

Prayers for Healing: Johnny Newport, Jason Boatwright, Ariella Beard & Family, Bob Feduccia, Troy Allen, Clifford & Cindy Gale, Nathan Williamson, Jimmy Cuevas, Charleen Rush, Thomas Young, Caleb Haymes, Merideth Walker, Pierre Ahlstrom, Chris Smith, Norris Acy, Nick Andrews, Darryl White, Joe Pennington, Bertha Hughes, Hunter Louviere & Family, Rick Bedwell, Gates Mims, Robbie Arnold, Lenore Gillispie, Benjamin Smith, Larry Howard, Elizabeth Wesse. Sandy Wojcik, Warren Estes, Glen Ray James, Fred Robinson, Cheryl Matherne, Ed Powell, Alyce and Payton Theriot, Jamie Hill, Dickie Conn, Courtney Vanover, Taylor White, Stephanie Gustavson, John Spratley, Keagan Smith, Cam Martin, Patti Austin, Mark Nettles, Freddie Barrett, Axel Smith, Lori Ann Dougherty, Carla Webb, Henry Ledet, Shannon Patterson, Ransom S. Furlow, Rita Feduccia, Cathy Fuselier, Terry Harvard, Robert Rogers, Carol Bennett. Shirley Magee

Prayers for the Homebound: Bela Nagy, Roseann Harris, James Laird, Joe Robin, Stephanie Gustavson, Steve Albright, Cindy Slagle, Bob Weathersby, Paul Phillips

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

February 21 & 22 & Ash Wednesday, 2026

Regular Offertory

Envelopes	\$ 4966.00
Loose Cash	\$ 1153.00
Total	\$ 6149.00

St. Francis Parish Offertory

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

Black and Indian Missions
\$677.00

*God is GOOD - All the Time
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MARCH LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS

Saturday, March 7 @ 4:00PM

Eucharistic Ministers (H) Alice Methvien

Lanelle Wusterbarth, Sandy Wojcik

Lector: Becky Feduccia

Commentator: Alice Methvien

Altar Servers: Kenneth Goodrum, Koltin Nolin

Ushers: Charles Feduccia, John Chandler

Greeters: Pat Williams, Shandra Flynn

Music: Eileen, Cindy Gale

Sunday, March 8 @ 9:00AM

Eucharistic Ministers (H) Patrick Riley

Laura Murray, Cathy Ditcharo

Lector: Carlisle Henderson

Commentator: Joshua Smith

Altar Servers: Finley Ybarra, Vidalia Foster

Ushers: Luis Ybarra, Josh Townsend

Greeters: Beth DeLaughter, Lisa Shann

Music: Johnna

A HOLY YEAR FOR ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

To celebrate the 800th anniversary of St. Francis of Assisi's death, Pope Leo XIV has proclaimed a Jubilee Year starting January 10, 2026. The Holy Father has granted the possibility of a plenary indulgence to anyone who, under the usual conditions, visits a Franciscan Church or any place of worship dedicated to St. Francis. During the year, embrace St. Francis as a spiritual guide—and keep his example and intercession close in prayer. Our Family of Francis will celebrate this St. Francis Jubilee Year with several events to be announced at a later date.



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MARCH 8th , THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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: 11:50 Rosary 12:10 Mass

Wed: 11:50 Rosary 12:10 Mass

Faith Formation Mass 6:30PM

Thursday: 11:50 Rosary 12:10 Mass

Friday: Divine Mercy 3:00PM

Mass 3:15 Exposition 3:45-5:15

Stations of the Cross 5:30

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

Jennifer Townsend, President

Jim Bonner, Vice President

Leslie Phillips, Secretary

Bo Allen, Christian & Family Life Commission

Kenneth Goodrum, Liturgy Commission

T. A. Boyd, Social Activities/Concerns Commission

Eddie Britt, Member

Cathy Fuselier, Member

St. Francis of Assisi Finance Council Members

David Phillips, Chairperson

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Laura Murray

Ashley Davis

Gerry Whitman

St. Vincent de Paul Ministries Food Pantry

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.

CSA Ministry of the Week
Campus Ministry

For the past few weeks, we have prayed for the ministries supported by the CSA. Today, we pray for all of our Campus Ministry Programs and college students, that they may connect with their local parishes and live out their Catholic faith through this vital ministry.



OCIA
class *this Tuesday,*
March 3
at 6:00PM
This week's topic is
Apostolates & Ministries
All are welcome to join in
the class!



Consuelo Alvarez (28)
Jack Jones (2)
Julianna Townsend (3)
Jeff Phillips (4)
Linda Moak (5)
Samuel Smith (5)

ATTENTION!

To all members of the Knights of Columbus
On Sunday, March 8 the Consecration Mass & Luncheon will be in your honor. Please contact Kenneth Goodrum or the office by Thursday, March 12, if you will be attending the Mass & luncheon.

