

St. Joseph

CATHOLIC CHURCH

ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON

FEBRUARY 8, 2026 | FIFTH 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

CHURCH EMAIL

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Sr. Maureen Nwajiobi, DMMM



5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden.” - Mt 5:14

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OUR MISSION

“Together we grow in faith through love for generations to come”

PRAYER & WORSHIP

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MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY 02/10

8:00 am † Jim Giroir

WEDNESDAY 02/11

8:00 am

THURSDAY 02/12

8:00 am † Jesse M. Medellin

FRIDAY 02/13

8:00 am † Carl Koenig

SATURDAY 02/14

4:30 pm Cindy Salazar-Birthday

SUNDAY 02/15

8:30 am

11:00 am All the faithful



SACRED HEART ALTAR

This week the candle on the Sacred Heart Altar will burn in memory of Carl Koenig. Requested by Peggy Koenig.

BLESSED MOTHER ALTAR

This week the candle on the Blessed Mother Altar will burn in memory of Mariam Plumb. Requested by Nan Weaver.

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

Peggy Ball

Richard Blanchard

Shane Buss

Skip Buttaccio

Keith Coburn

Jessica Coleman

Matthew Connealy

Governor Crawford

Antonio Deltoro

Janice Donnelly

Eric Emerson

Mervin Elmore

Faustino Flores

Debbie Friermood

Jan Giroir

Dee Gilbert

Paul Golla

Travis A. Goss

Eugene Grevenberg

Tammy Hoffeld

Edwina Hughes

Dr. Robert Hust

Lily Jenkins

Bily Jennings

Marie Juarez

Linda Kelly

Kathleen Koenig

Peggy Koenig

Frank Kotrola

Ed Kubicek

Stephanie Kubicek

John Lamonte

Moreno Lundy

Fred W. Marti

Marcelino Martinez

Juan Marquez

Alyssa Mena

Dahlia Meza

Jennifer Del Toro Mina

Paul Mitchell

Albert Motte Sr.

Helen Motte

Jerry Mortus

Mark Murphy

Ann Nelson

Honour Netek

Martina Paiz

Dcn. George Rincon

Bertha Salazar

Herminia Salinas

Richard Salinas

Charles Salinas

Alfred Santos

Robert "Vance" Sherwood

Pennylane St. John

Wallace St. John

Helen Stacy

Roberto Vasquez

Brenda Vojacek

Darrell Vojacek

JoAnn Vojacek

Michael Vojacek

Sharon Vojacek

Kent Wallace

Mary Williams

James Wroten

Lee Wroten

Margaret Wroten

Brooke Zucha



IMPORTANT NEWS

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Legion of Mary

Invites you to...

- *Learn more about the Catholic Faith
- *Enrich your prayer life
- *Develop Catholic Friendships
- *Grow closer to Jesus and His Mother

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.

February 7, Stuck



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THE 2026 BIG GAME RAFFLE

Three raffle tickets are shown at the top, each with a \$1,000 Visa gift card as a prize. Below the tickets are five gold gift cards with the following prizes: 1st Prize (\$1,000 Visa Gift Card), 2nd Prize (\$500 Visa Gift Card), 3rd Prize (\$500 Visa Gift Card), 4th Prize (\$250 Visa Gift Card), and 5th Prize (\$250 Visa Gift Card).

DRAWING TO BE HELD SUNDAY,
FEBRUARY 8TH IN THE FLC, AFTER
THE 11:00 A.M. MASS

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.

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time February 8

That we let our light shine before others and be a bold witness of our faith! "Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." Matthew 5:16 The generosity of being a good steward of your gifts has a positive effect on people, and it is contagious! Good works encourages more good works. Generosity is a by-product of a grateful lifestyle. The more we recognize God's gifts, the more we want to share them. Good stewards recognize that God is working through them, and they don't put themselves above the people they have been called to help.

