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Saint Joseph

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (A)

TERCER DOMINGO DE CUARESMA (A)

PARISH STAFF



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MASS SCHEDULE / HORARIOS DE MISA

Monday/Lunes: No mass
Tuesday/Martes: **6:30 AM** (English) - CHAPEL
Wednesday/Miércoles: **6:30 AM** (English) - CHAPEL
Thursday/Jueves: **6:00 PM** (Spanish) - CHAPEL
Friday/Viernes: **6:30 AM** (English) - CHAPEL

Saturday/Sábado: **4:30 PM** (English) CHURCH
6:00 PM (English) LOUNGE
Neocatechumenal Way

Sunday/Domingo: **7:00 AM** (English) CHURCH
9:00 AM (Spanish) CHURCH
11:00 AM (English) CHURCH

CONFESSIONS / CONFESIONES

SATURDAYS: 3:30 pm in the Church or any time by appointment.
SABADOS: A las 3:30 pm en la Iglesia o llame para una cita.

FUNERALS / FUNERALES

Monday through Friday. Please contact the Parish Office.
De Lunes a Viernes. Favor de contactar la Oficina Parroquial.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK / UNCIÓN DE LOS ENFERMOS

Please contact one of the priests if you are going to the hospital.
Llamar al sacerdote cuando se necesite y si vas al hospital.

BAPTISMS / BAUTIZOS

On the last Saturday of the month, at 3 pm. Please contact the Parish Office. - El ultimo sabado del mes, a las 3 pm. Favor de contactar la oficina parroquial.

MARRIAGE / MATRIMONIO

Please contact the priests at least 6 months before your wedding.
Por favor, haga una cita con el sacerdote.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS / HORARIO DE OFICINA

Monday to Friday: **8:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

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READINGS FOR THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT (A)

Mon. March 9
Saint Frances of Rome
 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab
 Lk 4:24-30

Tue. March 10
 Dn 3:25, 34-43
 Mt 18:21-35

Wed. March 11
 Dt 4:1, 5-9
 Mt 5:17-19

Thur. March 12
 Jer 7:23-28
 Lk 11:14-23



Fri. March 13
 Hos 14:2-10
 Mk 12:28-34

Sat. March 14
 Hos 6:1-6
 Lk 18:9-14

Sun. March 15
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT (A)
 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a
 Eph 5:8-14
 Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Saints of the Week

Saint Frances of Rome (1384 – March 9, 1440) was born into a noble and devout family in Rome, Italy. From childhood she desired to consecrate her life to God, but in obedience to her parents she entered an arranged marriage with Lorenzo Ponziani. She faithfully embraced her role as a wife and mother, uniting her household duties with a deep life of prayer. Her life was marked by suffering, including the loss of children and the hardships of war, famine, and plague in Rome. Frances responded with remarkable charity, using her family's wealth to feed the hungry and care for the sick, often opening her home to those in need. She was also known for her mystical experiences and devotion to her guardian angel, yet she remained humble and practical in serving others. After her husband's death, she founded the Oblates of Mary at Tor de' Specchi, a community dedicated to prayer and works of mercy. She died on March 9, 1440, remembered as a model of holiness in family life and service.

THREE PILLARS OF LENT



PRAYER



FASTING



ALMSGIVING

- Fridays at St. Joseph's -

PRO-LIFE ROSARY

We invite you to join us every Friday of Lent at our church at 4:30 pm for the Rosary for Life. All human life is a sacred gift from God, from conception to natural death. As we pray the Rosary for Life, we ask for the protection of the unborn, strength for mothers and families, and a conversion of hearts so that the dignity of every person is always respected and defended.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Come to pray the Stations of the Cross during Lent.

Every Friday of Lent, at 5 pm, in the Church.

33-DAY CONSECRATION TO SAINT JOSEPH

Spend 3-5 minutes a day, for 33 days and grow in your love for Saint Joseph: his role in salvation history, his virtues, his quiet strength, and his profound closeness to Jesus and Mary.

If you can, join us for weekly Lenten reflections each Friday, following the 5:00 pm Stations of the Cross.

