



# St. Joseph

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

### ROCKDALE, TEXAS



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#### Mass Schedule

SAT: 5 PM

SUN: 9 AM \*

MON-THUR: 8 AM

FRI: 12:15 PM

#### Horario de Misa

DOM: 11:15 AM \*

JUE: 6 PM

#### Devotion | Devoción

First Friday Mass and Eucharistic Adoration |

Misa del Primer Viernes y Adoración Eucarística

12:15PM

Eucharistic Adoration | Adoración Eucarística

Thursday/Jueves - 6:40PM

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation |

Sacramento de Reconciliación

SAT | Sábado 4:00PM -4:45PM

By appointment also | Con cita previa también

Call Father Pedro | Llamar Padre Pedro at 512-429-3364

Last Friday of each month after 12:15PM Mass

Ultimo Viernes de cada mes despues de la Misa a las 12:15PM

*Please contact our parish office for information on all other sacraments.*

*Por favor, póngase en contacto con nuestra oficina parroquial para mas información de todos los demás sacramentos.*

#### Our Parish Mission Statement

"We the people of St. Joseph's Parish open our hearts and doors to those from all walks of life so that they too may share in the everlasting presence of God. Together we strive to grow closer to Jesus Christ through the Holy Eucharist. We keep Christ as our only option in communion and participation to the new evangelization, building one church, alive and dynamic. We also make present the values of the Kingdom of God following the example of the Magi, the first witnesses of faith."

#### Declaración de la Parroquia

"Nosotros, la parroquia de San José, abrimos nuestros corazones y puertas a los de todos para que también puedan compartir la presencia eterna de Dios. Juntos nos esforzamos por acercarnos a Jesucristo a través de la Santa Eucaristía. Mantenemos a Cristo como nuestra única opción en comunión y participar en la nueva evangelización, construyendo una iglesia, viva y dinámica. También hacemos presentes los valores del Reino de Dios siguiendo el ejemplo de los Reyes Magos, los primeros testigos de la fe."



In October, the Catholic Church in the United States celebrates *Respect Life Month*, and the first Sunday of October is designated as *Respect Life Sunday*. To support these annual observances, the USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities provides materials to help Catholics understand and value the gift of human life and help build a culture that cherishes and protects it.



Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time/Migésimo Septimo Domingo Del Tiempo Ordinario October 3, 2021

**MASS INTENTIONS  
OCT. 4 – OCT. 10, 2021**

Monday - † Maria Luisa Castillo  
 Tuesday – COMMUNION SERVICE  
 Wed. – COMMUNION SERVICE  
 Thursday – AM – Living & Deceased Members of St. Joseph Ladies Society  
 PM– Special Intention-Palacios Family  
 Friday– 12:15PM– †Cirilo Reyes & Maria Sanchez  
 Saturday – 5PM– For all St. Joseph Parishioners  
 Sunday -9AM— † Florencia Garcia & Encarnacion Banda  
 11:15AM - † David Ruiz & Josefina Torres

**Readings for the Week of  
October 4-10, 2021**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Memorial of Saint Francis of Assisi</b> Jon 1:1—2:2, 11; Jon 2:3, 4, 5, 8; Lk 10:25-37
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest</b> Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8; Lk 10:38-42
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Saint Bruno, Priest; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin</b> Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-4, 5-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary</b> Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Lk 11:5-13
<b>Friday</b>	Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3, 6 and 16, 8-9; Lk 11:15-26
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Saint Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs; Saint John Leonardi, Priest</b> Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lk 11:27-28
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Wis 7:7-11; Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27



*The  
Sanctuary Light  
is Burning  
in Honor  
of  
Guadalupe Society  
by  
Guadalupe Society*

**Stewardship Report**

**Sept. 25 - Sept. 26, 2021**

Weekly Collection.....\$3,237.00  
 Building Fund (Envelopes).....\$48.00  
 Missionary Society of St. Paul.....\$1,825.00  
 Online Giving (9/18-9/24).....\$25.75  
**(Parish Weekly Assesment..\$520.00)**

(Catholic Spirit, Parish Database System, Cathedraicum, Priest Pension)

**Acts 20:35**

*"It is more blessed to give than to receive."  
Please remember St. Joseph in your will.*

