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The magi were overjoyed at seeing the star,
and on entering the house they saw the child
with Mary his mother.

Matthew 2:10-11



Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 3, 2026

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

Sunday, January 4, 2026

8:00AM †Adrian Alaniz, Jr. by Family
10:30AM Dr. Christine Rivera Birthday by Cherrie Gerstner
12:30PM †Carmen and Manuel Vela by Mary Alice Garcia
7:30PM MPB Parishioners

Monday, January 5, 2026

8:30AM †Marjorie Bailey by Kathleen Bailey
†Irene Valdez by Kathleen Bailey
†Victor Alvarado by Robert/Evelyn Flores
†Joe Martinez by Ernie and Edith Villarreal
†Dora Moreno by Ernest & Dorothy Moreno
†Seferina Aguero by Roel & Olivia Bayarena
6:00PM †Alex Suarez by Vela Family



Tuesday, January 6, 2026

8:30AM †Ernest/Dorothy Moreno 53rd Anniversary by Fam.
6:00PM †Reynaldo Davila by Family

Wednesday, January 7, 2026

8:30AM †Zenaida Isidro by Cherrie Gerstner
6:00PM †Vidal Meda, Sr. Anniversary by Donez Family

Thursday, January 8, 2026

8:30AM †Rosario Mendez by Sister
6:00PM †Patricia Aguilo by Adolfo Aguilo, Jr.

Friday, January 9, 2026

8:30AM †Juan and Victoria Garcia by Family
†Alistar and Jenni by Family
Families Who Lost Loved Ones by Kathleen Bailey
Priests by Kathleen Bailey
Jackie Anderson by Family
Peace in Family
6:00PM †Trent Easton Rodriguez by Grandparents

Saturday, January 10, 2026

8:30AM †Norma L. Fritsch by Elvin J. Fritsch, Sr.
4:30PM †Francisco and Guadalupe Martinez by Dora Garcia



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

Monday: Memorial of St. John Neumann, Bishop 1 Jn 3:22-4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19-5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22

Friday: 1 Jn 4:19-5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Jn 3:22-30

Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11 or Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9; Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Mt 3:13-17



The Epiphany of the Lord

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 under **ministries-vocation-program selection-traveling vocation crucifix** and sign up.

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

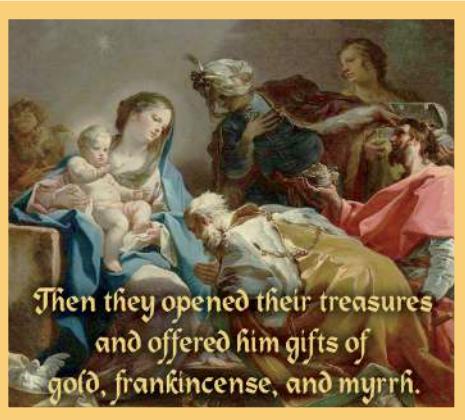


January 7, 2026, 6:45pm-7:45pm

Family Adoration Nights

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 Holy Name of Jesus

JESUS, Yours is the name above all names; we offer you our heartfelt praise and gratitude. Deepen in us an abiding reverence for your Holy Name.

Jesus, our Savior, heal the wounds within that our sin and fear have inflicted. Set us free from all that hinders us from rejoicing in your boundless love and sharing your goodness with others.

Jesus, draw us ever closer to you. We entrust all we carry in our hearts to your abundant mercy.

