



St. Joseph

CATHOLIC CHURCH

ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON

AUGUST 16, 2026 | TWENTIETH 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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20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour. - Mt 15:28

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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 08/18

8:00 am Ed & Stephanie Kubicek

WEDNESDAY 08/19

8:00 am † Leda Guzman

THURSDAY 08/20

8:00 am † Annette Lowrance

FRIDAY 08/21

8:00 am † Filomena Montiel

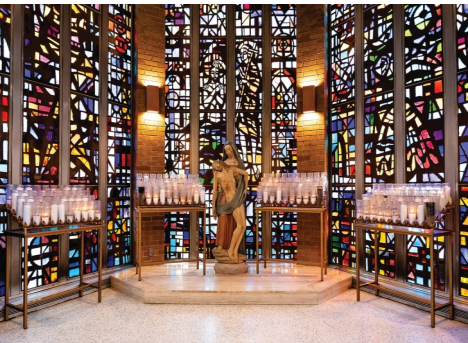
SATURDAY 08/22

4:30 pm Gary & Denise Fischer

SUNDAY 08/23

8:30 am † Isabel Wolff

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
Jerrell Vojacek
Michael Vojacek
Sharon Vojacek
Kent Wallace
Mary Williams
James Wroten
Lee Wroten
Margaret Wroten
Brooke Zucha



What Is The Legion of Mary?

It is the largest apostolic organization of lay people in the Catholic Church, with over 3 million members worldwide.

It makes its members better Catholics through a balanced program of prayer and service in union with the Holy Spirit as he operates through Mary, Mother of the Church. The Legion transforms Catholics into soldiers / evangelizers for Mary. It gives Catholics an opportunity to do something positive for the Church while at the same time deepening their spiritual life and strengthening their Catholic Faith.

We meet every Friday morning in the Convent dining room from 8:45 - 10:00 am. Please consider attending one of our meetings to see if the Legion is for you. For more information, contact Susan at 713 542- 8951, or Helen at 832 661- 9969.

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time: August 16

That we may show our gratitude for God's great gifts through our active participation in the ministry of God's Church. "For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable." - Romans 11:29 God has a special mission in mind for each of us. He has given us the gifts we need to accomplish that mission. We are called to be good stewards by using those gifts to do the work that He has planned for each of us. If we deny our gifts or fail to use them as God calls us to use them, then some part of His work will be left undone. Each of us has a part in God's salvation plan.

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!

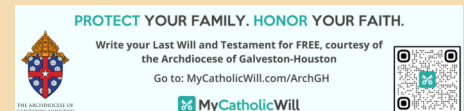


The Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston has partnered with **MyCatholicWill** to help our parish families with the most essential element of their estate plans.

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

25TH WEDDING JUBILEE
Sunday, October 11, 2026
Celebrant: Bishop Italo Dell'Oro, C.R.S.

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

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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Trusting in the Fruit

We belong to a generation that wants to see the results of everything we do. We want to accomplish much, and we want to see with our own eyes the fruits of our efforts. For example:

1. **Social media — we want immediate reactions.** We post a picture, a video, or a message, and within minutes we check: *How many likes? How many views? How many comments? We have become accustomed to measuring impact immediately.*
2. **Work and ministry — we want visible success.** We organize a program, teach a class, preach a homily, or begin a new ministry, and soon we ask: *How many people came? Did attendance increase? Did anyone change? When we cannot see results quickly, we can become discouraged. Yet sometimes a single word we speak today may touch someone's life years later.*
3. **Parenting and planting seeds of faith.** Parents, you bring your children to Mass, teach them to pray, make sacrifices for their education, and try to pass on their faith. Yet when the children grow older, they may seem to walk away. Parents may wonder, *"Did everything I taught them accomplish anything?" But the seeds planted in childhood may remain hidden for years before finally bearing fruit.*

Although we want to see the results of everything we do, this is not the way of the Kingdom of God. Often, bearing witness to God does not produce immediate or visible results. Jesus Himself died on the Cross in what appeared to be utter failure. There seemed to be no success to boast about. Yet the countless fruits of Jesus' life reach far beyond all human measure. As faithful witnesses of Jesus, we are called to trust that our lives, too, will bear fruit, even when we cannot see the results ourselves. Perhaps only those who come after us will be able to see the fruits of what we have planted. What matters most is how faithfully and deeply we love. God will make our love fruitful, whether or not we ever live to see its fruits. Yes! We plan but God gives the growth. This is true throughout parish life:

Catholic Education & Faith Formation: We teach, form, and share the faith today, trusting that seeds planted in young hearts may bear fruit many years from now.

Parish Councils & Committees: The hours spent discerning, planning, and making decisions today help build a stronger parish for tomorrow.

Our Contributions: Every gift of time, talent, treasure, prayer, and service matters. Nothing offered to God with love is ever wasted.

Capital Campaign & Church Renovation: We sacrifice today so future generations may worship here, receive the Sacraments, encounter Christ, and call this church their spiritual home.

Festivals & Volunteering: Every hour of preparation, service, and hard work strengthens our community and supports the mission of the Church.

Our calling is not always to see the harvest, but to faithfully plant the seeds. The Church we enjoy today exists because others planted before us. Now it is our turn to plant for generations to come.

We plant in faith. We serve in love. We sacrifice in hope. But God is the One who gives the growth.

Rev. Thuc Nguyen

Pastor of St. Joseph Church Baytown



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FALL FESTIVAL

NOVEMBER 8, 2026

AUCTION WISH LIST

- GIFT CARDS FOR RESTAURANTS/COFFEE SHOPS/LOCAL STORES LIKE HOME DEPOT, HOBBY LOBBY, ULTA, ETC.
- GUIDED FISHING TRIP
- DATE NIGHT PACKAGES - HOTEL/FOOD
- DESIGNER PURSES
- FIRE PIT/S'MORES KIT
- FAMILY FUN PACKAGES
- JEWELRY FROM KENDRA SCOTT, BRIGHTON, JAMES AVERY
- SIGNED MEMORABILIA AND SPORTS GEAR
- PHOTOGRAPHY PACKAGE
- KIDS ACTIVITIES/BICYCLES/GAMES
- TICKETS TO SPORTING EVENTS/CONCERTS/THEATER
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- SPA DAY PACKAGE
- AIRLINE MILES/AIRLINE GIFT CARDS
- MONETARY DONATIONS/GIFT CARDS

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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-\$816,132.50
Total Participants-184
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-\$ 14,215
Total Participants- 46
Total Households-322

SCAN HERE TO MAKE A GIFT

WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORT

The totals received Online and in the Office
for the week of August 9, 2026.

Regular	\$ 6,912.00
Building Fund	\$ 1,761.00
Maintenance & Repair	\$ 155.00
Children’s Collection	\$ 20.00
Infirm Priests	\$ 931.00
Flowers	\$ 80.00
Catholic Education	\$ 105.00
Total	\$ 9,964.00

FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

FAITH FORMATION CORNER

O.C.I.A. Is For All to Participate

Forming Christian adults isn't an isolated activity. The entire life of the parish influences and affects how adults are formed. The OCIA process needs a parish of faithful disciples who make their parish a place of lively faith. Efforts in the OCIA involve an entire community. The parish helps shape the faith of those seeking Christ. Catechumens and candidates are joining Christ, and the only way to be joining Christ is to belong to the people of God. As parishioners we should become more attentive to how we are living as Christians, especially when catechumens and candidates are around.

Are we modeling Christian teaching in an inviting behavior and a positive attitude?

Conversion happens here in the Midst of the Community



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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