Saturday March 7 - Day 21
 Sunday March 8 - Day 22
 Monday March 9 - Day 23



MASS INTENTIONS / INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS

Sat. 7	4:30 pm	+Helena and +Peter Paul	req. by Jacinta Augustin.
	6:00 pm	For the good of the people of St. Joseph Church.	
Sun. 8	7:00 am	+Emilene Raymond and +Joan Alexis	req. by Zenia Raymond.
	9:00 am	Birthday blessings for Pablo Rojas	req. by Pablo Rojas.
	11:00 am	Birthday blessings for John Samuel	req. by Virginia Samuel.
Tue. 10	6:30 am	Birthday blessings for Dwane Jackson	req. by his parents.
Wed. 11	6:30 am	+Juan M. Huertas and +Julia Reyes	req. by Luis G. Huertas.
Thu. 12	6:00 pm	+Benito Felix and +Corporina Fragosa	req. by Corporina Fragosa.
Fri. 13	6:30 am	+Eufemia Encarnación	req. by Juanita Migueles Mitchel.

From the Pastor's Pen

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I share with you the goals for the Bishop's Appeal 2026. Let us do our best to support our Diocese and the evangelization efforts of the Bishop. God bless you.

Fr. Andrea

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Lenten Penance Celebrations

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ST. ANN

TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 6:00 PM
HOLY CROSS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 6:00 PM
ST. JOSEPH

THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 6:00 PM
ST. PATRICK

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness."
1 John 1:9



March 8th, 2026

MARCH 8 THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (A)

A Samaritan woman in today's Gospel goes to the well for water to satisfy her thirst. However, in her encounter with Jesus and in their conversation, she realizes that it is not the water that will quench the thirst she feels – it is Jesus! That encounter was life-changing for her and gave her new confidence and sense of identity. What words has Jesus spoken to you that have "quenched your thirst," or given new meaning to your life? Have you gone and told others about Jesus, as this woman did? Her testimony/her story brought others to Jesus. Perhaps this Lent is the time for you to tell others about Jesus so they too may come to believe in him because of your witness.



St. Joseph's Gem

WISDOM ON OUR SPIRITUAL FATHER

Saint Joseph was an ordinary sort of man on whom God relied to do great things. He did exactly what the Lord wanted him to do, in each and every event that went to make up his life. This is why scripture praise Joseph as a "just man". And in Hebrew a just man means a good and faithful servant of God, someone who fulfilled the divine will, or who is honorable and charitable toward his neighbor.

-St. Josemaria Escriva

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This Lent, we are called to strengthen our Church and transform lives by joining in acts of mercy.



Your support of the Bishop's Appeal aids the hungry and homeless through Catholic Charities and strengthens vital ministries in our Diocese.

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Thank you for your generosity in bringing hope to those in need.



Liturgical Corner

Sacred Silence in the Mass

Silence is an essential yet often overlooked part of the liturgy. Far from being empty or awkward, sacred silence allows space for prayer, reflection, and attentive listening to God. The Church intentionally includes moments of silence throughout the Mass so that what we hear and do can take root in our hearts.

Silence is especially important after the readings and homily, allowing God's Word to be absorbed and personally received. Silence during the Penitential Act encourages sincere examination of conscience, while silence after Holy Communion invites a deeper encounter with Christ present within us. These moments help us move from external participation to interior prayer.

In a world filled with constant noise and distraction, sacred silence can feel unfamiliar or uncomfortable. Yet it is precisely this silence that opens us to God's presence. By embracing silence as a form of active participation, we allow the liturgy to transform us more deeply and draw us into a richer relationship with the Lord.

References: CCC 2717; GIRM 45; 1 Kings 19:11-13.

PARISH PASTORAL WORK

Pro-Life Rosary - Fridays @ 4:30 pm

Santo Niño - First Saturday @ 4:00 pm

Divine Mercy - Every Other Saturdays @ 4:00 pm

Sacred Heart Society - First Sunday @ 8:30 am

Cursillo de Cristiandad - Sundays @ 10:00 am

Our Lady of Fatima - First Saturday @ 7:00 am

Neocatechumenal Way - Wednesdays @ 6:00 pm

Grief and Loss Seminar - Last Tuesdays @ 1:00 pm



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - Tuesday from 7:00 a.m. until 5:00 pm, in Saint Michael's Chapel.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS - Every Friday at 5:00 pm.

GRAND ANNIVERSARY RAFFLE - If you would like a book of tickets or if you would like to return your sold tickets, please see the volunteer at the back of the church after Mass or visit the Parish Office. Thank you for being an ambassador of St. Joseph's!

