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MASSES:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 5:00 PM

*10:30 am Sunday and daily masses are
live-streamed on our YouTube channel
and our Facebook page.*

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday-Friday: 7:00 AM

Holy Day: 7:00 AM, 6:30 PM

R.C.I.A.

Wednesday: 6:30 - 8:00 PM

New inquirers welcome year round.

ROSARY:

Thursday: 6:40 AM

ADORATION:

Thursday: 5:00 - 7:00 PM

Divine Mercy Chaplet prayed at 6:30 PM

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:30 PM & by request

From the Desk of Msgr. Sunds

In Luke's Gospel Jesus claims that the Spirit is sending him to relieve human suffering. When He was in the synagogue, He read the scroll of the prophet Isaiah and said "the Spirit is over me to bring gladness to the poor, to have the blind recover their sight, and to free the oppressed." The Spirit of baptism is on each of us, as it was for Jesus in the synagogue at Nazareth. That spirit of our baptism anoints each of us as a member of Christ's Body to proclaim liberty, bring clearer vision, and to announce God's reign to all. As members of Christ's Body, we are each called upon to do this in our own way. We may face opposition or rejection, as Jesus did, but we can always turn again in faith to the Spirit of our baptism who is still with us.

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CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF JACKSON CATHOLIC SERVICE APPEAL PLEDGE

February 12th/13th is our Catholic Diocese pledge. The Catholic Service Appeal is the annual giving campaign of the Diocese of Jackson. There are many services the Diocese provides to our parishes, schools, and to all Catholics that would be difficult for even the most prosperous parishes to undertake on their own. This includes support for educating seminarians, Catholic Charities, campus ministry, mission parishes and schools, formational ministries, priest retirement and clergy assistance, prison ministry, evangelizing and communications. When the goal of the Catholic Service Appeal is achieved, we insure that these programs will receive the funding that is needed.

FRAUD PREVENTION HOTLINE

The Diocese of Jackson's Department of Temporal Affairs has engaged Lighthouse Services to provide an anonymous financial fraud, compliance, ethics, and human resources hotline. This hotline allows for an appropriate method to report occurrences related to the temporal administration within parishes, schools and the chancery office.

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Discovering Christ is about "big questions." What is the meaning of my life? Why am I here? Where can I find true happiness? We try to fill this void with things of this world—money, power, pleasure.

discovering
Christ

Yet, none of these fill the void. "Discovering Christ is about finding this rest in a relationship with Jesus. Please join us one night a week for seven weeks. **Discovering Christ has been rescheduled to Tuesday, February 1 to allow time for the Covid numbers to come down.** Thanks for your patience and understanding. Check the website for more details. Register at <https://www.stfrancismadison.org/dc-register-1>

UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST. FRANCIS

Sunday, January 23

9:00 am Resumes Sunday School in the FLC
9:00 am Coffee & Creed
6:00 pm Resumes Life Teen in the FLC

Wednesday, January 26

6:30 pm RCIA in St. Clare Hall
6:30 pm WOW! Supper, social time and faith sharing!

Parish Religious Education

Behold, children are a gift from the Lord." Psalm 127:3

Baby Bottles for Birthright family fundraising project: On this anniversary weekend of Roe V. Wade and National Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children, all families are encouraged to take a baby bottle after Mass this weekend and sign up to commit to filling your bottle with money to donate to our local Birthright agency. **Birthright** is a pro-life agency that provides education and necessities for struggling parents who choose life for their babies.

Sunday School classes for pre-K-6th graders resume this Sunday, 9-10:15 am. Mask-wearing is encouraged.

10:30 Mass Nursery for babies 2 months – 2 years old:

We are delaying the opening of nursery until Covid cases drop, but will need volunteers for when we can safely offer this ministry again. Please sign up at <https://forms.gle/Wk31KbrCjerX6MLU7> if you plan to use nursery and / or to volunteer to keep nursery on a rotating bases during 10:30 Mass.

7th-12th Grade Life Teen and YY and FF Youth Programs:

Life Night and Edge will resume this Sunday night, Jan. 23, 6-7:30 pm. Mask-wearing is encouraged.

Parents, the supper stash is running low, so please sign up to bring sweet / salty sides and soft drinks for Sunday suppers at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0d49aaaa22a2f85-sunday>

WOW! All 7th-12th graders are invited this Wednesday, 6-7:30 for supper, social time, and faith-sharing!



