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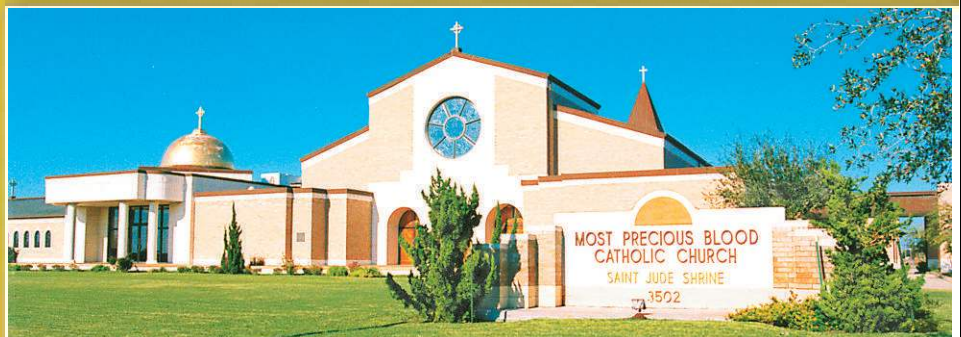
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Welcome to Most Precious Blood Parish!

To register, please go to <http://mpbchurch.org> or come to the Church office.



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the Son,
and the
Holy
Spirit:
To God
who is,
who was
and
who is
to come."*



LITURGY

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
	Sat.	8:30 am
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
Parochial Vicar:	Rev. Javier Ebertowski
Deacons:	Bockholt, Newchurch, Castillo, Cazalas, Stark
Parish Operations:	Dcn. John Pierce
Bookkeeper:	Dora Garcia
Bulletin Editor/Receptionist:	Mari Doney, email: bulletin@mpbchurch.org
Facility Manager:	Eloy Ozuna

SACRAMENTS

Baptism:	Contact the Church Office 3 weeks before Baptism
Confessions:	Daily, 30 minutes prior to each Mass
Marriages:	Call the Church at least 1 year before marriage.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Server Coordinator:	Joseph Hernandez
Director of Sacred Music:	Dr. Meaghan King
Head Cantor:	Lisa Gonzalez-Saenz
Associate Cantor:	Sarah Garcia
Devotions to St. Jude:	Monday-Thursday 5:00pm
Eucharistic Adoration:	Alice Polansky
Extra Ordinary Ministers:	Deacon Mark Cazalas
Lector:	Derrick Seidenberg
Organists:	Marty Wind
Ushers:	Sonny Gamez

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Principal: Theresa Mendez

FAITH FORMATION & DISCIPLESHIP

Director:	Tina Villegas	
RE Classes:	1st – 5th Grades	Sun. 8:30am
	K3-K5 Grades	Wed. 4:30pm
	1st-5th Grades	Wed. 6:15pm
	5th – 8th Grades	Thur. 6:15pm
	9th - 12th Grades	Sun. 5:00pm
H.S. Youth Ministry:	Justin De Los Santos	
M.S. Ministry:	Stacie Bunting	

PASTORAL CARE MINISTERS

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

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Catholic Daughters:	Juanita Corkill
Knights of Columbus:	Yuma Martinez
Knights-4 th Degree:	Daniel Solis
Our Lady of Guadalupe:	Lisa DeLaGarza
Parish Council:	Rev. Joseph Lopez
Plant Improvement Board:	Eloy Ozuna
Sewing Angels:	Irma Garcia
Vocations Awareness:	Joseph Hernandez
Women's Council:	Cyndi Munoz Hernandez
Companions in Christ:	Adriana Livas

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 5, 2026

8:30AM ✚ Reynaldo Davila by Family
4:30PM ✚ Yolanda Garcia by Dora Garcia



Sunday, September 6, 2026

8:00AM ✚ Adrian Alaniz, Jr. by Family
10:30AM ✚ Amador Duran by Rosie Duran
12:30PM ✚ Alistar and Jenni by Family
7:30PM MPB Parishioners

Monday, September 7, 2026

8:30AM ✚ Adriana C. Rodriguez by Pete & Ana Vasquez
Dahlia Fonseca by Family
Mary B. Brunkenhoefer by M. Brunkenhoefer
✚ Earl Revett, Sr. by M. Brunkenhoefer
✚ Earl Revett, Jr. by M. Brunkenhoefer
✚ Nicolas Adamez by Family
6:00PM ✚ Dr. Adolfo Aguilo Birthday by Adolfo Aguilo, Jr.

