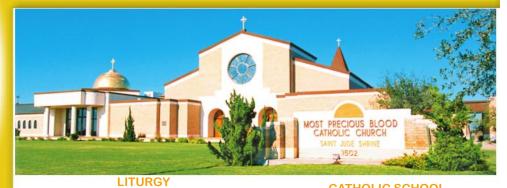
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Principal:

"Glory to the Father. the Sou and the Holy Spirit: To God who is. who was and who is to come.

Sunday Masses: Sat. Vigil 4:30 pm Sunday 8:00 am 10:30 am 12.30 pm 7:30 pm Weekday Masses: Mon. – Fri. 8:30 am & 6:00 pm 8:30 am Sat Holy Day Masses: Vigil 6:00 pm Holy Day 8:30 am, 12:30 & 6:00 pm St. Jude Gift Shop: Martha Parra Thurs & Fri. 10:00 am-3:00 pm & 30 min. before & after Sunday Masses STAFF Pastor: Very Rev. Joseph A. Lopez, J.C.L. Parochial Vicar: Rev. Arularasu Mathias Deacons: Bockholt, Newchurch, Castillo, Cazalas, Stark Parish Operations: Dcn. John Pierce Dora Garcia Bookkeeper: Bulletin Editor/Receptionist: Mari Donez, email: bulletin@mpbchurch.org Facility Manager: Eloy Ozuna **SACRAMENTS**

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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Server Coordinator: Director of Sacred Music: Head Cantor: Associate Cantor: Devotions to St. Jude: Eucharistic Adoration: Extra Ordinary Ministers: Lector: Organists: Ushers:

Joseph Hernandez Dr. Meaghan King Lisa Gonzalez-Saenz Sarah Garcia Monday-Thursday 5:00pm Alice Polansky Deacon Mark Cazalas Derrick Seidenberg Marty Wind Sonny Gamez

CATHOLIC SCHOOL Theresa Mendez

FAITH FORMATION & DISCIPLESHIP

Director:	Tina Villegas	
RE Classes:	PK3 – 5th Grades	Sun. 8:00am
	K3-K5 Grades	Wed. 4:30pm
	1st-4th Grades	Wed. 6:15pm
	7th – 8th Grades	Mon. 6:00pm
	9th - 12th Grades	Sun. 5:30 pm
Youth Ministry:	Justin De Los Santos	
Young Adults:	Fr. Carlos De La Rosa	
Quinceañeras:	Tina Villegas	
Saturday Study:	Joseph Hernandez	
Real Men:	Jim Bunting	
W.I.N.E.:	Tina Villegas	
OCIA:	Javier Salazar	

PASTORAL CARE MINISTERS ents: Deacon Ken Bockholt

Annulments: Deacon Frank Newchurch Deacon David Castillo Homebound Ministry: Alan & Deb Morgan Hospital Ministry: Elsa Canales Palms Nursing Home: Alan & Deb Morgan Mother Teresa Shelter: Maria Escoba Part-Time Counselor: Jenny Allen

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Catholic Daughters: Jr. Catholic Daughters: Knights of Columbus: Knights-4th Degree: Our Lady of Guadalupe: Parish Council: Plant Improvement Board: Elov Ozuna Sewing Angels: Vocations Awareness: Women's Council: Companions in Christ: Special Events:

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Most Precious Blood Church Corpus Christi, Texas



Mass Intentions

Saturday	, July 19, 2025	
8:30AM	PNacho Garcia by Manuel and Cookie Gonzalez	
4:30PM	Ramon Garcia by Dora Garcia	
Sunday,	July 20, 2025	
	⊕Beto Montalvo, Jr. by Family	
	MPB Parishioners	
	⊕Dcn Sebastian /Belen Landagan by M. Landagan	
	July 21, 2025	
8:30AM		
	Jolynn Rios Health by Maria Carreon	
	✤Dolores Moreno/Rosie Lucio by Ernest and Dorothy	
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-	July 22, 2025	
	Aaron Adame by Cookie Adame	
6:00PM	······································	
Wednesday, July 23, 2025 8:30AM Tricia Carvalheira by Family		
6:00PM	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	
	, July 24, 2025	
-	⊕Ventura Gonzalez by Family	
	Isabel Lopez Falcon by Benjamin Falcon & Family	
	uly 25, 2025	
01007 111	Dora & Jamie Moreno Health by Ernest & Dorothy	
	⊕Valentin Galindo by Yolanda Galindo	
	⊕M/M Jack North & Family by Rick McCabe	
	⊕Mrs. Irma Cloud/Mr. John Cloud & Family by Rick	
6:00PM	∜Nacho Garcia by Lucy & Herb	
Saturday, July 26, 2025		
8:30AM	⊕Manuel Alvarez by Family	
4:30PM	∜Joe D. Lopez by Family	



