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

# The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ June 2, 2024

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Mass Intentions			
Sat.	6/1	5:00 p.m.	For: <b>The Parishioners of St. Joseph</b>
Sun.	6/2	9:00 a.m.	For: <b>The Parishioners of St. Joseph</b>
		11:00 a.m.	For: <b>Richard Locke</b> (healing) By: General Star Locke
Mon.	6/3	8:30 a.m.	<b>†Holy Souls in Purgatory</b> By: Maria Suttles
Tues.	6/4	NO MASS	
Wed.	6/5	NO MASS	
Thurs.	6/6	8:30 a.m.	For: <b>The Parishioners of St. Joseph</b>
Fri.	6/7	8:30 a.m.	For: The Parishioners of St. Joseph
Sat.	6/8	5:00 p.m.	For: <b>The Parishioners of St. Joseph</b>
Sun.	6/9	9:00 a.m.	<b>†Frances Guzman</b> By: Rosie & Elvia
		11:00 a.m.	For: <b>Sgt. Major Manual Chapa</b> (healing) By: General Star Locke

If you wish to offer Masses for anyone, please contact the Parish Office.

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#### LECTOR/EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER SCHEDULE 6/1 5 pm Liz Conces/Charlie Hutchins, Julie Sat. Winkelmann, Nick Winkelmann Stacey Mendoza/Marvin Murray, Laura Sun. 6/2 9 am Peterek, Javier Mendoza Cliff Strain/Mary Jo Matthews, Barbara 11 am Smith, Ken Chesshir Sat. 6/8 5 pm Julie Winkelmann/Nick Winkelmann, Charlie Hutchins, Julie Winkelmann Laura Peterek/Andy Peterek, Stacey Mendoza, Javier Mendoza 6/9 9 am Sun. Leticia Grounds/Sabrina Jones, Barbara Smith, Heather Collins

Did you know about the Saints: On June 1, we celebrate the Feast of Saint Justin Martyr (100-165). As a young scholar, Justin was drawn to the school of Plato. However, he found truth in Christianity and is now known as the first Christian Philosopher. Justin taught that philosophy would lead all to the truth and therefore all to Christ. Justin's skills allowed him to become an excellent apologist, one who defends Christianity against attacks and misunderstanding. Two of his written apologetic works that were preserved were written to the Roman Emperor and Roman Senate. Justin was beheaded in Rome in the year 165 for maintaining his Christian beliefs. He is the patron Saint of philosophers.

Please Pray For the Sick: Ralph Staffier, Michelle Wilkinson, Christina Watson, Victor Rodriguez, Tootie Barnes, Rosie Aguirre, Josh Gueldner, Diane Bean, Helen Skrovan, Rosa Guajardo, Julian Angel, Alberto Moreno, Patti Hyland, George Snell, Elvia Tamayo, Shirley Culp, Jim Koenig, 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 Spirit of God who hovered over the waters at the beginning of time continues to be present, bringing light and order to our lives.



#### Pastor's Note: Energy to live and to love....

Last Sunday we celebrated the solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity. It was the celebration of who our God is and also, who we are, because of we being created in the image of this Triune God. Because the Trinity is the co-existence of three person as one Godhead, it is important to realize that the cementing factor that holds them as one is their love for one another. Because we are created in the image of this Triune God, we are also invited and are given the potential to live united as one humanity. That is where we find that this existence as one is not an easy task because we, being human, have various things that pull us in all directions. What we celebrate this weekend is the power and energy that Jesus has gifted us to live as true images of our Triune God. The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ is about the greatest gift of Jesus to his followers. This is about Jesus making good on his promises and about the enduring love he has for humanity. The depth of this feast can only be understood when we look at it in the context of God's covenant with the people of Israel. The readings help us to understand the meaning of the feast that we celebrate today. The first reading, from the Book of Exodus, presents us the first covenant God made with the people of Israel. They sacrificed animals and used the blood of those animals to seal that covenant. That was their promise to follow the commandments of the Lord. Centuries later, we see Jesus using his own blood to seal the covenant, which is not just a fulfillment of the promises that he had made, but is also making us part of the covenant whereby we make the promise to live by the commands of Jesus. When we partake of the Holy Body and Blood of Christ, we are not only purified, as the second reading reminds us, but enables us to live as worthy children of God. When we let Jesus into our hearts by receiving his Body and Blood, we are strengthened to live a life of love. This is the celebration of the presence of God himself in our midst as well as the celebration of our transformation, by virtue of his presence in our lives.

#### **FATHER'S DAY NOVENAS**

#### WILL BEGIN JUNE 15

Father's Day spiritual bouquet envelopes are located in the church foyer. Please return in the collection basket or to the church office by Wednesday, June 12.

The Quo Vadis Council of the Knights of Columbus are holding their annual summer raffle after the masses from Memorial Day weekend until Labor Day Sunday. There are several prize packages, with the total value in excess of \$3,200. All proceeds benefit charities, including parish support, the Food Pantry, Hope House, disaster relief, and financial relief to families with emergency needs. Please consider participating in the raffle. A poster board is in the church foyer displaying the different packages. Tickets are \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00.

The second collection this week-end is for the Building Fund.

#### Collection for May 26, 2024

Loose Collection \$ 4,318.67 Envelope Collection \$ 510.00 Online Giving \$ 3 40.00 Total \$ 5,168.67 Thank you for your generosity.

#### **HAVE A LAUGH: The Proposal**

A college senior took his new girlfriend to a football game.

The young couple found seats in the crowded stadium and were watching the action. A substitute was put into the game, and as he was running onto the field to take his position, the boy said to his girlfriend, "Take a good look at that fellow. I expect him to be our best man next year."

His girlfriend snuggled closer to him and said, "That's the strangest way I ever heard of for a fellow to propose to a girl. Regardless of how you said it, I accept."