



# St. Joseph

CATHOLIC CHURCH

ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON

APRIL 26, 2026 | FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## MASS TIMES

### SUNDAY MASSES IN THE GYM

Saturday - 4:30 pm (Vigil)  
Sunday - 8:30 am & 11:00 am

### DAILY MASSES IN THE FLC

Tuesday—Friday 8:00 am  
1st Saturday of the Month 8:00 am

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IN THE GYM

Saturday: 3:00 pm— 4:00 pm  
or by appointment

### ROSARY

30 minutes prior to Mass on weekends.

### ADORATION IN FLC

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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## PASTORAL STAFF

### PASTOR

Rev. Thuc Nguyen

### DEACON

Deacon George Rincon

### BUSINESS MANAGER

Mrs. Natalia Charles

### DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS ED.

Ms. Ruth Venegas

### SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Sr. Maureen Nwajiobi, DMMM



## 4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

"Whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out." - Jn 10:2-3

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### OUR MISSION

*"Together we grow in faith through love for generations to come"*

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# PRAYER & WORSHIP

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## MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY 04/28

8:00 am

WEDNESDAY 04/29

8:00 am

THURSDAY 04/30

8:00 am

FRIDAY 05/01

8:00 am † Miguel Medina

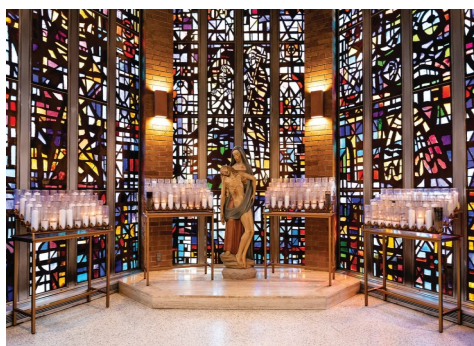
SATURDAY 05/02

4:30 pm † Ruby Andrew

SUNDAY 05/03

8:30 am

11:00 am **All the faithful**



### SACRED HEART ALTAR

This week the candle on the Sacred Heart Altar burns in memory of the 2nd Anniversary of death of Jerry Vojacek. Requested by Joanne Vojacek.

### 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 Frierhood  
Jan Giroir  
Dee Gilbert  
Paul Golla  
Travis A. Goss  
Eugene Grevenberg  
Tammy Hoffeld  
**John Hubbard**  
Edwina Hughes  
Dr. Robert Hust  
Bily Jennings  
Marie Juarez  
Kathleen Koenig  
Peggy Koenig  
Frank Kotrola  
Ed Kubicek  
Stephanie Kubicek  
John Lamonte  
Moreno Lundy  
Elisa Magill  
Fred W. Marti  
Marcelino Martinez  
Juan Marquez  
Alyssa Mena

Dahlia Meza  
Jennifer Del Toro Mina  
Paul Mitchell  
Albert Motte Sr.  
Helen Motte  
Jerry Mortus  
Ann Nelson  
Honour Netek  
Martina Paiz  
Dcn. George Rincon  
Herminia Salinas  
Richard Salinas  
Charles Salinas  
Alfred Santos  
Robert "Vance" Sherwood  
Pennylane St. John  
Wallace St. John  
Helen Stacy  
Cindy Vancleave  
Roberto Vasquez  
Brenda Vojacek  
Darrell Vojacek  
Jerrell Vojacek  
Michael Vojacek  
Sharon Vojacek  
Kent Wallace  
Mary Williams  
James Wroten  
Lee Wroten  
Margaret Wroten  
Brooke Zucha



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The Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston has an Office of Aging that serves older adults of 50+ years and their families and caregivers. If you are over 50 or caring for someone who is, we want you to know that you are seen and heard, valued and loved! This year we have begun SAINTS University, a learning community for faith fellowship and fun that has a full calendar of events in northern, central and southwest Houston and events in Spanish for our Spanish speaking seniors and families. To find our more visit [www.archgh.org/aging/saints](http://www.archgh.org/aging/saints) or join our community by texting "Aging" to 84576 for English or "Sabio" to 202-765-3441 for Espanol.

## 4th Sunday of Easter April 26

That as we struggle to live a faith-filled life, we recognize we are not alone. Jesus is there to help guide us. "And Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ...'" Acts 2:38 The word "repent" means to turn from sin - to change our thoughts, words and actions. Change that is permanent comes from within – a transformation or conversion of heart. This requires prayer, discipline and perseverance. Change is hard. The first step is recognizing that we are broken and that we need God's help. The good news - we are not alone in our journey. Ask Jesus daily for guidance and patiently listen for his response.