**Lector Schedule**

Sat., Oct. 2 – 5:00PM - Norma Coelho  
Sun., Oct. 3 – 9:00AM - Children Mass  
 11:15AM – Lupe Tristan  
Sat., Oct. 9 – 5:00PM - Linda Masur  
Sun., Oct. 10 - 9:00AM-Ty Pesl  
 11:15AM – Claudia Hernandez



**Remember  
in Prayer**

Alvin Sulak\*Kathy Smith\*  
 Josie Milberger\*Maria Teresa Mora  
 \*Joe R. Ruelas\*Richard Facundo\*  
 Bill & Avis Luckey\*Mary Vega\*  
 Janie Santellano\*Diana  
 Martinez\*Fernando Flores\*  
 Cruz Martinez\*Karen Eckert\*  
 Lera Mae Matous\*Fred & Molly  
 Marquez\*Bernie Doud\*Deacon Gus  
 Coelho\*Florian Skubal \*  
 Larry Garrison\*Mary Garcia\*Ruby  
 Gardenhire\*Abram Drake \*Nick  
 Guzman\*Familia Reyes\*Mike  
 Morris\*Charlie J. Watson\*Barbara  
 Hormuth\*Al Pesl\*Moises  
 Ruelas\*Lillian Krenek\*  
 Matilde Garza\*Barry & Becky  
 Phillips\*Manuel & Pat Doud\*  
 Henry Silvey & Debbie Silvey\*  
 Alex Martinez\*Owen & Holden  
 (infant twins)\*Roberta Reyes\*  
 Melissa Battles  
**PLEASE Call the office at  
512-446-2049**  
 if you're needing to be  
 remembered on the prayer list.

**Special Collections**

**Oct. 2-3, 2021 - Red Bag Collection (Building Fund)**

**Oct. 23-24, 2021—World Mission Sunday**

**Colecta Especiales**

**2 y 3 de octubre 2021— Colecta de Bolsa Roja (Fondo de construcción)**

**23 y 24 de octubre—Domingo de la misión mundial**



Father Pedro is available for confessions the last Friday of each month after the 12:15PM Mass.

El Padre Pedro estará disponible para las confesiones el último viernes de cada mes después de la misa de las 12:15 PM.



Father Pedro will be attending the annual Priest Convocation this week. Only change to daily mass schedule this coming week is that there will only be Communion Services on Tuesday, Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday, Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>.

El Padre Pedro asistirá a la Convocatoria Anual de Sacerdotes esta semana. El único cambio en el horario diario de misas esta próxima semana es que solo habrá Servicios de Comunión el martes 5 de octubre y el miércoles 6 de octubre.

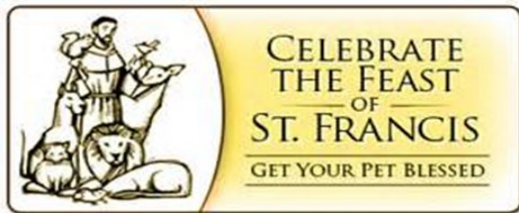
### Catholic Social Teaching Corner

#### Oct. 2-3 – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fundamental values for the Christian faithful are relationship and solidarity. Living a life in and of Jesus Christ means we have an obligation to manifest human solidarity through the work of our hands and our actions. Living in right relationship with others brings peace.

#### Octubre 2-3 - 27mo. Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Valores fundamentales para los fieles Cristianos son la relación y la solidaridad. Vivir una vida en y de Jesucristo significa que tenemos la obligación de manifestar solidaridad humana a través del trabajo de nuestras manos y nuestras acciones. Vivir en relaciones correctas con otros trae paz.



In honor of St. Francis of Assisi, patron saint of animals, we will be having a **Blessing of the Pets** on **Wednesday, Oct. 6 at 5:30 p.m.** in the Cooke House backyard.

All parishioners are invited and are asked to bring your pets either on leashes or in containers.