 Religious Education Registration

 2025-2026 Registration now open-Registration Closes

 2025-2026 Registration now open-Registration Closes

 Pre-k3-6th grade: https://www.osvhub.com/mpbchurch/

 forms/2526k36threregistration

 7th and 8th grade: https://www.osvhub.com/mpbchurch/

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 7th and 8th grade: https://www.osvhub.com/mpbchurch/

 forms/25267th-8thre

 High School Confirmation: https://www.osvhub.com/

 mpbchurch/forms/2526hsre

 MPB Youth Ministry Staff:

 Justin De Los Santos - Director of Youth Ministry

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 Tina Villegas - Director of Religious Education

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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.

Week of July 20, 2025-August 2, 2025



The Church Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week in memory of Fermin Flores by Family The St. Jude Chapel Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week in memory of Esther Morales by Mom The Adoration Chapel Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week in memory of Maria Elisa Aguilar Arredondo by Family

Scripture Readings for the Week

Sunday: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Gn 18:1-10a; Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42 **Monday:**Ex 14:5-18; Ex 15:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: Feast of Saint Mary Magdalene Sgs 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18 **Wednesday:** Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28; Mt 13:1-9

Thursday: Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; Mt 13:10-17

Friday: Feast of Saint James, Apostle 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Mt 20:20-28



Saturday: Memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary Ex 24:3-8; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Mt 13:24-30 Sunday: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Gn 18:20-32; Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

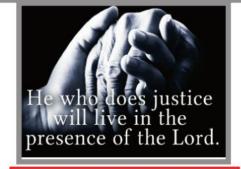


VOCATION

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.

We want to remind you that your opinions are important to us. We welcome your input to make our parish better and we now have a vehicle to utilize for this purpose. You may contact us at: **mpbchurch.org**

We would like to wish a warm welcome to our new priest, Father Carlos De La Rosa. Welcome to Most Precious Blood Church.



Prayer to the Most Precious Blood

Eternal Father, we offer You the Most Precious Blood of Your divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal Church, for those in our own homes, and in our families. Amen.

--St. Gertrude the Great



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Our Parish Activities

Sunday, July 20, 2025 2:00PM Baptisms C Monday, July 21, 2025

 Tuesday, July 22, 2025

 8:00PM
 AA
 C2

 Wednesday, July 23, 2025
 3:00PM
 Divine Mercy

 7:00PM
 KC Officers
 C2

 Thursday, July 24, 2025
 7:00PM
 Real Men's Group

 7:00PM
 AA
 C2

 Friday, July 25, 2025
 C1
 C1

Saturday, July 26, 2025 8:00AM WINE Retreat SJC Sunday, July 27, 2025 11:00AM KC BBQ Sale

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:

Janie Martinez, Nora Trejo, Manuel Dominguez, Andrew Espinoza, Patricia Gonzalez, Ernestina Gonzales, Nora Morales, Blessing Willeson, Theresa Gilbert, Serenity Solis,Brenda Torres, Lee Yeager, Elsa & Monica Chavez, Celestino & Edna Soto, Elodia Villarreal, Maria Cantu, and for all those who have asked us to pray for healing and their special needs.





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.

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July 20, 2025



We extend our sympathy and prayers to the family of our deceased brother: *Robert David Mendez*

Eternal rest grant unto him, Oh Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in Peace. Amen.

Diocesan Prayer for Vocations O loving and gracious God, Father of all, You bless Your people in every time and season and provide for their needs through Your providential care. Your Church is continually in need of young men and women to offer their lives in service of the Gospel as Priests, sisters, and brothers. Open the hearts of Your sons and daughters to listen to Your call in their lives. Give them the gift of understanding to discern Your invitation to serve You and Your Church. Give them the gift of courage to follow Your call. May they have the spirit of young Samuel who found fulfillment in his life when he said to You, "Speak Lord, for Your servant is listening." Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, teach those who are called by Your Son to give a joyful "YES!" as you did to the Angel Gabriel at the Annunciation. We ask this, through Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

