

# Feast of the **HOLY FAMILY**

*of Jesus, Mary and Joseph*





Mass Intentions

**Saturday, December 27, 2025**

8:30AM Kitay Diejomaoh by Family  
4:30PM †Jim Garza by Denham Family



**Sunday, December 28, 2025**

8:00AM MPB Parishioners  
10:30AM Ruben J. Almanza by Wife  
12:30PM †Jim Garza by Denham Family  
7:30PM †Agustin Maldonado, Sr. by Family

**Monday, December 29, 2025**

8:30AM Jacob Garcia Birthday by Grandma  
†Esther Z. Aguilera by Adolfo Aguilera, Jr.  
Ruben Jesus Almanza by Wife  
†Ruben C. Barrera by Family  
†Jacqueline K. by Kathleen Bailey  
†Robert May by Kathleen Bailey

**6:00PM †Jim Garza by Denham Family**

**Tuesday, December 30, 2025**

8:30AM †Isabel Lopez Falcon by Benjamin Falcon  
6:00PM †Natalio Alvarez by Family

**Wednesday, December 31, 2025**

8:30AM Ernest A. Moreno Sr. Birthday by Ernest/Dorothy  
6:00PM †Martin & Santos Valdez by Dora Garcia

**Thursday, January 1, 2026**

8:30AM †Jonathan Fores by Evelyn Flores  
12:30PM †Richard May by Kathleen Bailey  
6:00PM †Gloria Sandoval by Roel & Olivia Bayarena

**Friday, January 2, 2026**

8:30AM †Yolanda R. Gonzalez by Amando Gonzalez  
†Ruben Montez by Carolyn Canchola  
†Glenda May by Kathleen Bailey  
†Sandra Bailey by Kathleen Bailey  
†Joe Martinez by Ernie & Edith Villarreal  
†THEE Vasquez Birthday by Parents

**6:00PM †Jose M. Saldana by Family**

**Saturday, January 3, 2026**

8:30AM Betty Sheets Birthday by Stephanie Story  
4:30PM Sylvia Barrera Birthday by Stephanie Story



**All Religious Education Classes  
St. Maria Goretti Youth Center**

Sun. 8:30am-10:00am PK3-6th Grades (CGS)  
Sun. 5:00pm-7:00pm 9th-12th Grades  
Mon. 6:00pm-7:15pm 7th-8th Grades  
Wed. 4:30pm-6:00pm K3-K5 Grades (CGS)  
Wed. 6:15pm-7:45pm 1st-6th Grades (CGS)

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**Altar Servers**

The Altar Server Program is looking for young men; ages 7+ who are in good standing and have received the Sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion, and who are interested in deepening their faith and serving the Lord at Mass. As an altar server, they will have the unique opportunity to assist the priest during the liturgy and take an important role in our parish community.

No prior experience is necessary--training will be provided! This is a wonderful way to grow spiritually, build friendships, and contribute to the beauty of our sacred celebrations. If your son is interested, please contact Joseph Hernandez at 361-854-3800 for more details. We encourage all families to consider this special ministry!

*The Sanctuary Candles are lit in the Church, St. Jude Chapel, and Adoration Chapel. These candles are perpetually lit for two weeks for your special intention in a high place of honor which lets us know that Jesus is physically present in the Eucharist. They can be in memory of a loved one, for a special intention, in thanksgiving, or any intention. The cost is \$15.00.*

**December 28, 2025-January 10, 2026**



**The Church Sanctuary Lamp** will burn this week for the intentions of Maria Elisa Aguilar Arredondo

**The St. Jude Chapel Sanctuary Candle** will burn this week in memory of Bobby Connor by Rosie Connor

**The Adoration Chapel Sanctuary Lamp** will burn this week in memory of Ronnie L. Varnado by Family

**Scripture Readings for the Week**

**Sunday: Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph** Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

**Monday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35** **Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-8a; 8b-9, 10; Lk 2:36-40**

**Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13; Jn 1:1-18**

**Thursday: Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God** Num 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

**Friday: Memorial of Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church** 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 1:19-28

**Saturday: 1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6; Jn 1:29-34**

**Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord** Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Mt 2:1-12



## QUINCEAÑERA

### Prep Retreat Dates:

7/12/25, 9/27/25, 11/1/25  
1/31/26, 4/25/26, 7/11/26, 9/26/26, 11/7/26  
1/30/27, 4/24/27, 7/24/27, 9/25/27, 11/6/27  
**(9:00am - 4:30pm)**

This one-day Retreat will cover several topics with the **Main Goal** - to help girls face the challenges of our society, addressing the need by offering a spiritual and moral formation through this new, interactive, mentor-led course, that helps girls build strong foundations for their future and stay on the path to holiness.

