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MASS TIMES / HORARIO DE MISA

Saturday: 5 p.m.
Sunday: 9 a.m.
(Español) 11:30 a.m.



Daily Mass Schedules - look inside for times.

RECONCILIATION/RECONCILIACIÓN

Saturday: 4 - 4:45 p.m.

By appointment also / Con cita previa también
Contact the office 512-446-2049

First Friday Mass: 12:15 p.m.
Eucharistic Adoration 1-3 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays and Thursdays 7-10 p.m.

Adoración Eucarística

martes y jueves de 7-10 p.m.

The Rosary is prayed 30 minutes prior to all weekend Masses.

El Rosario se reza 30 minutos antes de todas las misas de fin de semana.

St. Joseph
CATHOLIC CHURCH
ROCKDALE, TEXAS

May 10, 2026

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Mass Intentions

Monday, May 11	No	Mass
Tuesday, May 12	6 p.m	†Roberto Orozco
Wednesday, May 13	12:15 p.m.	Olivia Zapata
Thursday, May 14	12:15 p.m.	†Robyn Black
	6 p.m.	†Jeremias Banda
Friday, May 15	12:15 p.m.	†Jeremias Banda
Saturday, May 16	5 p.m.	†Jeremias Banda †Frank Ramirez Sr. †Frank Ramirez Jr.
Sunday, May 17	9 a.m.	For the People
	11:30 a.m.	†Cecilio Bocanegra

Readings for the Week

Monday: May 11

Acts 16:11-15/ Jn 15:26—16:4a

Tuesday: May 12

Acts 16:22-34/ Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday: May 13 **Our Lady of Fatima**

Acts 17:15,22—18:1/ Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: May 14 **St. Matthias, Apostle**

Acts 1:15-17,20-26/ Jn 15:9-17

Friday: May 15 **St. Isidore**

Acts 18:9-18/ Jn 16:20-23

Saturday: May 16

Act 18:23-28/Jn 16:16b-28

Sunday: May 17 **The Ascension of the Lord**

Acts 1:1-11/ Eph 1:17-23/ Mt 28:16-20

Daily Mass / Adoration is held in
the Holy Family Chapel.

Misa de Dia / Adoración diaria se lleva a cabo
en la Capilla de la Sagrada Familia.

May 2026

Monthly need:	\$ 17,208.00
To Date: May	\$ 4,095.15
Profit/Loss:	\$-13,112.85
Last Sunday collection:	
Sunday Collection: 5/2-5/3	\$ 3,834.00
Online Giving: 4/27-5/1	\$ 261.15
Total:	\$ 4,095.15

"All must give as they are able, according to the
blessings given to them by the Lord your God."
- Deuteronomy 16:17

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Parish Monthly Assessment \$6,803.00

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& Health Insurance, Property Insurance,
Ministry Platform, Workmen's Compensation)*

Special Collections / Colecciones Especiales

May 16-17	Black Bag
June 13-14	Red Bag
June 27-28	Peter Pence Collection

DATE	LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	USHERS
Sat. May 9— 5 p.m..	Jasmin Nieto	Mario Santellano	Nancy Phillips, Maria Dubey, Wesley Janak	Chad Ehler Jason Ehler
Sun. May 10— 9 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Pete Zenner Lupe Tristan Sylvia Ramos	Omar Chavez Camila Cardona	Felicia Alexander, Gloria Pedroza, and Tino Gonzalez Maria Velazquez, Lupe Tristan, Sylvia Ramos	Jeff and Kelley Zapata Felipe Pacheco Jesus Ponce
Sat. May 16 — 5 p.m.	Jasmin Nieto	Elizabeth Longoria	Carlos Garza, Margaret Coker, Jasmin Nieto	Wesley Janak Carlos Garza
Sun. May 17— 9 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Pete Zenner Lupe Tristan Sylvia Ramos	Craig Snow Camila Cardona	Craig Snow, Gloria Pedroza, Cynthia Gonzalez Erica Rivera, Alejandra Rivera, Julia Cardona	Kenney Svrcek David Ehler Juan Gonzalez Jesus Castillo



