



LITURGY CLASS

FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH: ST. PATRICK THIRD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH: ST. JOSEPH

FROM 7:30 PM TO 8:30 PM
ST. JOSEPH AND ST PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

1.LECTORS
2.EXTRAORDINARY
MINISTERS OF THE
HOLY COMMUNION
3.USHERS
4.CHOIRS



Divine Mercy Group will start selling breakfast tacos after morning Mass on Sunday, July 28th,

and every last Sunday of the month from then on. To raise funds for the Divine Mercy Feast on April 7th of next year. Please support our Parish Groups!

Thank !

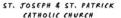
Collection Report of July 14, 2024

La Pryor: \$ 1,064.25 Children's Collection: \$0

**Batesville:** \$ 778.10

Children's Collection: \$0







## ST. JOSEPH & ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

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# Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Living as a Discipleship Community

**Dear Brothers and Sisters:** Today, as we reflect on the readings for the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, we are reminded of our calling to live as a united and caring community. Let's break down these messages and understand how they guide us to be better followers of Christ.

First Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6: The prophet Jeremiah speaks to us about shepherds, or leaders, who have not taken good care of their people. Imagine a shepherd who loses his sheep because he isn't watching over them

properly. God tells us He will bring those lost sheep back and take good care of them Himself. He will also choose new leaders who will be kind and just. This reminds us that, as a community, we need good leaders who care about everyone. As your priest, I strive to be that good shepherd, always looking out for each of you. It's important that we support and guide each other, ensuring no one feels lost or alone.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 23: "The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want." This beautiful psalm tells us that God is like a shepherd who takes perfect care of His sheep. Picture a shepherd leading his sheep to green pastures and fresh water, making sure they have everything they need. Even when things are tough, and we walk through dark valleys, we shouldn't be afraid because God is with us. We can trust that God will always be there to guide and protect us. Just like a shepherd who never leaves his sheep, God never leaves us. Let's remember to be like this for each other, supporting and helping our neighbors and friends.

**Second Reading: Ephesians 2:13-18:** In this reading, Paul tells us about Jesus bringing people together. Imagine a wall between two groups of people. Jesus came and knocked down that wall so everyone could be united and live in peace. Through Jesus, we all become part of one big family. As a community, we should work to break down any barriers that keep us apart. Whether it's disagreements, misunderstandings, or anything else that divides us, we should strive to come together as one. Let's be peacemakers and build a strong, loving community where everyone feels welcome.

Gospel: Mark 6:30-34: In the Gospel, Jesus invites His friends to rest after working hard. But when He sees a large crowd who needs help, He has compassion for them and starts teaching them many things. Think of a parent who, even when tired, always finds time to care for their children because they love them so much. This shows us that being a disciple of Jesus means sometimes putting others' needs before our own. It's about balancing our need for rest and our duty to help others. As your priest, I promise to lead by example, finding time for prayer and renewal so that I can serve you better.

Living as a Discipleship Community: Let's renew our commitment to living as a true discipleship community. By following the Church's calendar, participating in Mass, and celebrating holy days, we can grow closer to God and to each other. Together, as the faithful of St. Joseph and St. Patrick Churches, let's strive to reflect God's love, compassion, and justice in all we do. Let's be shepherds who care for each other, peacemakers who unite us, and disciples who live out our faith with joy and dedication.

May God bless our community and guide us always in His paths of righteousness and peace.

In Christ,

Fr. Alan Sanchez

"Build a stronger personal relationship with Jesus Christ."

July, 21, 2024



# **Mass Intentions**

Sat. July 20, Vigil Mass 4:00 PM La Pryor -Confessions 6:00 PM La Pryor [Spanish]

†Carlos Ortegon by his mom Olga Ortegon

Sun. July 21, Sunday Mass
7:30 AM Batesville—Confessions
8:00 AM Batesville [English]
†All Parishioners

Sun. July 21, Sunday Mass 10:00 AM La Pryor [Spanish] †All Souls in Purgatory 12:00 PM La Pryor [English] †All Parishioners

Mon. July 22, No Mass

Tues. July 23, Daily Mass 6:00 PM La Pryor [English] Rosa Ramos's Health 6:00 PM Batesville—Eucharist Service