*En honor a San Francisco de Asís, patrón de los animales, tendremos una Bendición de las mascotas el miércoles 6 de octubre a las 5:30 p.m. en el patio de Cooke House.*

*Todos los feligreses están invitados y se les pide que traigan a sus mascotas con correa o en contenedores.*

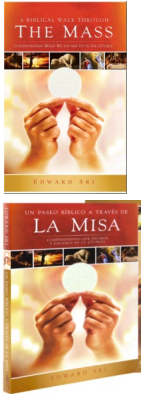


Don't forget to pick up your Baby Bank after Mass today! Remember those families that need help during or after an unplanned pregnancy. Your donation will help pro-life efforts

in our parish and throughout the diocese. The Gabriel Project, Project Rachel, Sidewalk Ministry, Pro-Life Help Line, and much more will receive funds from this campaign.

¡No olviden recoger sus Alcantías del Bebé después de la Misa hoy! Hoy que recordamos a la Sagrada familia, les pedimos recuerden a aquellas familias que necesitan ayuda durante o después de un embarazo no planeado. Su donación ayudará a los esfuerzos pro-vida de la parroquia y a lo largo de la diócesis. El Proyecto Gabriel, el Proyecto Raquel, el Ministerio de Banqueta, la Línea de Ayuda Pro-Vida y muchos más recibirán fondos de esta campaña. También pueden donar en línea yendo a nuestro sitio web.





## Adult Formation – A Biblical Walk Through the Mass

**Wednesdays, 6:30-8 pm: 10/19, 10/26, 11/2, 11/16, 11/23, 11/30**

Books may be paid to the office. (\$15 each) You will be contacted when we receive the books.

## Catequesis de Adultos – Un Paseo Bíblico a través de la Misa

**Miercoles, 6:30-7:30 pm: 10/20, 10/27, 11/3, 11/10, 11/17, 12/1**

Los libros deben pagar en la oficina parroquial (\$15)



## St. Joseph's Ladies Society Annual Christmas Bazaar Save the Date!! Saturday, Dec. 4, 2021 9AM-2PM

St. Joseph Ladies Society will have their annual Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, December 4, 2021. This is their one and only fundraiser! Let us support them!

The Ladies are in-charge of funeral meals, altar needs and other church activities.

*The Ladies Society is seeking monetary and non monetary donations for their upcoming Christmas Bazaar & Raffle and Country Store. They are seeking donations of home-baked goods, canned goods or new home made items. Deadline for donations has been extended till Oct. 10, 2021. Please contact Barbara Walko at (Home) 512-446-6035 or (Cell) 979-229-4902 if you wish to make a donation.*



**Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith?**

- **Do you or does someone you know wish to become Catholic?**
- **Are you a baptized Catholic but have never been confirmed or received First Eucharist?**
- **Are you curious about some aspects of our faith or our tradition?**
- Then the RCIA might be for you! The RCIA is the process through which individuals are fully initiated into the Catholic Church. If you are unbaptized, baptized in another Christian denomination, baptized Catholic without celebrating the sacraments of Confirmation and/or Eucharist, and if you are interested in becoming a member of, or completing your initiation into the Roman Catholic Church, then please contact the parish office at 512-446-2049 for more information.
- **¿Te interesa aprender más sobre la fe católica?**  
**¿Usted o alguien que usted conoce va a convertirse en católico?**  
**¿Es usted un Católico bautizado, pero nunca han sido confirmado o recibió la primera comunión? ¿Tiene curiosidad sobre algunos aspectos de nuestra fe o nuestra tradición?**

*Entonces el rito de iniciación cristiana de adultos (RCIA) podría ser para usted! El Rito es el proceso mediante el cual personas plenamente se inician en la iglesia católica.*

*Si no están bautizados, bautizados en otra denominación cristiana, bautizado católico sin celebrar los sacramentos de la confirmación y la Eucaristía, y si usted está interesado en convertirse en miembro de, o completar su iniciación en la Católica Iglesia, entonces póngase en contacto con la oficina parroquial al 512-446-2049 para obtener más información.*



**B.J. Silvey,**

a special longtime parishioner of St. Joseph passed away on September 23, 2021. He was an active member of St. Joseph. We extend our sympathy and prayers to his family.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