**Retreat OBJECTIVES:** ~Understand the real meaning of the Quinceañera Celebration as an act of thanksgiving for their life and faith ~ Understand that God created humanity for love therefore they are called to love ~ Identify and value the vocation of humanity as well as the woman's missions in life ~ Identify concrete practices to accomplish their missions as women ~ Understand the difference between sacraments and blessings~ Understand how the sacraments fit into God's plan of salvation ~ List the 7 sacraments of the Catholic Church and identify the sign and grace of each sacrament ~ Develop life goals and formulate concrete actions to reach those goals ~ Identify immoral behaviors ~ Differentiate conscience from opinion~ Appraise the importance of purity and identify a list of Christian practices to keep chaste ~ Discuss the damages caused by contraception, pornography, and abortion.

Doors open at 8:30a.m. Participant is to arrive **BEFORE 9:00 a.m.** – Retreat Concludes @ 5:00pm. A light breakfast, lunch (Chick-fil-A) and snacks will be provided. Participants will be assigned homework, and they will receive their certificate of participation AFTER the homework has been received by our office. Homework may be returned via email [tvillegas@mpbchurch.org](mailto:tvillegas@mpbchurch.org). **Parents do not participate/attend the Quince Prep Retreat. Drop off starts at 8:30a.m. and Pickup is at 4:30p.m.**

**COST: \$125.00 \*\*Registration CLOSES on Monday the week of the retreat \*\***

Due to limited space, attendance is capped at 15 participants. We encourage early registration to secure your spot, as registration will CLOSE on Monday, the week of the retreat. If spots remain available, late registration will be accepted from Tuesday to Thursday of that same week but will include additional fees. All registrations must be completed online.

**Registration:** <https://www.osvhub.com/mpbchurch/forms/quince-prep-retreat>



**For more information contact Tina Villegas (361) 854-3800 [tvillegas@mpbchurch.org](mailto:tvillegas@mpbchurch.org)**  
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# **Adult Confirmation Preparation Day of Reflection**

**2/21/26**

**9am – 5:30pm**

**Most Precious Blood Church  
St. Maria Goretti Youth Center**

**Adults who have NOT been confirmed but have already been  
baptized AND received their first holy communion are invited to  
participate in our Day of Reflection.**

**Those who meet requirements AND attend the day of reflection will  
be eligible to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation during the Adult  
Confirmation Mass, Saturday, 3/22/26 at 11:00 AM at C.C. Cathedral.**

**Registration Deadline 2/16/26. \$20.00 Fee**

**Registration link:**

**<https://www.osvhub.com/mpbchurch/forms/adultconfirmation2526>**



# The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

## Divine Mercy

Please join us in reciting the Divine Mercy chaplet every Wednesday at 3:00 pm in the St. Jude Chapel.



Each week, a Traveling Vocations Crucifix will be presented to a different Parishioner. The Family / Individual presented with the Crucifix, will pray for an increase in vocations within our diocese and particularly within our Parish. To participate, please visit the Parish Website [mpbchurch.org](http://mpbchurch.org) under **ministries-vocation-program selection-traveling vocation crucifix** and sign up.

The Church office will be closed on Wednesday, December 24, 2025-Thursday, January 1, 2026 in observance of Christmas and New Year's Day

## First Wednesday Rosary

Recitation of the Holy Rosary through the intercession of St. Joseph in the St. Jude Chapel after the 8:30AM mass every first Wednesday of the month



## Divine Mercy

Please join us in reciting the Divine Mercy chaplet on Sunday, **January 4, 2026**, and every First Sunday of the month at 3:00 pm in the St. Jude Chapel.

## Prayer to the Immaculate Conception

O God, who by the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, did prepare a worthy dwelling place for Thy Son, we beseech Thee that, as by the foreseen death of Thy Son, Thou did preserve her from all stain, so too Thou would permit us, purified through her intercession, to come unto Thee. Through the same Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

## 2nd Collection

The second collection will be taken up on **January 3 and 4, 2025** for the building fund. Thank you for your generosity.

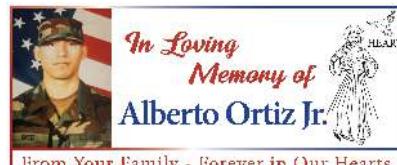
## First Friday Adoration January 2, 2026 St. Jude Chapel 9:00AM



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will follow the 8:30am Mass and continue until 5:45pm, ending with Benediction. Confessions at 5:30pm followed by daily Mass at 6pm.