CONSECRATION TO ST. JOSEPH - As part of our 80th Anniversary, our parish is invited to journey together in a 33-day Consecration to Saint Joseph during Lent. You are encouraged to participate, with optional Friday reflections after Stations of the Cross. The journey will conclude with a parish-wide *Act of Consecration* on March 19.

BISHOP'S APPEAL 2026 - Our Goal for the Bishop's Appeal 2026 is \$25,000. Please, take an envelope at the entrance of the Church and return in the Collection basket next week. Together, we can reach the goal! God bless you!

GRAND ANNIVERSARY RAFFLE - PRIZE LIST

- 3 nights at The Buccaneer Resort, Saint Croix, for two.
- 2 nights at a Marriott in Puerto Rico for two with round-trip airfare STX-SJU.
- 3 nights at The Saint Resort, St. John, for two with Fly the Whale round trip STX-STT.
- 2 nights at The Westin, Frenchman's Reef, St. Thomas, for two with Cape Air round trip STX-STT.
- 2 nights at the Fred Hotel, St. Croix, with a welcome cocktail.
- \$5,000 worth of Comprehensive Orthodontic treatment 24 months + 1 set of retainers from Land Orthodontics.
- Behold: LoG - Art piece by Theda Sandiford (\$3,000 value).
- Private dinner for four with Executive Chef Ralph Motta, Ha'Penny Beach Club.
- 85" television.
- 12,000 BTU AC split unit (unit only) from R&R Enterprises.
- Buccaneer Tennis (\$120 value).
- St. Croix Yacht Club day pass for two (\$100 value).
- Susan Towner totes (\$100 value).
- Lynn's Nails \$100 gift card.
- Duggan's \$50 gift card.
- Buccaneer Golf gift card for one round of golf (\$75 value).
- Cheese & Bread \$25 gift card.
- Ziggy's \$25 gift card.

PRAY FOR THE SICK & SHUT-INS

OFF ISLAND: Michael Farhig, Vinilia Nicholas, Ginny Garcia, Alessandro Filippucci, Dustin Genovese, Luis Secundino-Roman, Florabel Miller, Doris Darden, Tina Darden, Deborah Nelthropp, Calista Julien, Mary Toussaint, Deacon Conrad Williams.

AT HOME: Leo Clifford, Kathy King, Deacon Charles, Felicita Hernandez, Mrs. Sackey, Madona Remy, Clair Marshall, Agneta Bailey, Encilma Christian, Elroy Hall Sr., Sandra Quail, Stephanie Malanga.



(Please call the Church Office to add or remove names to/from this list)

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Desde la pluma del **8TH**

Queridos hermanos y hermanas,

Les comparto los objetivos de la Campaña del Obispo 2026. Hagamos todo lo posible por apoyar a nuestra Diócesis y la labor evangelizadora del Obispo.

Que Dios los bendiga.

P. *Andrea*

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8 DE MARZO TERCER DOMINGO DE CUARESMA

En el Evangelio de hoy, una mujer samaritana va al pozo a buscar agua para saciar su sed. Sin embargo, en su encuentro con Jesús y en la conversación que mantienen, se da cuenta de que no es el agua lo que calmará su sed, ¡sino Jesús! Ese encuentro le cambió la vida y le dio una nueva confianza y un sentido de identidad. ¿Qué palabras te ha dicho Jesús que han calmado tu sed o le han dado un nuevo sentido a tu vida? ¿Has ido a hablarles a otros de Jesús, como lo hizo esta mujer? Su testimonio/su historia acercó a otros a Jesús. Quizás esta Cuaresma sea el momento para que hables a otros de Jesús para que ellos también crean en él gracias a tu testimonio.

- Viernes en San José -

ROSARIO PRO-VIDA

Los invitamos a unirse todos los viernes de Cuaresma en nuestra iglesia a las 4:30 pm. para el Rosario por la Vida. Toda vida humana es un don sagrado de Dios, desde la concepción hasta la muerte natural. Al rezar el Rosario pro-vida, pedimos la protección de los no nacidos, fortaleza para las madres y familias, y conversión de corazones para que siempre se respete y defienda la dignidad de cada persona.



VIA CRUCIS



Ven a rezar el Vía Crucis durante la Cuaresma.

