

Prayers for Healing: Johnny Newport, Amanda Bates, Jason Boatwright, Jonathan Haydel, Ariella Beard & Family, Bob Feduccia, Theriot Family, Ron Gaudin, Troy Allen, Clifford & Cindy Galey, Nathan Williamson, Joseph & Wanda Fernald, Jimmy Cuevas, Charleen Rush, Thomas Young, Lawrence & Jo Russell, Caleb Haymes, Merideth Walker, Pierre Ahlstrom, Chris Smith, Norris Acy, Nick Andrews, Darryl White, Ted Dear, Joe Pennington, Bertha Hughes, Virginia Sparks, Hunter Louviere & Family, Rick Bedwell

Prayers for the Homebound: Bela Nagy, Roseann Harris, Carol & James Laird, Joe Robin, Larry Ledet, Stephanie Gustavson, Steve Albright, Cindy Slagle, Deanne Shoemaker, Brenda Simmons, Bob Weathersby, Paul Phillips, Billy Walker, Perry Bergeron

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

Major Charles Andrew Griggs, Tucker Hoeniges,

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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FEBRUARY 23, 2025—SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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
Spanish Mass at 5:30PM
- Sunday Mass at 9:00AM

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday: No Daily Mass—
Tuesday: No Daily Mass
Wed: No Daily Mass
Thursday: 11:50 Rosary 12:10 Mass
Friday: No Daily Mass

Benediction

First weekend of the month.

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration from 9am—1pm on Mondays in the church

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

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Jennifer Townsend, Secretary

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Kenneth Goodrum, Liturgy Commission

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St. Francis Catholic Church Ministry

706 South 1st Street

Brookhaven, MS 39601

601-833-2709

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, February 22 Mass at 4 pm — Our Parish

Sunday, February 23, Mass at 9 am — Margaret Weathersby (RIP)

Tuesday, February 25 Mass at 12:10 pm — No Mass

Wednesday, February 26 Mass at 12:10pm — No Mass

Thursday, February 27, Mass at 12:10 pm — Mary Lou Anderson (RIP)

Friday, February 28, Mass at 12:10pm — No Mass



Create a Legacy of Faith and Service

Planning for Peace of Mind and Legacy

Initiating conversations about your estate plan with your loved ones is an essential step in fostering understanding and transparency. By openly discussing your intentions, you can ensure that your estate plan is not a “surprise package” for your children, but rather a thoughtfully prepared and well-understood expression of your values and legacy.

Such discussions provide clarity, reduce the potential for misunderstandings, and allow your family to honor your wishes with respect and unity. Taking proactive steps now helps create a sense of peace, knowing that your plans are both meaningful and manageable for those you hold dear.

To assist you in this important process, we offer our Funeral and Financial Planning Guidebook. This resource is designed to help you reflect on and document your wishes, making it easier to communicate them with your loved ones. If you would like to receive a copy, simply reach out to us:

Email rebeccaharris@jacksondiocese.org to request your guidebook or to discuss your estate plans.

We are here to support you in planning a legacy that reflects your faith and values.



King Cakes 2025

Thank You to all who participated in the fun!

Knights of Columbus

will meet this Wednesday, February 26 @ 6PM
The Knights are Catholic men putting their faith in action to defend, serve, and protect families.



SAINT FRANCIS YOUTH NEWS

Sunday, February 23

Children's choir sings at 9am Mass

Youth 7th—12th @ 5:30

Sunday, March 2

Jr CYO after 9am Mass

7th—12th youth at Phillips

Wednesday, March 5

Ash Wednesday, no Faith Formation

Sunday, March 9

Youth Mass @ 11am followed by roller skating 12:30—2pm for ALL!

Wednesday, March 12

No Faith Formation...Spring Break!

Happy Birthday!

Hayes Davis (22)
Theresa Smith (23)
Joshua Townsend (27)



Altar Flowers are given by Jim & Celine Craig "in loving memory of our Moms, Kate Craig & Dolores Hartl" in honor of their birth-days.



The Family Of Francis is in need of your Palms from 2024. Please bring your palms and leave in the end of your pews next weekend, March 1 & 2. The palms will be burnt and used as the ashes for this upcoming Ash Wednesday.

