



ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH Rhineland

**Sixteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
July 20, 2025**

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**Weekend Mass
Schedule**

Saint Joseph

Saturday 6:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

Santa Rosa

**Sunday 11:00 am
(Mass is Bilingual)**

BAPTISMAL

Preparation

Third Sunday of the
Month

Birth Certificate Required
Call: Leno Hernandez
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FROM THE DESK OF FATHER SANDEEP

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the first reading, Abraham welcomes three visitors with kindness and generosity. This small act becomes a way of encountering God. The meeting of these guests, was the blessed moment for Abraham and his wife Sarah. They brought God's message to the broken family and filled them with unending hope.

In the second reading, St. Paul talks about the joy he finds even in his suffering for Christ. He sees himself as a servant of the Gospel, helping others understand the great mystery: "Christ in you, the hope of glory." He encourages us to stay faithful and trust that God is with us. Even in hard times.

In the Gospel reading, Jesus visits Martha and Mary. Mary chooses to sit and listen to Jesus while Martha is busy serving. Jesus praises Mary, showing us that being with him and listening to his word is more important than being busy with tasks. He also reminds us that whatever task is chosen, to do it with total commitment and not to complain. Hence Jesus reminds us to balance our 'being' and 'doing' and open our hearts to encounter God in our work and in quiet moments of prayer to receive His blessings in abundance. Amen.

ST. JOSEPH'S 130TH CELEBRATION

Sunday, August 31st is the date set for a special gathering to celebrate St. Joseph's 130th anniversary year. Food trucks will be available and recreational games are being planned. **Bishop Olson has confirmed he will be here for a 10:00 a.m. Mass that Sunday.** Please let us know if you are willing to help in any way.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR PARISH!

The Diocesan Board of Directors of the Advancement Foundation has approved our operational grant request for the upcoming 2025/2026 fiscal year. St. Joseph will receive **\$17,000.00**. This grant will be distributed monthly for use in our parish for salary/benefits for pastor, PT secretary/bookkeeper, youth minister/DRE, and utilities. This is from the "Annual Diocesan Appeal" collection. **Thank you to all our parishioners who generously donated Thank you!**

Annual Diocesan Appeal results: (We received \$15,326.72 from 26 donors)

Goal for our parish was: \$16,500.00 – ended in June.

EMERGENCY SPECIAL COLLECTION

Texas Hill Country Flood Emergency Special Collection

THIS WEEKEND, we are taking up an emergency special collection for the Texas Hill Country flood victims. If you can, please give today during our second collection. Be sure to note "Flood" on your check memo or envelope to ensure it reaches the victims directly. You can also text TEXASFLOOD to 817-402-3525 or give online at <https://www.give-central.org/Texas-Hill-Country-Special-Collection>

"LUNCHESES OF LOVE - HELP NEEDED!"

The area Munday churches/ministerial alliance will be making lunches for area youth in need the month of July. This group has asked St. Joseph's to take the Thursdays in July- 10th, 17th, 24th, & 31st. Feeding is 150-180 kiddos. We are looking for 4 groups of people to each take **ONE** Thursday to help fill this need. The church will pay for the cost of the food. Your group would prepare and serve the food in to go boxes. If you think you can help or lead a group, please contact Janet Dillard. Thank you.

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: LUKE 10:38-42

Jesus entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him. She had a sister named Mary who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak. Martha, burdened with much serving, came to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me." The Lord said to her in reply, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her."

ADULTS: Which response to God's call is more natural to you—prayer or action? Why?

CHILDREN: In the past week, when have you prayed and when have you done good things for others? Which could you do better?

PRAY FOR A GENEROUS RAIN.

Lectors: **July 26** Saturday: Bivi Silva & Braima Silva
July 27 Sunday: Sarah Myers & Lupe Serrato

Servers: **July 26** Saturday: Haiden Bowman, Adam Myers & Garrett Wilde
July 27 Sunday: Hunter & Brooke Urbanczyk & Marina Davila

Gifts: **July 26** Saturday: Phil & Mary Jane Loftin
July 27 Sunday: David Kuehler Family

Altar Flowers: Flowers for the altar were donated by:
Mike Jungman
 Thank you for your generous donation.

Mon:	7:00 am	+Julius & Geneva Pennartz by Family
Tues:	7:00 am	No Service
Wed:	7:00 am	+Philip Homer by Gary & Judy Wilde
Thurs:	7:00 am	+Rose Marie Brown by Johnny & Nancy Birkenfeld
Fri:	7:00 am	+Kole Gray by Family
Sat:	6:00 pm	+Deceased Members of the Albus Family by Albus Reunion
Sun:	9:00 am	+Tommy & Arleda Decker by Ray Moore
Sun:	11:00 am	Mass at Santa Rosa



July 13, 2025	Attendance: Saturday: 52 Sunday: 80	Collection: \$2,275.00
		Youth Ministry: \$75.00

Thank you for your generous contributions

St. Joseph Parish is dependent on the generosity of its parishioners for support. Your contributions make all parish activities and services possible.