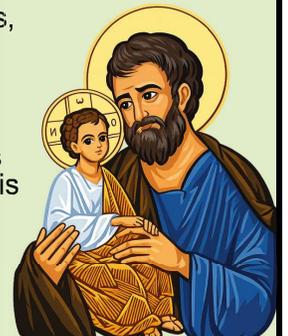
Todos los viernes de Cuaresma, a las 5:00 pm, empezando en la Capilla.

CONSAGRACION DE 33 DIAS A SAN JOSE

Dedica de 3 a 5 minutos al día, durante 33 días, y profundiza en tu amor por San José: su papel en la historia de la salvación, sus virtudes, su fuerza serena y su profunda cercanía a Jesús y María.

Si puedes, acompáñanos a las reflexiones cuaresmales semanales cada viernes, después del Vía Crucis de las 5:00 pm.

Sábado 7 de marzo - Día 21
Domingo 8 de marzo - Día 22
Lunes 9 de marzo - Día 23



Celebraciones Penitenciales de Cuaresma

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HOLY CROSS

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ST. PATRICK

“Si confesamos nuestros pecados, él es fiel y justo para perdonar nuestros pecados y limpiarnos de toda maldad.”

1 Juan 1:9



March 8th, 2026

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Esta Cuaresma, estamos llamados a fortalecer nuestra Iglesia y a transformar vidas uniéndonos a obras de misericordia.



Su apoyo a la Campaña del Obispo ayuda a las personas con hambre y sin hogar a través de Caridades Católicas y fortalece ministerios vitales en nuestra Diócesis.

Por favor, tome un folleto y un sobre con su dirección, complete el formulario y coloque su donación en la canasta del ofertorio o envíela por correo a la Cancillería. Para conocer las opciones de donación digital, consulte el folleto.

Gracias por su generosidad al brindar esperanza a quienes la necesitan.



Rincón Litúrgico

Silencio Sagrado en la Misa

El silencio es una parte esencial, aunque a menudo pasada por alto, de la liturgia. Lejos de ser vacío o incómodo, el silencio sagrado ofrece espacio para la oración, la reflexión y la escucha atenta de Dios. La Iglesia incluye intencionalmente momentos de silencio a lo largo de la Misa para que lo que escuchamos y hacemos pueda echar raíces en nuestro corazón.

El silencio es especialmente importante después de las lecturas y la homilía, ya que permite que la Palabra de Dios sea asimilada y recibida personalmente. El silencio durante el Acto Penitencial fomenta un examen de conciencia sincero, mientras que el silencio después de la Sagrada Comunión invita a un encuentro más profundo con Cristo presente en nosotros. Estos momentos nos ayudan a pasar de una participación externa a una oración interior.

En un mundo lleno de ruido constante y distracciones, el silencio sagrado puede parecer extraño o incómodo. Sin embargo, es precisamente este silencio el que nos abre a la presencia de Dios. Al acoger el silencio como una forma de participación activa, permitimos que la liturgia nos transforme más profundamente y nos conduzca a una relación más rica con el Señor.

Referencias: CIC 2717; IGMR 45; 1 Reyes 19, 11-13.

TRABAJO PASTORAL

Rosario Pro-Vida - Viernes @ 4:30 pm

Santo Niño - Primer Sábado @ 4:00 pm

Divina Misericordia - Cada otros Sábados @ 4:00 pm

Sagrado Corazon - Primer Domingo @ 8:30 am

Cursillo de Cristiandad - Domingos @ 10:00 am

Nuestra Señora de Fatima - Primer Sabado 7:00am

Camino Neocatecumenal - Miércoles @ 6:00 pm

Duelo y pérdida - Últimos martes @ 1:00 pm



ANUNCIOS

ADORACIÓN AL SANTÍSIMO SACRAMENTO - Martes de 7:00 am a 5:00 pm, en la Capilla de San Miguel.

VIA CRUCIS - Todos los viernes a las 5:00 pm. Estan invitados.

RIFA DEL GRAN ANIVERSARIO - Si desea un libro de boletos o devolver los que vendió, por favor, contacte con el voluntario en la parte atrás de la iglesia después de la misa o visite la Oficina Parroquial. ¡Gracias por ser un Embajador de San José!

CONSAGRACIÓN A SAN JOSÉ - Como parte de nuestro 80.º Aniversario, invitamos todos a recorrer juntos la *Consagración a San José de 33 días* durante la Cuaresma. Se les anima a participar, con reflexiones opcionales los viernes después del Vía Crucis. El recorrido concluirá con un *Acto de Consagración* a nivel parroquial el 19 de marzo, Solemnidad de San José.

