# St. James Catholic Church

# A living cell of the Catholic Diocese of Corpus Christi

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# February 27, 2022 – Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

# Holy Mass

WEEKENDS Saturday 5:00 PM – Bilingual Sunday 10:00 AM – English

WEEKDAYS Mon, Wed, Thu, Fri 8:00 AM

Major Feast Days (Holy Days): As announced

CONFESSION 15 minutes before Mass outside of church or by appointment.

#### A Hearty Welcome

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, No matter what your current family or marital situation, No matter what your past or present religious situation, No matter your personal history, age, background, race, etc., No matter what your own self-image or esteem, You are INVITED, WELCOMED, ACCEPTED, LOVED and RESPECTED AT St. James.

Contact the Office for any assistance.

Please do not join St. James until you know what you are
getting into, but please don't walk away from
St. James until you know what you are
walking away from.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

#### PAROCHIAL TEAM

Pastor Rev. Jacob

Deacon Juan Vasquez

Office Administrator R. Anthony Hinojosa

Parish Secretary Juanita L. Martinez

Director of Religious Education Anna Castillo

Bookkeeper Cristina Rea Sanchez

Parish Council Chairman Luis Hernandez

Finance Council Chairman Louis Sanchez

> Altar Society Eugenia Padron

Eucharist Ministry Coordinator Albert Garces

Altar Servers Coordinators Kimberly Cuéllar Beatrice Hernandez Cecilia Chapa

> Lector Coordinator Louis Sanchez

Guadalupanas Pres. Juanita Cruz

Cursillistas Vocal Elfida Garcia

English Choir Margaret Smith



#### **MISSION STATEMENT:**

The Catholic community of St. James Church is made up of loving and sensitive members seeking to meet their spiritual needs, strengthen their faith, and affirm their continued existence as the church of Jesus Christ today and tomorrow. In their quest to evangelize, it is their mission to assist everyone toward a more abundant experience of the riches of their liturgy and sacraments, and to convince all of Christ's sheep that the Lord's Day is indeed for all.

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### COLLECTION

On Ash Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> we will have a collection for Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. Your generous contributions are appreciated.

Next weekend we will have a second collection for the Black and Indian Missions.

#### **ASH WEDNESDAY**

Mass for Ash Wednesday will be on March  $2^{nd}$  at 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be celebrated on **Fridays** at **5:30 p.m.** followed by **Mass** at **6:00 p.m.**, during Lent no morning Mass on Fridays.

#### **BISHOP'S STEWARDSHIP APPEAL**

Thank you to everyone who has donated to the annual Bishop's Stewardship Appeal. Your generosity makes a difference in the lives of countless Catholics in our community, our diocese and throughout the Coastal Bend.



#### **NEW YEAR CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES**

Your contribution envelopes for the New Year are available at the back of the church, please pick up your envelopes. Thank you for all of you who generously supported this past year.

#### **PARISH OFFICE**

The parish office will be closed on Friday, March 4th, 2022 for a diocesan workshop.

#### COMMUNION FOR HOMEBOUND

Two Eucharistic Ministers from St. James Catholic Church will be distributing Holy Communion to homebound persons who can be driven to **St. James parking lot** for **drive through service** on the first Sunday of the month **beginning April 3, 2022 at 3:00 p.m.** Please follow CDC protocol. For more information contact **Mary Lou Longoria, Juanita Cruz, Luis Hernandez** or the Parish Office.

#### MISPLACED PORTABLE SPEAKER SYSTEM

We have misplaced a portable speaker system. If anyone has found it please contact the office.

#### SAFE ENVIRONMENT REQUIREMENT FOR VOLUNTEERS

If you volunteer at our parish in any aspect, you need to fill out a volunteer application, submit a background check and complete a safe environment training. You can do it online. Go to the diocese website and get to the page for **Safe Environment**, then look for **Adult Safe Environment Training**, then go through instructions and complete project. Our **Safe Environment Coordinator** is **Anna Castillo**, her contact number is **361-542-3562**, please **text your name and number** and she will call you to set up a time to meet with her in her office, if you need further assistance.

#### 12 DAYS ENGLAND, WALES, & IRELAND PILGRIMAGE

Those interested in the 12 days England, Wales, & Ireland Pilgrimage September  $9^{th}-20^{th}$ , there will be a **meeting** on **March 19, 2022** at 3:00 **p.m.** at **Our Lady of Victory Conference room**. For more information contact Laly Arteaga at 361-542-9409.

#### SPONSORING CHURCH PEWS

In appreciation for those sponsoring a church pew at \$300 each, a name plaque for all the sponsors will be displayed in the church or on the pew.

#### **COVID-19 PROTOCOLS**

With the number of COVID-19 cases. Wearing face masks or covering is strongly encouraged, along with washing and sanitizing your hands thoroughly and often, and practicing social distancing.