Tuesday, September 8, 2026

8:30AM Julian Isidro Birthday Blessings by Family
6:00PM Nacho and Mari Domez Ann. by Family

Wednesday, September 9, 2026

8:30AM ✚ Yolanda Gonzalez by Amando Gonzalez
6:00PM ✚ Alfred "Fred" Perez by Family

Thursday, September 10, 2026

8:30AM Alexis Magana Jaggli Birthday by Grandma
6:00PM ✚ Jim Pocza by Lynn Dornbusch

Friday, September 11, 2026

8:30AM ✚ Angelica Perez by Antonio Perez
✚ Oscar P. Navejar Bday by Family
✚ Constance Best Nelson by Stephanie Nelson
✚ Juan Manuel Macias III by Family
Thanksgiving to St. Anthony by Lydia Garcia
Sacred Heart of Jesus by Lydia Garcia
6:00PM ✚ Ricardo Garcia by Lydia Garcia

Saturday, September 12, 2026

8:30AM ✚ Richard L. Garcia by Lydia Garcia
4:30PM Paul Teltchick Birthday by Parra Family



All Religious Education Classes St. Maria Goretti Youth Center

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

MPB Youth Ministry Staff:

Justin De Los Santos - H.S. Youth Ministry
email: jdelossantos@mpbchurch.org
Stacie Bunting - M.S. Youth Ministry
email: mpbyouthonfire@gmail.com
Tina Villegas - Director of Religious Education
email: tvillegas@mpbchurch.org

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.

September 6, 2026- September 19, 2026

The Church Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for the intentions of Martha & Andres Parra by Children
The St. Jude Chapel Sanctuary Candle will burn this week in memory of Reynaldo Davila by Family
The Adoration Chapel Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for Stevenson, Goodwin, Kelly, Kelley, Families by MAK



Scripture Readings for the Week

Sunday: Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12; Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6ab, 6c; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or Mt 1:18-23

Wednesday: Memorial of Saint Peter Claver, Priest 1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17; Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24; Lk 6:27-38

Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12; Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18; Lk 6:43-49

Sunday: Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sir 27:30-28:7; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

Twenty-Third 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.



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.

What does your life mean? What is the Gospel? If someone asked you these two questions, how would you answer? Many Christian men today, sadly, would have difficulty in putting together a coherent response. The most urgent task in the Church today is compelling proclamation of the Gospel that offers people a way- God's way- of seeing reality and making sense of their world in a manner that is vastly different than the story our modern culture tells.

The Christian faith is not just a set of rules- it's the greatest adventure you will ever have in your life, and we invite the men of our parish to come find out why. Beginning August 20th, MPB Real Men's Group will begin the Rescue Project, a passionate study of the basic Kerygma of the Christian faith. Nine weeks long-Thursdays, 7:00-8:30pm in St. Maria Goretti Room 3. Details: MPBRealmen@yahoo.com

The Church office will be closed on Monday September 7, 2026, in observance of Labor Day. Regular hours will resume on Tuesday, September 8, 2026. In case of emergency, please call 361-854-3800

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."



The Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly to you, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to you I come; before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in your mercy, hear and answer me. Amen.



Divine Mercy

Please join us in reciting the Divine Mercy chaplet on Sunday, **September 6, 2026**, and every First Sunday of the month at 3:00 pm in the St. Jude Chapel.

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Our Parish Activities

Sunday, September 6, 2026

3:00PM Divine Mercy **SJC**

Monday, September 7, 2026

OFFICE CLOSED

7:00PM COR **C2**

Tuesday, September 8, 2026

7:00PM Young adult men and women bible study **SMG**

8:00PM AA **C2**

Wednesday, September 9, 2025

3:00PM Divine Mercy **SJC**

7:00PM KC Council **C1**

Thursday, September 10, 2026

6:30PM OLGs **C1**

7:00PM Real Men's Group **SMG**

8:00PM AA **C2**

Friday, September 11, 2026

6:00PM Young Family Nights **SMG**

Saturday, September 12, 2026

Sunday, September 13, 2026

8:00AM OCIA **GH**

2:00PM Baptism Class **C**

5:00PM Youth Group **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:

Manuel Garcia, Zaragoza Hernandez, Joseph Medina, Alicia Cavada, Elodia Villarreal, Maria Cantu, Edna/Edwin Soto, Monica/Elsa Chavez, Theresa Gilbert, Paul Medina III, 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.





