

St. Joseph Catholic Church (Port Aransas, Texas)

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 31, 2022

Mass Intentions

Sat.	7/30	5:00 pm	For: The Parishioners of St. Joseph
Sun.	7/31	9:00 am	In Thanksgiving for the Annual Schott Family Coast Trip † Wilburn Schott By: The Schott Family
		11:00 am	† Janie Marty By: Dorothy Kissling † Jim Bingham By: Leticia Grounds
Mon.	8/1	8:30 am	For: Elizabeth Rose Everett (birthday blessings) By: Liz & Bob Conces
Tues.	8/2	NO MASS	
Wed.	8/3	8:30 am	† Bruce Kennedy By: Liz & Bob Conces
Thurs.	8/4	8:30 am	† Gertrude Pina By: Family
Fri.	8/5	8:30 am	† Joe F. & Lillian Valek By: Georgia Salik Family
Sat.	8/6	5:00 pm	† Mary Pham By: Family
Sun.	8/7	9:00 am	For The Parishioners of St. Joseph
		11:00 am	† Janie Marty By: Dorothy Kissling † Alberto & Trina Ruiz By: Rosie & Elvia

Did you know about the Saints: On August 4th, we celebrate the Feast of Saint John Vianney (1786 – 1859). From his youth, John wanted to enter the priesthood. He had little formal schooling which left Latin a significant challenge for him. John overcame this obstacle and was ordained a priest. As a priest he was assigned to the parish in Ars where he found that the French Revolution caused significant indifference to God and religion within the town and his parish. Over time John changed the hearts of his parish and soon many pilgrims would come to Ars. He was focused on reconciling all with God and would spend 12 or more hours a day hearing confessions. The Saint would often preach that "Private prayer is like straw scattered here and there: If you set it on fire, it makes a lot of little flames. But gather these straws into a bundle and light them, and you get a mighty fire, rising like a column into the sky; public prayer is like that." Saint John Vianney is the patron Saint of Parish Priests.

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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

FORMING OURSELVES IN SYNODALITY

The spirituality of journeying together is called to become an educational principle for the formation of the human person and of the Christian, of the families, and of the communities. How do we form people, especially those who hold roles of responsibility within the Christian community, to make them more capable of "journeying together," listening to one another and engaging in dialogue? What formation do we offer for discernment and the exercise of authority? What tools help us to read the dynamics of the culture in which we are immersed and their impact on our style of Church?

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 message of unity that Heaven sends to earth does not fear differences, but invites us to communion, to start afresh together, because we are all pilgrims on a journey.



Pastor's Note: Storing up lasting treasures....It is important to get our priorities right, because our life is something that will not end with our last day here on earth. There are ways in which we focus on material things and put our faith in amassing wealth, even at the expense of values that God has given us, as prime and non-negotiable. After teaching us how to pray and how we are to place our trust in the providential care of God, Jesus instructs us on the need to be less materialistic, and more spiritual. The Responsorial Psalm reminds us that our life is fragile and it can end any time. It is, therefore, important for us not to harden our hearts and to listen to the voice of God. It is this temporary nature of material things that the first reading from the Book of Ecclesiastes stresses, when it states that 'all things are vanity'. Nothing is permanent and will not be able to withstand the test of time. St. Paul invites us to focus on things that will endure, the ones that Jesus focused on, because we have been raised with Christ. To be a person who belongs to Christ is to be a person who will be guided by the values of Christ. Jesus, with his death, was nullifying everything that is transient, things that will not stand the test of time. The things that are earthly spring from a selfish desire to focus on our temporary convenience and comforts. St. Paul categorizes them as earthly. All that takes us away from the path of God, the path shown by Jesus, has to be shunned. We are called to walk the path of truth and selflessness. Jesus wants us to focus on storing up treasures that will last. The one who approached Jesus to seek help in arbitrating with his brother to have a fair share of the property they inherited, was in for a shock when Jesus derided the excessive focus on possessions. He asks the crowd to guard against all greed, because it is going to be futile to compromise on Godly values in the pursuit of wealth and material possessions. What Jesus wants to stress, is the fact that our life is something that goes beyond our life here on earth. The material wealth that we have accumulated are not things that we will be able to carry with us when we depart this world. The treasures that will last, as mentioned by Jesus, are the things that we have done to touch the lives of others, by rising above our selfish interests. What matters is the spiritual wellbeing we have achieved, withstanding avarice and greed.

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

For more information call (361)289-6437

LECTOR/EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER SCHEDULE

Sat.	7/30	5 pm	Heather Collins/Liz Conces
Sun.	7/31	9 am	Gail Burger/Javier Mendoza
		11 am	John Locus/Kim Locus
Sat.	8/6	5 pm	Liz Conces/Charlie Hutchins
Sun.	8/7	9 am	_____/Javier Mendoza
		11 am	Cliff Strain/Mary Jo Matthews

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 24, 2022

Loose Collection	\$ 3,560.00
Envelope Collection	\$ 646.00
Building Fund	\$ 125.00
Online Giving	\$ 405.00
Total	\$ 4,736.00

HAVE A LAUGH: Bloopers

Bertha C. remains in the hospital and needs blood donors for more transfusions. She is also having trouble sleeping and requests tapes of Pastor Jack's sermons.