Please pray for our sick and convalescing especially: Bob Lake, Kaylan Urbanczyk Carter, Joe Loran, Garry Brown, Chris Mendoza, Debbie Welborn, Mary Birkenfeld, Osiel Castorena, Nathan Urbanczyk, Neva Gonzales, Deacon Jim Novak, Vivian Steinbach, Lupe Bejar, Kelly Stinnet, Jeanell Kuehler Howell, Jeanene Redder, Jamie Welborn, Brittany Solano, Paulina Mendiola, Dorothy Herring, Joe Castorena, Diana Homer Essig, Angelica Lucas, LuRose Schumacher, Antonio Mendez, Coltyn Eldridge, and any others. Please remember all rest home and shut-in parishioners. Let us earnestly pray for all our sick and do whatever we can to help them. **Please let us know if names need to be added or removed.**

FOOD PANTRY

St. Joseph Parishioners are asked to bring **pasta** for the **August** Food Pantry. Volunteers are also needed to pack boxes. If you are able to help, please contact Cheryl Urbanczyk at 940-203-1908. Thanks to all of you who continually help feed the hungry in our community.

BINGO

Bingo for the Munday Nursing Home residents will be **Thursday, August 7th @ 3:00 p.m.** The Volunteers for August is **Robin Leija & Marie Gonzalez**. Thank you!

SAINT JOSEPH WEBSITE-BULLETIN

If you are traveling or miss getting a bulletin, you can go online to <http://saintjosephrhineland.org/bulletins>. All past and present bulletins are posted. You can double click the date on the right side of the page, and it will open up the full bulletin.

FAITH FORMATION

The Faith Formation/CCD Program is in need of volunteers for Wednesday evenings; CCD teachers and assistants. We will be starting up in class instruction for ALL grades this September and need **HELP** for several grades. Please be willing to share your faith and work in this much needed ministry of the church. Contact Janet Dillard if you are able to help.

LUNCHESES OF LOVE **JULY 10, 2025**

Thank you to the following people who helped with the Lunches of Love ministerial lunch program for July 10, 2025: Janet Dillard, Mary Denise Groves and Robin Leija; YOUTH HELPERS: Jenson Myers. One hundred and sixty-five plates of chicken spaghetti, green beans, garlic bread, and homemade desserts were made and distributed to area folks. Special thanks to Laci Bowman & Rian Potysman for making the homemade goodies!



CONSIDER TAX LAW CHANGES WHEN YOU DONATE

You can finish this year strong with a gift that maximizes your charitable impact at the Catholic Diocese of Fort Worth Advancement Foundation and that may reduce your taxes. Review the recent tax law changes below and consider how they might affect your giving in 2025:

Change: New floor for itemizers

Starting with the 2026 tax year, you will need to give at least 0.5% of your adjusted gross income (AGI) to claim a charitable deduction.

What it means for you: Consider maximizing your giving in 2025 before this new threshold takes effect.

Change: New limit for top earners

Currently, top earners get a 37-cent tax benefit for every dollar deducted. Starting in 2026, that drops to 35 cents.

What it means for you: If you are in the highest tax bracket, consider giving more this year for greater tax savings.

Change: Higher standard deduction made permanent and will be indexed for inflation

For 2025, the deduction will be \$15,750 for single filers and \$31,500 for married couples filing jointly. If you are 65 or older, you may qualify for a bonus deduction of up to \$6,000, although it begins to phase out at higher income levels.

What it means for you: Even if you don't itemize, you may still benefit if you give appreciated stock, real estate or, if you are 70½ or older, from your IRA.

Change: Deduction limit for cash gifts made permanent

What it means for you: You can still deduct cash gifts of up to 60% of your AGI. Consider a blended gift strategy that combines cash and non-cash assets to maximize your tax benefits as well as your impact.

Great Year-End Gift Ideas This Year (and Beyond)

Make an Immediate Difference

Support the Catholic Diocese of Fort Worth Advancement Foundation with a cash gift via check or online. Your gift may qualify for a federal income tax charitable deduction. Unsure of whether your gift is tax-deductible? Contact your financial advisor or tax consultant.

Important note: If sending by mail, your envelope must be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service on or before Dec. 31 for your donation to qualify this year.

Use Appreciated Stock

Donating appreciated stock that you have owned for longer than one year allows you to qualify for an income tax deduction and eliminate any tax on the appreciation.

Important note: If the stock is electronically transferred to us, the gift date is the day the stock enters our account, not the date you ask your broker to make the transfer.

Make a Gift From Your IRA

If you are 70½ or older, you can give any amount up to \$108,000 from your IRA directly to the Catholic Diocese of Fort Worth Advancement Foundation. You will not pay income taxes on the transfer. This gift can also count toward your required minimum distributions.

Important note: Your IRA administrator must transfer the funds by Dec. 31. If you have check-writing features on your IRA, your check must clear your account by Dec. 31 to count toward your required minimum distribution for the calendar year.

Receive Income For Life

Charitable gift annuity rates are currently the highest they have been in almost two decades—but that could change. Why not take advantage of the higher rates by creating a gift annuity before 2025 ends?

Your deadline: Begin the process early to ensure completion by year-end. Contact us today for assistance.

You Can End 2025 on a High Note

For guidance on the best ways to leave a legacy at the Catholic Diocese of Fort Worth Advancement Foundation as we approach the end of the year, reach out to Renée Underwood, CFRE at 817-533-7242 or plannedgiving@adv-fdn.org. We are happy to help ensure that you realize the greatest benefit for your kindness.