CAMPAÑA ANUAL DEL OBISPO 2026 - Nuestra meta para la Campaña del Obispo 2026 es de \$25,000. Por favor, recoja un sobre en la entrada de la Iglesia y devuélvalo en la canasta de la colecta la próxima semana. ¡Juntos podemos alcanzar la meta!



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SABIDURÍA SOBRE NUESTRO PADRE ESPIRITUAL

San José era un hombre común y corriente, en quien Dios confió grandes cosas. Hizo exactamente lo que el Señor quería que hiciera, en cada acontecimiento que configuró su vida. Por eso las Escrituras alaban a José como un «hombre justo». Y en hebreo, un hombre justo significa un siervo bueno y fiel de Dios, alguien que cumplió la voluntad divina o que es honorable y caritativo con su prójimo.

-San Josemaría Escrivá

GRAN RIFA de ANIVERSARIO LISTA DE PREMIOS

- 3 noches en The Buccaneer Resort, Saint Croix, para dos.
- 2 noches en un Marriott en Puerto Rico para dos con pasaje aéreo ida y vuelta (STX-SJU).
- 3 noches en The Saint Resort, St. John, para dos con Fly the Whale (viaje ida y vuelta) (STX-STT).
- 2 noches en The Westin, Frenchman's Reef, St. Thomas, para dos con Cape Air (viaje ida y vuelta) (STX-STT).
- 2 noches en el Fred Hotel, St. Croix, con cóctel de bienvenida.
- \$5,000 en tratamiento de ortodoncia integral durante 24 meses + 1 juego de retenedores de Land Orthodontics.
- Contemple: LoG - Obra de arte de Theda Sandiford (valorada en \$3,000).
- Cena privada para cuatro personas con el chef ejecutivo Ralph Motta, Ha'Penny Beach Club.
- Televisor de 85".
- Aire acondicionado split de 12,000 BTU (solo unidad) de R&R Enterprises.
- Tenis Buccaneer (valor de \$120).
- Pase de un día para dos personas al St. Croix Yacht Club (valor de \$100).
- Bolsas Susan Towner (valor de \$100).
- Tarjeta de regalo de Lynn's Nails de \$100.
- Tarjeta de regalo de Duggan's de \$50.
- Tarjeta de regalo de Buccaneer Golf para una ronda de golf (valor de \$75).
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A PRAYER FOR HUMILITY AND OBEDIENCE DURING LENT
Lord Jesus, You humbled Yourself even to the point of the cross. Teach me to walk humbly with You. Remove pride from my heart and replace it with obedience and surrender. Help me listen more, judge less, and love deeply. When I want to control, remind me to trust. When I want recognition, remind me of Your quiet service. Shape my heart to reflect Your humility. In this Lenten prayer, may I become more like You—gentle, patient, and full of grace. Amen.



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PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who prowl around the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER HURRICANE SEASON

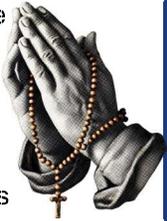
God, our Father, all the elements of nature obey your command. We praise you and thank you for your protection during hurricane season. We ask again to guide us through a new year free of earthquakes, floods, natural disasters and all acts of terrorism. Bless our families and bring peace to all nations. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.

ORACIÓN A SAN MIGUEL ARCÁNGEL

San Miguel Arcángel, defiéndenos en la batalla. Sé nuestro amparo contra la perversidad y acechanzas del demonio. Reprímelo Dios, pedimos suplicantes, y tú, Príncipe de la Milicia Celestial, arroja al infierno con el divino poder, a Satanás y a los otros espíritus malignos que andan dispersos por el mundo para la perdición de las almas. Amén.

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Padre, todos los elementos de la naturaleza obedecen tu mandato. Te alabamos y te damos gracias por tu protección durante la temporada de huracanes. Nuevamente te pedimos que nos guíes a través de un nuevo año libre de terremotos, inundaciones, desastres naturales y de todos actos de terrorismo. Bendice nuestras familias y trae la paz a todas las naciones. Te lo pedimos por Jesucristo nuestro Señor que vive y reina contigo y el Espíritu Santo, y es Dios, por los siglos de los siglos. Amen.



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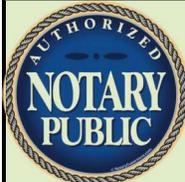
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