

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

Served by the Blessed Sacrament Congregation

Sept. 14, 2025



*Church Dedicated on
February 23, 1919*

Priests:

Rev. Apolinario Ty, SSS

(ext. 131)

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*Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament begins*

Monday-Thursdays at 11 am &

Sundays at 4:00 p

Saturdays at 3:00 p

Mass Schedule

6 am & 12:15 pm Monday—Friday

7 am Saturday Morning

5 pm Saturday Vigil Mass

7 am, 9 am, 11:45 am and 6 pm

Sunday

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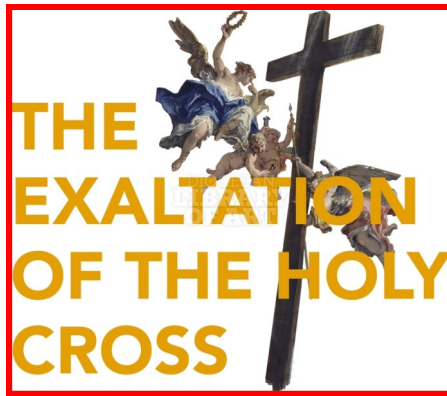
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Thank You and God Bless.



*Please remember St. Joseph
Parish in your will!*



September 14 – Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross (2025)

God so loved the world...

Saint Symeon (+1022), a spiritual master and a monk in Constanti-
nople, reminds us:

*“Christians who believe in Christ sign themselves with the sign of
the cross not simply, not just as it happens, not carelessly, but with
all heedfulness, with fear and with trembling, and with extreme rev-
erence. For the image of the cross shows the reconciliation and
friendship into which man has entered with God.”*

The 14th of September is the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy
Cross. But why exalt something like the cross that was a brutal
instrument of torture? What mystery does it hold that it has become
the greatest sign of hope, the most powerful symbol of love and the
means of our salvation?

For Christ, the cross was His Obedience and His Mission. He did
not stumble into the cross by accident. It was the very reason why
he came. It was not a tragedy; it was the fulfillment of the Father’s
will. Thus, He chose it, He embraced it even when it meant
rejection, suffering, and death. But the cross was also His Throne of
His Love and Mercy, where He poured out His blood for the life of
the world.

Whenever we look at the Cross of Christ, don’t just see the
suffering. See His choice, see His obedience, see His glory, see His
love and mercy. Hopefully, it would open our hearts and minds to
the truth that “God so loved the world that He gave us His only
son...” and give us the courage and strength to carry our own cross.



September 2025

Office hours are from 9-1 M-F

14 7:00 Mass-FF 9:00 Mass-FF 11:45 Mass-FF 6:00 Mass-FF	15 6:00 Mass-FF 12:15 Mass-FF 6:00 OCIA	16 6:00 Mass-FF 10:00 E.H. Vicariate Meeting-IHM 12:15 Mass-FF 6:00 Mother of Perpetual Help	17 6:00 Mass-FF 9:30 +C. Fernandez-FP 12:15 Mass-FF	18 6:00 Mass-FF 12:15 Mass-FF	19 6:00 Mass-FF 12:15 Mass-FF	20 7:00 Mass-FF 10:00 Confessions 5:00 Mass-FF
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Daily Readings

Monday, Sept 15

1 Timothy 2:1-8
Psalm 28:2, 7, 8-9
John 19:25-27

Tuesday, Sept 16

1 Timothy 3:1-13
Psalm 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6
Luke 7:11-17

Wednesday, Sept 17

1 Timothy 3:14-16
Psalm 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6
Luke 7:31-35

Thursday, Sept 18

1 Timothy 4:12-16
Psalm 111:7-8, 9, 10
Luke 7:36-50

Friday, Sept 19

1 Timothy 6:2c-12
Psalm 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20
Luke 8:1-3

Saturday, Sept 20

1 Timothy 6:13-16
Psalm 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5
Luke 8:4-15

Sunday, Sept 21

Amos 8:4-7
Psalm 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8
1 Timothy 2:1-8
Luke 16:1-13

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OCT. 17, 2025
3:00PM

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\$10
Per 1LB BAG

LOCATION:
HIGH SCHOOL
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Stewardship Report of Treasury for:

	Sept 2-8	FYTD Actual
Collections	8,977.00	107,948.10
Other Regular Income	168.30	9,593.55
Unusual Income:		
Choirs	0.00	0.00
Convent Lease	0.00	8,500.00
R&M Collection	450.00	3,775.00
Security Project	10.00	455.00
Feed the Hungry	100.00	1,175.00
Other Unusual Income	0.00	599.11
Total Income	9,705.30	132,045.76
Designated Funds		603,050.82
Restricted Parish Hall Funds		464,155.56



Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)

- Are you interested in becoming a member of St. Joseph Church Catholic Faith Community? Do you know a family member or friend interested in a deeper relationship with God through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist?
- OCIA is preparation for adults who have not yet been baptized, AND for baptized adults who wish to be in full communion with the Catholic Church through receiving the sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.
- OCIA Adult Faith Formation Classes meet in the rectory library every **MONDAY** evening at 6:00 PM. All adults seeking the sacraments of initiation and membership in the church are welcome.
- For those who desire to study for Sacraments, but are unable to attend because of work, we have added a class time for Monday mornings at 10:30am in the Library. Contact Deacon Charley for more information at (808)935-1465.

Calling all Teens!

Our Religious Education for Teens continues. If you have received all of your Sacraments, yet want to continue to study and enjoy the company of your peers, please join us to add to the learning experience. If you are ***not Catholic and have not received your Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation***, here is your chance to come to complete that part of your Spiritual growth. Remember, if you ever want to be a Godparent, you must be a Confirmed Catholic! Classes are the usual time, 10:15 am, right after the 9 am Mass on Sunday. Come to class this Sunday to register. See you there!

Dear Parents, Godparents and Grandparents of our children 7-12 years of age, Religious Education classes for the kids continues. If your child has received Baptism, First Holy Communion and Confirmation, we have continuing education for them to keep forming in their Faith. Bring your kids. If your child has not received Baptism, First Holy Communion or Confirmation, our classes will prepare your child for those Sacraments. Now is the time. Classes are on Sundays after the 9am Mass at 10:15am. You can register your child there. Class is in the church hall or the Conference Room. We are looking forward to helping your child grow in Our Faith! See you there!



Safety Tips for St. Joseph Church

Keep exits clear during mass.

No chairs by exits

Accompany children under 16 to the restroom.

In the event of an emergency:

Stay calm

Avoid panic

Follow instructions

Emergency instructions may vary.



SEPTEMBER

YOUNG ADULT GATHERINGS AGES 18-39
EVERY 2ND & 4TH THURSDAYS

SEPTEMBER 11
THURSDAY

Taste & See
An evening of fellowship and Eucharistic Adoration
bring an appetizer to share
St. Joseph Church 6pm



SEPTEMBER 25
THURSDAY

Rosary Making
with Aunt Leo
come prepare for the Month of Mama Mary
St. Joseph Church 6pm



For the latest EPIC updates:
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UPCOMING EVENTS

HILO Chapter

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,
may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.
May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole Cosmos
in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth,
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer
throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.
Amen.



Franciscus



PLEASE JOIN US ON
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 AT 10:30 FOR OUR
SUNDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND PRAYERS



14. Marriage Matters—because the family is a holy place.

“The family is, so to speak, the domestic Church. In it parents should, by their word and example be the first preachers of the faith to their children.”

Second Vatican Council

Lumen Gentium (Light of the Nations, the Dogmatic Constitution on the Church), 11

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