For Your Calendars

Ash Wednesday, March 5
Mass at 12:10 & 6:00 (church)

Lenten Mission: Fr. Aaron Williams
Spirit & Truth; Understanding the Word of God
March 13 & 14 6:30—8:00PM

This Tuesday & Wednesday there will be NO Daily Mass. Father will be attending a workshop at the Diocese. Please pray for all those attending this workshop.

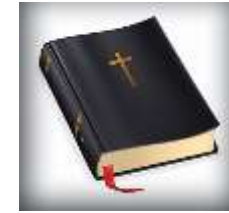
Weekend Mass

- 1st weekend of the month—**Benediction**
- 2nd weekend of the month—**Youth Mass**
- 3rd weekend of the month—**Memorial Mass**
- 4th weekend of the month—**Children's Choir**



OCIA

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults
Tuesday, February 25 @ 5:30pm
The Four Last Things
All are welcome to attend!



The Diocese of Jackson invites men who feel called to serve as **Permanent Deacons** to attend one of our upcoming Inquiry Sessions. These sessions provide an opportunity to learn about the Permanent Diaconate, the application process, and the formation journey.

Inquiry Session Schedule:

St. Francis (Brookhaven) -
Saturday, March 1, 2025
10:00 AM—12:00 PM
Holy Savior (Clinton)
Sunday, March 9, 2025
4:00 PM—6:00 PM

for more dates and times contact the office

For more information about the Permanent Diaconate visit <https://bit.ly/JacksonDiaconate>

To recommend someone for the Permanent Diaconate, please contact Deacon John McGregor at johnmcgregor@jacksondiocese.org

February 22—Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter, Apostle

Jesus isn't interested in what "others" think of him. He wants to know what I think of him. The test of any relationship is how committed people are to each other. At some point a young woman will wonder, how serious is her boyfriend? After a few weeks of class, a professor wants to know who are the serious students here? On the eve of battle a soldier might wonder, can I count on my buddies when the bullets start flying? Likewise, Our Lord wonders about us. What does Christ mean to me? Is he just a picture on a holy card? A dimly perceived do-gooder from the past? Or does he have a real place in my life? He is, after all, the Second Person of the Trinity who came into the world in order to save us. How does that truth affect my faith? Peter professes that Jesus is the Christ, the Messiah. And Jesus in turn tells him that this knowledge doesn't come from the world. It comes from God the Father. Recognition of Jesus as the Christ involves an act of faith. Throughout history skeptics have tried to figure out Jesus, using just their reason and tools of research. But since when do we try to understand the totality of a person with reason? Learning about another person can often require personal contact, above all, listening to him or her. Do I try to listen to Jesus in prayer, in Scripture? Or do I simply try to "figure him out?" Lord, help me to love my faith as an expression of my personal relationship with you. Keep me from ever growing cold in my faith. Grant me a renewed appreciation for the gift of papal authority.

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LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS

Saturday, March 1

Eucharistic Ministers (H) Alice Methvien
Mary Nettles, Becky Bowman

Lector: Shelly Baron

Commentator: Joshua Atwater

Altar Servers: Kenneth Goodrum, Kailyn Nolin

Ushers: Brandon Bowman, John Chandler

Greeters: Alice Hearn, Pat Williams

Music: Eileen & Hilda

March 2

Eucharistic Ministers (H) Patrick Riley

Cathy Fuselier, Ange'le Bartholomew

Lector: Diane Acy

Commentator: Shea Riley

Altar Servers: Piper Douchard, Phillip Murray

Thurifer: Joshua Townsend

Ushers: Brett Douchard, Bo Allen

Greeters: Jimminette Phillips, Susan Smith

Music: Johnna

February 15 & 16, 2025

Regular Offertory

Envelopes	\$ 3407.63
Loose Cash	\$ 273.00
Total	\$3680.63

St. Francis Parish Offertory

\$6,077.00 in offertory contributions is needed each week to meet the budget.

Family of Francis

Thank you to all who have generously contributed to the CSA. So far we have contributed \$13,690.00. One of the ministries benefited by this is Intercultural Ministries; this ministry embraces the many cultures around our diocese.