Jesus, our Lord, pour out the Holy Spirit upon us that our lives may overflow with your grace, our days be filled with your love, and all our actions shine with your light.
Amen

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Our Parish Activities

Sunday, January 4, 2026

3:00PM Divine Mercy **SJC**
5:00PM HS RE Y1 & Y2 **SMG**

Monday, January 5, 2026

Tuesday, January 6, 2026

8:00PM AA **C2**

Wednesday, January 7, 2025

9:00AM First Wednesday Rosary **SJC**
3:00PM Divine Mercy **SJC**
6:45PM Family Adoration **C**

Thursday, January 8, 2026

8:00PM AA **C2**

Friday, January 9, 2026

Saturday, January 10, 2026

Sunday, January 11, 2025

8:30AM K3-6th Grade CGS **SMG**
5:00PM HS RE Y1 **SMG**

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:

Lila Garcia, Janie Martinez, Maria Reyna, Mary Beltran, Nancy Litofsky, Marie G. Gonzalez, Andrea Meza, Rosemary Gutierrez, Gracie Alonzo, Serenity Solis, Janie Solis, Theresa Gilbert, Celestino/Edna/Edwin Soto, Maria Cantu, Elodia Villarreal, Tudy Bazan, Alicia Cavada, Elsa/Monica Chavez, Andy Morales, Josephine Garcia, 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.



Retreat

The Quinceañera Retreat dates for 2026 have been scheduled for January 31, April 25, July 11, September 26, and November 7. A Quinceañera retreat is a requirement for a Quinceañera Mass. Retreat Fee is \$125. Registration closes on Monday of the week of the retreat.

For more information please contact Tina at tvillegas@mpbchurch.org or 361-854-3800
Registration:
<https://www.osvhub.com/mpbchurch/forms/quince-prep-retreat>



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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

Most Precious Blood Church
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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>



Grand Knight Message: Merry Christmas! As we ring in the New Year, our Council's resolutions include, 'to make a difference.' This year we embark on living our faith by feeding the hungry. Beginning January 10, 2026, our Community team will be feeding lunch to the less fortunate at the Mother Teresa Shelter, Inc of Corpus Christi. Additionally, a clothing drive is underway seeking gently used or new cold-weather clothing to provide for those less fortunate needing warmth this winter. If you clean out your closet, prayerfully consider donating items you no longer use for someone in need. If you would like to assist with preparing and delivering lunch, please see a Knight for more information. Our blood drive did not meet the goal of 13 donations, but we will have an opportunity to exceed it next time. Please give the gift of life at our next blood drive scheduled in February, details to follow.

Vivat Jesus,

Yuma Martinez,

GK, St. Jude Council No. 11238

November Events

1-10-2026: Lunch (prepare & deliver) to Mother Teresa Shelter

2-14-2026: Valentine's Day Dance

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*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)

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MPB Parishioner

The image is a collage of five business cards arranged in a grid-like layout. From left to right: 1. A blue card for 'Ruben Bonilla - Agent' with a stylized sun logo. Text: 'Ruben Bonilla - Agent', '2727 Morgan Ave., Ste. 300', 'Corpus Christi, TX 78405', 'Office: (361) 881-1033', 'Cell: (361) 944-8400', 'rbonilla@farmersagent.com', 'HOME | AUTO | LIFE | COMMERCIAL', 'Se Habla Español'. 2. A black and white portrait of a smiling man in a suit. 3. A memorial card for 'Santa G. Peña' (1936 - 2018) with a photo of an elderly woman, the text 'In Loving Memory of Santa G. Peña From Your Family, Loved & Remembered Each Day', and a small image of Jesus with the text 'Jesus I Trust in you'. 4. A card for 'ROLAND BARRERA' with a starburst graphic and text: 'SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFITS', 'COST OF WORK', 'GOAL PARTNERSHIP', 'HEALTH INSURANCE', 'ANNUITIES RISK MANAGEMENT', 'COST UTILIZATION REVIEW', 'EMPLOYEE BENEFITS WORTH', 'CONSULTATION', 'COST CONCEPT', 'UNITY STABILIZATION', 'EXPECTATION PLANNING', 'STRATEGIC PLANNING', 'LIFE INSURANCE'. 5. A card for 'Acapulco Restaurant & Bar' with a photo of the restaurant building, the address '6517 Weber Rd.', and the phone number '361-723-1536'. Below the cards is a decorative border featuring various vegetables and a red pepper.