



**Happy New Year! ¡Feliz Año Nuevo!
From Fr. Mauricio and OLSS Staff!**



Holiday Office Hours

Parish and CCE Office New Year Schedule

The offices will be closed on December 31st at 12:30pm and January 1st. Office hours will resume back to normal operations on Friday, January 2nd.

Horario de Año Nuevo de la Oficina Parroquial y de CCE

Las oficinas permanecerán cerradas el 31 de diciembre a partir de las 12:30pm y el 1 de enero. El horario de oficina volverá a la normalidad el viernes 2 de enero.

“Rosca de Reyes” (King’s Cake)

This holiday dessert offers much in the way of symbolism. Shaped round to signify a king's crown, this sweet bread holds a special surprise. Baked inside is a small plastic figurine representing the baby **Jesus** hiding from King Herod. Whoever finds this token is obligated to host an upcoming party for the occasion of Día de la Candelaria (Candlemas Day) which occurs each year on February 2nd.

La Rosca de Reyes

La rosca de reyes ofrece mucho en simbolismo. La figura redonda representa la corona del rey. La figura de plástico que se esconde dentro del pan representa al niño **Jesus** que se esconde para no ser encontrado por el rey Herodes. Normalmente, las personas que encuentran la figura son los encargados de organizar una fiesta para el Día de la Candelaria que es el 2 de febrero.



We offer our condolences to the families of all the faithful departed. May the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



New Year’s Mass Schedule Horario de Misa de Año Nuevo



Wednesday (miercoles) **December** (diciembre) 31st
6:00pm Mass (Bilingual-bilingüe)
Thursday (jueves) **January** (enero) 1st
11:00am Mass (Bilingual-bilingüe)
Holy Day of Obligation (Día Santo de Obligación)

The week of December 29 through January 2 there will be no Liturgical events except for the scheduled masses. Please see the bulletin for the mass schedule.

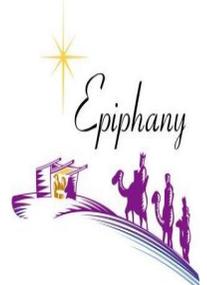
La semana del 29 de diciembre al 2 de enero no habrá eventos litúrgicos a excepción de las misas programadas. Consulte el boletín para el horario de misas.

On the 2nd of January there will be a special mass at 7:00pm. Holy Hour will be at 6:00pm and mass after that. The mass will be in honor of the Sacred Heart to consecrate the New Year.

El 2 de enero habrá una misa especial a las 7:00pm. Hora Santa será a las 6:00pm y la misa a continuación. La misa se celebrará en honor al Sagrado Corazón para consagrar el Año Nuevo.

The Epiphany of the Lord-January 4

Next weekend we celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord. After every mass, we will be sharing a “Rosca de Reyes” with everyone. Remember, the lucky ones who get a “baby” will receive a special blessing at the Presentation of the Lord. (Candlemas).



La Epifanía del Señor-4 de enero

El próximo fin de semana celebramos la Epifanía del Señor. Después de cada Misa repartiremos un pedazo de rosca de reyes. Recuerden, los afortunados que obtengan un “bebe” obtendrán una bendición especial durante la Misa de la Presentación del Señor. (Día de la Candelaria).

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Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Saturday—December 27

Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist

5:00pm †Gabriel Herrera

†Eleno Vega

Paula Castillo (B-day)

7:00pm Capilla San Jose-Laguna Heights Mission

Para la Comunidad Parroquial

Sunday—December 28

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

8:00am †Humberto Martinez (10th. Anniv.)

†Margarita & †Eduardo Sanchez

†Bryan Lopez

10:00am †Jesus Martinez

†Irma G. Solis

Rev. Jose Angel Salazar (40th. Priesthood Anniv.)

12:00pm †Maria Teresa G. Ochoa (4th. Anniv.)