#### **FLOWERS**

Thank you, for the flowers on the altar, in memory of Johnny Ramirez, Jr., the donation is appreciated.

#### **CONDOLENCES**

St. James expresses condolences to the family of Estella Gonzales.

## MASS INTENTIONS



Saturday, February 26

5:00 PM † Juan Gomez In Memory of by Patricia Gonzalez & Family

- † Ascension "Chon" Carrizales In Memory of by Adelita Torres
- † Eduardo R. Silva In Memory of his Birthday by Elfida R. Garcia
- † Beda Moreno In Memory of by Virginia Puga
- † Paul Trial In Memory of

Sunday, February 27

10:00 AM † Biolanda "Yolanda" Garcia In Memory of by Family

- † Juan Antonio & Erica Salinas Gutierrez by Family
- † Angie Vega In Memory of by Blanca Paredez
- † Johnny Ramirez, Jr. In Memory of his Birthday By Mary Ramirez & Family
- † Paul Trial In Memory of

Monday, February 28

8:00 AM **† Paul Trial** In Memory of

Wednesday, March 2

8:00 AM † Paul Trial In Memory of

Thursday, March 3

8:00 AM † Paul Trial In Memory of

Friday, March 4

5:30 PM Stations of the Cross

6:00 PM Dr. Jesse G. Riojas In honor of his Birthday by Lucy Garcia

† Paul Trial In Memory of

#### Dear Friends.

As some of you know, after 41 years of dedicated service and commitment to St. James, **Deacon Juan Vasquez** is retiring from his active ministry on March 2nd, Ash Wednesday due to health reasons.



I take this opportunity to express our immense gratitude and love towards Deacon Vasquez. He is a man of prayer and totally and completely dedicated to St. James. During his period of ministry, Deacon Vasquez touched many families as he celebrated numerous baptisms and funerals. He has played a crucial role in assisting our parishioners in other sacraments as well and challenged and motivated the community with his Sunday Spanish homilies. During his time at St. James, Deacon Vasquez was an active member of different organizations such as Cursillistas, Finance Council and Parish Council to name a few.

As for me he was the bridge between me and the community as he knows many of the children and their parents and their grandparents and their great great grandparents. Though we will miss him, he leaves a memorable and inspiring legacy behind. St. James always be indebted to him for his valuable, selfless service and parental care he showed to our members.

At this moment we the community pray that the Loving Lord give him good health and a grace filled retired life.

We are planning a fitting farewell for Deacon Vasquez after the Easter celebration; we ask that you please bring your suggestions and opinions to the office or Kimberly Cuellar.

On behalf of the parish community many blessings to all?

Janet Jordey &

# OT VIII [C] (Feb 27) Sunday: Sir 27:4-7; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45

Jesus draws our attention to practical points of Christian living and challenges us to use our words as he used his in his preaching and healing ministry — to heal, to restore, and to bring back life, joy, and hope. Today's readings also instruct us to share our Christian life, love, and spiritual health by our words, and to avoid gossiping about and passing rash, thoughtless, pain-inflicting judgments on others, thus damaging their good reputation and causing them irreparable harm.

Scripture: The first reading, taken from the Book of Sirach, teaches that what is inside us is revealed through our conversation - as the grain and husks are separated in a farmer's sieve, as the quality of the shaped clay is revealed in the potter's fire, and as the size and quality of a tree's fruit reveal the care it has received from the planter. Sirach's teaching serves as an excellent preview for today's Gospel, which reminds us, when we're feeling judgmental, to think before we speak because what comes out of our mouth reveals our heart. The Responsorial Psalm (Ps 92) advises us to spend our time praising and thanking God for all His blessings. In the second reading St. Paul advises the Corinthian Christians "to be firm, steadfast, always fully devoted to the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain," instead of wasting time on useless and sinful conversations, which bring punishment instead of the victory of resurrection and eternal reward. In today's Gospel passage, taken from the Sermon on the Plain given in Luke's Gospel, Jesus condemns our careless, malicious and rash judgments about the behavior, feelings, motives, or actions of others by using the funny examples of one blind man leading another blind man and one man with a log stuck in his eye, trying to remove a tiny speck from another's eye. Jesus does not mean that we should not correct immoral behavior and sexual misbehavior or stop admonishing children and students as parents and teachers or promote moral relativism. In both Matthew and Luke, the statements that follow the prohibition on judging indicate that it is an elaboration of the Golden Rule—the idea that we should treat others the way that we, ourselves, want to be treated. When Jesus says, "Judge not, lest ye be judged," he means: "Don't judge or God will judge you in your "particular" or "Last" judgment.'

