Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord March 24, 2024

		Mass I	ntentions
Sat.	3/23	5:00 p.m.	For: Gail & Jan Phifer (anniversary blessings) By: John & Kae
Sun.	3/24	9:00 a.m.	†Frances Guzman By: Rosie & Elvia
		11:00 a.m.	†Joseph Alexander, Jr. By: Barbara Lamson
Mon.	3/25	8:30 a.m.	†Mary Frances By: Cyndie Cory
Tues.	3/26	NO MASS	
Wed.	3/27	8:30 a.m.	† Joe & Marge Bode † Hugo & Louise Werner By: Jim & Lois Bode
Thurs.	3/28	6:00 p.m.	For: The Parishioners of St. Joseph
Fri.	3/29	3:00 Good Friday	v Service
Sat.	3/30	6:00 p.m.	For: The Parishioners of St. Joseph
Sun.	3/31	9:00 a.m.	†Virgil Kennedy By: Liz & Bob Conces
		11:00 a.m.	†Richard A. Vacek By: The Ladies of St. Joseph

40 CANS FOR LENT FOOD DRIVE Catholic Charities Lenten Appeal Please donate healthy canned goods, dry goods, non-perishables or monetary donations. February 14—March 31

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

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St. Joseph Catholic Church (Port Aransas, Texas)

LECTOR/EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER SCHEDULE					
Sat.	3/23	5 pm	Liz Conces/Nick Winkelmann, Julie Winkelmann, Heather Collins		
Sun.	3/24	9 am	Yvette Jimenez/Dave Schinker, Carol Schinker, Andy Peterek		
		11 am	Sabrina Jones/Mary Jo Matthews, Juan Pablo Lozano Pena, Barbara Smith		
Sat.	3/30	6 pm	Liz Conces/Julie Winkelmann, Nick Winkelmann, Charlie Hutchins		
Sun.	3/31	9 am	Stacey Mendoza/Javier Mendoza, Marvin Murray, Laura Peterek		
		11 am	Leticia Grounds/Barbara Smith, Juan Pablo Lozano Pena, Ken Chesshir		

Did you know about the Saints: On March 26, we celebrate the feast of Saint Catherine of Genoa (1447 – 1510). Catherine was born into a noble family in Genoa, Italy. She attempted to become a nun at the age of 13 but was denied. Instead, she married a nobleman at the age of 16. Catherine became very disappointed in life as her husband was selfish and unfaithful. One day, she went to confession and the sacrament uncovered a new alertness to God's Love. She not only reformed her life but that of her husband. Together as wife and husband they dedicated the rest of their life to charity by working and assisting at a hospital in Genoa. Catherine died in 1510 and was canonized in 1737. Her liturgical feast is September 15 th .

Please Pray For the Sick: Michelle Wilkerson, Christina Watson, Sandy Reed, Victor Rodriguez, Tootie Barnes, Rosie Aguirre, Josh Gueldner, Diane Bean, Helen Skrovan, Brian & Robin Hempstead, 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: Richard A. Vacek If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please call: (361)749-5825.

Pope Francis says: Let us ask the Lord to help us grow in the virtue of prudence so that, amid the storms and winds that buffet our lives, we may remain anchored in Christ, our cornerstone.



Pastor's Note: Journey through suffering, to glory

With Palm Sunday, we enter the most important week in our Liturgical journey, the Holy Week. Palm Sunday is also known as Passion Sunday. We begin the day's Liturgy by listening to the triumphant entry of Jesus into the city of Jerusalem, hailed by people singing hosana to him. This joyous mood changes, once we start listening to the readings during Mass. During the Gospel, we journey with Jesus, as he endures the suffering inflicted on him by people, many of whom were his friends and followers at one point. What we see is the determination and commitment of Jesus, prompted by his love for the Father and for the entire humanity. He journeys through glory to suffering, so that we may journey through suffering to glory. His journey was to transform all our suffering and to lead us to the glory of life in its fullness. We enter the Holy Week with deep gratitude.

A lot to be grateful for...

On Monday, March 18th, we were able to bless the Parish Hall, repaired and remodelled, having waited for more than six years. It was a time for us to be grateful for many blessings we received from the Lord, through the instrumentality of so many people. I want to thank God for his blessings and to the Parishioners who have been patient all along. We were able to do a lot to make our Church premises look beautiful. It is with gratitude that I remember everyone who came forward to help. We all have chipped in with our contribution of time, talent and treasure. A special word of gratitude to all the major donors and to the Finance and Building Committees for their support. Now that we have completed our major projects, let us continue to grow together as a Parish community to worship and to bear witness to the love of God. Thank you everyone!





EASTER SUNDAY AFTER 9 A.M. MASS

Knights of Columbus Scholarship

Graduating seniors and college students are eligible to apply for the Knights of Columbus Scholarship. Applicants must be a child or a grandchild of a parishioner of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Port Aransas. Previous recipients of a scholarship must resubmit a new application to be eligible for the grant. The deadline for submitting applications is May 15, 2024. The Council will review applications and will fund as many qualified applicants as feasible. Applicants will be notified by mail of the results, and individuals receiving the scholarship(s) will be announced at all masses prior to June 30, 2024. Requests for applications can be made by contacting Bob Conces at conces@suddenlink.net.

Father George will be away

Father George will be away on vacation travelling to India after Easter. If you need to discuss anything, please do so in the coming days. Please keep him in your prayers.

Holy Week Schedule

3/28	Thurs.	6 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
3/29	Fri.	3 pm Good Friday Service
3/30	Sat.	6 pm Easter Vigil Mass
3/31	Sun.	9 am Easter Mass
		11 am Easter Mass

Collection for March 17, 2024

Loose Collection
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Total

\$1,774.00 \$ 921.00 \$ 50.00 \$ 695.00 \$3,440.00

HAVE A LAUGH: A minister parked his car in a no-parking zone in a large city because he was short of time and couldn't find a space with a meter. So he put a note under the windshield wiper that read: "I have circled the block 100 times. If I don't park here, I'll miss my appointment. FORGIVE US OUR TRES-PASSES."

When he returned, he found a citation from a police officer along with this note. "I've circled this block for 10 years. If I don't give you a ticket, I'll lose my job. LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTA-TION."