## St. Joseph Organizations — Contacts & Meeting Dates & Times

### **Guadalupanas – Contact – President – Veronica Palacios**

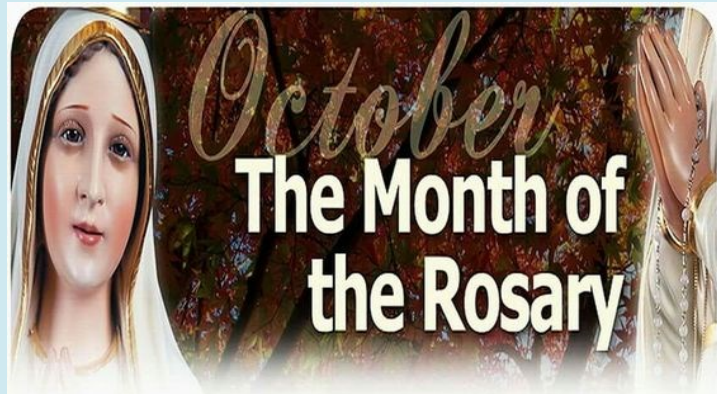
Next Meeting – **Sat., Oct. 2, 2021** – Mass at **9AM** followed by meeting @ RE Bldg.  
New members are always welcome.

### **Knights of Columbus – Contact – Grand Knight – Kenny Svrcek**

Next Meeting – **Tues., Oct. 12, 2021 at 7PM** @ KC Hall  
New members are always welcome.

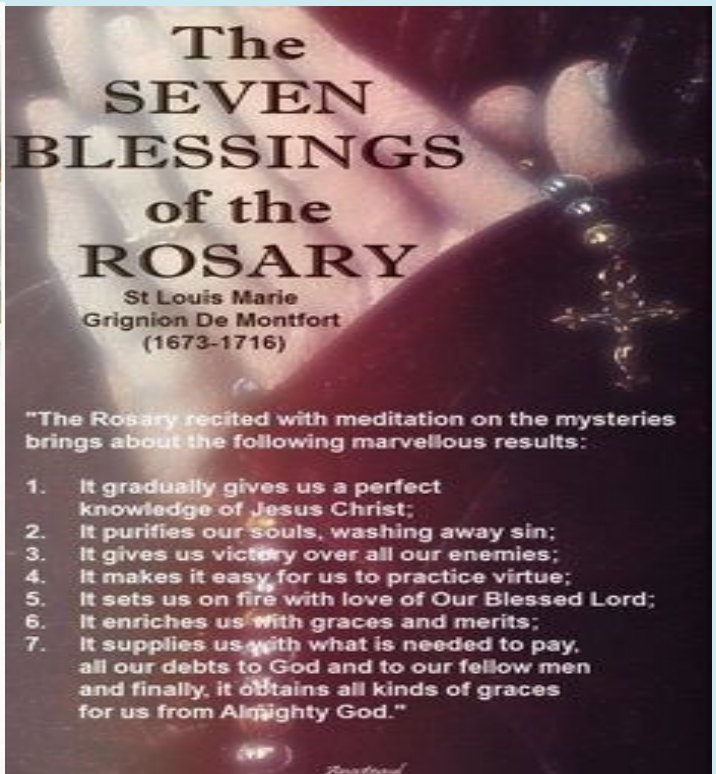
### **St. Joseph Ladies Society - Contact – President – Kelley Zapata**

Next Meeting – **Mon., Oct. 4, 2021 at 6PM** @ RE Bldg.  
New members are always welcome.



**The ROSARY is CHRISTOCENTRIC** (having Christ as its center). IT sets forth the entire life of JESUS CHRIST, the passion, death, resurrection and glory. Of course, the Rosary honors and contemplates MARY too, because of the mission She received from God, Her life is most closely linked with the mysteries of Jesus Christ, and there is no one who has followed in the footsteps of the INCARNATE WORD more closely and with more merit than She.

Let's find at least 1,000,000 Catholics who pray Rosary Daily on Facebook!