Let Us Pray/ Oremos

Deacon Gus & Norma Coelho
 Nick & Mamie Guzman
 Tom & Barbara Hormuth
 Robert & Susie Urban
 Charlie & Pat Watson
 Mark Alvarez & Theresa Alvarez
 Steve & Mary Zapata
 James Gorney
 David Boudreaux
 Leslie Joyce Garcia
 Vernon Crowder
 Valentina Rodarte
 Dolores Turner
 Leo Dubey

Karen Eckert
 Cruz Martinez
 Helen Ellison
 Manuel Garcia
 Amalia Hernandez
 Teresa Key
 Lupe Orozco
 Wendy Fournet
 Jim Grametbauer
 Donna Kerlin
 Larry Kerlin
 Georgie Kerlin
 Francisca Longoria
 Frankie McIntosh
 Pat Barcak

PLEASE Call the office @ 512-446-2049 if you, or someone you know, needs to be remembered on the prayer list.



Let Us Pray Military Personnel/ Oremos por el Ejercito Militar

Benji Blanco –Navy deployment

Let us know if you want to add any love ones serving in the military./ Avisanos si quieres añadir a algún ser querido que sirva en el ejército militar



The Sanctuary Light in the church is burning in Honor of

Frank Ramirez Sr.
 Frank Ramirez Jr.



The Sanctuary Light in the chapel is burning in Honor of

Janie Santellano

Sanctuary Candle Intentions



2026 Sanctuary Candle intentions available, at the chapel or at the church. If you would like to schedule an intention for a deceased loved one, someone's birthday or anniversary etc., we do have dates available for scheduling.

Please come by the parish office if you would like to schedule sanctuary candle intentions.

First Friday Devotion



You are invited on
Friday, June 5, 2026,
FIRST FRIDAY of the Month:
 Mass at 12:15 pm in English followed by
Eucharistic Adoration
 from 1 pm. –6 p.m.
 Holy Hour 6-7pm
 followed by the Mass at 7 p.m. Spanish

Catholic Social Teaching Corner

May 9-10 -- Sixth Sunday of Easter

Through the Risen Christ, we are given the gift of the Holy Spirit. It is the Spirit that fills us with hope and joy, even in the face of suffering. This same Spirit showers us with a love and truth that is beyond "worldly" standards and wisdom. It is God's Spirit that transforms us from a mere collection of isolated individuals or strangers into a community of brothers and sisters. This solidarity, the fruit of the Spirit, "presumes the creation of a new mindset which thinks in terms of community and the priority of life of all over the appropriation of goods by a few." (The Joy of the Gospel, 188)

Mayo 9-10 — Sexto Domingo de Pascua

A través del Cristo Resucitado, se nos da el don del Espíritu Santo. Es el Espíritu el que nos llena de esperanza y gozo, incluso enfrente del sufrimiento. Este mismo Espíritu nos baña con un amor y verdad que están más allá de los estándares y la sabiduría "terrenal". Es el Espíritu de Dios el que nos transforma, de un grupo de individuos solos o extraños, en una comunidad de hermanos y hermanas. Esta solidaridad, el fruto del Espíritu, "presume la creación de una nueva mentalidad la cual piensa en términos de comunidad y de la prioridad de la vida sobre la apropiación de bienes por unos pocos". (El Gozo del Evangelio, 188).

St. Joseph Organizations / Contacts Meeting Dates / Times

Sociedad Guadalupana

Sylvia Ramos, President 512-269-9463

Meets the 1st Saturday of the month with Rosary and Mass at 9 a.m. followed by Meeting in the RE Building. New members are always welcome.

Knights of Columbus

Kenny Svrcek, Grand Knight 512-921-2184

Meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. @ the K of C Hall. New members are always welcome.

St. Joseph Ladies Society

Maria Santellano, President 254-760-0568

Meets the 1st Monday of the month in the RE Building with Rosary at 5 p.m. followed by Meeting. New members are always welcome.

The Marian Cenacle (Prayer Group)

Contact the Parish Office @ 512-446-2049

Meets each Thursday, beginning with the Cenacle (prayer) 11am-noon, @ the RE Building, follow by the Angelus, 12:15 Mass in the chapel. Bi-weekly meeting is from 10am- 11am on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays. Open to all men and women of the parish.