Texas Education Freedom Accounts (TEFA)

Choose Catholic Schools Starting in the 2026 school year, Texas will launch a brand-new Texas Education Freedom Accounts (TEFA) program with up to \$1 billion in funding to help families cover educational expenses for students in PreK through 12th grade. Parishioners who have wanted to send their children to Catholic school but were concerned about costs can now do so with tuition funded by the State of Texas. Texas has approved school choice, and the deadline to receive \$10,000+ per child begins February 4. Inform your parishioners now. Parents must apply during the February 4 - March 17 application period. Sign up to receive information on applying at www.choosecatholicschools.org/TEFA.

Scam Alert

A new scam has come to light targeting residents across the United States with text messages that pretend to be from toll road operators. For many who receive these messages, it's an easy and expensive trap to fall into. The scam begins when people receive a message claiming they have unpaid tolls and may be charged fines. Scammers then ask for card details and a one-time password sent via SMS to steal their money. Additionally, there are artificial intelligence (AI) generated scams to be on the lookout for.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

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"This is my Body" (Luke 22:19)

Dear parishioners of St. Joseph,

I believe it's important to re-post last week one-minute catechesis for you to continue reflecting on this beautiful part of the Mass that we do every time at the Holy Eucharistic celebration.

We all know we must say "Amen" before receiving the Body and Blood of Jesus, but do we know why we respond "Amen" at Communion?

When the priest or the Extraordinary Minister say, "The Body of Christ," and we answer "Amen," we are not just replying politely. We are making a powerful confession of faith.

First of all, "Amen" means: I believe. "Amen" comes from a Hebrew word that means: Yes, it is true. When we say Amen, we are saying: "I believe this is truly Jesus Christ." It's not a symbol. It's not just bread. But it's the real Body of Christ. When we say "Amen," we are agreeing with Christ's words

Jesus said: "This is my Body." (Luke 22:19) Our Amen is our response to Jesus Himself.

Second, we are professing our Catholic faith publicly.

Our Amen is a personal declaration that we accept what the Church teaches about the Eucharist. It is our personal moment of faith. We are entering into communion, not just receiving food. Holy Communion is not only about receiving; it is about becoming united with Christ. Our Amen says: "I believe You. I receive You. I belong to You." Without Amen, Communion loses its meaning. If someone does not believe, their Amen becomes empty. But when we say it with faith, Amen becomes our prayer. It is our personal "Yes" to Jesus in the Eucharist.

So, next time, when we come up to receive Holy Communion, remember this one-minute of catechesis to receive communion with great respect and reverence.

Rev. Thuc Nguyen
Pastor of St. Joseph Baytown

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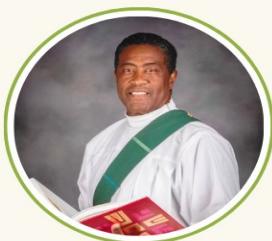
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INVITES YOU TO A DAY OF PRAYER

Abide in My Love

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



Deacon David Johnson

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

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Gina Waters

SCHOOL GYM

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ENCOUNTER PERFECT LOVE; IN THAT LOVE, WE ARE
RENEWED AND SENT FORTH.

AGES: 18 AND OLDER



Kate Mims



To register please scan QR Code or
call the church office for more information - (281) 420-3588

Lunch will be provided. Limited Space- **100 seats only!**

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

ParishSOFT

Capital Campaign

Parish Goal-2.1 Million

Total Given-542,755.63

Total Participants-144

Total Commitments Received-100

Total Households-271

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH BAYTOWN

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DSF SUMMARY REPORT

Parish Goal-\$30,100

Total Paid-\$

Total Participants-

Total Households-



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WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORT

The totals received Online and in the Office
for the week of January 25, 2026.

Regular	\$ 8,040.30
Building Fund	\$ 12,808.00
Maintenance & Repair	\$ 847.00
Latin America	\$ 315.00
Catholic Education	\$ 145.00
Children's Collection	\$ 117.00
Holy Days	\$ 95.00
Envelopes	\$ 40.00
Total	\$ 22,407.30

**FINANCIAL
BLESSINGS**

COMMUNITY STAFF

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Gregorio Aguilar
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Safe Environment

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



MyCatholicWill

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
Victoria Cerezo
Alan Etie
Tammy Moyers
Joseph Smith
Osmar Jaret Sustaita
Dalton Kane White



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