

St. Joseph Catholic Church (Port Aransas, Texas)

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 12, 2023

Mass Intentions

Sat.	2/11	5:00 p.m.	†Joan Whitty By: Dr. Albert Whitty
Sun.	2/12	9:00 a.m.	†Frances Guzman By: Rosie & Elvia
		11:00 a.m.	For: Leighton Works (birthday blessings) By: The Hyland Family
Mon.	2/13	8:30 a.m.	For: The Parishioners of St. Joseph
Tues.	2/14	NO MASS	
Wed.	2/15	NO MASS	
Thurs.	2/16	NO MASS	
Fri.	2/17	NO MASS	
Sat.	2/18	5:00 p.m.	†Ron Revell By: Barbara & Frank Culp
Sun.	2/19	9:00 a.m.	†Doris Fischer By: Family
		11:00 a.m.	†Sam Workman By: Ken & Barbara Chesshir †Don Ruff By: Family

Bible Study Are you looking for a Bible study? Join us in our study of the Sunday Gospel. We will meet Thursday mornings at 9 AM (following morning Mass) in the Education building. Enter via Lantana Street. The format is known as Lectio Divina (Divine Reading) and consists of 4 parts: reading, meditating, prayer, and contemplation. Coffee and snacks will be available. If you have any questions, contact Liz or Bob Conces at jmjconces@gmail.com

Dear full-time or part-time parishioners:
 The parish has an email network that informs participants of any changes to mass schedules, prayer requests, Catholic news, and notices from the parish office. If you would like to be included in this distribution (or would like to be removed), please email Bob Conces @ conces@suddenlink.net.

Welcome to Online Giving

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

Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule

February 22 - Mass with distribution of ashes
 8:30 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.

Did you know about the Saints: On February 15, we celebrate the feast of Saint Claude de al Colombiere (1641 – 1682). Claude met Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque in Burgundy where he served as the superior of a Jesuit residence. He was Margaret Mary's confessor, spiritual companion, and friend. Just as Margaret Mary, he preached of devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. In 1676 Claude was transferred to England and assigned to become court preacher for the Duchess of York. Claude taught strongly by both words and example but was falsely charged in a political plot. His health soon deteriorated while in prison, and he was sent back to France where he died while in the care of Margaret Mary. Claude was beatified by Pope Pius XI and canonized by Saint John Paul II the Great.



We are entering into the fifth week of our **Baby Bottle Boomerang** campaign in support of the Corpus Christi Hope House. If you haven't picked up a baby bottle, we encourage you to pick one up and fill it with loose change, currency or a check (**payable to Corpus Christi Hope House**). All the proceeds will go towards the various programs that Hope House provides to women and children. This campaign ends the weekend of February 18/19, but you can turn in your bottle after any of the Masses to one of the ladies of St Joseph or drop off at the parish office. Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

Please Pray For the Sick: Raymond Kloc, Brian & Robin Hempstead, Debbie Wallace, Rosa Guajardo, Julian Angel, Alberto Moreno, Douglas Bean, Travis Waddell, Patti Hyland, Cheryl Hole, George Snell, Elvia Tamayo, Shirley Culp, Rocco Logiodice, Jim Koenig, Tony Paschal, Mike Gibbs, Larry Tipler, Clayton Gard, Deodato Ruiz, Jr., Dave Clough, Raphael Del Moral, and all who are in need of prayer.

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

Pope Francis says: Let's [#PrayTogether](https://www.popefrancis.org/en/2017/05/17-pray-together) for the peoples of Türkiye and Syria hard hit by the earthquakes that have caused thousands of deaths and injuries. I thank those who are working to provide relief, and I encourage everyone to offer their solidarity.



Pastor's Note: Faithfulness in every way.... Jesus continues to challenge us to have a new vision on reality. Today the readings focus of faithfulness to God in living lives that are worthy of being children of God. The first reading from the Book of Sirach presents the hope and trust the Lord places in us, to live as his true children. The passage we have today reminds us that it is up to us to do what is right. He has placed before us, good and evil, life and death. We can choose what we prefer. However, the invitation is to choose what is right. The Responsorial Psalm reminds us that those who follow the law of the Lord are blessed. St. Paul tells us that when we do what God wants us to do, we are using the wisdom of God that has been there for us to use. Thus, when we choose to do what is right, we are actually cooperating with God. In the Gospel, Jesus asks his followers to go beyond the letter of the Law and be faithful to the Law in its spirit. He, therefore, qualifies some of the important laws governing relationships. He reminds us that holding on to anger against someone and harboring ill will towards that person amounts to killing. Then he talks about purity in sexual commitment towards one's spouse. He reminds his disciples that faithfulness to God has to be seen not in words, but in deeds. Our righteousness, as followers of Jesus, has to go beyond that of the Scribes and Pharisees. Thus, Jesus reminds us that our commitment to God has to be seen in living with a clear conscience, devoid of pretensions and duplicity. It is up to us to choose wisely, to live as true children of God. What is required is commitment.



"Give to the one who asks of you, and do not turn your back on the one who wants to borrow."
 - Matthew 5:42

2023 Bishop's Stewardship Appeal

Our Catholic parish is the most direct local route for our community to reach Him, and our Bishop's Stewardship Appeal seeks to help more people get access to Him. Please support our BSA today. We need your generosity, prayers, and advocacy. Let's bring souls from our community to his merciful feet!

Dear Volunteers of St Joseph Parish,

If you missed the Safe Environment class, you can find the Volunteer Application, a schedule of live training classes scheduled throughout the Diocese, and the link to complete on-line Safe Environment Training at: <https://diocesec.org/training>

LECTOR/EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER SCHEDULE

Sat.	2/11	5 pm	Julie Winkelmann/Nick & Julie Winkelmann, Charlie Hutchins
Sun.	2/12	9 am	Laura Peterek/Marvin Murray, Roger Schill, Stacey Mendoza
		11 am	Leticia Grounds/Barbara Smith, Ken Chesshir, John Locus
Sat.	2/18	5 pm	Liz Conces/Heather Collins, Charlie Hutchins, Liz Conces
Sun.	2/19	9 am	Yvette Jimenez/Laura Peterek, Stacey Mendoza, Roger Schill
		11 am	Cliff Strain/Ken Chesshir, Kim Locus, John Locus

All the men of St. Joseph parish are invited to meet for lunch at 12:30 pm, Monday, February 20th. The location is pending, and details will be forthcoming before the date. It is a great opportunity to get to know the folks in your parish community, whether you are a full time, part-time or a weekend resident. Please RSVP to Bob @ conces@suddenlink.net.

Collection for February 5, 2023

Loose Collection	\$ 2,677.00
Envelope Collection	\$ 565.00
Building Fund	\$ 1,064.63
Home Missions	\$ 70.00
Online Giving	<u>\$ 1,185.00</u>
Total	\$ 5,561.63

HAVE A LAUGH . . . I told my physical therapist I broke my arm in two places. He told me to stop going to those places.