



JANUARY 18, 2026 | SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS TIMES

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday - 4:30 pm (Vigil)

Sunday - 8:30 am & 11:00 am

DAILY MASSES

Tuesday—Friday 8:00 am

1st Saturday of the Month 8:00 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00 pm— 4:00 pm

or by appointment

ROSARY

30 minutes prior to Mass on weekends.

ADORATION

Friday 9:00 am-6:00 pm

In the Family Life Center

OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Fri: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Saturday & Sunday: Closed

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2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Now I have seen and testified that he is the
Son of God." - Jn 1:34

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OUR MISSION

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PRAYER & WORSHIP

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MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY 01/20	
8:00 am	Living Altar Society Members
WEDNESDAY 01/21	
8:00 am	
THURSDAY 01/22	
8:00 am	
FRIDAY 01/23	
8:00 am	† Carmen R. Garcia
SATURDAY 01/24	
4:30 pm	† James Giroir
SUNDAY 01/25	
8:30 am	† Lourdes V. Chua
11:00 am	All the faithful



LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE

If you would like to recognize a special person or group by having the flame of the Sanctuary Lamp burn for one week in the person’s memory of honor, please contact Peggy Koenig, coordinator at 281-427-1834.

CELEBRATION OF SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM	
Parents who wish to present their child for Baptism may contact the church office at 281-420-3588 to enroll for a Baptism class.	
MARRIAGE	
Couples wishing to solemnize their marriage in this parish are invited to contact the pastor or one of the deacons not less than six months prior to the anticipated wedding date.	
ANOINTING OF THE SICK	
If you, a family member, or a friend wishes to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, please contact the church office at 281-420-3588.	



PLEASE PRAY FOR

Andrew Arceneaux	Alyssa Mena
Peggy Ball	Dahlia Meza
Eugene Bielamowicz	Jennifer Del Toro Mina
Richard Blanchard	Paul Mitchell
Shane Buss	Albert Motte Sr.
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Keith Coburn	Jerry Mortus
Jessica Coleman	Mark Murphy
Matthew Connealy	Ann Nelson
Governor Crawford	Honour Netek
Antonio Deltoro	Martina Paiz
Janice Donnelly	Dcn. George Rincon
Eric Emerson	Bertha Salazar
Mervin Elmore	Herminia Salinas
Faustino Flores	Richard Salinas
Debbie Friermood	Charles Salinas
Jan Giroir	Alfred Santos
Dee Gilbert	Robert “Vance” Sherwood
Paul Golla	Pennylane St. John
Travis A. Goss	Wallace St. John
Eugene Grevenberg	Helen Stacy
Tammy Hoffeld	Roberto Vasquez
Edwina Hughes	Brenda Vojacek
Dr. Robert Hust	Darrell Vojacek
Lily Jenkins	JoAnn Vojacek
Bily Jennings	Michael Vojacek
Marie Juarez	Sharon Vojacek
Linda Kelly	Kent Wallace
Kathleen Koenig	Mary Williams
Peggy Koenig	James Wroten
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Join us as a guest at a Legion of Mary, we meet every Friday in the Convent at 8:45 am. For more information, please call Susan Wolff 713-542-8951 or Helen Motte 832-661-9969.

The Life After Loss Bereavement Support Group

will be on break through mid January, 2026. The Support group will resume meeting on Saturday morning January 24, 2026 from 9:00 am - 11:00 am at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 816 Park Drive, La Porte in the education building. The support group is offered to adults grieving the loss of a loved one. Pre-registration is welcome but not necessary. For more information please contact Susan Wolff at (713) 542-8951.

JANUARY 24-25

Special Collection for the Church in Latin America

Since 1965, Catholics in the United States have built relationships of unity and love with Catholics in Central and South America and the islands of the Caribbean through their participation in the annual special collection for the Church in Latin America.

On the weekend of January 24-25, Archdiocesan parishes will take up this collection in order to support ministries that bring Christ's mercy to prisoners, train catechists in remote rural areas, and build up pastoral programs that address the crucial needs of refugees and victims of natural disasters. Please be generous.