BLOOD DONATION NEEDED!

Please consider giving blood on behalf of our parishioner Shannon Moody. You may use code EC97 and she will be assured to receive your donation. Thank you for your support.

We need your help!

CAMPUS CLEAN UP

January 29 - 8am-12pm

All parishioners and families are encouraged to participate. Dress for outdoor yardwork. Work gloves recommended. Bring rakes, saws, pruning loppers, shovels, leaf blowers, pick-up trucks and open trailers.

Offertory Contributions

Weekly Goal: \$30,000.00

Collection Basket	\$12,791.00
Online	\$ 2,443.55
Total	\$15,234.55



- Second collection for *this* Sunday, January 22nd/23rd goes to Mississippi Catholic Paper (donation suggested \$25)
- Second collection for February 19th /20th is for "Teach Our Faith" St. Anthony School Tuition Assistance.

RCIA

RCIA CLASSES ARE EVERY
WEDNESDAY FROM 6:30-8:00 PM

This week the RCIA group will discuss Holy Orders as well as the Anointing of the Sick and Dying. In Catholicism, Holy Orders is the sacrament by which men are ordained as priests or deacons. It is a sacrament carried out by a bishop, who must lay his hands on the candidate. Deacon Denzil will discuss with us the three stages of Holy Orders: deacon, priest, and bishop. He will also talk with us about the effects of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and how the sacrament has a very important community dimension.

We will meet at 6:30 pm this Wednesday in St. Clare Hall. Please continue to pray for our catechumen and candidates as they continue their faith journey.



In your hands, O Lord, we humbly entrust

Carole Davis

mother of our parishioner Dan Boudier

John Edward Chaignaud

father of our parishioner Anne Cowger

Let perpetual light shine upon them.
May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy
of God, rest in peace. Amen



This weekend flowers are in memory of

Mary Paquette

by her daughter Joan Parsons and Family.

In life and death we belong to the Lord
Romans 8:38-39.



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

We need volunteers to help us expose our Lord on Thursdays of Adoration from 5 to 7 pm. Volunteers will be needed only to cover Ms. Jan Harkins when she is not available; shifts can be done from 5-6 pm and 6-7 pm.

You will be trained. You will be rewarded in God's Kingdom.
If interested, call the parish office 601-856-5556.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Ps 89:20-22, 25-26;
Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2;
Mk 16:15-18

Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-18 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 27-30;
Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Ps 132:1-5, 11-14;
Mk 4:21-25

Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17;
Ps 51:3-7, 10-11; Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-17;
Mk 4:35-41

Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17;
1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13 [13:4-13]; Lk 4:21-30

MASS INTENTIONS



Sat., Jan. 22
5:00 PM

VIGIL MASS
Mass - SI - Frances Lutz

Sun., Jan. 23
8:00 AM
9:10 AM

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Mass SI - Claudia Jenkins
Mass - St. Catherine
(+) Jacquelyn & Bill Kuriger
Mass - Church | Live Streamed Mass
Mass (+) Rosario Cepeda

10:30 AM
5:00 PM

Mon., Jan. 24
7:00 AM

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES
Mass (+) Mary Paquette

Tue., Jan. 25

**THE CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL
THE APOSTLE**

7:00 AM
8:30 AM

Mass **COMMUNION SERVICE**
Mass St. Catherine - **COMMUNION SERVICE**

Wed., Jan. 26
7:00 AM
8:30 AM

ST. TIMOTHY
Mass - SI - David Lacourrége
Mass - St. Anthony
(+) Elaine McKee & John Edward Chaignaud

Thurs., Jan. 27

ST. ANGELA MERICI
Mass (+) Patricia Ballentine
Mass St. Catherine (+) Dr. Mary Ann Edge
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

7:00 AM
8:30 AM
5:00-7:00 PM

Fri., Jan. 28

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS
Mass (+) Larry Roberts
Mass St. Catherine (+) Ronnie Brinkley

7:00 AM
8:30 AM



PRAY FOR OUR SOLDIERS

Revell Patterson, Mark Vincent, Christopher Hanneke,
Brian Flaherty, Will Walenta, Garrett Kennedy,
Lyrik Lockhart, and Caroline Grace Smith.

Thank you for protecting our country.
May the Lord keep you safe.

PLEASE PRAY FOR Healing of the Ill

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Prayer*

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