

### Congratulations to the

### *Most Reverend Bishop Mario Alberto Avilés*

Appointed by Pope Leo XIV on December 1, 2025, and succeeding Bishop William Michael Mulvey, Most Reverend Bishop Avilés, former auxiliary bishop of Brownsville, was installed as the ninth bishop of Corpus Christi this past Wednesday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at Most Precious Blood Catholic Church in Corpus Christi. Bishop Avilés was born in Mexico City on September 16, 1969 and is a member of the Congregation of the Oratory of St. Philip Neri. Let us pray for our new bishop as he takes up his new mission of service to the Lord in Corpus Christi. May God bless him always.

Note: Thank you to everyone who turned out for our St. George Watch Party as we joined together to welcome Bishop Mario to our diocese.

### *Pray for the Sick of Our Parish*

Lorenzo Garcia, Sr., Stephanie Caron, James Stanley Pawlik, Becky DeLeon, Ramona Torres, Jesse Valverde, Charles Snider, Maria Marroquin, Yvonne Godwin, Kathy Menager, Larry Jurica, Simon Pena, Stephanie Trbula, Carmen Molina, Betty LaBay, Derilynn Huff, Amelia Salas, Fidel Salas, Javier Gonzalez, Julie Wasicek, Noelia Martinez, Joshua Daniel Ryan Garcia, James Johnson, Emma Garcia, Jerry Troell, Bill Holland, Carol Taylor, Susan Clifton, Maria & Luis Cortez, Jason William Garcia, Michael Hooper, Olin Welch, and Ben Rosebrock.

### *Rest in Peace*

Albert Bernal

*The Prayer List has been updated. If your loved one still needs to be on the prayer list, please call the parish office or email us at: [info@saintgeorgecatholicchurch.net](mailto:info@saintgeorgecatholicchurch.net)*

## SPRING FESTIVAL & RAFFLE

SUNDAY, APRIL 12

Our Raffle Ticket Prizes will be:

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|--------------------------|------------------------|
| 1 - \$2,000.00 Gift Card | 5 - \$400.00 Gift Card |
| 2 - \$1,000.00 Gift Card | 6 - \$300.00 Gift Card |
| 3 - \$500.00 Gift Card   | 7 - \$250.00 Gift Card |
| 4 - \$400.00 Gift Card   | 8 - \$250.00 Gift Card |

Raffle tickets, including extra tickets, will be available for pick up this weekend after all Masses, and afterward at the parish office during business hours. Let's make this event a success!

Please note: The person selling the Most Tickets will win a \$100 gift card, 2nd Most Tickets sold will win a \$75 gift card, and 3rd Most Tickets sold will receive a \$50 gift card.

*Thank you for your generous support!*



# Month of the Holy Family

*The Month of February is Dedicated to the Holy Family*



For Catholics, February is the month devoted to The Holy Family, making it an ideal time to strengthen our own family and its connection to Jesus's family. This rich devotion invites us to reflect on the eternal significance of family life within the Catholic tradition.

This February, let us especially express our devotion to the Holy Family and seek the guidance and intercession of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph in our daily lives. Here are several ways to honor the Holy Family – and align your family to the Holy Family – this February:

- 1 – **Pray the Rosary** together as a family.
- 2 – **Affirm your family's devotion to the Eucharist** as nourishment of family life. Remind everyone of the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist as you drive to church together. Pope John Paul II wrote, "In the eucharistic gift of charity the Christian family finds the foundation and soul of its communion and its mission" (Letter on the Family, No. 57).
- 3 – **Place an icon or image of the Holy Family on your table.** Then, place a treasured photo of your own family beside it, as a way of seeking blessing and intercession for your family from the Holy Family.
- 4 – **Strengthen your family bonds through shared joy** by planning something fun your family can all do together! Maybe a family outing to an aquarium, a sporting event, or a movie. Perhaps baking a special dessert together and sharing the sweetness.