EMHC Formation Session: January 31

Join us Saturday, January 31 for an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion Formation Session. The Office of Worship is hosting a formation session in **both** English and Spanish. To register please visit:

[Capernaum | Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston](#)

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That we may faithfully live as God's stewards, fulfilling the plan He had for each of us as He formed us in the womb. "Now the Lord has spoken who formed me as his servant from the womb..." Isaiah 49:5 God have given each of us different gifts. In order for God's plan to work, you have to do what God is calling you to do, and I have to do what God is calling me to do. And guess what? God has given each of us a different plan! So, stop comparing yourself to others. Don't let envy and jealousy enter your life. Be thankful for the gifts God has given you and become the saint that God is calling you to be.

Healing and Hope Mental Health Ministry - Pastoral Formation

Healing and Hope offers a space for formation and dialogue to equip lay leaders and ministers to accompany individuals and families with compassion as they face anxiety, depression, addiction, trauma, or suicidal thoughts. Convened by Bishop Italo Dell'Oro, this formation provides practical tools to better understand mental health, recognize warning signs, and offer pastoral accompaniment rooted in faith and community. The session will be led by Deacon Ed Shoener, Founder of *Catholic Mental Health Ministers*.

Do you feel called to serve as a Mental Health Minister and help bring healing and hope to those most in need? Join us: Saturday, February 7 from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, 6800 Buffalo Speedway, Houston, TX 77025.

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THE 2026 BIG GAME RAFFLE

1st Prize: \$1,000 VISA
2nd Prize: \$500 VISA
3rd Prize: \$250 VISA
4th Prize: \$100 VISA
5th Prize: \$50 VISA

TICKETS - \$25 EACH
Only 400 tickets will be sold.

Tickets available from any Knights of Columbus member

YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT WILL HELP US SUPPORT THE FOLLOWING CAUSES:

Church Bazaars	Birthday/Anniversaries Receptions	Rectory Repairs	School Gala	Food for Families	Coats4Kids Program
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Public drawing to be held at the St. Joseph Church Family Life Center after all tickets are sold or February 8, 2026, whichever comes first.

Must be 18 yrs of age. Responsible for all taxes.
Need not be present to win.
All prizes must be claimed within 14 days of drawing.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

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"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age."
(Matthew 28:19-20)

Dear parishioners of St. Joseph,

I'd like to repost the one-minute catechesis we covered last week to reflect on the gift of Baptism we've all received. Through this reflection, we acknowledge our roles and responsibilities as Jesus' apostles, called to spread His teachings and make disciples of all nations.

Most people think the Baptism of Jesus is just a quiet moment by the Jordan; Jesus standing in the water, John the Baptist pouring water, a dove in the sky. It's beautiful, but it's not simple!

The Baptism of the Lord is the moment that the Old Covenant hands over the mission to the New Covenant. The moment heaven breaks its silence. The moment Jesus steps publicly into His mission. It is the announcement of war against sin, death, and the kingdom of darkness.

1. JESUS DID NOT NEED BAPTISM, BUT WE NEEDED HIM TO ENTER THE WATER

John's baptism was for sinners. But Jesus had no sin. He came, not to be purified, but to purify the waters.

When Jesus entered the Jordan, He placed divinity inside the water, so that water could later carry grace in every sacrament. Jesus did not come to be cleansed, but He came to cleanse creation.

2. THE TRINITY APPEARS FOR THE FIRST TIME IN A SINGLE MOMENT

No other moment in the Old Testament or New Testament reveals the Trinity this clearly.

The Son stands in the water. The Spirit descends like a dove. The Father speaks from heaven. This is not symbolism. This is revelation. At Epiphany, Christ was revealed to the nations. At the Jordan, God reveals Himself fully. We cannot deny the Trinity at the Jordan unless we deny Scripture itself.