†Inez Ochoa de Hinojosa

Noya Hernandez (B-day)

Monday—December 29

Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord;

Saint Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr

6:00pm **No Mass**

Tuesday—December 30

Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

6:00pm **No Mass**

Wednesday—December 31

Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

Saint Sylvester I, Pope

6:00pm Mass (Bilingual)

Thursday—January 1

The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord; Solemnity of

Mary, Mother of God

11:00am Mass (Bilingual)

Friday—January 2

Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops

and Doctors of the Church

7:30am **No Mass**

7:00pm Mass (Bilingual)

Saturday—January 3

The Most Holy Name of Jesus

8:00am All Souls in Purgatory

5:00pm †Joe H. Castillo

†Kenny Martinez

Maggie Zuñiga (B-day)

7:00pm Capilla San Jose-Laguna Heights Mission

†Froylan Dominguez

Joseph Alcocer (B-day)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Lk 2:36-40

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13; Jn 1:1-18

Thursday: Num 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

Friday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 1:19-28

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6; Jn 1:29-34

Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13.; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6;

Matt 2:1-12

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: 1 Jn 2, 3-11; Sal 95, 1-2a. 2b-3. 5b-6; Lc 2, 22-35

Martes: 1 Jn 2, 12-17; Sal 95, 7-8a. 8b-9. 10; Lc 2, 36-40

Miércoles: 1 Jn 2, 18-21; Sal 95, 1-2. 11-12. 13; Jn 1, 1-18

Jueves: Nm 6, 22-27; Sal 66, 2-3. 5. 6 y 8; Gál 4, 4-7; Lc 2, 16-21

Viernes: 1 Jn 2, 22-28; Sal 97:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 1, 19-28

Sábado: 1 Jn 2, 29-3, 6; Sal 97:1, 3cd-4, 5-6; Jn 1, 29-34

Domingo: Is 60, 1-6; Sal 71, 1-2. 7-8. 10-11. 12-13; Ef 3, 2-3a. 5-6;

Mt 2, 1-12

Stewardship Passage: "And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." COLOSSIANS 3:17

Giving thanks to God and using our words and actions to give all glory to God is the foundation of living a Stewardship lifestyle. We were made in God's image and likeness; gratitude and generosity are in our DNA. As beloved sons and daughters of God, we are all part of God's family. Using our gifts to help others is our gift back to God and helps grow the Body of Christ here on earth and establishes a pathway to Heaven for each of us.

For online giving options, please visit our website at:
www.olsstx.org

<u>Weekly Collection</u>	<u>\$7,052.19</u>
<u>Cathedraicum</u>	<u>(\$811.00)</u>
<u>Final Collection</u>	<u>\$6,241.19</u>
<u>Christmas Flowers</u>	<u>\$1,507.78</u>

God bless you for your generosity! ¡Dios te bendiga por tu generosidad!



Paula Castillo, Noya Hernandez & Juanita Torres

Monthly Rosary

Join us on Saturday, January 3 at 9:00am to pray the Rosary at the OLSS SPI Property located at 3712 Padre Blvd. Everyone is invited!

Rosario Mensual

Acompáñenos el sábado 3 de enero a las 9:00am para rezar el Rosario en la propiedad de OLSS en la Isla del Padre ubicada en 3712 Padre Blvd.

Offertory Envelopes

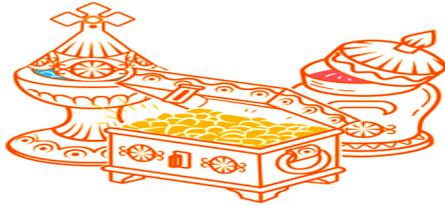
Offering Envelopes



The offertory envelopes are in, located in the front of the church, please pick them up. If you need to update your information please come by the office to make your changes. New parishioners, please come by the office if you wish to register.

Sobres de Ofrenda

Los sobres de ofrenda ya llegaron, y los encontrara al frente de la iglesia, por favor recójalos. Si necesita actualizar su información, por favor vengan a la oficina para hacer los cambios. Cualquier nuevo parroquiano, por favor vengan por la oficina para registrarse.



Why Gold, Frankincense & Myrrh?

