

St. Joseph on the Brazos Catholic Church

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St. Joseph on the Brazos— Mission Statement

“We, the people of St. Joseph on the Brazos Catholic Church, in the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston, are called through Baptism to celebrate the presence of Christ in Word and Sacrament. We are called and sent by Christ to live gratefully the life God has given us and to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ. In the spirit of faith, service, and community, we strive to bring people closer together and closer to God. This we accomplish by:

- * Building our lives in the image of Christ through worship and prayer,*
- * Contributing to the growth of our parish by spreading the Gospel by word, witness, action and evangelization,*
- * Inviting everyone to serve, in this way meeting the needs of our parishioners and the broader community,*
- * Being faithful stewards of St. Joseph’s, accountable to God by responsibly sharing our time, talent and treasures,*
- * Lending support to the parish leadership and working together to fulfill the mission.”*

Baptisms: Call the Parish Office to schedule a baptism. Previous instructions are required for parents. Classes are scheduled as needed. Please contact the Parish Office to schedule.

Weddings: Engaged couples should contact the church office six months in advance, prior to setting the wedding date.

Quinceanera Celebration: Contact the priest six months in advance. Candidate must be enrolled and active in C.C.E. classes for two years prior to the celebration.

Visitation of the Sick: Please call the Church office if you are unable to attend Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion. Father Tin visits all shut ins, if requested.

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Monday, January 17th
No Special Intentions

Tuesday, January 18th
For Jeanette Hrachovy+
By Stacy Ryza

Wednesday, January 19th
No Special Intentions

Thursday, January 20th
For Jeanette Hrachovy+
By Stacy Ryza

Friday, January 21st
No Special Intentions

Saturday, January 22nd — 5:30 PM
No Special Intentions

Sunday, January 23rd — 8:30 AM
No Special Intentions

Sunday, - January 23rd — 11:00 AM
No Special Intentions



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — As a bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so God rejoices in the chosen Zion and Jerusalem (Isaiah 62:1-5).

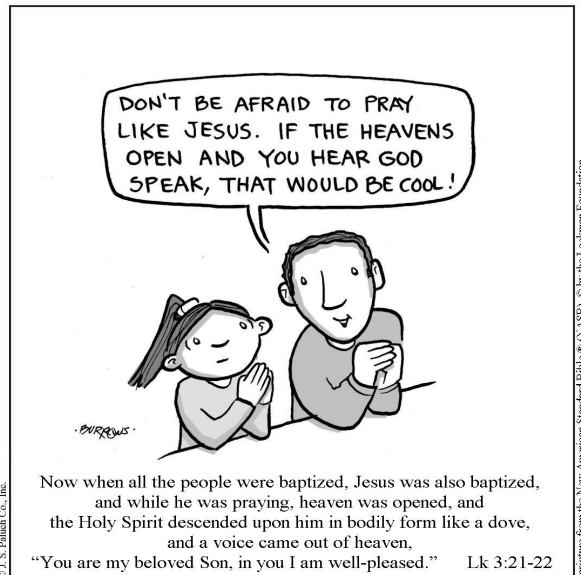
Psalm — Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations (Psalm 96).

Second Reading — All the varied gifts and talents found in the Christian community are products of the same Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:4-11).

Gospel — At a wedding festival in Cana, Jesus changes water into wine at his mother's request (John 2:1-11).

The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



If you can dream it, you can do it.

NEVER GIVE UP

THE EXISTENCE OF GOD

No one who understands the reality that God is can think that God does not exist.

“You’ve gotta dance like there’s nobody watching, love like you’ll never be hurt, sing like there’s nobody listening, and live like it’s heaven on earth.”

Cardinal Dinardo calls Catholics back to Mass in the New Year

Effective Jan. 2, 2022, the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord, this dispensation is removed for all Catholics within the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. The faithful should fulfill their Sunday and Holy Day obligations joyfully and conscientiously



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Collection for
The Weekend
Of January
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No Information Available

A spiritual leader asked his pupils if they saw a \$20 bill and a \$100 bill on the floor which one they'd pick up.

Nobody answers but finally one guy meekly blurts out, "\$100."

The spiritual leader simply says, "I see."

After a small pause, of his pupil asks him, "Which one would you have picked up, oh Wise One?"

Looking straight into his eyes the leader answers, "I'd have picked up both."



"Harry, bringing up the gifts is NOT the time to advertise that you're a professional magician."



