



JULY 26, 2026 | SEVENTEENTH 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

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17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field." - Mt 13:44

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OUR MISSION

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

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PRAYER & WORSHIP

July 26, 2026 | Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY 07/28

8:00 am

WEDNESDAY 07/29

8:00 am † Greg Getty Sr.

THURSDAY 07/30

8:00 am † Louis Faucheux

FRIDAY 07/31

8:00 am † Angela Nunez

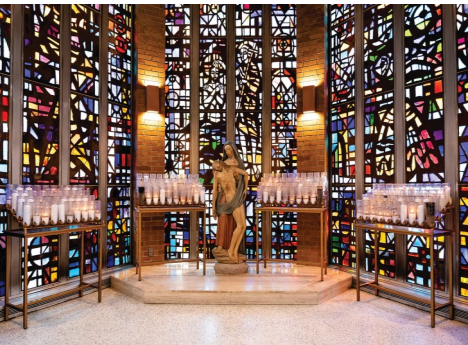
SATURDAY 08/01

4:30 pm † Lourdes V. Chua

SUNDAY 08/02

8:30 am

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
Peggy Ball
Richard Blanchard
Shane Buss
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
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
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Sharon Vojacek
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Mary Williams
James Wroten
Lee Wroten
Margaret Wroten
Brooke Zucha



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- *Learn more about the Catholic Faith
- *Enrich your prayer life
- *Develop Catholic Friendships
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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.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

The Office of Pro-Life Activities will offer the next Rachel's Vineyard retreat of post-abortion healing on the weekend of August 7-9. This retreat is part of Project Rachel's ministry. All inquiries and registrations are strictly confidential. To register or for more information, please contact Zulema at the Office of Pro-Life Activities at 713-440-3445.

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time: July 26

That we learn to put our trust in God in everything we do. "We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose." - Romans 8:28 Do you really trust God? Do you really believe that God will provide all that you need? Faith is a challenge for everyone at times. Putting our trust in God, in everything we do, in good times and in bad, means that God's plan for our lives may be quite different than what we planned. When one door closes, another one opens. Trust in God, His plan is always better.

Archdiocesan Catechist Day Save the Date Archdiocesan Catechist Day – Saturday, September 26

All catechists and catechetical leaders are invited to mark their calendars for Archdiocesan Catechist Day on Saturday, September 26, hosted at St. Thomas High School. This day of learning, prayer, and fellowship will feature over 70 workshops available in both English and Spanish, alongside lunch and community networking. We are thrilled to welcome two incredible keynote speakers: Kelly Henderschedt (Archdiocesan Director of Faith Formation and Parish Life for the Diocese of Hartford, CT) and Juan Carlos Moreno (Director of Evangelization, Catechesis and Family Life for the Diocese of Dallas, TX). Keep an eye out for upcoming registration details!

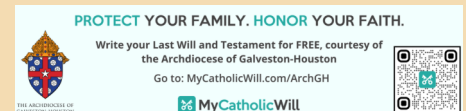


The Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston has partnered with **MyCatholicWill** to help our parish families with the most essential element of their estate plans.

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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THE TRUE MIRACLE IS JESUS

"Teacher, we wish to see a sign from You." (Matthew 12:38)

There is a story of a saint who was praying in adoration before the Blessed Sacrament when someone rushed in to announce that a miracle was taking place outside and that crowds were gathering to witness it. The saint calmly replied, "A miracle is taking place here as well, in the chapel, in the Eucharist, and I am contemplating it."

Human nature is naturally curious. Whenever we hear about something extraordinary, we are quick to run and see it. Because of this, we can easily mistake what is secondary for what is essential, or what is merely spectacular for what is truly real. However, Jesus never sought to draw attention to Himself through dazzling displays of power. When He turned water into wine or multiplied the loaves, He did so with remarkable simplicity and humility. Even the greatest miracle of all, which is the salvation of the human race, began in the quiet humility of a child born in a manger and reached its fulfillment on a cross, where He died like a condemned criminal.