Sources: Paraphrased from [conventcatholic.org](http://conventcatholic.org) & [aletia.org](http://aletia.org)  
(More ways/ideas coming next week....)

### **Sacred Heart Church (Three Rivers) Annual Bingo Fundraiser**

Saturday, Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>, 12:00–5:00PM. Bingo Books: \$50 w/10 games per book and payout of \$200 per game. Single Cards can be purchased at door for \$5. Concession Stand starts at 12:00 noon; Bingo starts at 1PM. Tickets can be purchased from any Parishioner. Come, join the fun and help support our Church.



*Bulletin Courtesy of George West Branch #104*

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*Call Noemi Aguilar at 361-960-1786 for more information.*

## 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time - A Reflection

In today's Gospel, Jesus is still at the beginning of his public ministry as he gathers around himself those who are curious, searching, and open to God. To them, he offers nothing less than a charter for the Kingdom of God.

The First Reading introduces us to the prophet Zephaniah, whose words are heard only occasionally in the Sunday liturgy. He preached around 640 BC during the reign of King Josiah, a time when Israel was forming dangerous alliances with the surrounding godless nations. These alliances brought with them idolatry, including the worship of the sun, moon, and stars. Zephaniah warned that such unfaithfulness would lead to destruction, yet he also proclaimed hope – found in a small group who remained loyal to the Lord.

*"Seek the Lord, all you humble of the earth... Seek justice, seek humility... I will leave a remnant in your midst, a people humble and lowly."*

Scripture scholars often refer to this faithful remnant as the *anawim* – the poor and humble who place their trust in God alone. As we shall see, these are precisely the people who are closest to the heart of Jesus and central to his message.

The Second Reading from Saint Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians echoes this teaching beautifully. Paul reminds the community that God's call does not depend on worldly wisdom, power, or noble birth. Instead, God chooses what the world considers foolish, weak, and insignificant to reveal divine wisdom and strength.

This paradox prepares us for today's Gospel: the Beatitudes from Matthew chapter 5. From the mountain, Jesus proclaims blessings that overturn every conventional measure of success. The poor, the mourners, the meek, the merciful, the persecuted – those whom society often overlooks – are called "blessed," truly happy.

This teaching must have startled Jesus' original listeners, and it continues to challenge us today. The Beatitudes reveal the heart of God, who draws close to the humble and afflicted. Jesus invites us not only to care for the poor but to become poor ourselves.

*"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."*

(Source: [ocp.org](http://ocp.org))