**Liturgical
Ministers
For the
Weekend of
January 15th &
16th**

January 15th—5:30 PM Mass

Lector/Commentator

Amy Terry and
Tammy Dirba

Usher— Eddie Dirba

January 16th —8:30 AM Mass

Lector/Commentator

Terry and Shelly Kaspar

Usher—Richard Walkewicz

January 16th —11:00 AM Mass

Lector/Commentator

Linda Smith and
Loyce Hutson

Usher—Juan Carlile

Counters—The Jankowiak's

REVELATION OF GOD'S PRESENCE

Today's first reading from Isaiah arises out of the ordeal of the people of Jerusalem and Judea as they anticipate the end of seventy years of exile in Babylon. Their sufferings and their oppression will end, and they are promised joy like that of a great wedding upon returning to their homeland. Although this passage is probably set in the early sixth century B.C., it is free of historical particulars. Accordingly, the Church has understood its imagery universally, as it proclaims God's promise of healing, hope, and happiness for all peoples, in this world and in the next. When read against this background, the story of Jesus' turning water into wine at the wedding at Cana becomes a revelation of God's presence in the person of Jesus, making these promises real for us in the here and now, in the transformation of our own lives.

Her: At least invite me out to dinner.

Him: I don't go out with married women.

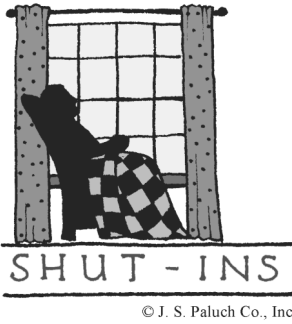
Her: But I'm your wife.

Him: I make no exceptions

Reflection question:

What can I do to help to bring about God's peace?

*Grow
in Christ*



Please remember in your prayers all those on our Prayer Board. Also remember those that are shut-in and unable to attend Mass.

Pray for Bertha Hruby,
Dora Picha,

Shirley Areson, Erma Vacek, Jolly Hudgeons,
Tony Godinho, Clara Hoot,
Dot Nelson and John Moore.



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Tuesday: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins

Wednesday: Julian Calendar
Theophany (Epiphany)

Thursday: St. Fabian; St. Sebastian

Friday: St. Agnes

Saturday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

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YOUR BEST

Give to the world the best you have and the best will come back to you.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Almighty ever-living God,
who govern all things,
both in heaven and on earth,
mercifully hear the pleading of
your people and bestow your
peace on our times.

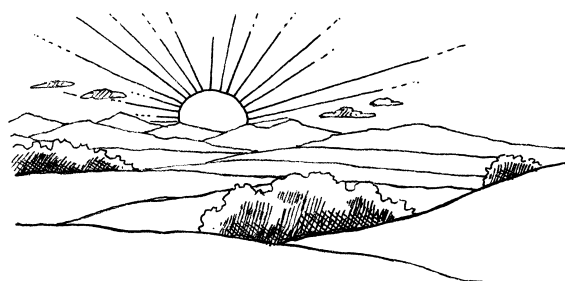
Through our Lord Jesus Christ,
your Son, who lives and reigns
with you in the unity of the Holy
Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

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Nations shall behold your vindication,
and all the kings your glory.

— *Isaiah 62:2*

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JOHN 2:10 “You have kept
the **good wine**
until **now.**”

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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The Corinthians seem to have been Paul’s problem children. His two letters to them are much longer than any of his other letters—two, three, or four times as long as some. It seems that if the early Christians at Corinth could misunderstand or do something wrong, they would. Fortunately for us, the two letters to the Corinthians, though they contain much didactic or instructional material, also provide some of Paul’s most well-crafted and grace-filled writing. This is certainly true today, with Paul’s litany of gifts that the Spirit bestows on the faithful, even to this day. Paul seeks to calm the squabbling that seems to have been going on, as the Corinthians tried to claim one gift or another as more important. All gifts come from the same Spirit, Paul reminds them; and the various gifts are given for the benefit of the community. When jealousy arises in our midst today, we can still turn to Paul’s insights so we might stop being prideful, problem children.

WONDROUS CHILD

In the Gospel scene at Cana, we see Mary turning to her own child, Jesus. Perhaps she recalled the power of the Spirit that had flowed in her womb at his Incarnation, leading her to discern that surely he must have Spirit-given gifts that could help with the impending crisis at the wedding. As at her Annunciation, she may not have been completely certain, at first, exactly how this would come about, but in faith at Cana she turned to Jesus. In faith, her words, “do whatever he tells you,” echoed her reply to Gabriel: “Let it be done to me as you say.” In faith, she knows whatever words the Word will speak are bound to bring another inbreaking of the Spirit, another manifestation of God’s reign. And she is right. Her wondrous child, John the Evangelist tells us, performed his first wonder there, and signaled the presence of the divine in the everyday.

Today’s Readings: Is 62:1–5; Ps 96:1–2, 2–3, 7–8, 9–10;
1 Cor 12:4–11; Jn 2:1–11

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