

May 17—6:00 PM—Pastoral Council Meeting

Reid Cuevas (17th)
Robin Taylor (18th)
Cindy Galey (19th)
Eileen Neal (19th)
Jon McRee (19th)



Youth Information:

•Sun. May 14 - Mother's Day (JrCYO & CYO, arrive early to pin your mom!)

•Sun. May 21 - End of School Year party

•Sun. June 11 - Family Fun Day @St Francis

•June 23-25 - Steubenville South, Alexandria LA

Today, on the second Sunday of May, we celebrate Mother's Day, I wish all Mothers a Happy Mother's Day! They say that a mother is a visible angel sent by God. But she is more than that. She is a co-creator with God! In our mother's womb the creation of human life by God takes place, as the result of the fruit of mother's love, and we grow maturity by her loving care. Mothers are our life-givers, love-givers, our first-carer and our first-teacher of life and faith too. "There is no substitute to Mother's Love." Yes, she is the personification of God's own holy love, Jesus' own sacrificial love and Spirit's own abiding love. No one can be like her and no one can outdo her.

Mothers are patient.... Mothers are kind.... Mothers do not rejoice in what is wrong... but rejoices in the truth. There is no limit to a mother's forbearance... to her trust....to her hope....to her power to endure.... a mother's love never fails.

Let us say a special prayer for our own mothers. Let us gratefully pray for them. Let us pray that God may continue to bless the families and individuals with the same holy love, sacrificial love and abiding love through all the mother-figures.

So, MOTHER, lifer-giver, sweet mother, super mother, first true love, may God bless you. Can never repay mother for all that mother has done so generously and so unselfishly.... We only ask God - to love, to care and to bless you eternally... Amen.

This summer we are offering basic courses on these and other topics in our "Summer Apologetics Class", led by Eric Postma and Joshua Atwater. Why do we baptize infants? What exactly is purgatory? Why is Mary such a big deal? Is God even real? 5:30-8:00 -May 31-June 28 at St. Francis Parish Center
If you would like to know more or suggest a topic contact, Eric: 616-566-7932

EWTN Corner

May 13, 1:00 pm Archbishop Fulton J Sheen, Servant of All.

May 13, 7:00 pm Apparitions at Fatima.

May 14, Make sure to watch EWTN on Mother's Day, with a special episode of *Savoring Our Faith*, **3:30 pm** and *Mother Angelica's series Heaven*, **4:00 pm**.

Need information on the latest programming and special events or have a special prayer request? Ready to make a donation? Call 1/-800-447-EWTN (3986). Become a monthly donor or make a one-time donation by calling or going online: ewtn.com/donatenow. EWTN Religious Catalogue. Find religious articles and gifts through ewtnrc.com, **Wishing all the mothers a Very Happy and Blessed Mother's Day!**

Baby Bottle Boomerang!

It's Mother's Day! You know the routine. We take home a baby bottle or two, fill them with change, dollar bills or a check and return it on Father's Day. Your donations at these times are the fundraisers for the Center for Pregnancy Choices in Lawrence County and the Crisis Pregnancy Center of SW Mississippi in McComb. "There is still work to be done! There are still babies to be saved!" Please be generous. God bless you!

St. Francis Parish Offertory					
Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023					
		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>% of Goal</u>	
Week of	Cash —	\$197.25			
May 6 & 7	Envelopes	\$7,423.72	Total - \$7,620.97	\$ 5,635	135%
Month of May		\$ 26,220.18		\$ 24,417	31%
Year To Date		\$ 294,091.84		\$ 268,587	109%
Annual		\$ 294,091.84		\$ 293,000	100%

Catholic Service Appeal as of 5-3-23. St. Francis Church has pledged \$13,103 and our goal is \$15,996.