## MASS INTENTIONS

SAT	JAN 31	5:00 PM	Missa Pro Popula	
			† Michelle G. Arciba	By Jason & Olga Garcia
			† Leonard Pawlik	By Gladys Stearns
			Stephanie Caron (Healing)	By Mom & Dad
SUN	FEB 1	7:30 AM	† Coach Pat Larson	By Addie Stewart
			† Robert Brysch	By William, Taylor & Scarlott Stolle
			† Mary Repka Wharton	By Jeanette & Tommy West
			† Bill Skoruppa	By Carol & Dennis Maurer
			† Jim Freiley	By Cindy & Charles Snider
			† Albert Lee Ybanez & † Eddie Molina	By Eloisa Chapa
		9:00 AM	† Paola Tovar	By Maria Cortez
			† Moises Cervantes	By Rosalinda & Alvaro Camarillo y Familia de Flores Camarillo
		11:00 AM	† Jim Bednorz	By Kathy & Rodney Kolb
			† Guadalupe V. Sheffield	By Catholic Daughters of America #2528
			† Amelia Casas	By Sid Casas
			† Robert Garcia	By Kathy & Rodney Kolb
			† Roberto Flores, Jr. & † Sr, and † Emiliana Flores	By Ida Flores & Family
			† Adan, † Guadalupe & † Oscar Martinez	By Ida Flores & Family
			† Manuel & † Jesusa Salaiz	By Janie Pena
			† Esperanza Alaniz	By Catholic Daughters of America #2528
MON	FEB 2	7:00 AM	Berta Keys (Healing)	By Florida & Frank Combs
TUES	FEB 3	7:00 AM	No Mass	
WED	FEB 4	7:00 AM	† Roxana & † Marcos Ybarra	By Tisha & Kyle Williams
THURS	FEB 5	7:00 AM	Special Intentions	By The Lewinski Family
FRI	FEB 6	7:00 AM	† All Poor Souls in Purgatory	
			† Mr. & † Mrs. Arturo Melo	By Son, Granddaughter & Grandson
SAT	FEB 7	7:00 AM	† Lydia Melo	By Her Family
		5:00 PM	† Juanita Suarez	By Lupe Reyna
			† Becky Pawlik	By Her Family
			† Leonard Pawlik	By Kathleen & C. B. Trial
			Stephanie Caron (Healing)	By Mom & Dad
			† Manuel Sr. & † Miquela Chapa	By Eloisa Chapa
SUN	FEB 8	7:30 AM	Missa Pro Popula	
			Special Intention	By Lisa & Donald Henicke
		9:00 AM	† Phillip Anthony Alvarez	By Sylvia Cortez
		11:00 AM	† Olga Diaz	By Kathy & Rodney Kolb
			† Cecil & † Virginia Williams	By Tisha & Kyle Williams
			† Adan, † Guadalupe & † Oscar Martinez	By Ida Flores & Family
			† Roberto Flores, Jr. & † Sr, and † Emiliana Flores	By Ida Flores & Family
			† Gilbert & † Lucia Pena	By Janie Pena

### LECTORS—THIS WEEKEND

Sat 5:00pm Bobby McKinney  
 Sun 7:30 am Letha Thompson  
 Sun 9:00 am Maria Tellez  
 Sun 11:00 am Sue Denniston

### LECTORS—NEXT WEEKEND

Sat 5:00pm Emma/Ella McKinney  
 Sun 7:30 am David Williams  
 Sun 9:00 am Maria Tellez  
 Sun 11:00 am Kelsie/Brielynn Lopez

### SUNDAY READINGS:

**Zephaniah 2:3;3:12-13**  
**1 Corinthians 1:26-31**  
**Matthew 5:1-12a**

### ALTAR SERVERS—THIS WEEKEND

#### Saturday @5:00 pm

Gabby & Graham Reed  
 Ethan & Aubree Robinson

#### Sunday @7:30 am

Brynley Becker  
 Julie Campos  
 Brynlee & Henley Muniz

#### Sunday @9:00 am

Melany Serna  
 Isabella & Julieta Rodriguez

#### Sunday @11:00 am

Henry Poole  
 Eli Abernathy  
 Sophia Toro  
 Ben Clark





# FAITH FORMATION

*"Always be ready to give an explanation...for a reason for your hope" 1 PETER 3:15*



Each Faith Formation Sunday is kicked off with breakfast in the Parish Hall from 8:30 am to 9:00 am. Then, classes for PreK-4 thru Confirmation students run from 9:00 am to 10:30 am.

In Christ,  
The Faith Formation Team  
St. George Catholic Church

## Upcoming Classes:

February 1 – Class	February 22 – No Class
February 8 – Class	March 1 – No Class
February 15 – Class	March 8 – No Class

**Class Attendance:** It is very important to attend class, especially if you/your child are/is receiving a sacrament. Excess absences will require an additional year. Please see the DRE or Pastor with any concerns. Thank you.

**COME JOIN OUR BIBLE Study**  
**Adult Faith Bible Study**  
with Amy Clark  
*Living Liturgically!!*

**When:** Faith Formation Sundays  
**Next Class Dates:**  
Sunday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, & 15<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 9:15 – 10:30 am

**Where:** GW Primary (school cafeteria)

Since all other spaces at the parish are filled at the same time, we are meeting across Guadalupe Street at the school.

