

St. Joseph Catholic Church (Port Aransas, Texas)

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 19, 2026

Mass Intentions				
Sat.	7/18	5:00 p.m.	†Sarah Jansky By: Olinda Lindsey †Diane Moy By: Thomas Moy	
Sun.	7/19	9:00 a.m.	For: The Parishioners of St. Joseph	
		11:00 a.m.	†Mae Dell Schaefer By: Lee & Susan Jost	
Mon.	7/20	8:30 a.m.	†Valeria Hoelscher By: Pat Kvapil	
Tues.	7/21	NO MASS		
Wed.	7/22	8:30 a.m.	For: Abbot Pambo Mkowe Martin OSB (blessings) By: Rita Schaffer	
Thurs.	7/23	8:30 a.m.	For: Abbot Denis Ndomba OSB (blessings) By: Rita Schaffer	
Fri.	7/24	8:30 a.m.	In Thanksgiving for Rain Received By: Ginger & Leon Matula	
Sat.	7/25	5:00 p.m.	For: Special Intention By: Ginger & Leon Matula For: Dr. Molly Lubbock (blessings) By: Thomas Moy †Diane Moy By: Thomas Moy	
Sun.	7/26	9:00 a.m.	†Frances Guzman By: Rosie & Elvia †Olivia Grace Zidek †Julian Moczygemba By: Carol Zidek In Thanksgiving for the Annual Schott Family Coast Trip By: The Family 11:00 a.m. For: Carly Carlough (birthday blessings) By: Heather Collins & Family	

LECTOR/EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER SCHEDULE				
Sat.	7/18	5 pm	Julie Winkelmann/Julie Winkelmann, Nick Winkelmann, Elizabeth Winkelmann	
Sun.	7/19	9 am	Yvette Jimenez/Marvin Murray, Gail Burger, _____	
		11 am	Leticia Grounds/Mary Jo Matthews, Sabrina Jones, Barbara Smith	
Sat.	7/25	5 pm	Julie Winkelmann/Julie Winkelmann, Nick Winkelmann, Elizabeth Winkelmann	
Sun.	7/26	9 am	Laura Peterek/Javier Mendoza, Marvin Murray, Laura Peterek	
		11 am	Barbara Lamson/Barbara Smith, Mary Jo Matthews, Ken Chesshir	

Did you know about the Saints: On July 20, we celebrate the feast of **Saint Apollinaris** (d. 79). Saint Peter sent Apollinaris to Ravenna, Italy to be its bishop. He was a very successful preacher who proclaimed the Good News without hesitation. Just as Saint Peter and the apostles, Apollinaris preached in difficult locations with faith and courage. The pagans drove Bishop Apollinaris from the City four times largely because of his successful teaching. On his fourth return, he was severely tortured and killed. Many miracles are attributed to him and these include driving out demons, healing illnesses, and converting many people. Apollinaris’ shrine is located in the Benedictine Abbey of Classe in Ravenna. Saint Apollinaris, pray for us!

Please Pray For the Sick: Charlie Hutchins, Donald Skrovan, Dale Christensen, Dalinda Olivares, Nancy Francisco, Ani Enriquez, Olivia Adams, Joan Finn, Joshua Gueldner, Joan Dieker, Kathy Lord, Karen Decker Creighton, Matthew and Carrie Hogan, Christina Watson, Olga Castillo Hernandez, Cande Alderette, Julianna Cook, Kayla Sheffield, Dawson John Morris, Jim Shoemaker, Melissa Updahl, Sandy Davies, Robin Barlebo, Mike Houser, Sean Jackson, and all who are in need of prayer.

Please Pray For the Deceased: Barbara Pancake (cousin of Bob Little); Reba Sue Williams
If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please call: (361)749-5825.

Pope Leo XIV said: God's generosity towards us is not naïve but wise. He sees within us the potential of a good that, at times, we ourselves might fail to recognize. For this reason, the Lord, who knows the soil of our hearts better than we, never ceases to believe in us—in who we are and in who we can become, day by day, if we entrust ourselves to him in faith.

Pastor’s Note: A kind and gracious God.... Jesus continues his ministry of teaching, using various parables. Jesus uses stories that resonate with the people who are engaged in their day-to-day affairs, making it easy for them to understand the message Jesus wants to convey. Since a lot of the listeners came from the farming background, in this Sunday’s Gospel we hear Jesus using another parable in the context of farming. The message that comes through, as we listen to all the readings for this Sunday, is that our God is a compassionate and merciful God, who is always willing to trust us and to give us second chances, in spite of our repeated failures. The first reading is an extract from the Book of Wisdom. The Book of Wisdom contains various sayings that give insight into various aspects of our daily life, including our understanding and relationship with God. We hear in today’s reading that our God is someone who cares for everyone and is lenient to those who fail and who invites people to repent and change, because he is just and therefore kind. The Responsorial Psalm sums up this quality of God, when it proclaims, “Lord, you are good and forgiving.” It then goes on to extoll the mercy of God. In the second reading, taken from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans, we hear about the Spirit of God, who comes to assist us in our prayer to God, because the Lord is able to understand our desires from afar and grant us what we require. In the Gospel Jesus tells the parable of the wheat and the weeds. The kingdom of heaven is compared to a man who sowed good seed in the field, but later finds out that there were weeds also growing along with the wheat, which he knew was the result of the action of an enemy. He allows the weeds to grow along with the wheat, so that the workers may not destroy the wheat, while trying to uproot the weeds, since they look the same before the harvest time. Such is the patience and graciousness of our God.

We now have live streaming of our Weekend Masses, Saturday 5:00 p.m., Sunday 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. You can watch the Live Streaming of the Weekend Masses by going on Youtube and searching our church by typing in @St.JosephPortAransas

The office will be closed July 24-28. Should you need to contact Father George, please call (361)727-5725.

The Quo Vadis Council of the Knights of Columbus are holding their annual **summer raffle** after the Masses until Labor Day Sunday. There are several prize packages. All proceeds benefit charities, including parish support, scholarships, the Food Pantry, Hope House, disaster relief, local schools, 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 prize packages. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20.

The second collection from last week-end is for the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa.

Collection for July 12, 2026	
Loose Collection	\$ 3,296.00
Envelope Collection	\$ 560.00
Online Giving	\$ 1,195.00
Total	\$ 5,051.00
Thank you for your generosity.	

HAVE A LAUGH: Long Happy Life
A woman walked up to a little old man rocking in a chair on his porch. "I couldn't help noticing how happy you look,"she said. "What's your secret for a long happy life?"

"I smoke three packs of cigarettes a day," he said. "I also drink a case of whiskey a week, eat fatty foods, and never exercise."

"That's amazing,"the woman said. "How old are you?"

"Twenty-six," he said.

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