# RELIGIOUS ED NEWS / NOTICIAS DE CATESISMO

## RE Calendar

- Oct. 3 **Children's Mass**, 9 am, 9th graders in charge
- Oct. 3 **Confirmation Investiture**, 9 am, for student/sponsor
- Oct. 3 Sunday Class, 10:10-11:10 am
- Oct. 3 **FC-II Class #4** for students/parents, 10:10-11:10 am
- Oct. 3 **Catechist Luncheon Meeting**, 12:30 pm
- Oct. 3 **Confirmation Class #2** for candidates/adult, 3-6 pm
- Oct. 6 **St. Francis Pet Blessing**, Cooke backyard 5:30 pm
- Oct. 6 Wednesday Class, 6:30-7:45 pm
- Oct. 6 **10th-12th Grade**, 6:30-7:45 pm
- Oct. 10 Sunday Class, 10:10-11:10 am
- Oct. 10 **FC-II Class #5** for students/parents, 10:10-11:10 am
- Oct. 13 Wednesday Class, 6:30-7:45 pm
- Oct. 17 NO Sunday Class**
- Oct. 20 Wednesday Class, 6:30-7:45 pm
- Oct. 20 **10th-12th Grade**, 6:30-7:45 pm
- Oct. 24 Sunday Class, 10:10-11:10 am
- Oct. 24 **FC-II Class #6** for students/parents, 10:10-11:10 am
- Oct. 27 Wednesday Class, 6:30-7:45 pm
- Oct. 31 Sunday Class, 10:10-11:10 am
- Oct. 31 **FC-II Class #7** for students/parents, 10:10-11:10 am

## Confirmation Schedule

- ◆ Oct. 3 **Confirmation session #2**, 3-6 pm, for all confirmation students and parent or sponsor

## Programa de confirmación

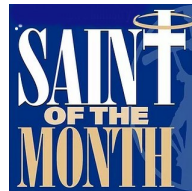
- ◆ Oct. 3 **Sesión de confirmación ° 2**, de 3 a 6 pm, Para todos los estudiantes de confirmación y padres o patrocinadores

## ALL 10th, 11th, & 12th Graders

You are invited to attend twice monthly RE sessions (on the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of the month), in the RE building, from 6:30-7:45 pm. **Our next session is Wednesday, October 6th.**

What it means to be a young Catholic in today's world, as well as continuing your understanding of your Catholic faith will be discussed, in these very relaxed sessions.

*There will be NO charge for attending, and ALL 10th-12th graders are welcome to attend.*



## A Year of MARTYRS

St. Denis

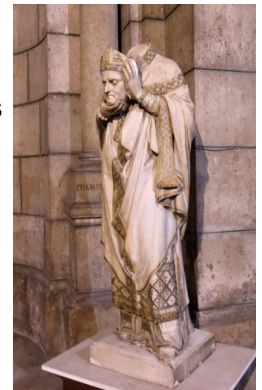
Feast Day: October 9

**Patron:** *France; Against strife, possession, rabies; Those seeking relief from headaches*

Saints portrayed in Christian art often carry objects that help identify them in art. While some saints carry relatively benign objects (St. Anthony often carries a white lily), other tote more lethal implements such as knives, swords, arrows, etc. Martyrs, in particular, are frequently shown with deadly devices, generally the instruments of their martyrdom.

A curious subset of martyrs, however, are commonly shown carrying their own heads. Known as **cephalophores**, literally "head-carriers" in Greek, these headless saints all suffered martyrdom by decapitation. **In total, there are more than 120 cephalophores, who were martyred by beheading, yet do not die immediately.**

Los santos representados en el arte cristiano a menudo llevan objetos que ayudan a identificarlos en el arte. Mientras que algunos santos cargan objetos relativamente benignos (San Antonio a menudo lleva un lirio blanco), otros cargan implementos más letales como cuchillos, espadas, flechas, etc. martirio.



Sin embargo, un subconjunto curioso de mártires suele mostrarse portando sus propias cabezas. Conocidos como cefalóforos, literalmente "portadores de cabezas" en griego, estos santos sin cabeza sufrieron el martirio por decapitación. En total, hay más de 120 cefalóforos, que fueron martirizados por decapitación, pero no mueren de inmediato.

## Attention Catechists:



Our monthly Catechist Luncheon Meeting will be **Sunday, October 3**, beginning at 12:30 p.m.

Please plan on attending the meeting, as we will be discussing upcoming events.





## St. Joseph Finance Council Members

Pat Barcak                      Jim Grametbauer  
Margaret Coker                Rita Juergens

## Pastoral Council Members

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Please pray for moral guidance of world leaders and safety of our service men and women.

— Danny and Linda Messer

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Virgen María purísima



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