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## Catholic Grief Retreat

Butterfly Circle For you who have lost a loved one We invite you to the Butterfly Circle Grief Retreat, a sacred journey of faith where, with God's grace, sorrow is transformed into love. Even when the path is painful, God never abandons us; His love turns wounds into hope and the darkness of night into a promise of light. April 18, 8 a.m.–5 p.m. at St. Martha Catholic Church, Faith Formation Center (3702 Woodland Hills Dr., Kingwood, TX 77339. Registration fee \$80.

Register at: <https://archgh.swoogo.com/GriefRetreat>

For more information, contact Juan Tinajero at [jtinajero@archgh.org](mailto:jtinajero@archgh.org) or 713-741-8711.

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- TO BE SACRAMENTAL PEOPLE CENTERED ON THE EUCHARIST

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NEXT GENERATIONS TO COME.

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# FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

April 26, 2026 | Fourth Sunday of Easter



## Pastoral Letter on Our Capital Campaign

Rev. Thuc Nguyen



Dear Parishioners of St. Joseph Church,

May the Grace and Peace of Christ be with you!

With a heart full of gratitude, I give thanks to God who has guided us thus far on this sacred journey of restoring our church building. He has been faithful in every step, and we have seen His providence through your generosity, your prayers, and your love for His Church.

At the center of all that we are and all that we do is the Holy Eucharist. As the Catechism so beautifully teaches, “the Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life.” (Lumen Gentium, 11) Everything flows from it, and everything leads back to it. It is here that we encounter not a symbol, but the living Christ Himself—His Body, His Blood, His very Presence given for us.

Our parish is alive with many beautiful activities—our Knights’ Fish Fry, our school Gala, and so many other events that bring us together in fellowship and service. I am deeply grateful for your continued support of these efforts. Yet, we must always remember: these are not ends in themselves. Every ministry, every gathering, every act of service exists for one greater purpose—to lead us and others to an encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist.

My daily prayer is for each one of you is that all who come into our church may truly encounter Christ in the Eucharist, be nourished by His love, strengthened by His grace, and sent forth with renewed zeal to live as His disciples. For it is the command of our Lord Himself: “Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations” (Matthew 28:19).

Without the Eucharist, everything we do is in vain.

Without the Eucharist, everything we do loses its meaning.

Without the Eucharist, we are nothing—because it is in the Eucharist that we are fed, transformed, and made whole by Christ Himself.

And so, my dear parish family, I urge you with all my heart: let us now turn our focus to our Capital Campaign. By God’s grace, we have received the construction permit—this is a great milestone, a sign that the Lord is opening the way before us.

Now is the time for all of us to come together in unity and sacrifice. This is more than a building project. This is about building a sacred place where generations to come will encounter Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. This is about creating a spiritual home where hearts will be healed, souls will be nourished, and lives will be transformed.

Your support—your prayers, your generosity, your commitment—is essential. Each gift, no matter the size, is an act of faith. Each sacrifice is a testimony of love. Together, we are not simply building walls—we are building the Body of Christ.

The Church is where we discover our deepest identity, our truest purpose, and our ultimate meaning in life—because it is here that we meet Jesus.

Let us move forward with courage, with faith, and with love.

Be assured of my prayers for you always. May the Eucharistic Lord bless you and your families abundantly.

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In Christ,

*Thuc Nguyen*

Rev. Thuc Nguyen  
Pastor, St. Joseph Church Baytown



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# 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](mailto:businessmanager@stjosephbaytown.org)



**Capital Campaign**  
**Parish Goal-2.1 Million**  
**Total Given-\$600,290.63**  
**Total Participants-160**  
**Total Commitments Received-100**  
**Total Households-281**



## DSF SUMMARY REPORT

**Parish Goal-\$30,100**  
**Total Paid-\$ 2,205**  
**Total Participants- 18**  
**Total Households-281**



**SCAN HERE TO MAKE A GIFT**



## WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORT

**The totals received Online and in the Office  
for the week of April 26, 2026.**

Regular	\$ 7,888.71
Building Fund	\$ 6,936.00
Maintenance & Repair	\$ 120.00
Catholic Education	\$ 155.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$ 30.00
Holy Land	\$ 50.00
Children's Collection	\$ 48.00
Flowers	\$ 364.95
Holy Days	\$ 75.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 15,667.66</b>



## 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>



## 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.

PROTECT YOUR FAMILY. HONOR YOUR FAITH.

Write your Last Will and Testament for FREE, courtesy of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston  
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## Pray for our First Communion Students

*Isla Aguilar  
Camila Carter  
Samuel De Los Santos  
Eric Ray Filyaw  
Eduardo Garza  
Everett Gordon  
Sabrina Miranda  
Sophie Moreno  
Ava Alyssa Morrison  
Elias Rodriguez  
Romeo Rodriguez  
Ilse Trujillo*

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