CHANGE THE DATE

Lenten Mission led by Robert Feduccia will be held on March 26 & 27 not on February 26 & 27. Mission will be held from 6:30-8:00PM.



During several Sundays of Lent, Father Mano will celebrate a Consecration Mass at the 9:00AM Mass. This Mass will celebrate the work and dedication of several ministries at St. Francis. There will be a special Consecration Prayer and a Blessing after Communion for those involved in these ministries. Following the Mass there will be a luncheon for these dedicated groups.

March 8—St. Vincent de Paul & the Knights of Columbus
March 15—Bereavement Committee Members & Liturgical Environment

Please plan on attending this special Mass and luncheon.

March Monthly Devotion
SAINT JOSEPH



In March, the church honors St. Joseph, the foster father and guardian of Jesus and Mother Mary. He ministered to all of the needs of the Holy Family in Nazareth. St. Joseph is the patron saint of families, fathers, expectant mothers, travelers, immigrants, hose sellers/buyers and the dying. His feast day is March 19. During the month of March, the church recommends that you pray the Litany of St. Joseph and consecrate yourself to his care with a Prayer of Consecration to St. Joseph.

Easter Flowers

Offering envelopes are available in the church vestibule. Please consider making a donation in honor or in memory of a loved one. Please fill out the envelope with your name and the name in honor of the donation & place in collection basket.



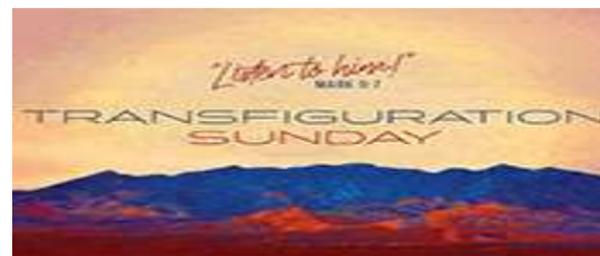
March 1, The Second Sunday of Lent

Peter, James, and John are privileged to go with Jesus atop the mountain where he is transfigured before them. What a splendid sight it was: Jesus conversing with Moses and Elijah before their very eyes. They are beside themselves and are in awe at what unfolds. This is the way Christ is with each of us. When we least expect it, he gives us a wonderful dose of his grace to strengthen us in our walk with him. This privilege, however, isn't simply for us to look at and admire; it is a call to respond to his invitation of love. Jesus was calling these three apostles to a deeper level of love and trust in him; he is doing so with us, too.

At this sight, the apostles are awestruck and don't know what to say. Peter feels compelled to say something, although it seems he didn't know what he was saying.

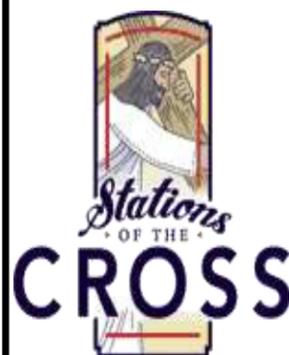
The question is: why did he feel as if he had to say something? Often in the spiritual life, we can struggle with the temptation to say too much. In this Gospel passage, we hear the portentous words of the Father: "This is my son with whom I am well pleased. Listen to him!" Christ is calling us to listen attentively to his words and not to feel compelled to have to say something. He is looking for a response in action more than in words.

When his Transfiguration is over, Jesus gets the three apostles up. This experience of Christ was beyond them. Christ is educating them as to his true nature, his divine nature. They don't have to be able to explain it or understand it fully; they need to act in faith. This is what we are called to do: act in faith. There is no time for us to be afraid of what the future will bring. We must get up out of our comfort zones and our attitudes, listen to Christ, and do as he says in faith. There is so much for us to do and so little time in which to do it. We need to make use of every instant to learn from the Lord himself through prayer and the sacraments and to make a real difference in the world by bringing more souls to know, love and live for Christ.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays at 5:30PM during Lent! Light meal to follow at 6:00PM in Serio Hall!



UPCOMING EVENTS



Friday, March 13
Fish Dinner
6:00PM in Serio Hall following Stations of the Cross
All are welcome!

The Breakfast and Bingo originally scheduled for March 22 has been POSTPONED till a later date.



Pictured Above:
OCIA Candidates and sponsors with Bishop Kocacz after the Rite of Election Mass.
Please continue to pray for our OCIA candidates as they begin their final phase of entry into full Communion in the Catholic Faith.

LENTEN MISSION

Thursday, March 5 & Friday, March 6 6:30PM

Mike Fulmer

a lay Catholic evangelist & owner of the large RV dealership Berryland Campers in Ponchatoula, LA, will facilitate this mission.



His presentation will focus on the meaning of the Crucifixion of Christ & the Holy Eucharist as the source & summit of the Christian life.

Coffee & Donuts

after the 9AM Mass on Sundays All are WELCOME!

Faith Formation Mass

Wednesday, March 4 6:30PM All are welcome! NO CFF on Wednesday, March 11—SPRING BREAK