The greatest miracle is not simply what Jesus did. **The greatest miracle is Jesus Himself**—the Son of God who became man, died, and rose again out of love for us. We then ask ourselves this question: Does His quiet, often hidden presence weaken our faith, or does it invite us to trust Him more deeply?

Important Announcement

I am deeply grateful to these wonderful parishioners who have generously said **"Yes"** to helping build our Youth Ministry at St. Joseph Church Baytown:

Loly Galvan • Beth Vallagomesa • Misty Rios • Carmen Torres • Rita Rull • Jessica Salinas • Sarah Aurajo • Savanah Cushman • Zoe Krizak • Ruth Venegas

For many years, while St. Joseph Catholic School has faithfully formed generations of young people, our parish has often struggled to build a strong youth ministry. Together, we have an opportunity to change that.

Our vision for **2026–2027** is to build a vibrant youth ministry where our young people encounter Christ, grow in their Catholic faith, and hear God's call—whether to holy marriage, the priesthood, religious life, or a life of faithful discipleship.

If you love St. Joseph Church and believe our youth deserve a thriving faith community, I invite you to register your children for our Youth Ministry and Faith Formation programs. Please call the parish office at (281) 420-3588 to register.

Together, let us build a parish where the next generation encounters Christ, grows in holiness, and becomes the future of His Church.

Rev. Thuc Nguyen

Pastor, St. Joseph Church Baytown



YOUTH Ministry

FAITH • COMMUNITY • SERVICE • LEADERSHIP

OUR GOALS

- 1 The future of St. Joseph Church begins today - our young people are tomorrow's disciples, leaders, and families.
- 2 Assist in forming our young people to lifelong choices about faith, morality, vocation, friendships, and life purpose.
- 3 Assist in forming a community where young people are known, loved, and encouraged.
- 4 Educate and foster priestly and religious vocations for the Church.
- 5 Build friendships rooted in Christ, Sacraments, and empower young people to share their faith through service, evangelization, and witness.

Let no one look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity.
- 1 Timothy 4:12

We are the Church TODAY!

YOUTH MINISTRY MISSION STATEMENT

Together we build a youth ministry to help young people become disciples of Jesus Christ through Sacramental Life and future leaders who will carry the mission of the Church forward.

St. Joseph Church
1907 Carolina St. Baytown, Tx 77520




St. Joseph's FAITH FORMATION

Growing Together in Faith!

"Let the little children come to me..."
(Mt 19:14)

CHILDREN YOUTH CLASSES

- 1 **CONFIRMATION**
Sunday at 12:15 PM – September 13th
- 2 **HIGH SCHOOL FAITH FORMATION**
Wednesday 5:30 PM – August 19th
- 3 **KINDERGARTEN TO 8TH GRADE FAITH FORMATION**
Wednesday 5:30 PM – 6:45 PM – August 19th
- 4 **FIRST RECONCILIATION AND HOLY COMMUNION**
Sunday September 13th 12:15 PM (after 11 AM Mass)
- 5 **BAPTISM PREP-CLASS**
3rd Thursday at 6:00 PM – August 20th

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

- 1 **ADULT CONFIRMATION**
Thursday at 6:00 PM – September 17th
- 2 **O.C.I. A**
Tuesday 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM – August 4th

REGISTER NOW!

If you desire to become a catechist or would like to register for Faith Formation classes, call our Church Office at **281-420-3588**

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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-\$802,144.50
Total Participants-175
Total Commitments Received-100
Total Households-322

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH BAYTOWN

RESTORING OUR CHURCH

BUILDING OUR FUTURE

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DSF SUMMARY REPORT
Parish Goal-\$30,100
Total Paid-\$ 17,015
Total Participants- 44
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 19, 2026.

Regular	\$ 5,110.14
Building Fund	\$ 2,669.00
Maintenance & Repair	\$ 315.00
Children’s Collection	\$ 20.00
Catholic Education	\$ 350.00
Total	\$ 8,464.14

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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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