St. Joseph Catholic Church (Port Aransas, Texas)

The First Sunday of Lent March 9, 2025

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Mass Intentions				
Sat.	3/8	5:00 p.m.	For: Tom Lamson (birthday blessings) By: Barbara Lamson	
Sun.	3/9	9:00 a.m.	†Frances Guzman By: Rosie & Elvia †Ralph & Doris Schinker By: David & Carol Schinker †Faye Bartoszek By: Carl & Linda Bartoszek †Louie Czech	
			By: Carl & Linda Bartoszek	
		11:00 a.m.	For: The Parishioners of St. Joseph	
Mon.	3/10	8:30 a.m.	For: Andrew Coshal (healing) For: Melissa Coshall (blessings) For: Diane Barnett (birthday blessings) For: Karen Rainey (birthday blessings) By: Rose Petersen	
Tues.	3/11	NO MASS	·	
Wed.	3/12	8:30 a.m.	For: Aiden Schaffer (birthday blessings) By: Rita Schaffer For: Wes Warnke (healing) By: David & Carol Schinker	
Thurs.	3/13	8:30 a.m.	In Thanksgiving for Family By: Bob & Liz Conces	
Fri.	3/14	8:30 a.m.	For: Andrew Coshal (healing) For: Melissa Coshal (blessings) By: Rose Petersen	
Sat.	3/15	5:00 p.m.	†Colton Miller By: Carl & Suzanne Booth	
Sun.	3/16	9:00 a.m.	†Marlene Thomas By: Greg Thomas †Mary, Steve, MaryAnn Shiverski	
		11:00 a.m.	By: Carl & Linda Bartoszek For: Joan Lawrence (health) By: Linda & Carl Bartoszek	

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

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LECTOR/EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER SCHEDULE				
Sat.	3/8	5 pm	Liz Conces/Nick Winkelmann, Charlie Hutchins, Heather Collins	
Sun.	3/9	9 am	Laura Peterek/Roger Schill, Javier Mendoza, Marvin Murray	
		11 am	Carly Carlough/Carol Schinker, David Schinker, Ken Chesshir	
Sat.	3/15	5 pm	Julie Winkelmann/Nick Winkelmann, Charlie Hutchins, Liz Conces	
Sun.	3/16	9 am	Marvin Murray/Andy Peterek, Marvin Murray	
		11 am	Barbara Lamson/Mary Jo Matthews, Barbara Smith, Ken Chesshir	

Did you know about the Saints: Saint Pope John XXIII wrote the following of Saint Joseph (feast day March 19). "Humility, reserve and silence were the characteristics of the husband of Mary, the foster-father of Jesus: his spirit was constantly in attendance on God, in order to hear his voice and immediately obey his supreme commands. Certainly, the great patriarch's thoughts did not dwell on the immense privilege he had been granted, that of guarding the incomparable treasure entrusted to him by God; his mind was fully engaged in the perfect accomplishment of his task as a faithful executor of the wishes of the Almighty God." This lent may we remember Saint Joseph's great example of fulfilling God's will. Saint Joseph, pray for us!

Please Pray For the Sick: Susan Staffier, Trian Pagurar, Colleen Wishall, Jo Lang, Liam Edwards, Robin Barlebo, Mike Houser, Daniel Kelly, Sean Jackson, Aubrey Harper, Jerry Gage, Lee MacFarland, Elvia Tamayo, Carl Cory, Bertha Rodriguez, Ralph Staffier, James Atkinson, Star Locke, Ted Martin, Rege Thornton, Steve Mehr, Michelle Wilkinson, Christina Watson, Victor Rodriguez, Tootie Barnes, Rosie Aguirre, Josh Gueldner, Julian Angel, Alberto Moreno, Mike Gibbs, Larry Tipler, Clayton Gard, Barb Ferretti, Vince Frangello, Julianna Cook, and all who are in need of prayer.

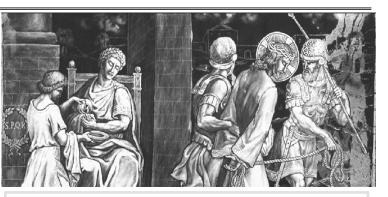
Please Pray For the Deceased:

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please call: (361)749-5825.

Pope Francis says: Let us Pray Together that broken families might find the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.



Pastor's Note: Relying on the power of God....Season of Lent is all about homecoming. We are invited to go home to our loving God, who waits with patience and hope. Like the son in the parable of the Prodigal Son, we are called to make a return trip to God. Lenten journey is for forty days, making a connection to the forty years of journey the Israelites undertook to reach the promised land. Three important aspects of Lent are Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving. These are rooted in the Biblical tradition of both Old and New Testaments. These three aspects of Lent help us to grow closer to God. On this First Week of Lent, we are reminded to place our trust in God. This God is someone who would always come to our aid, when we are faced with difficulties. The Gospel passage describes the temptations of Jesus. It is quite significant that Jesus spends Forty days and forty nights in prayer and fasting. This example of Jesus is given to us to strengthen us and to encourage us, during our own Lenten journey for forty days. The experience of Jesus in the desert enabled him to rely on the power of God. Prayer helped Jesus to grow in his total reliance on God. He trusted the love God has for him, because it was soon after his Baptism experience that he goes into the wilderness to fast and pray. Significantly, Jesus is able to ward off the temptations with his commitment to God. He was sure that there were other things more valuable than material goods and worldly power. The first reading reminds us of the love of God that came to the aid of people who relied on the power of God, to overcome their challenging situations. They then profess their commitment to this God. The second reading reminds us that, if we believe in God, we shall not be put to shame. Lent is a time to deepen our relationship with God which, in turn, will strengthen our reliance on God when we are faced with tempting situations. It is then that we cry out, "Be with me Lord, when I am in trouble", as the Responsorial Psalm reminds us.



Stations of the Cross will be prayed on Fridays after Mass During Lent

Holy Week Schedule

4/17 Thurs. 6 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

/18 Friday 3 pm Good Friday Service

4/19 Sat. 6 pm Easter Vigil Mass

4/20 Sun. 9 am Easter Mass

11 am Easter Mass

Lenten Mission

St. Joseph Church, Port Aransas Thursday and Friday

April 3-4

6:00-7:00 p.m.

Penetential Service will be April 4 at 7 p.m.

The second collection this week-end is for the Black and Indian Missions.

Collection for March 2, 2025

 Loose Collection
 \$ 2,490.60

 Envelope Collection
 \$ 1,425.00

 Repair & Renovation
 \$ 1,268.83

 Online Giving
 \$ 1,475.00

 Total
 \$ 5,659.43

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HAVE A LAUGH: A man took his young son to a baseball game. While they were sitting there, he asked the boy what he was going to give up for Lent. The boy replied, "I don't know, Dad. What are you going to give up?"

His father said, "I've thought about this a lot and decided to give up liquor."

Later in the game, the beer man came by, and the man ordered a beer. His son objected, "Hey, I thought you were giving up liquor!"

His dad answered, "Hard liquor, son. I'm giving up hard liquor. This is just a beer."

To which the boy replied, "Well then, I'm giving up hard candy."