Wed. July 24, Daily Mass 6:00 PM La Pryor [Spanish] Guadalupana Ministry 6:30 PM Holy Hour —Confessions

Thurs. July 25, Daily Mass
6:00 PM La Pryor—Eucharist Service
6:00 PM Batesville [English]
†Jose Luis "JoJo" Garces
6:30 PM Holy Hour—Confessions

Fri. July 26, Daily Mass 6:00 PM La Pryor [English] For The Rain

#### PRAY FOR THE SICK

Dear Heavenly Father, Lord Jesus Christ we come to you right now in your presence, to be restored and renewed in You. Come right now with your Holy Spirit and Let your Holy Spirit flow through these sick members of our community at this moment. Take totally control Holy Spirit and fill them up with your presence.'

Rosendo Torres Dolores Vasquez John Rosales Angelica Gonzales Armando Gonzales Jr. Oralia Gonzales Charles Koch Joey Gonzales Ernesto Garcia Raul Bueno Sr Rolando G. Victorino Alicia Velasquez
Ramon Cazarez
Cheryl Rabe
Riley Ray Lara
Carmelita Rios
Rachel Montes
Carmine Tayeh
Guadalupe D. Rodriguez
Griselda Castillo
Noah Quijano

Please schedule recurring visits to the sick from the Priest on the first Friday of each month. Call at (830) 365-4107. La Pryor: 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM Batesville: 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM For Anointing of the Sick's Emergencies within La Pryor

and Batesville call Fr. Alan directly at (956) 740-1370.



# The Sanctuary Candle in St. Joseph is burning this week in memory of

†Maria Rubio





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†Jose Luis "JoJo" Garces



# Welcome to St. Joseph Catholic Church Come and register with us at the PARISH OFFICE if you are not already registered.

Requirements to Receive Sacraments For Baptism:

- A copy of the child's birth certificate is required.
- For the sponsor(s), an updated copy of their sacrament records is necessary, which can be obtained from the Church where they were baptized.
- If a sponsor is married, they must be married through the Catholic Church.
- Parents and sponsors must attend a baptism class, available upon request.
- Baptism Prep classes will now be done on Catholic Baptism Preparations . The site will be listed here below <a href="https://catholicbaptismprep.com/en-us/">https://catholicbaptismprep.com/en-us/</a> Parents and Sponsors will have to register online, complete the course, and bring all documents and the finished prep certificates to schedule a baptism.

## **For First Communion:**

- The child must attend two (2) years of preparation in catechism classes.
  - No sponsors are allowed for First Communion.

#### For Confirmation:

- The child must attend two years of preparation in catechism classes.
- A sponsor is required, who can be male or female, and must have completed all their sacraments. CCD Registrations:
  - It is already open. Call the office.
- $\bullet$  The registration fee for CCD is now \$50 per child.
- Financial support or payment plans are available.

#### For Weddings:

- Contact the office at least six months in advance to make arrangements for preparation.
- Wedding preparation begins with a face-to-face meeting with the priest.

#### **Reminder About the Eucharist**

If you receive the Eucharist by hand, please ensure you consume it immediately in front of the priest. Please do not walk away with the Eucharist in your hand.

#### Parochial Agenda

#### July:

• 20th: Knights of Columbus meeting in Laredo.

#### August:

- 3rd: "Back to School" Bingo to support the new CCD year of 2024-2025. Donations are welcome! Contact Bobbie-Jo for donations
  - 5th: Finance Council meeting.
- 9th: Opening Mass for the XXV Anniversary of the Diocese of Laredo in San Agustin Cathedral, Laredo, TX. Parishioners are welcome to represent our Church.
- 10th at 2:00 PM Fr. Alan's Third Years of Priesthood Celebration at Parish Hall. 11th: First day of religious education. Registrations are open!

#### September:

• 15th: Annual Church Festival! Donations are welcome. Contact Bobbie-Jo for donations and other information.





OPENING MASS FOR THE SILVER ANNIVERSARY YEAR



#### 6:00 PM San Agustín Cathedral

Celebrating the 24th anniversary of the Diocese of Laredo and the beginning of the 25th anniversary year.



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