**Life messages:** We should avoid judging others because 1) No one except God is good enough to judge others because only God sees the whole truth, and only He can read the human heart. Hence, only He has the ability, right, and authority to judge us. 2) We do not see all the facts or circumstances or the power of the temptation which has led a person to do something evil. 3) We are often prejudiced in our judgment of others, and total fairness cannot be expected from us, especially when we are judging those near or dear to us. 4) We have no right to judge because we have the same faults as the one, we are judging and often in a greater degree (remember Jesus' funny example of a man with a log in his eye trying to remove the dust particle from another's eye?) St. Philip Neri commented, watching the misbehavior of a drunkard: "There goes Philip but for the grace of God." Abraham Lincoln said that the only one who has the right to criticize is the one who has the heart to help. 5) Hence, we should leave all judgment to God, practice mercy and forgiveness, and pray for God's grace to get rid of all forms of hypocrisy in our lives. Let us remember the warning of saints: "When you point one finger of accusation at another, three of your fingers point at you."



# **WEEKLY OFFERING**

February 20, 2022

Envelope Collection \$1442.51 Loose Collection \$288.25 Total **\$1730.76** 

May God bless you for your selfless sacrifice

We are asking for prayers for our Confirmation and First Communion candidates, may our Lord prepare them to receive their precious sacrament:

#### **Confirmation Candidates:**

Noah Alix Garcia Jasmine Padron Annalysa Mae Vela Araseli Elisabeth Guzman Theresa Debra Salazar

#### First Communion Candidates:

Roman Joe Flores Anacely Govella Zayden Govella



#### NEXT BAPTISM CLASS - March 7, 2022

#### Must wear a mask to attend class

All applications MUST be submitted to the church office before the last day of the previous month. Parents must be registered members at St. James.

Items needed are:

#### Copy of the child's Birth Certificate

For sponsors - certificates of baptism, communion, and confirmation, if married certificate of the sacrament of marriage from the respective Church.

Baptisms will take place 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of month after the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

**Baptism classes** for parents and sponsors are held on the **first Monday** of every Month at 7:00 p.m. in the CCE Building.

### PRAY FOR THE SICK

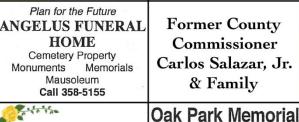


With care and compassion, we pray for: Jewelia Beth Gonzalez, Christopher Cardenas, Anthony Angel Cardenas, Guadalupe Benavides, Albert Cardenas, Jr., Jim Nelson, Joe Adrian Moya, Catherine McKeowm, Kristina Elena Garcia, Eva Dominguez, Chris Ulmer, Roxann Gleason, Jessie Riojas, Joe Anthony Martinez, Lino Garcia, Denice Hadwin, Patty Stone, Tabitha Rendon, Mary Longoria, Jessie Martinez, Jr., Roman Flores, Santos Lopez, Caroline James Ries, Adrian Sampayo, Aurelio Guajardo, Tonya Sciba, Kenneth Sciba, Nieves Moreno, Jr., Jessica Arrisola, Mary Carrizales, Norma Delgado, Juanita Maldonado, Dora Lopez Bernal, Emo Aleman, Angie Aleman, Robert Hernandez, Nieves Cardenas, Anselmo Garcia, Jr., Josefa Aleman, Crystal Arciba, Francisco Trevino, Patricia Servantes, Viola Rangel, Oralia Aleman, Sandy Rios, Nieves Moreno, Dawn Bieber, Lori Baldillez, Cristobal Servantes, Timmy Lopez, Juanita Alvarado, Deacon Juan Vasquez, Viola Maldonado, Madison Pena, Ricardo Trevino, Jr., Daniel Loya, Sandra Urquizo, Nell Jamison, Charles Cartwright, Stella Riojas, Ben Wilson, Mary Kay, Tony Coronado, Sr., Irma Estela Rodriguez, Owen Rodriguez, Timothy Gene Lopez, Fr. Paul Kottackal, Cruz Guerrero, Sr., Elsa Ochoa, Enoe Garcia, Jesus A. Guerrero, Sr., Manuel Ramon, Melissa Keller, Cerise Garcia, Delaney Martinez, Jaime Perez, Waylon James, Roe Garcia, Benita Salazar Garcia, Louis Calzada, Abel Salazar, Frank Maldonado, Domingo Puga, Celsa Cisneros, Martha Cuellar, Ruben Cuellar, Mila Benavidez, William (Billy) Ihlanfeldt, Jr., Charles Trlica, Cindy Joutraw, Connie Zamora, Rogelia Silvas, Jimmy Silvas, Crystal Patino, David Lee Ramirez, Estela Ochoa, Victor & Maria Ramos, Valire Ramos, David Ramirez, Rosario Cruz, Henry Guerrero,

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Now open on: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday from 10:00 a.m. - Noon and 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. On Saturday from 10:00 a.m. - Noon

Saturday & Sunday after Mass at St. James Rosaries, bracelets, keychains, and more gift items are available. Please come by and visit the Gift Shop.