Gold, frankincense and myrrh were the gifts presented to Baby Jesus by the 3 kings, but why these gifts? These gifts symbolize Jesus as king, priest and man. Gold was the usual offering presented to kings by their subjects, or those wanting to pay respect. Frankincense is highly fragrant when burned, and was, therefore, used in worship, where it was burned as a pleasant offering to God. Myrrh was brought as a gift to acknowledge the human suffering that Jesus partook of when He came into our world. Frankincense and myrrh are fragrant gum resin obtained from oriental trees found only in Oman, Yemen, and East Africa. The resin exude as juices that harden to form teardrops when incisions are made in the trunk of the trees and resins are exposed to the air.

¿Porque Oro, Incienso y Mirra?

Oro, incienso y mirra fueron los regalos que los tres reyes magos presentaron al niño Jesús...pero que significan? Estos regalos presentaban a Jesús como rey, sacerdote y hombre. El oro era un metal precioso normalmente presentado a los reyes por sus seguidores o por alguien ofreciendo respeto. El incienso era usado para significar adoración y se quemaba como una ofrenda grata a Dios. La mirra, que era amarga, representaba el sufrimiento humano que Jesús padecería al estar en este mundo. El incienso y la mirra provienen de árboles orientales que se encuentran en Omán, Yemen y Este de África. El resino sale como un liquidó que se endurece y forma gotas cuando se le hacen incisiones al tronque de un árbol y el resino es expuesto al aire.

Deacon Richard Laumeyer 218-391-6730



Mass Schedule (Horario de Misas)

Daily Mass Schedule • Horario de las Misas Diarias

Tuesday (martes) 6:00pm (E) Wednesday (miércoles) 6:00pm (S)
Thursday (jueves) 6:00pm (E) Friday (viernes) 7:30am (S)

Weekend Mass Schedule • Misas en Fin de Semana

Saturday (sábado) 8:00am (S) First Saturday of the month
(primer sábado del mes)
Saturday (sábado) 5:00pm (E) 7:00pm (S) Capilla San José-L.H.
Sunday (domingo) 8:00am (S) 10:00am (E) 12:00pm (B)

Please see the bulletin for any changes on the daily mass schedule. Thank You.

Consulte el boletín para conocer cualquier cambio en el horario de misas diarias. Gracias.

Sacrament of Reconciliation • Sacramento de Reconciliación

Thursday (jueves) 5:00pm—5:45pm
Saturday (sábado) 4:00pm-4:45pm
Or by appointment (O con cita previa)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Adoración al Santísimo Sacramento

Wednesday (miércoles) 12:00pm-6:00pm
Thursday (jueves) 5:00pm—6:00pm
Friday (viernes) 8:00am—12:00pm

24 Hour Prayer Line for the Sick:

24 hours, 24 people praying; List changes every other week.
Cadena de Oración para los enfermos:
24 horas, 24 personas rezando. Una vez por semana.
Call the church office (*hable a la oficina*) at 943-1297

Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court #2569

Anyone wishing to become a member, please contact.:
Helen Delgadillo 956-371-0619

Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas (JCDA) #2569

Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas (JCDA)
For girls ages 6-18.
Contact person: Ana Holland 956-778-9996
anaholland35@gmail.com

Knight's of Columbus-Council 4779 Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church

For membership information, please contact one
of the council members:
Frank Mata 956-243-0540 or Juan Rivera 956-943-4903

Alcoholics Anonymous

Open meeting on Thursday's @7:00pm and Sunday's @7:00pm
At the Parish Hall. For more information call 1-888-880-9718.



Our Lady Star of the Sea Church

Faith Formation
LIFELONG AND ONGOING

Children + Youth + Adult + Family

December
28, 2025

Important Information below



Mark Your
Calendar



Marca tu
calendario

FAITH FORMATION

Events & Meetings Coming up

Sunday/domingo, December 28

No Christian Initiation Youth Session

No First Communion Classes Youth & TEENS

Monday/lunes, December 29

6:00pm Christian Initiation Adults Class

Wednesday/miércoles, December 31

No CCE Kinder – 12th grade Enjoy the New Year?