This upcoming weekend we will be having a 2nd collection for all those affected by the recent flooding in Kerr county. Please use the following link to donate onlline. Crisis Response Flooding

or https://ccaosa.org

MPB Religious Education/ Youth Volunteer Recruitment Adult and Confirmed Teen volunteers needed for all age/grade sessions For registration, please use the following Links: Confirmed Teen Volunteers: https://www.osvhub. com/mpbchurch/forms/teenvolunteer Adult Volunteers: https://www.osvhub.com/ mpbchurch/forms/readultvolunteer for more information contact Tina Villegas (361) 854-3800 tvillegas@mpbchurch.org



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BBQ Chicken Leg Quarter and Sausage Plate with rice, beans and all the trimmings \$12.00 per plate Sunday, July 27, 2025 11am - 2pm

We will also be accepting supplies and

donations for the flood victims in Kerrville

How You Can Help:
 Donate non-perishable food
 Provide clean water and hygiene products
 Donate clothes, blankets & basic supplies
 Give financially – every dollar helps!
 Volunteer your time

Contact Info: Yuma Martinez 361-562-6343



Glad you can join us!

Discovering hope and joy in the Catholic faith.

July 2025

One Minute Meditations

St. Elizabeth of Portugal

St. Elizabeth followed the footsteps of her great-aunt and namesake, St. Elizabeth of Hungary: she was born to royal parents, practiced fervent spirituality, great generosity and penances. She married King Denis of Portugal. Despite a difficult marriage and family conflicts, she remained patient and charitable. She is known for her care for the poor and sick. and for resolving political conflicts peacefully. After her husband's death, St. Elizabeth entered the Third Order of St. Francis.

Prayer is a response to Love

God wants a relationship with us. This is a central truth of our faith. "The living and true God tirelessly calls each person to that mysterious encounter known as prayer. In prayer, the faithful God's initiative of love always comes first; our own first step is always a response" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, #2567). So, next time you feel called to pray, say, like Samuel, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening" (1 Samuel 3:10).

"By mercy you have washed us in the Blood, and by mercy you desire to converse with your creatures... Loving Madman! ... Your mercy constrains you to give even more to mortals, namely, to leave yourself to them in food."

St. Catherine of Siena

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Step out and let Christ meet you where you are

Where we strive to be Christ for each other and to lead others to Christ.

"Lord, if it is You, command me to come to You on the water" (Matthew 14:28). St. Peter showed remarkable courage when he stepped out of the boat in the middle of a storm. While God may sometimes call us to follow Him in dramatic or difficult moments, more often He invites us in the quiet, ordinary circumstances of daily life - to step out of what's comfortable and meet Him in our prayer, our relationships, and our service.

Prayer: The greatest challenge in deepening your prayer life is often just beginning. Start with a Gospel passage, read slowly, reflect, respond, and rest in God's presence. Light a candle. Sit in front of an icon. Play sacred music. Let beauty draw your heart to God. Ask the Holy Spirit to renew your desire, focus, and love for God. Step out of the boat and you'll find Christ waiting.

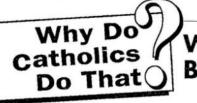
Relationships: The virtues - patience, self-control, fidelity, honesty - aren't just about personal growth; they're about loving others well. Show kindness to someone who frustrates you. Have a real conversation with someone with whom you disagree. Forgive, even if it's undeserved. These small choices shape us into Christ's likeness.

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Service: "... the Son of Man came ... to

"Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid" (Matthew 14:27).

serve" (Matthew 20:28). Loving service doesn't require grand gestures. True holiness is forged in everyday acts: give away a piece of clothing you love but don't need. Help with the dishes, even when it's not your turn. Offer a break to a tired parent by watching their children. When service flows from love, it transforms both the giver and the receiver - and conforms our hearts to Christ's.



The Church teaches that many souls, though destined for Heaven, undergo purification after death, a process called Purgatory. Purgatory prepares us to see God clearly.

Scripture supports this: Judas Maccabee offered prayers for the dead (2 Maccabees 12:43-46), and Jesus mentioned sins forgiven in the next life (Matthew 12:32). St. Paul described a

Why Do Catholics **Believe in Purgatory?**

judgment in which a person is saved, but their works are tested by fire. This fire isn't Hell (since they are saved), but a purifying fire, which aligns with the idea of Purgatory (1 Corinthians 3:13-15).

Purgatory is mercy. The souls there benefit from our prayers - and they pray for us in return. It's part of God's loving plan to make us truly ready for His presence.



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