3. JOHN THE BAPTIST HANDS OVER HIS MINISTRY

John was the final prophet of the Old Covenant. He prepared the way. He announced the Messiah. He preached repentance. But when Jesus steps into the water, something shifts. John says: *"He must increase; I must decrease."* (Jn 3:30) *The water becomes the place where the Old Covenant gives way to the New. This is the moment John's mission reaches its peak: He baptizes the One who will baptize with fire and the Holy Spirit. He passes the torch from prophecy to fulfillment.*

And so, our own baptism only makes sense because of His. Without Christ's baptism: water is just water; repentance is just effort; forgiveness is just hope. But after He enters the Jordan, water becomes the instrument of the Holy Spirit. Baptism becomes participation in His death and resurrection. We become sons and daughters because He revealed His Sonship. At the Jordan, Jesus did not just begin His mission, Jesus opened the door to ours. The Baptism of Jesus is God declaring: "The distance between heaven and earth is over. The Son of God has entered the world. Now our world can enter the divine life of God."

Rev. Thuc Nguyen

Pastor of St. Joseph Church Baytown





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INVITES YOU TO A DAY OF PRAYER

Abide in My Love

"As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you; abide in my love," -John 15:9

Saturday, March 28, 2026
8:00 AM to 5:30 PM

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Registration: \$25

Early registration \$20 through January 31, 2026.

WEEKLY DONATIONS

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Current St. Joseph Parishioners Update Your Family Information Parish Soft gives current parishioners the opportunity to log in and update family information.

- 1. Go to the following link <https://galveston.parishsoftfamilysuite.com>.
- 2. A New User Registration Form will come up. Fill out the form and hit submit.
- 3. Your request will be sent to St. Joseph to obtain confirmation.
- 4. Once you receive confirmation, you may set a permanent password and make changes to your family information.
- 5. If you are not already a registered parishioner, this will send an email to the office and once approved you may complete your registration online.

This system allows you to add family members, but it does not allow you to delete them. If you need assistance in adding and/or deleting information or would like to provide your updated information via telephone or e-mail, please contact Natalia Charles at 281-420-3588 or businessmanager@stjosephbaytown.org



Capital Campaign
Parish Goal-2.1 Million
Total Given-472,692.63
Total Participants-144
Total Commitments Received-100
Total Households-271



WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORT

DSF SUMMARY REPORT
Parish Goal-\$28,000
Total Paid-\$ 24,009
Total Participants- 67
Total Households-271



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**The totals received in Mass, Online and in the Office
for the week of January 11, 2026.**

Regular	\$ 8,353.00
Building Fund	\$ 858.00
Catholic Education	\$ 105.00
Maintenance & Repair	\$ 80.00
Envelopes	\$ 65.00
Holy Days	\$ 195.00
Total	\$ 9,656.00



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As a condition of volunteer service with the Archdiocese of Galveston Houston, all potential volunteers are required to complete the Child and Youth Protection Safe Environment training.

If you have not yet completed the training, please visit: <https://galvestonhouston.cmgconnect.org>

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FAITH FORMATION



The Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston has partnered with **MyCatholicWill** to help our parish families with the most essential element of their estate plans.

If you have not created your Last Will and Testament yet, the consequences for your loved ones could lead to unexpected burdens.

Nearly 70% of American adults have not prepared a last will. When a loved one passes without a will, families may face significant challenges to their financial stability. To address this need, the archdiocese is sponsoring free access to MyCatholicWill for all who may benefit.

Through this partnership with MyCatholicWill, we have made writing a will completely FREE for you. This is your opportunity to ensure your wishes are known and your family is protected. It is incredibly EASY. And it is a guided process that covers the needs of most adults and families.

Get started right now by going to MyCatholicWill.com/ArchGH. In as little as 20 minutes, you can protect your family by creating your Will today.

Let us please pray for those who will be baptized, confirmed, or will do First Communion as we journey with them toward the encounter with Christ in the sacraments in The Easter Vigil.

Life-Giving Father,
you desire that we may be one in Christ,
so that all creation may give you praise.
Look kindly upon the catechumens and candidates you have called to the table of your Word.

We pray especially for:

Janelle Banda
Gisela Cardenas
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