



St. Joseph

CATHOLIC CHURCH

ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON

JULY 12, 2026 | FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS TIMES

SUNDAY MASSES IN FLC

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 FLC

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-Thursday: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Friday 9:00 am— 12:00 pm

Saturday & Sunday: Closed

CHURCH EMAIL

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Rev. Thuc Nguyen

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15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"The seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold." - Mt 13:23

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OUR MISSION

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PRAYER & WORSHIP

July 12, 2026 | Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY 07/14	
8:00 am	
WEDNESDAY 07/15	
8:00 am	
THURSDAY 07/16	
8:00 am	
FRIDAY 07/17	
8:00 am	Ed & Stephanie Kubicek
SATURDAY 07/18	
4:30 pm	† Jon Dizon
SUNDAY 07/19	
8:30 am	
11:00 am	All the faithful



SACRED HEART ALTAR

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

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
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
Margarita Verastegui
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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- *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 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 out more visit www.archgh.org/aging/saints or join our community by texting "Aging" to 84576 for English or "Sabio" to 202-765-3441 for Espanol.

Impostor priest email/texting scams Recently, there has been an increase in reports of fraudulent email solicitations for financial support, usually in the form of gift cards. These reports are coming from email accounts or text messages identifying as Archdiocesan priests. To minimize fraudulent impact, pastors are encouraged to remind their membership that priests/churches would never make such appeals to the parish community. Advise parishioners to notify the church office immediately if they receive any unfamiliar donation requests.

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time: July 12

That the seeds God sows in our lives may take root and lead to greater prayer, participation and generosity. "The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word but then the cares of the world and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit." - Matthew 13:22 Does the lure of riches and material goods choke God out of your life? Are you so caught up in earthly activities that you have no time for God? Gratitude and generosity are virtues that we should strive to do on a daily basis. Every decision we make either takes us one step closer to God or one step further away. What we receive at Mass every Sunday should be shared with others all the other days of the week as well.

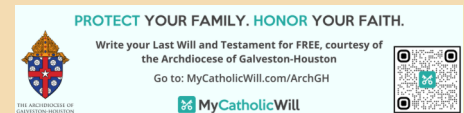


The Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston has partnered with **MyCatholicWill** to help our parish families with the most essential element of their estate plans.

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.



WEDDING JUBILEE MASS 2026

50TH WEDDING JUBILEE

Sunday, September 20, 2026

Celebrant: Archbishop Joe S. Vásquez

Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart
1111 St. Joseph Parkway, Houston, Texas 77002

25TH WEDDING JUBILEE

Sunday, October 11, 2026

Celebrant: Bishop Italo Dell'Oro, C.R.S.

Check in opens at 2:00 pm

Wedding Anniversary Mass at 3:00 pm
Couple photo with celebrant after Mass



For more information
and registration:
www.archgh.org/weddingjubilee



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

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“Are you a priest or not? Instead of taking care of prayers and liturgical matters, why are you concerned about land and property?” said the soldier.

Blessed Fr. Francis Xavier Truong Buu Diep said, *“My faith does not teach only prayers and liturgical practices; it also teaches us to love and care for those who are suffering. I live among my flock, and if I am to die, I will die among my flock. I will not abandon them.”*

The words of our newly Blessed Fr. Francis Xavier Truong Buu Diep strike the heart of every priest and every Christian:

“I live among my flock, and if I am to die, I will die among my flock. I will not abandon them.”

These are not merely inspiring words. They are words that were proven by a life of faithful sacrifice. They reveal the very heart of a shepherd who chose to remain with his people, trusting that the safest place to be is wherever God calls him to stand. For a parish priest, this is the essence of the vocation, not simply to work for God, but to remain with God. To remain with God does not simply mean speaking eloquently about Him before crowds, accomplishing great works, holding an important office, being admired by the faithful, or enjoying the confidence of superiors. Those things may accompany ministry, but they are never the measure of holiness. To remain with God means remaining faithful when no one sees. It means continuing to serve out of love when no one applauds.

It means remaining gentle when misunderstood, criticized, or even rejected.

It means rejoicing in the gifts and success of others without envy.

It means refusing to take the glory when a ministry flourishes, knowing that every blessing belongs to God.

It means refusing to lose hope when a ministry struggles, trusting that God is still at work even in hidden ways.

It means remaining in communion with the Church and with one another even when community is imperfect; staying not because life is easy, but because love, humility, and holiness grow when we faithfully persevere.

Blessed Francis Xavier Trương Bửu Diệp did not abandon his people because he had already surrendered his life to Christ. A shepherd who clings to Christ will never abandon the flock entrusted to him. The cross may become heavier, the road more uncertain, and the sacrifices greater, but the Good Shepherd continues to whisper, “Do not be afraid, for I am with you.”

His witness reminds every priest that our greatest accomplishment is not how much we build, how many people know our name, or how successful our ministry appears. Our greatest achievement is to remain faithful until the end, to love Christ above all things and to love His people with the heart of a true shepherd.

May we never seek ourselves before Christ,

May we never abandon those entrusted to our care

May we never cease clinging to the One who first held us in His loving hands.

For in the end, the Lord will not ask us how famous we became, but whether we remained faithful. Amen!

Rev. Thuc Nguyen

Pastor of St. Joseph Church Baytown



PARISH *Announcement*



Mrs. Leasa Lopez

With gratitude to God, I am happy to announce that **Leasa Lopez** has graciously accepted the role of Coordinator for the

2027 ST. JOSEPH SPRING CRAWFISH FESTIVAL.

After faithfully serving as our Entertainment Coordinator during this past festival, Leasa has prayerfully accepted this new responsibility with great joy and hope. She understands the sacrifices and challenges that come with this role, yet she embraces it as a way of putting her faith into action and serving our beloved St. Joseph Church.

Our Spring Crawfish Festival is more than a community celebration—it is an opportunity to **strengthen our parish family** while **supporting the Capital Campaign** for the restoration of our church. Every act of service helps build not only our parish campus but also a **stronger community of faith**.



Please join me in **praying for Leasa** as she begins this new ministry. May God bless her with wisdom, strength, and joy, and may St. Joseph guide her every step.



I also encourage all parishioners to prayerfully consider becoming **involved in next year's festival** by serving as committee members, coordinators, volunteers, or sponsors. Together, we can continue building a vibrant parish for generations to come.

Thank you, Leasa, for your generous "yes" to serving our parish family. May God bless you abundantly.

— Rev. Thuc Nguyen, Pastor



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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



Capital Campaign
Parish Goal-2.1 Million
Total Given-\$799,453.50
Total Participants-175
Total Commitments Received-100
Total Households-322

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH BAYTOWN

RESTORING OUR CHURCH

BUILDING OUR FUTURE

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

DSF SUMMARY REPORT
Parish Goal-\$30,100
Total Paid-\$ 9,085
Total Participants- 38
Total Households-322

SCAN HERE TO MAKE A GIFT

WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORT

The totals received Online and in the Office
for the week of July 5, 2026.

Regular	\$ 4,406.00
Building Fund	\$ 42,306.00
Maintenance & Repair	\$ 265.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$ 1,048.25
Children’s Collection	\$ 2.00
Catholic Education	\$ 50.00
Total	\$ 48,077.25

FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

COMMUNITY STAFF

PASTORAL COUNCIL

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Leasa Lopez
Linda Lopez
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Rita Rull
Phyllis Smith

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.

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