Sunday/domingo, January 4

9:00am Confirmation I & II Class

10:00am Christian Initiation for Youth Sessions

11:00am First Holy Communion Class

11:00am TEENS Communion Class

Plan Ahead & Save the dates!

¡Planea con anticipación y guarda las fechas!

DONATIONS ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED!

For our CCE students Items like: Grape jelly, Bread, powder lemonade & little juice boxes

Individually wrapped snacks like: cookies, Chips, Gold fish crackers, Granola bars, etc.

thankyou

SAVE THE DATE !

**All Volunteers
are invited to attend
Mark your Calendar!**



2026 Catechetical Conference

Saturday, January 24, 2026

8:30AM—5:00PM

Sacred Heart, Elsa

To register, contact

Lorena, Parish Catechetical

Leader 956.943.6392

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

DISCIPLES BIRTHDAYS

Desaray Martinez, Lily Garcia,
Ava Honoria Pierce, Stacy Puento
& Adelyn Rose Navarro



Come, hear, share, grow!

Adult bible study have begun

**Monday's at 6:00pm
parish hall**

No bible study Monday, Dec. 29

We hear, reflect on, & share Sunday's gospel.

*Religious Education is a
Lifelong Faith Formation,
you graduate when
you get to Heaven*

**WE ARE
WONDERFULLY MADE**

Sacraments of Initiation
Baptism, Eucharist, &
Confirmation preparation for

Children with special needs.

**Sessions with Parents are
once a month starting on**

Sunday/domingo, January 18, 2026

11:00am Parish Hall.

*Preparación de Sacramentos de Iniciación,
Bautismo, Eucaristía y Confirmación para
adolescentes con necesidades especiales.*

*Sesiones con padres serán una vez al mes
empezando en 18 de enero del 2026*



Baptism Preparation



BAPTISMS/BAUTISMOS: January 11

Baptism Class: Monday, January 5

Clase de bautismo: lunes 5 de enero

For those Pre-registered only!

¡Solamente para aquellos pre-registrados!

5:30pm – 8:00pm in the Parish Hall/Salón Parroquial

Faith Formation is lifelong & ongoing, we graduate when we get to Heaven !



Thank you for all those who gave their time and talents, brought food, toys and filled our children's hearts with joy. Our Faith Formation CCE Christmas celebrations and Posada was a great success because of beautiful Christians like you.

To all our Volunteers and Parishioners who donated toys and so much more....

Thank you, Thank you, for your generous hearts and love.



HOLIDAY BREAK / VACACIONES DE FIESTAS

No CCE Wednesday, Dec. 31



CLASSES RESUME AS USUAL / CLASES RESUMEN COMO DE COSTUMBRE
Sacramental Programs / Programas Sacramentales:

Christian Initiation for Youth OCIA, Confirmation/*Confirmación* &
First Communion/*Primera Comunión*
Sunday/*domingo*, January/*enero* 4

CCE for Kinder to High School: Wednesday/*miércoles*, January/*enero* 7, 2026

"They departed for their country by Another way." (Matthew 2:12)



"ANOTHER WAY"
MORNING REFLECTION"
For all Confirmation II Candidates

Sunday, Jan. 4th

9:00am- 1:00pm

Includes attending Mass at noon
Reflection mandatory for Confirmation II Candidates

DO NOT FORGET YOUR PAPERWORK
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Any questions, call 943-6392.

Si tienen alguna pregunta, llame al 943-6392.



Keeping Children & Youth Safe
Safe Environment Program

Teaching -Safety

Empowering God's Children Lessons

Enseñanza—Seguridad

Lecciones de Empoderar a los hijos de Dios

Parents are invited and encouraged to attend.

Los padres están invitados y los animamos a asistir.

Protecting God's Children Lesson

are scheduled as followed below:

Lección Protegiendo a los Hijos de Dios esta programada de la siguiente manera:

Wednesday/*miércoles* January 7

Kinder - 5th Grade

Wednesday/*miércoles*: January 14

JR. HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL Grades: 6TH -12TH