

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, Glen Ray James, Fred Robinson, Cheryl Matherne, Jamie Hill, Dickie Conn, Courtney Vano-ver, Taylor White, Stephanie Gustavson, Keagan Smith, Patti Austin, Mark Nettles, Axel Smith, Lori Ann Dougherty, Carla Webb, Henry Ledet, Shannon Patterson, Ransom S. Furlow, Robert Rogers, Carol Bennett, Kristy Lambert, Pat Gardner, Eddie Britt, Carrol Black, Ledger Smith, Hugh Louviere, Julia Haydel and Baby, Donald Lewis, Bubba James, Tommy Cupit, Gerald Williams, Joseph Harris, Ladale Thompson, Richard Case, Paola Quin, Walter Thompson, Sr., Nate Trosclair, Josh Townsend, Jane Ratliff Smith, Brenda Sears, Cliff Feduccia

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

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

Major Charles Andrew Griggs, Tucker Hoeniges, Joey Davenport, Patrick Willis

Prayers for Healing

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

August 15 & 16, 2026

Regular Offertory

Envelopes	\$4696.00
Loose Cash	\$636.00
Total	\$5332.00

St. Francis Parish Offertory

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

AUGUST LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS

Saturday, August 29 @ 4:00PM

Eucharistic Ministers: (H) Gerry Whitman
Heather Sabatini, Paige Jackson
Lector: Heather Sabatini
Commentator: Gerry Whitman
Altar Servers: Ken Goodrum, Lucas Phillips
Ushers: David Goss, John Chandler
Greeters: Violet Corrales, Alice Hearn
Music: Steve, Emily

Sunday, August 30 @ 9:00AM

Eucharistic Ministers: (H) Eric Postma
Jennifer Townsend, Ange'le Bartholomew
Lector (1): Sue Junkin
Lector (2): David Levy
Commentator: Joshua Smith
Altar Servers: Vidalia Foster, Phillip Murray
Ushers: Jim Craig, Chad Townsend
Greeters: Tara Bonner, TA Boyd
Music: Johnna

Dates are available
to sign up for
weekend altar flowers.
Sign up sheet located in church
vestibule (bulletin board).
The office will help coordinate
the purchase of flowers.



44th Annual Bishop's Cup

Save the Date

Thursday, September 10
at
Lake Caroline Golf Club

Have any ideas or
suggestions for our
parish?

Please drop your ideas/suggestions
in the suggestion box located in
the
church vestibule.



Solidarity Fund for Church in Africa
\$436.00



St. Francis Of Assisi Catholic Church

“Make me an Instrument of Your Peace”

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AUGUST 23, THE TWENTY FIRST 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
- Sunday Mass at 9:00AM
Spanish Mass at 4:00PM

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday: No Daily Mass
Tuesday: No Daily Mass
Wed: No Daily Mass
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 appoint-
ment 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

St. Francis of Assisi Finance Council Members

David Phillips, Chairperson

Sabrina Smith Eric Postma

James Bellipanni Mike Smith

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.

Happy Birthday to...

Kamryn Perkins (22)
Earl Westfall (22)
Alvarez Sanchez (23)
Paula Rodriguez (27)

Blessing of the Backpacks
2026




Eucharistic Adoration Mondays
9:00AM to 1:00PM
in the Church



Coffee & Donuts on Sunday after the 9:00 A M Mass

Altar Flowers are given by
Jim & Celine Craig
in loving memory of their Dads;
James Craig II and Edmund Hartl.




Created for Covenant

*You a part of a story!
Your story dates back to the beginning pages of history when God created Adam and Eve. Starting September 17, we will have remote access to the course,*

Created for Covenant,

taught by Mark Postma, an instructor with the Catholic Biblical School of Michigan. Mark also holds a Master's degree in theology from Franciscan University.

The lectures will be from 6:15-7:30 central time Thursday evenings from mid September thru mid-May. We will study the historical books of the Old Testament, Genesis to 2 Maccabees, where we address who God is, who we are, why bad things happen, how we handle the hard passages in the Old Testament, and explore God's steadfast love for us. The classes will be live streamed to us in Serio Hall. There is a suggested donation for the course, but no one is turned away—all we ask is that you ask the Holy Spirit about how much you should donate. Register today at cbsmich.org/register

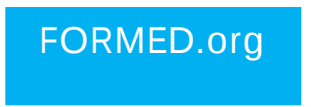
PASS IT ON!

We will recognize those celebrating Birthdays & Anniversaries in the month of August on Sunday, August 30th. Along with coffee & donuts there will be celebration cake! after the 9:00 A M Mass.

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Access thousands of books, studies, audio talks, documentaries & movies.

- 1) go to FORMED.org/signup
- 2) enter parish zip code 39601 and select St. Francis
- 3) enter your name & email
- 4) start browsing



August 23, 2026—Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

When Jesus asks his disciples, “Who do people say the Son of Man is?” he receives many answers. Everyone has his own opinion. Perhaps they are satisfied that their opinions are correct and have stopped seeking; perhaps they are too lazy to pursue the truth any deeper. It is easy to say something, to toss out an answer, to draw a superficial conclusion. We must be careful not to come to a hurried conclusion or be satisfied with what might only apparently be true. Many people say many things about Christ. We must have the tenacity to pursue the profound truth about who he is.

How did Peter know that Christ was the Messiah, the Son of the living God? Peter did not say, “The heavenly Father told me that you are the Messiah.” He was probably not even aware that the Father has been working in him.

Peter has been traveling with Christ, hearing him speak and seeing him work miracles. He reflected on all this and began to perceive that Christ is much more than just a brilliant teacher. Peter began to see Christ for who he truly is. In the same way, God works in our mind and heart, helping us to see the truth of supernatural things. We may not even be aware that the heavenly Father is present, but when we sincerely strive to know Christ and are open to the action of God’s grace in our soul, we, too, come to know Christ for who he is.

Peter’s openness to the action of God’s grace and his recognition of Christ as God bring with them a responsibility—Peter is given the keys of the Kingdom. He is given the task of shepherding and building up the Church. Like Peter, my recognition of Christ comes with responsibility. God gives me the gift of faith and along with it the responsibility to spread his Gospel. I must take this responsibility seriously. I need to make sure that the good news of the kingdom is proclaimed to all mankind.



Order of Christian Initiation for Adults



Our OCIA spiritual journey of welcoming non-Catholics into the Church begins on Tuesday, September 15th at 6PM in the library. Please invite a family member, friend, neighbor or other that is unbaptized, or a person baptized in another Church, that is looking for spiritual enrichment in their life or has inquired about the Catholic Church.

Also, please invite any person who has been baptized Catholic, but needs First Communion and/or Confirmation. Our OCIA involves a combination of faith formation, liturgical celebration and experience in our faith community life. If you have any questions, please call Gerry Whitman at 504-940-8684.



Finance Council Report

Saturday, August 29 & Sunday, August 30
David Phillips, Chairman of the Finance Council will give a Finance Report at both Masses.

Faith Formation is in need of volunteers to prepare & serve meals for the children on Wednesday evenings. If you are interested, please contact Emily Phillips or the office to sign up. Thank You!



Parish Council will meet this Wednesday, August 26th.



Faith Formation classes will resume on Wednesday, September 9.

GOD is GOOD - At the Time. All the Time GOD is GOOD!

August 29 & August 30
Second Collection for our St. Vincent Ministry