

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, 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, Jamie Hill, Dickie Conn, Courtney Vanover, Taylor White, Stephanie Gustavson, John Spratley, Keagan Smith, Cam Martin, Patti Austin, Mark Nettles, 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, Kristy Lambert, Pat Gardner, Eddie Britt, Carrol Black, Ledger Smith, Hugh Louvriere, Ryley Touns and Baby, Julia Haydel and Baby, Donald Lewis, Layla McKenzie, Jalen Walker, Lilith, Mary, and Nicky Walker

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, Joey



Prayers for Healing

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

May 2 & 3, 2026

Regular Offertory

Envelopes	\$3776.00
Loose Cash	\$586.00
Total	\$ 4362.00

April online giving
\$4950.16

MAY LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS

Saturday, May 16 @ 4:00PM

Eucharistic Ministers: (H) Alice Methvien Sandy Wojcik
Lector: Paige Jackson
Commentator: TA Boyd
Altar Servers: Kenneth Goodrum, Vidalia Foster
Thurifer: Joshua Atwater
Ushers: John Henriquez, Brad Smith
Greeters: Peggy Henriquez, Alice Hearn
Music: Steve, Joshua Smith

Sunday, May 17 @ 9:00AM

Eucharistic Ministers: (H) Eric Postma Kellie Postma, Laura Murray
Lector (1): Carlisle Henderson
Lector (2): Lauren Zell
Commentator: Jason Guthrie
Altar Servers: Maddie Postma, Sami Curole
Thurifer: Joshua Townsend
Ushers: David Goss, Stephen Murray
Greeters: Violet Corrales, Beth DeLaughter
Music: Eileen, Cindy

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



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MAY 10, SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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: Senior Anointing Mass 11:50 Rosary 12:10 Mass luncheon to follow
Closing Mass for Faith Formation 6:30
Thursday: 11:50 Rosary 12:10 Mass
Friday: 11:50 Rosary 12:10 Mass light lunch to follow

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

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Leslie Phillips, Secretary
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Kenneth Goodrum, Liturgy Commission
T. A. Boyd, Social Activities/Concerns 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.



Holli Smith (8)
Kellie Barrett (10)
Karissa Benham (10)

**GOD is GOOD -
All the Time
All the Time—
GOD is GOOD!**

Coffee & Donuts
on Sunday
after the
9:00AM Mass



Please pray for the members of our Family of Francis and their families who have been impacted by the tornado this week. Please also pray for all first responders and the other victims of this storm.

*Senior Anointing
Mass & Luncheon
Wednesday, May 12
12:10 Mass with luncheon to follow in Serio Hall*



Baby Bottle Boomerang
May 10th—June 21st
If you would like to participate in this fundraiser please pick up a baby bottle located in the church vestibule. Please return bottles filled with your donation on Father's Day, June 21st.



ATTN: Altar Servers
Training for current altar servers & new altar servers will be on Wednesday, May 13th at 6:00PM in the church.

Have any ideas or suggestions for our parish? Please drop your ideas/suggestions in the suggestion box located in the church vestibule for council review.



May 10—The Sixth Sunday of Easter Excerpts: [CatholicLink](#)

What does it mean to love a person that is gone, that is no longer by our side?

Moments of mourning mark our lives not only when we lose a loved one—though that is their principle reason—but also in so many other instances when we must say *goodbye*: when a relationship comes to an end, at the end of a beautiful experience, when one loses their job.

The first Christian community, at a loss for the absence of their Teacher, asked themselves what it meant to love Jesus now that he was gone, now that He no longer walked with them.

What does it mean to love a God that is hard to find? This was not only the question the first community asked; it is also the question—one that often goes unmentioned—of so many Christians who courageously seek to live a faith with a weak Christian identity.

But more than anything it is the accusation made, and in part understandably, of so many non-believers that do not see this Jesus that the Christians claim to love and to follow. Sometimes in fact, as Christians, we not only give the impression but sometimes even the proof that the only thing we are following is ourselves, our ideas, our interests.

At the end of the *Spiritual Exercises*, Ignatius of Loyola, who knew well that the faith can become nothing more than empty words and feelings that change nothing, closes by opening himself to the field of action: *“love is shown more in deeds than in words.”* In the life of faith, sometimes we are like those men who always say *we will get married* yet never do. One's words, on their own, do not create reality. We risk being infatuated adolescents our entire lives, without ever committing.

The first action of real love is to listen. The people of Israel know well how important this verb is. *To love is to obey*: to listen to the other. As opposed to seeing, listening obligates us to de-center ourselves, to concentrate on the speaker and to forget ourselves for a moment. Listening is an invitation to action. The book of Deuteronomy tells us that to love is to observe the Lord's commandments (Dt 10:12).



A Mother's Day Prayer

I said a Mother's Day prayer for you to thank the Lord above for blessing me with a lifetime of your tenderhearted love. I thanked God for the caring you've shown me through the years, for the closeness we've enjoyed in time of laughter and of tears.

And so, I thank you from the heart for all you've done for me and I bless the Lord for giving me the best mother there could be!

- Author Unknown

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Save the Date:

Understanding the Scriptures
beginning June 7th and held every Wednesday & Sunday for three weeks.

This course will be presented by Eric Postma and is based on the course by Dr. Scott Hahn. The



Sunday class will start after the 9:00AM Mass and Wednesdays class at 6:00PM.

Class will last approximately one hour.

Please register by calling/texting Eric Postma at 616-566-7932 or email at ejpostma2@gmail.com. Books will be ordered and dinner will be provided at the

Wednesday sessions.

A second four week class will begin on July 19th.

ATTN: Family of Francis

We are currently accepting monetary donations to a parish wide tornado relief fund for the members of our church who were impacted by the tornado.

Cash donations may be dropped off at the office or placed in the first offertory basket this weekend.

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Thank you to those members of the Family of Francis who have been assisting these families in their time of need. God Bless our Family of Francis!

