

St. Joseph Catholic Church (Port Aransas, Texas)

All Souls' Day  
November 2, 2025

Mass Intentions

Sat.	11/1	5:00 p.m.	ALL SOULS DAY NOVENA
Sun.	11/2	9:00 a.m.	For: <b>The Parishioners of St. Joseph</b>
		11:00 a.m.	ALL SOULS DAY NOVENA
Mon..	11/3	8:30 a.m.	ALL SOULS DAY NOVENA
Tues.	11/4	NO MASS	
Wed.	11/5	8:30 a.m.	ALL SOULS DAY NOVENA
Thurs.	11/6	8:30 a.m.	ALL SOULS DAY NOVENA
Fri.	11/7	8:30 a.m.	ALL SOULS DAY NOVENA
Sat.	11/8	5:30 p.m.	ALL SOULS DAY NO VENA
Sun.	11/9	9:00 a.m.	† <b>Richie Marty</b> † <b>Janie Marty</b> By: Wayne Marty
			† <b>Frances Guzman</b> By: Rosie & Elvia
		11:00 a.m.	ALL SOULS DAY NOVENA

If you wish to offer Masses for anyone, please contact the Parish Office. We are in need of Mass Intentions.

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LECTOR/EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER SCHEDULE

Sat.	11/1	5 pm	Liz Conces/Liz Conces, Charlie Hutchins, Julie Winkelmann
Sun.	11/2	9 am	Yvette Jimenez/Javier Mendoza, Marvin Murray, Andy Peterek
		11 am	Cliff Strain/Barbara Smith, Mary Jo Matthews, Ken Chesshir
Sat.	11/8	5 pm	Tim Lamie/Julie Winkelmann, Nick Winkelmann, Karen Lamie
Sun.	11/9	9 am	Laura Peterek/Stacey Mendoza, Javier Mendoza, Marvin Murray
		11 am	Carly Carlough/Sabrina Jones, Barbara Smith, Ken Chesshir

**Did you know about the Saints:** On November 2, we celebrate the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed or All Souls Day. In the eleventh century Saint Odilo abbot of Cluny, France decreed that all monasteries offer prayers and sing the Office for the Dead the day after All Saints Day (November 1). This custom spread and was then fully adopted by the entire Roman Catholic Church. During both All Saints Day and All Souls Day, all members of the Catholic Church unite our hearts with the faithful departed, whether they are in heaven or in purgatory. Regarding these two great days, Pope Benedict in 2011 stated that “in Christ, death no longer appears as an abyss of emptiness, but rather a path to life which will never end.” As both a Parish and the Universal Church, let’s unite our prayers for the souls in purgatory.

**Please Pray For the Sick:** Olga Castillo Hernandez, Cande Alderette, Joseph Vallamattam, Julianna Cook, Kayla Sheffield, Debbie Wallace, Dr. Al Whitty, Dawson John Morris, Jim Shoemaker, Melissa Updahl, Sandy Davies, Trian Pagurar, Colleen Wishall, Liam Edwards, Robin Barlebo, Mike Houser, Daniel Kelly, Sean Jackson, Aubrey Harper, Lee MacFarland, James Atkinson, Christina Watson, Victor Rodriguez, Josh Gueldner, 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 Leo XIV said:** The world needs more than ever the powerful witness of men and women of all religions living together in unity, friendship and cooperation. In this true way, we can work jointly to achieve the peace, justice and reconciliation so desperately needed today. May we never lose hope that a new world without division is possible.

**Pastor’s Note: Fullness of life....** This Sunday we take a break from the Ordinary time readings to remember and celebrate all the faithful departed. Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed is a day we are given to revisit the lives of those who have journeyed from this world before us and to gratefully plead their cause before God. This is a celebration of the hope that leads us, the love that saves us, and the promise that awaits us. All the readings today focus on the fact of a life beyond the limited reality of this world. There is something beyond the threshold of our earthly existence. We know this to be a fact, strengthened by the witnesses of so many faithful people and especially the pledge of Jesus himself. In the Gospel, he assures us that he will not reject anyone who goes to him. Jesus came to carry out the will of his Father which, Jesus reminds us, is that no one should be lost, of those who were given to Jesus. Jesus goes on to affirm that he will raise up everyone who goes to him on the last day. The life that we experience here on earth might be limited, but the life that we will experience beyond our earthly existence will be eternal. The Responsorial Psalm, a familiar one for all of us, reminds us that the Lord is our Shepherd and we will lack nothing. It goes on to proclaim that we shall live in the house of the Lord for years to come. Being human, we are all limited beings; but our faith assures us that the Lord leads us to fullness of peace and joy. In the first reading, taken from the Book of Wisdom, we hear the emphatic assurance that the souls of the just shall abide with the Lord through his love for them. The dead are not lost, but are reclaimed, through the love of God. In the second reading, Paul, writing to the Romans, states that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us in order that we will live through him. It is this hope that makes us remember the lives of everyone who departed this world, knowing that they are called to enjoy fullness of life.

ALL SOULS DAY NOVENA

A Novena of Nine Masses will be offered for the Faithful Departed starting November 1. If you want your loved ones to be included, please use the envelopes provided in the church foyer.

Prayer for Departed Loved Ones

God our Father, your power brings us to birth, your providence guides our lives, and by Your command, we return to dust. Lord, those who die still live in Your presence, their lives change but do not end. I pray in hope for my family, relatives and friends, and for all the dead known to You alone. In company with Christ, who died and now lives, may they rejoice in Your kingdom, where all our tears are wiped away. Unite us together again in one family, to sing Your praise forever and ever. Amen.

The second collection this week-end is for the Repair and Renovation Fund.

Collection for October 26, 2025

Loose Collection	\$ 2,279.00
Envelope Collection	\$ 1,475.00
Online Giving	\$ 470.00
Total	\$ 4,224.00

Thank you for your generosity.

**HAVE A LAUGH:** The Hand of God  
Little Philip was walking home in the rain with his mother following Sunday worship. It finally stopped raining as they rounded the corner, where to their surprise and delight appeared a vivid double rainbow in the sky.“Doesn’t it look like an artist painted this rainbow?” his mother exclaimed. “I bet God painted this just for you!”“Yes,” replied Philip, “God did it, and he did it left handed.” Confused, his mother asked him, “What makes you say God did this with his left hand?” “Well,” said Philip, “we learned in Sunday School that Jesus sits on God’s right hand.”