Daughters of Mary/Hijas de María

Contact the Parish Office @ 512-446-2049

Meets the 1st Saturday of each month (Sept.—May) @ RE Building from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Open to girls who have made their First Communion and older, and their parents.

Impact Youth Group

Youth Minister

Meets the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month starting in October @ RE Building, from 6:30-7:45 p.m.

Eucharistic Apostles of Divine Mercy

Contact Debby Currey 512-775-0977

Various groups meet weekly to study the Divine Mercy, St. Faustina's Diary, the Catechism of the Catholic Church, and to pray.

Viri Christi (Men's Group)

Contact Carlos Garza 512-760-0273

Men's group focusing on prayer, education and spirituality. Meets the 3rd Monday of each month at 7pm in the RE Building.

Pastoral Council Chairman

Felipe Pacheco 512-269-2502

Finance Council President

Margaret Coker 512-970-8177



Baptism Class

Next Baptism Class will be held on **Saturday, May 9, 2026 at 10 a.m. at the RE Building.**

Must be pre-registered to attend.
Please contact the parish office to register.



St Joseph's Special Protection

Saint Joseph urged me to have constant devotion to him. He himself told me to recite three prayers daily [the Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be] and the Memorare once every day. He looked at me with great kindness and gave me to know how much he is supporting this work [of mercy]. He promised me this special help and protection.

I recite the requested prayers every day and feel his special protection. (Diary, 1203)



2026 BACCALAUREATE MASS FOR HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE GRADUATES

Graduating Seniors will be honored on Sunday, May 17, 2026, at the 9:00 AM and 11:30 AM Masses. Signup sheet is located on the table in the Narthex. Please sign up if you plan on attending.

MISA DE BACHILLERATO PARA GRADUADOS DE SECUNDARIA Y UNIVERSIDAD DE 2026

San Jose honrará a los estudiantes de último año que se gradúen el domingo 17 de mayo de 2026, en las misas de 9:00 AM y 11:15 AM. Por favor, regístrese en la hoja que está en la mesa a la entrada de la iglesia si planea asistir.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2026-2027 School Year

For Wednesday Evenings 6:30-7:45 pm:

Office Assistant (bilingual)
Family Catechesis I- Assistant
Family Catechesis II- Assistant
7th Grade- Assistant

Day of the Week and Time Negotiable:

Youth Ministry/ Catechists for 10th-12th Grades
(We are ideally wanting to create a team for this.)



Interested or have questions?
Please contact Kristina Snow at 512-422-3189
(call or text).

Updated 5/4/26



MONTH OF MARY/ MES DE MARIA

We will be praying a public rosary on Wednesday, May 13, 2026, at 11:00AM in prayer garden prior to mass. All are invited to come pray the rosary.

Rezaremos un rosario público el miércoles 13 de mayo 2026 a las 11:00 a.m. en el jardín de oracion antes de la misa. Todos están invitados a venir a rezar el rosario.

A Prayer for Mothers

All loving God, we give you thanks and praise for mothers young and old. We pray for young mothers, who give life and count toes and tend to our every need. May they be blessed with patience and tenderness to care for their families and themselves with great joy! We pray for our own mothers who have nurtured, loved and cared for us; May they continue to guide us in strong and gentle ways! We remember mothers who are separated from their children because of war, poverty or conflict, including those who have lost a child; those who have lost or estranged from their mothers, and those who are struggling or unable to have a child. May they feel the loving embrace of God who wipes every tear away! We pray for women who are not mothers but still love and shape us with motherly care and compassion. We also remember mothers, grandmothers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love.

Una oración por las madres

Dios amoroso, te damos gracias y alabanza por las madres jóvenes y mayores. Oramos por las madres jóvenes, que dan vida y cuentan los dedos de los pies y tienden a todas nuestras necesidades. Que sean bendecidos con paciencia y ternura para cuidar de sus familias y de ellos mismos con gran alegría. Oramos por nuestras propias madres que nos han alimentado, amado y cuidado; ¡que sigan guiándonos de maneras fuertes y suaves! Recordamos a las madres que están separadas de sus hijos por causa de la guerra, la pobreza o el conflicto, incluyendo a aquellos que han perdido a un niño; aquellos que han perdido o se han distanciado de sus madres, y aquellos que están luchando o no pueden tener un niño. ¡que sientan el abrazo amoroso de Dios que limpia cada lágrima! Oramos por mujeres que no son madres pero que todavía nos aman y nos forman con cuidado y compasión maternos. También recordamos a las madres, abuelas que ya no están con nosotros, sino que viven para siempre en nuestra memoria y nos nutren con su amor.