"Come to Me all of you who are weary and find life burdensome and I will refresh you..." You are greatly needed! Hours for adoration are available, contact Alice Polansky at 361-737-6360.

## SPONSOR OF THE WEEK



Please patronize our bulletin sponsors. It is through their support that this bulletin is provided to the parish.

Out of Egypt  
I called my son.

## Our Parish Activities

Sunday, December 28, 2025

Monday, December 29, 2025

Tuesday, December 30, 2025

8:00PM AA **C2**

Wednesday, December 31, 2025

3:00PM Divine Mercy **SJC**

Thursday, January 1, 2026

8:00PM AA **C2**

Friday, January 2, 2025

9:00AM First Friday Adoration **SJC**

Saturday, January 3, 2026

Sunday, January 4, 2025

3:00PM Divine Mercy **SJC**

## Legend:

C - Church

C1-C2 - Classrooms in Family Center

FC - Family Center

GH - The Great Hall in Family Center

BR - Brides Room

RG - Rose Garden

Sch - MPB School Building

SJC - Saint Jude Chapel

SMG - St. Maria Goretti

## Please Pray For:

Edwin/Edna/Celestino Soto, Elodia Villarreal, Maria Cantu, Elsa/Monica Chavez, Tudy Bazan, Alicia Cavada, Yolanda Galvan, Gracie Alonzo, Serenity Solis, Janie Solis, Theresa Gilbert, Zaragoza Hernandez, Rosemary Gutierrez, Laura Vargas, Jesse Avalos, Mathew Espinoza, Mia Salinas, On'Ly Espinoza, Robert Garza, Jr., James Flores, Brenda Espinoza, Joe Lara, Michael Vargas, Jr., Ceasar Avalos, Mackatelynn Vargas, Amanda Gonzalez, and for all those who have asked us to pray for healing and their special needs.



## Eucharistic Adoration

Come to me all of you who are weary and find life burdensome and I will refresh you..." You are greatly needed! Hours for adoration are available, contact Alice Polansky at 361-737-6360.





Congratulations to our Recently Baptized Children and their Families.

**Yaneli Rose Gutierrez**

**Mason Glenn Munoz**

**Luca Anthony Ponce**

**Rocky James Rindler**

We celebrate your baptism into the Kingdom of God and the Catholic Church!

Let us continue to pray for the new members of our faith.

### **Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**

#### **Holy Day of Obligation**

#### **Mass Schedule:**

**Vigil:** Wednesday December 31, 2025  
6:00pm

**Holy Day:** Thursday January 1, 2026  
8:30am  
12:30pm  
6:00pm



### ***Wisdom from Women in Scripture***

Discover the Wisdom of Women in Scripture ~ Journey into the heart of God through the stories of six extraordinary women.

The Woman with the Alabaster Jar      The Woman at the Well

Ruth      Rahab      Esther      Mary

#### **Study & Fellowship Schedule**

*Opening Social Gathering*  
Wednesday, February 11, 2026 • 6:45 PM  
M.P.B. - St. Juliana Family Center

*Weekly Study Sessions*  
February 25 - April 1, 2026 (6 weeks)  
Wednesdays at 9:45 AM or 6:45 PM  
M.P.B. - St. Maria Goretti Youth Center — Room 3

*Books Available for purchase: \$15.00*

# WHAT CHRISTIANS BELIEVE

*A Study of the Nicene Creed  
with Bishop Robert Barron's book*

Facilitator: Fr. Carlos De La Rosa

Dates: Jan 17 – Feb 21, 2026 (6 weeks)

Time: 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM

Location: M.P.B. Church –  
St. Juliana Family Center

Books available for purchase - \$10



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**Grand Knight Message:** Grace and peace from our Lord Jesus Christ to you all. Council 11238 would like to thank you for supporting our Keep Christ in Christmas campaign. It was a great success. Our blood drives will continue to enable the Coastal Bend Blood Center to give the gift of life through your generosity. We are collecting cold weather clothing to deliver to the Mother Teresa Shelter on January 10, 2026. We will also serve lunch to the homeless on that day, if you can help, see a Knight in the foyer. If you are a man, 18 or over, a practicing Catholic and want to live out your faith in service to our community, see a Knight for more information. Our Council meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month, 7pm in the St. Juliana Hall, room C1. Again, thank you for you past, present and future support.

Vivat Jesus,

Yuma Martinez,

GK, St. Jude Council No. 11238

#### **Upcoming Events**

Dec 28: Consecration to the Holy Family (pick up a brochure for more information).

Jan 10: Lunch for the Mother Teresa Shelter

Feb 14<sup>th</sup>: Valentines' Day Scholarship Fundraising Dance



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