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Dear Parish Family,

As part of our commitment to serving our neighbors and strengthening our community, we invite you to join us in supporting the Coastal Bend Food Bank's **The Chosen Interfaith Celebration** on **Saturday, October 10, 2026**, at **Whataburger Field**. This will be an evening of inspiration, community and service featuring cast members from "The Chosen." This is a free event. Bring a donation of non-perishable food items to help provide meals for neighbors facing hunger. By participating, our parish is putting faith into action. You can get free tickets now by going to www.diocesacc.org.

We extend our sympathy and prayers to the family of our deceased brother:

Abel Gutierrez

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

Young Family Night

September 11, 2026 @ 6:00PM in the St. Maria Goretti Youth Center Room 3, all young catholic adult married couples welcome For information contact Justin: 361-215-7121 Hailee: 361-232-9912

Join us for The Chosen Series Marathon on

September 18-19, 2027, here at MPB's St. Juliana Family Center Starts 7:00PM on Friday, September 18, 2026

Young Adult Men and Women Bible Study

is held every Tuesday evening at 7:00PM in the St. Maria Goretti Youth Building. All young adults are welcome to join.



Retreat

The Quinceanera Retreat dates for 2026 have been scheduled for September 26, and November 7. The dates for 2027 are January 30, July 24, September 25, and November 6. A Quinceanera retreat is a requirement for a Quinceanera 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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BOOK STUDY DETAILS

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Proverbs 18:24

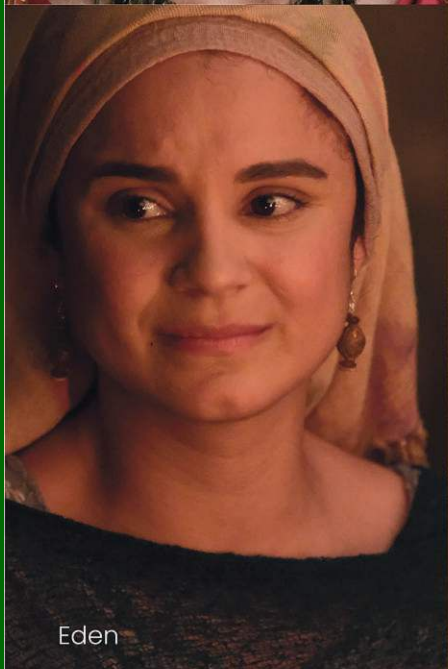
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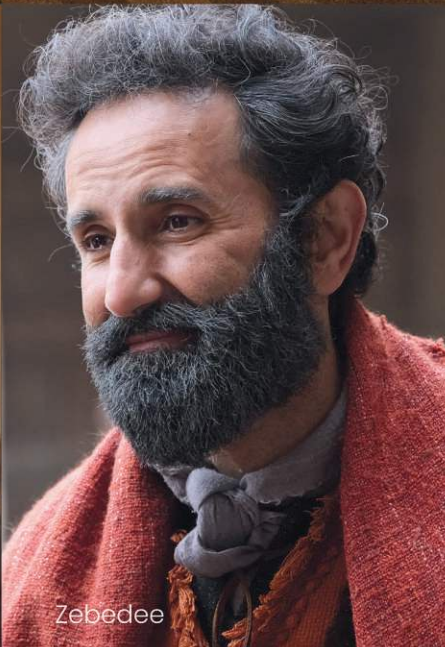
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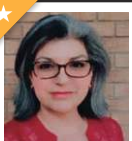


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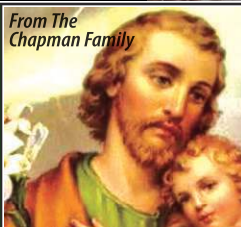
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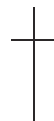


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