

**Prayers for Healing:** Johnny Newport, Amanda Bates, Jason Boatwright, Jonathan Haydel, Ariella Beard & Family, Bob Feduccia, Alyce Theriot, Jeremy Theriot, Ashley & Lincoln Touns, Ron Gaudin, Troy Allen, Clifford & Cindy Galey, Nathan Williamson, Joseph & Wanda Fernald, Jimmy Ceuvas, Charleen Rush, Thomas Young, Lawrence & Jo Russell, Caleb Haymes, Merideth Walker, Pierre Ahlstrom, Chris Smith, Norris Acy, Nancy Oliver, Nick Andrews, Darryl White, Ted Dear, Joe Pennington, Bertha Hughes, Rob Mason

**Prayers for the Homebound:** Bill Medor, Bela Nagy, James Howard, Roseann Harris, Carol & James Laird, Joe Robin, Larry Ledet, Stephanie Gustavson, Steve Albright, Cindy Slagle, Deanne Shoemaker

**Our prayers are with all of those called to defend our country, especially:**

Major Charles Andrew Griggs, Tucker Hoeniges, Sgt. Keagan Smith

**Prayers for Healing**

Please contact the Parish Office  
601-833-1799  
to add a name to the prayer list.



# St. Francis Of Assisi Catholic Church

“Make me an Instrument of Your Peace”

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**NOV 24, 2024 OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

**Staff**

Fr. Manohar Thanugundla, Pastor  
Eileen Neal, Office Administrator  
Emily Phillips, DRE  
Ange’le Bartholomew, Youth Minister

**Mass Times**

- Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:00PM
- Saturday (**Spanish**) Mass at 6:00 PM
- Sunday Mass at 9:00 AM

**Daily Mass Schedule**

**NO NOON MASS THIS WEEK**

**Tuesday**, Mass of Remembrance @ 5:30

**Wed.**, Mass of Thanksgiving @ 5:30

**Thursday:** No Mass...Happy Thanksgiving

**Friday:** No Daily Mass

**Benediction**

The first weekend of every month.

**Eucharistic Adoration**

Mondays 9:00 AM-4:00 PM

**Sacraments**

**Reconciliation:** 3:30 PM on Saturday & 8:30 AM on Sunday 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.

**St. Francis of Assisi Pastoral Council Members**

**Lisa Shann, President**

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St. Francis Catholic Church Ministry

706 South 1st Street

Brookhaven, MS 39601

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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.

**Mass Intentions**

Saturday, November 23, Mass at 4 pm—*Mary Jo O’Keefe (RIP)*

Sunday, November 24, Mass at 9 am—*Our Parish*

Tuesday, November 26 Mass at 5:30pm —*Our deceased Loved Ones (RIP)*

Wednesday, November 27, Mass at 5:30pm —*Tom Marion & Jim Phillips (RIP)*

Thursday, November 28, No Mass—*Happy Thanksgiving*

Friday, November 29, No Mass



**The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

When Jesus walked the earth, He chose not to forcibly impose His divine authority and rule upon nations, even though many of His followers wanted Him to do so. Instead, He instituted the Kingdom of God as a spiritual reality in which we are all called to voluntarily participate, for now. Those who do participate are called to work to establish Christ’s Kingdom on earth, here and now, by governing according to the mind and will of God. The modern day concept of the separation of Church and State is helpful insofar as the Church must be free from political interference and control. However, this separation should never lead to an exclusion of the King of the Universe from human governance. Rather, human beings must give themselves over to the control and dominion of the Great King, and then govern according to His mind and will. Pope Pius XI goes on to say, “When once men recognize, both in private and in public life, that Christ is King, society will at last receive the great blessings of real liberty, well-ordered discipline, peace and harmony. Our Lord’s regal office invests the human authority of princes and rulers with a religious significance; it ennobles the citizen’s duty of obedience” (#19).

Moving beyond the role Christ has in the governance of the Universe and humanity, this feast also reminds us that in order for Christ to truly reign as King. He must first govern each and every soul. Jesus is not only the Savior of mankind, He is also the model of Christian living. He Himself said, “I came down from heaven not to do my own will but the will of the one who sent me” (John 6:38). Just as the Son of God did His Father’s will while on the earth, so must we. Christ will reign as King of our lives only when we say those words with Him, by the power of grace that He infused into human nature. We cannot do our own will, but the will of the Father in Heaven. God’s governance of our lives requires complete obedience to His commands because His commands are perfect, true, and lead us to the fulfillment of human life. Only in Christ do we find peace, unity, harmony, and true purpose. The final and most glorious aspect of today’s feast points us to the end of time when Jesus, the great King, will return in all His splendor and glory to establish his unending Kingdom on earth, when He unites Heaven and earth into the new and resurrected Kingdom yet to come. On that day, Christ “will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end,” and we will all share in “the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come” (Nicene Creed). Sadly, this new and eternal kingdom of Christ is often ignored.

As we celebrate this glorious solemnity, the last Sunday of the Church’s liturgical year, deepen your faith in the mystery it celebrates, and strengthen your resolve to embrace the Kingship of Christ in your life, so that through you, His Kingdom will become all the more present in the world all around you.

Excerpt: *My Catholic Life*

## MARCH FOR LIFE

St. Francis is sponsoring a trip to the March for Life in Washington, DC.