THANK YOU

Thank you to ALL parishioners and community members for your support for our St Joseph Mayfest 2026. Many hands worked together to sell raffle tickets, provide desserts, game prizes, auction items as well as offered prayers and monetary donations. The success of our festival can be gauged by the number of volunteers from the entire parish who gave of their time, talents and treasures to make this a success. A special THANK YOU to the members of the Fundraising Committee for their tireless efforts to make this happen. A complete report of the St. Joseph Mayfest will be provided after all expenses have been paid and the final tally is available. Congratulations to Art Zapata, who sold the most raffle tickets.

Gracias a TODOS los feligreses y miembros de la comunidad por su apoyo a nuestro St. Joseph Mayfest 2026. Muchas manos trabajaron unidas para vender boletos de rifa, aportar postres, premios para los juegos y artículos para la subasta, así como para ofrecer oraciones y donaciones monetarias. El éxito de nuestro festival se puede medir por el número de voluntarios de toda la parroquia que dedicaron su tiempo, sus talentos y sus recursos para hacerlo realidad. Un AGRADECIMIENTO especial a los miembros del Comité de Recaudación de Fondos por sus incansables esfuerzos para hacer posible este evento. Se proporcionará un informe completo del Mayfest de St. Joseph una vez que se hayan cubierto todos los gastos y se disponga del balance final. ¡Felicidades a Art Zapata, quien vendió la mayor cantidad de boletos.



Director's Message

Thank you to all who have wished Eugene and myself a Happy Retirement! Your presence at our reception, your kind words, your gifts, and most of all your love and support mean the world to us! It has truly been a privilege and a blessing to have been your DRE for the past 12 years.

Eugene and I will miss being catechists, but he will continue as the Choir Director. (He IS looking for someone to take over the Website—hint, hint.)

These past 40 year's involvement in Religious Ed. as DRE (twice!) Youth Minister, and Catechist have been a huge part of my life and I treasure every moment of it!

Students—you always amaze me. Your love of Jesus always shows and I am just so proud of you!! And I was blown away with your cards and gifts at our Closing Mass. I will treasure each and every message from you!!



Catechists—you are the greatest!! St. Joseph's is blessed to have some of the best and most dedicated teachers of the Faith that there is. You make me a better person just by being with you every week. I love each and every one of you and have enjoyed your friendship and our time together over these many years. And thank you for the amazing plaque—it is just too awesome!



So now, we look forward to traveling around the country, spending more time with the grandchildren, and just having time to work around our house. Lol.

May God bless you all, and we will continue see you at our wonderful parish! Mrs. Bonnie (& 'Mr. Bonnie')



REGISTRATION continues for the 2026/2027 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (RE) YEAR



Registration will take place during office hours.

Fees are \$40/student, with a maximum of \$100/family.

We will be accepting students in 1st – 12th grades.

New students are asked to bring their birth certificate, and baptismal certificate if applicable.

All outstanding balances need to be taken care of prior to registering for the new school year.

CONTINÚA LA INSCRIPCIÓN PARA EL AÑO DE EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA (RE) 2026/2027

La inscripción se llevará a cabo durante el horario de oficina.

Las tarifas son \$40 por estudiante, con un máximo de \$100 por familia.

Aceptaremos estudiantes de 1.º a 12.º grado.

Se solicita a los nuevos estudiantes que traigan su certificado de nacimiento y su certificado de bautismo, si corresponde.

Todos los saldos pendientes deben ser liquidados antes de inscribirse para el nuevo año escolar.

Si el pago representa un problema, por favor hable con la Sra. Snow.

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St. Joseph Ladies Society
Meets 1st Monday of each Month
@RE Building

Rosary at 5 p.m. followed by
Meeting

New members always welcome

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