiterating the large-heartedness of God. God comes to our help, every time we need him or we are in need of help. God is someone who is able to understand us and respond to our needs. The first reading from the book of Genesis throws further light on the compassionate nature of God. Abraham seems to be exploiting the compassion of God, when he argues with God about the possibility of good people getting punished for no fault of theirs. In doing so, Abraham himself is manifesting the compassion of God. God cares for the people and God is always willing to relent, when we raise our hearts in prayer. Yes, God is indeed compassionate and merciful. The compassionate heart of God is further stressed in the second reading, when Paul talks about the salvation brought about through the instrumentality of Jesus. We were living lives unworthy of God, and Jesus takes upon himself all our sins, and we are not only spared of punishment, but are made once again friends of God. This is because God understood our need, and he responded with mercy. Jesus was asking us to be other-centered and compassionate. This was, in fact, a call to be like God, who is compassionate and generous. It is this compassionate and generous nature of God that is stressed in the Gospel reading for this Sunday. "Ask and you will receive", is an oft repeated phrase from the Bible. Even though, in reality, we may not get everything we ask for, God is able to understand what we need and will always come to our aid. The examples of people responding to others, when they ask for things they want, serve as a backdrop to explaining the magnanimity of God. If humans can respond to others with kindness, in spite of their shortcomings and failures, how much more will the generous God respond to our needs, when we call upon him. We are going to be gifted with the Holy Spirit, as a way of enabling our prayer life and also to aid us in our response to others. God is generous and understanding. We can rely on him.

### Join the Excitement of Pledgefest 2022!

Mon., August 29—Fri., September 2

KLUX 89.5HD Radio is the Radio Station for the Diocese of Corpus Christi and PledgeFest 2022 benefitting KLUX will be on the air soon! The 5-day over-the-air event is one of the primary fundraisers for the local non-commercial radio station.

For volunteer opportunities : imenchaca@GoCCN.org

Donations can be made: [www.KLUX.org](http://www.KLUX.org)

For more information call (361)289-6437

### LECTOR/EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER SCHEDULE

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|------|------|---------------|---|
| Sat. | 7/23 | 5 pm          | Elizabeth Winkelmann/Nick Winkelmann                    |
| Sun. | 7/24 | 9 am<br>11 am | Gail Burger/Javier Mendoza<br>Cliff Strain/Ken Chesshir |
| Sat. | 7/30 | 5 pm          | Heather Collins/Liz Conces                              |
| Sun. | 7/31 | 9 am<br>11 am | Gail Burger/Javier Mendoza<br>John Locus/Kim Locus      |

**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

### Collection for July 17, 2022

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| Loose Collection                     | \$ 2,739.56 |
| Envelope Collection                  | \$ 1,150.00 |
| Solidarity Fund for Church in Africa | \$ 1,049.26 |
| Building Fund                        | \$ 135.00   |
| Online Giving                        | \$ 745.00   |
| Total                                | \$ 5,818.82 |

**HAVE A LAUGH:** In a moment of creative inspiration, the entrepreneur who owned the coin-op laundry beside the church commissioned this sign for his window: "Where cleanliness really is next to Godliness!"