Leave on Jan. 23,  
MARCH FOR LIFE on the 24  
and return on Jan. 26



The march is an all day event featuring a number of speakers and the chance to stand with hundreds of thousands of fellow Catholics for the cause of life. We will leave the day before and come back on the 26th, allowing a day for sightseeing in the nation's capital. The trip is open to teens and adults. Cost is \$100 per person.

Contact the parish office to sign up.

## Canned Food Drive



Please support our St. Vincent Ministry by participating in Faith Formation's Canned Food Drive.

Donations can be dropped off in the Parish

Center in the boxes provided. Boxes are located inside the doors off of Cherokee Street.

Let's make this program a success for our community!



### Happy Thanks-Giving Day!

When we give thanks cheerfully & accept gratefully everything will be a blessing. St. Paul advised: "Be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly...and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him" (Col 3:15-17). So, let's thank God always and let's be grateful to one another by wearing the attitude of gratitude always.

### Thanksgiving Day Prayer

Oh, Heavenly Father,  
We thank Thee for food & remember the hungry.  
We thank Thee for health & remember the sick.  
We thank Thee for friends & remember the friendless.  
We thank Thee for freedom & remember the enslaved.  
May these remembrances stir us to service,  
That Thy gifts to us may be used for others.  
Jesus, grant me the grace to be always grateful for your blessings. AMEN.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, Nov 24—children's choir sings at the 9am Mass

Youth:: Life Night: Personal Mission followed by Exulted adoration

Tuesday, November 26 - Mass of

Remembrance at 5:30pm

there will be no Mass at 12:10

Wednesday, Nov 27—Thanksgiving Mass at 5:30pm, no 12:10 Mass, No Faith Formation

Thursday, November 28—HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Sunday, Dec. 1—First day of Advent -join Family of Francis in the making of Advent wreaths after the 9am Mass

Sunday, Dec. 8—Ladies of Parish will gather in Parish Center to assemble gift bags for nursing home residents.

Monday, Dec. 9—Holy Day of Obligation, Immaculate Conception of Mary—Mass at 12:10pm

Wednesday, Dec. 11—Senior Anointing Mass at 12:10pm followed by luncheon in Serio Hall

Wednesday, Dec. 11—Parish Wide Reconciliation @ 6:00pm



### Happy Birthday!!

Sid Sasser (25)  
Gerald Bienvenu (26)  
Rose Ann Harris (27)  
Emile Gennaro (27)  
Phyllis Hobbs (28)  
Michael Hutchinson (29)

## ICONOGRAPHY

During Advent a course will be conducted by Eric & Bria Postma after Mass on Sunday & Wednesday evenings.  
*Iconography: the visual images & symbols associated with a subject & especially a religious subject.*  
More information to follow.

KNIGHTS OF COLOMBUS

### RAFFLE FOR FIREARMS

\$25 .00 per ticket  
5 for \$100.00  
three firearms will be raffled to raise money for 2026 state convention. See any Knight to purchase tickets.  
Drawing on 12/9/24

ATTENTION:  
ALTAR SERVERS  
& THURIFERS

please join us for a group photo on Sunday, Dec 1 after the 9am Mass

No Coffee & Donuts  
Sunday, Nov. 24.  
Will resume on Sunday, Dec. 1.

OCIA will not meet this Tuesday 11/26  
&  
Faith Formation will not meet this Wednesday 11/27

*Altar Flowers are given by Phyllis Hobbs in memory of her beloved daughter, Emily Catherine DiLisio, Happy Heavenly Birthday*

*Side Altar Flowers are given by Ron & Sandy Wojcik in celebration of their 64th Wedding Anniversary*

Faith Formation  
Mrs. Patricia Lopez  
& students.

GOD is good  
All the time  
All the time  
GOD is good!

### MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Tuesday, November 26 @ 5:30 pm  
there will be no daily Mass  
Please bring a framed photo of your deceased loved ones to place on the memorial tables in front of the altar.



### November 16 & 17 2024

#### Regular Offertory

Envelopes	\$ 4434.53
Loose Cash	\$406.85
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4841.38</b>

### Liturgical Assignments

Saturday, November 30

**Eucharistic Ministers (H)** Alice Methvien  
Mary Nettles, Lanelle Wusterbarth

**Lector:** Shelley Barron

**Commentator:** Becky Feduccia

**Altar Servers:** Kenneth Goodrum

**Ushers:** Charles Feduccia, John Chandler

**Greeters:** Phyllis Hobbs, Alice Hearn

**Music:** Steve Russell, Emily Phillips & Dad



### Sunday, December 1

**Eucharistic Ministers (H)** Aaron Achord  
Bridget Achord, Lisa Shann

**Lector:** Laura Murray

**Commentator:** Dennis Valentine

**Altar Servers:** Parker Shann, Preslee Womack

**Ushers:** David Goss, Stephen Murray

**Greeters:** Violet Corrales, Cathy Ditcharo

**Music:** Eileen

### PARISH DIRECTORY UPDATE

there is still time to submit photos for the Memorial Page of loved ones who have passed since 2018.

&

now accepting pictures from Family of Francis activities, events, outings, & holidays.

Please submit all photos to  
office@stfrancisbrookhaven.org

Any questions please call the parish office  
601-833-1799

Deadline for photos is December 8