Date & Time	Eucharistic Ministers	Music	Lector & Commentator	Altar Servers	Ushers	Greeters
Saturday May 20 5:00 pm	(H) N. Ratliff Linda Hadley Mary Nettles		L - J. Atwater C—Hugh Louviere		J. Chandler David Goss	Pat Williams D. Louviere
Sunday May 21 9:00 am	(H) Sue Junkin Laura Murray Cheri Brooks	Eileen/ Choir	L— Ashley Davis C – Lindsey Smith	Barrett Womack Phillip Murray	Craig Womack Jeff Phillips	Kathy Phillips Cathy Ditcharo

Prayers for Healing: Nathan Williamson, Lona Pool, Sherry Williams, Ken Berry, John Dietz, Butch & Dot Schott, Cindy Winstead, Billie June Peeler, Karen Faubion, Doug Schutze, Katie Jones, Melinda Williams Rogers, Daniel Furlow, Kellie Barrett, Iddo Davis, Dale Foster, Will Stanback, Sophia Murray, Ronnie D. Lee, Kathy Bailey, Madeline King, Loren Mays, Robert Wusterbarth, Cindy Galey, Ginger Dees, Georgia Kirton, Emily Picou, Sally Nations McKee, Sue Peets Berch, Sandra Hebert, Brittany Roberts, JoAnn Kling, Gayle Galey, Robert Wickham, The Corkern Family, Joe Feduccia, Michelle Smith, Billy Walker, Brian Wilson, Ronnie Bowman, Joan Benit Mulvihill, Judy Mulvihill, Paula Gennaro, Kerri Richardson, Kelly Oakman, Darren Smith, Perry Bergeron, Lawrence Duhe, Brenda Keating, Jimmy Terrio, Earl Westfall, Darryl White, Patsy Moak, Caleb Haymes, Alyce & Jude Theriot Kerry Bueche, Barbara Watts, Laurie Stephens, Rose Loretto, Jerolyn McCullough, Charles Sears, Richard Case, Sandra Westfall, Kent Burnham, Warren Estes, Sarah Patsy Rogers, Benny Rogers, Michele Ratliff, Will Stanback, Clifford Galey, Emile Gennaro, Stephanie Gustavson, Stanley Morris, Vickie Weathersby Craft, Charlotte Kilpatrick, Bailey Rose Grace, Mark Nettles, Jack Craig, Skylar Stevenson, Jimmy Cuevas, Trent Hartzog, Richard Smith, Cliff Feduccia, Katherine Westrope, Tom Young, Ralph Price, Kim Jones, Marie Chipley, Charles Feduccia, Berenda Berry, Alfano Family, Ondra Walker

Prayers for the Homebound: Bill Medor, Helen Walters, Elsa & Bela Nagy, Judy Rudman, James Howard, Roseann Harris, Carol & James Laird, Joe Robin

Our prayers are with all of those called to defend our country, especially:
Major Charles Andrew Griggs, Tucker Hoeniges

For The Sick

O God, your Son accepted our sufferings to teach us the virtue of patience in human illness. Hear the prayers we offer for our sick brothers and sisters. May all who suffer pain, illness or disease realize that they are chosen to be saints, and know that they are joined to Christ in his suffering for the salvation of the world, who lives and reigns with you the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Peace Prayer of Saint Francis of Assisi

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace: where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.



St. Francis Of Assisi Catholic Church

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May 14, 2023 Sixth Sunday of Easter

Staff

Fr. Manohar Thanugundla, Pastor
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Angele Bartholomew, Youth Minister

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 PM
Sunday Mass 9:00 AM

Daily Mass Times

Monday—NO Mass

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
11:50 AM Rosary & 12:10 PM Mass

Friday— 7:15 AM Mass & Breakfast

Benediction

The first weekend of every month.

Sacraments

Reconciliation: 4:40 PM on Saturday at St. Francis or by appointment.

Baptism: Contact the office to make an appointment with Fr. Mano.

Marriage: Contact the office to make an appointment with Fr. Mano at least six months in advance.

We extend a special welcome to all of our visitors. If you are new to the area and have decided to make St. Francis your church family, please pick up a blue registration card in the vestibule of the church, complete the card and place it in the offering basket.

St. Francis of Assisi Pastoral Council Members

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Brookhaven, MS 39601

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St. John Crystal Springs

221 East Georgetown Road

Crystal Springs, MS 39059

Mass—Sunday at 11:15 AM

St. Martin Hazlehurst

113 East Conway Street

Hazlehurst, MS 39083

Mass—Sunday at 7:30 AM

Spanish Mass—Sunday at 1:00 PM