

St. Joseph on the Brazos Catholic Church

219 CR 762 (CR 762 & 238) † Brazoria, Texas 77422
Archdiocese of Galveston – Houston

Pastor: Rev. Tin Pham
Deacon: Jimmy Smith
Choir/Music Director: Paul Hanak
Religious Education:
Deacon Jimmy Smith and Betty Steigerwald
Eucharistic Celebration:
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8:30 AM
Wednesday 6:00 PM
Weekend Eucharistic Celebration:
Saturday 5:30 PM
Sunday 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM
Reconciliation: 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM



September 23, 2018

Parish—979-798-2288 Hall—798-2291
FAX—798-2271 Religious Education—798-4702
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Church Office Hours:
Monday—Thursday 8:00 AM—3:30 PM
Religious Education Hours:
Monday & Thursday 9:00 AM—2:30 PM

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:

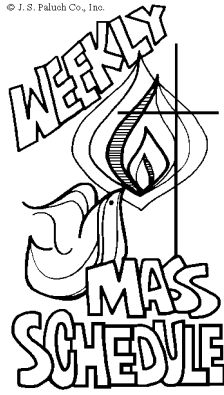
- * Building our lives in the image of Christ through worship and prayer,*
- * Contributing to the growth of our parish by spreading the Gospel by word, witness, action and evangelization,*
- * Inviting everyone to serve, in this way meeting the needs of our parishioners and the broader community,*
- * 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.



Tuesday, September 25th
8:30 AM
For Jody Codenys +
By Stacy Ryza

Wednesday, September 26th
—6:00 PM
No Special Intention

Thursday, September 27th
—8:30 AM

For Nancy Woodrow +
By Edith Nortrom

For Pete and Alice Hanak +
By Mark Hanak

Friday, September 28th —8:30 AM
No Special Intention

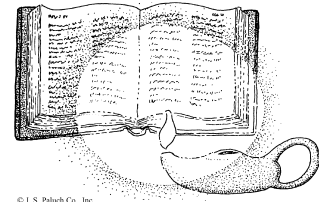
Saturday, September 29th —5:30 PM
For All Deceased Members of
St. Vincent de Paul Society +
By Mark Hanak

Sunday, September 30th —8:30 AM Mass
For Zach Raasch +
By Jean Ann Raasch

For Mila Caudilla +
By Sylvia and Edward deValcourt

Sunday, September 30th —11:00 AM Mass
For All Parishioners of St. Joseph's Parish

2019 Guatemala Medical Mission Trips
S.O.S. (Sending Out Servants), an Archdiocesan Mission Organization invites you to consider joining one of its 7-day mission trips to Guatemala next March to provide much needed eye care and cataract surgeries in impoverished Maya communities. Servants needed are: Optometrists, Medical doctors and nurses and non-medical Spanish speaking and non-Spanish speaking Servants.
For more information, you are encouraged to attend one of the SOS information meetings :
October 28th at 12:15 at St. Ignatius of Loyola Parish, Room 12, in the Xavier Building (7810 Cypress wood Drive, Spring, Texas) or
November 4th at 12:15 at Christ the Redeemer Parish, Room 114 in the Parish Office Building (11507 Huffmeister Road, Houston, Texas).



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The wicked say: With revilement and torture let us put the just one to the test (Wisdom 2:12, 17-20).

Psalm — The Lord upholds my life (Psalm 54).

Second Reading — The wisdom from above is full of mercy and good fruits (James 3:16 — 4:3).

Gospel — Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me (Mark 9:30-37).

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from *Lectionary for Mass* ©

Bayou Awakening

Bayou Awakening is a retreat for college-age adults (18-25), led by young adults, that focuses on deepening your relationship with Christ. There will be talks, small group conversations, quiet prayer time, Mass, and confession. Bayou Awakening will be held **October 5-7**, at Camp Kappe Retreat Center, 7738 Camp Kappe Road, Plantersville. Register by September 24; cost is \$70. For more information or to register visit www.bayouawakening.org, or email Bayouawakening@gmail.com or call 713-741-8778.

Be the servant
of all



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Catholic Daughter's Retreat

The 2018 Catholic Daughter Women's Retreat will be on **Saturday, October 13th** at Most Holy Trinity in Angleton. Lorie Savaryn will be the featured speaker. All women are invited to attend this amazing event! Registration is \$60. Three meals are included for the day. For more information, please contact Judy Vera at 918-269-9227.

The Catholic Tour Presents

The Holy Land Pilgrimage—2018

Air and Land included, flight is non-stop round trip
from New York

Departure Date is 11/27/18

Price—\$2,298 (per person)

- Day 1—Depart the USA
- Day 2—Arrive & Transfer to Bethlehem
- Day 3—Kings of Israel
- Day 4—The Wilderness Experience
- Day 5—Jesus Ministry in the Galilee
- Day 6—Jesus in Jerusalem
- Day 7—The Week that Shook the World
- Day 8—Return Home

For more information call The Catholic Tour at 1-877-627-4268 or
Email: jimadair@thecatholictour.com

Accommodations: 6 nights Superior Tourist Class
Hotels (3 star) - Meals: 6 breakfasts & 7 dinners.

You Know You Are Living in 2018 when...

1. You have a list of 15 phone numbers to reach your family of three.
2. You pull up in your own driveway and use your cell phone to see if anyone is home to help you carry in your groceries.
3. Leaving the house without your cell phone, which you didn't even have the first 20 or 30 (or 60) years of your life, is now a cause for panic and you turn around to go and get it.
5. You start tilting your head sideways to smile.
6. You get up in the morning and go on line before getting your coffee.
7. You're reading this and nodding and laughing.
8. You are too busy to notice there was no #4 on this list.
9. You actually looked back up to check that there wasn't a #4 on this list.



We are in need of Lector/
Commentators, Extra-Ordinary
Ministers of Communion,
Ushers, and Altar Servers

**We would like to recognize
New Liturgical Ministers:**

Mikaylah Camfield—New Altar Server
**Paul Kresta—New Extra-ordinary Minister
of Communion**
**Shelly and Terry Kaspar—New Lector/
Commentators**

**Thanks to these for volunteering to serve at the
Altar of God!**

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

How long have there been parochial schools in the United States? Longer than you may imagine. The Jesuit fathers opened Saint Mary School in Philadelphia in 1782 in the first light of independence. Catholic and Protestant squabbles about the nature of education forced the Fathers to make this risky and innovative venture in the heart of the city. The school was closed by a devastating fire in 1902, but reopened in 1968 as St. Mary Interparochial School, the first example of a shared parochial school. It is also the only Catholic school within the confines of a national park. This is the "Mother School" of this uniquely American institution. Many parochial schools, especially in "national parishes," were established to preserve the culture and language of the "old country," and also to protect young people from prejudice.

In other countries, Ireland for one, the Church is authorized to run national schools, sometimes under the sponsorship of a parish. In still other places, such as Quebec, publicly-funded "separate schools" were administered by the Church. Wherever the state funds Catholic schools, normally enrollment is guaranteed to all applicants. The Quebec system was dismantled in 1998 when the state decided to reorganize schools along linguistic lines rather than religious affiliation. Parochial schools require considerable sacrifice, but they endure as a distinctive treasure of the Church in the United States.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

World Mission Sunday Mass

World Mission Sunday Mass will be held at 11 a.m. on **October 14th** at St. Mary Magdalene, 527 S. Houston Avenue in Houston. Mission exhibits and refreshments immediately following Mass. Everyone is welcome. RSVP to 713-652-8231 by October 1st.