Please bring a friend! And hope to see you there!!

*No Class: Sunday, Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>*



**Youth scholarships** are NOW available in the church foyer, parish office, or you can download a copy of the [Flyers & Schedules](#) page on our church website ([st-george-parish.org](http://st-george-parish.org)). If you are a high school graduate this year, don't miss out. Get your scholarship today and apply for funds to help you with your college or technical school education.

♦ **Knights of Columbus** applications are due by May 4.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING



**Wednesday, February 4<sup>th</sup>**

Parish Hall  
After 5:30PM Mass

## CDA Meeting



**Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup>**

Parish Hall  
Mass @7:30AM  
Meeting @8:30AM

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churches never  
play hide and  
seek?



Because good luck hiding when the Lord sees all.

## Jail Ministry

St. George has a Jail Ministry. If you have a loved one who needs visiting, please call the parish office.



*"I was in prison, and you visited me." Matthew 25:36*

## CHURCH COLLECTIONS

**Collection Baskets for: January 25, 2026..... \$3,093.01**  
Children's Collection ..... **\$17.00**  
Church in Latin America Collection..... **\$440.00**

This weekend, the 2nd Collection is our Building Fund. Next weekend, the 2nd collection is for St. George Charities. Thank you.

*Remember...*  
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*...and make your life easier.*

# St. George Catholic Church

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*Sunday, February 1, 2026 – Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**OFFICE HOURS:** Mon-Thurs: 9AM—12NOON; 1:00PM—5:00PM | Closed for Lunch: 12:00—1:00PM & Fridays

## PARISH & RECTORY STAFF

**Pastor:** Fr. Romeo Salinas  
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**Groundskeeper:**

## MASS TIMES

Saturday	5:00 PM
Sunday	7:30 AM
Sunday	*9:00 AM *Spanish
Sunday	11:00 AM
Monday	7:00 AM
Wednesday	5:30 PM
Thursday	7:00 AM
Friday	7:00 AM
1st Saturday	7:00 AM

## PARISH MINISTRIES

**Adult Bible Study:** Meets Fall to Spring, 9:15AM; see FF calendar dates.

**Altar Society:** Meets as needed.

**Building Committee:** Meets as needed.

**Catholic Daughters of America #2528:** Meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month unless announced otherwise.

**Food Pantry:** Monthly handout every 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday at 8AM, Jan-Oct; call parish office or see bulletin for Nov/Dec dates; workday on the Thursday prior to handout.

**Jail Ministry:** Call parish office to request visit for a loved one.

**Knights of Columbus Council #3499:** Every 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month at 6:15PM.

**Parish Finance Council:** Meets four times each year.

**Pastoral Council:** Meets 3-4 times each year.

## EN ESPANOL

**Sundays—**Misa para 9:00 AM.

**1st Friday—**Adoración al Santísimo en la Chapel.

**Every Thursday—**Rezo el Rosario en Español.

For bulletin in full-color, please visit our parish website at: [st-george-parish.org](http://st-george-parish.org)

## SACRAMENTS

**Adult Sacraments:** Please contact Cherish at the Parish Office.

**Infant Baptism:** Please contact Virg at the Parish Office.

**Holy Matrimony:** Make arrangements with Father Romeo at least six (6) months in advance.

**Reconciliation/Confession:** Wednesday, 4:30—5:30PM; Saturday, 3:30—4:30PM; or call the Parish Office for an appointment.

**Adoration:** Wednesday, 4:30—5:30PM; Thursday, 6AM-6PM.

**Holy Day of Obligation:** 7:00AM, 12:00 NOON & 6:00PM.

# Welcome

**Welcome, new parishioners!** If you are new to our parish, please fill out a Parish Registration form and turn into the office. Newcomer packets can be found in our church foyer and parish office. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office staff during business hours. Thank you and welcome!