

Prayers for Healing: Johnny Newport, Ariella Beard & Family, Bob Feduccia, Troy Allen, Clifford & Cindy Galey, 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 Vanover, 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, Brenda Sears, Cliff Feduccia, John Henriquez, Jude Theriot, Ryley and Zane Touns, Myrna Casciola, Brenda Moak, Robert Robinson

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 Davenport, Patrick Willis

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

44th Annual Bishop's Cup
Thursday, September 10
at
Lake Caroline Golf Club

“Start by doing what is necessary,
then what is possible,
and suddenly you are doing the
impossible.”
-St. Francis of Assisi

AUGUST LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS

Saturday, September 12 @ 4:00PM

Eucharistic Ministers: (H) Mary Nettles
Kira Burke, Heather Sabatini
Lector: Paige Jackson
Commentator: Joshua Atwater
Altar Servers: Kenneth Goodrum, Koltin Nolin
Ushers: Brandon Bowman, John Henriquez
Greeters: TA Boyd, Jane Colenan
Music: Eileen, Cindy

Sunday, September 13 @ 9:00AM

Eucharistic Ministers: (H) YOUTH
YOUTH
Lector (1): YOUTH
Lector (2): YOUTH
Commentator: YOUTH
Altar Servers: YOUTH
Ushers: YOUTH
Greeters: YOUTH

August 29 & 30, 2026

Regular Offertory

Envelopes	\$3001.00
<u>Loose Cash</u>	\$717.00
Total	\$3718.00

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

St. Vincent DePaul Collection 8/29-8/30/26
\$627.00

<u>August Collection Totals</u>	
August 1 & 2	\$3978.00
August 8 & 9	\$4657.00
August 15 & 16	\$5332.00
August 22 & 23	\$4933.00
August 29 & 30	\$3718.00
August online giving	\$4335.47
<u>Grand Total Offertory</u>	<u>\$26,953.47</u>



St. Francis Of Assisi Catholic Church

“Make me an Instrument of Your Peace”

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SEPTEMBER 6, THE TWENTY THIRD 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: 11:50 Rosary 12:10 Mass
Wed: 11:50 Rosary 12:10 Mass
Thursday: 11:50 Rosary 12:10 Mass
Friday: 11:30 Exposition 12:00 Angelus
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.



Johnna McRee (7)
Lilith Walker (7)
Jane Coleman (8)
Phillip Nguyen (9)
Lucas Phillips (10)
Shea Riley (11)
Layla McKenzie (11)



Altar Flowers
are given by
Dennis and Amy Valentine;
To the glory of God and
in loving memory of our son,
William Wilson Valentine.



September Monthly Devotion Our Lady of Sorrows

The Church dedicates the month of September to Our Lady of Sorrows. The Immaculate Heart of Mary is often depicted as pierced by seven swords, representing the sorrows that she experienced with and alongside her Son. In perfect obedience to God and His will, Mary consented to her Son's passion and death, entering into his sorrow in a way only a mother can. Pray the Seven Sorrows Rosary this month or meditate with Luke 2:34-35 when Simeon prophesied the sorrows Mary would undergo. The Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows is September 15.



Senior
Anointing
Mass
& Luncheon
Wednesday,
Sept 9
11:50 Rosary
12:10 Mass
12:45 Luncheon
in Serio Hall

WELCOME BACK, CHOIR

Sunday, October 11, 10:00AM Mass
St. Francis Jubilee Celebration
& Parish Picnic
St. Francis Choir will be singing!
Please plan on joining in the music!
Choir Practice
Monday 9/21, 9/28, 10/5 @ 5:30PM
New Members are Welcome to Join!



Faith Formation Kickoff
Wednesday, Sept. 9
5:15 Meal
5:45 Meet the Teacher
6:30 opening Mass

Second
Collection
9/12-9/13
Extension Society

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

Have you noticed the
St. Francis Year of Jubilee Project?
It's the display in the vestibule of church introducing facts about
St. Francis along with a PRAYER TREE!
To participate in the prayer tree project, simply write a prayer
request on a leaf and after placing your leaf on the tree
take someone else's leaf from the
tree and then pray for the
written request.
"If you pray and love,
that is where a man's
happiness lies."
St. John Vianney



Attention: Women of St. Francis
Are you interested in
participating in a
Women's Bible Class?
If so, please sign the sheet
in the vestibule of church.
If you are interested in leading
or co-leading this
study please mark the
sheet accordingly.
If there is enough
interest generated then work will
begin on planning a study.
Thank you!

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

NO
Eucharistic
Adoration
Monday,
Sept. 7.
Happy Labor
Day!



Reminder

Created for Covenant

*You are 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 Francis-
can University.
The lectures will be from 6:15-7:30 central time Thurs-
day 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*

Do you have
some free time?
Do you like to
make others
smile?

Why don't you
consider
visiting our family
members of St. Francis
who are residing at a nursing home?
"A single sunbeam is enough to
drive away many shadows"
_St. Francis of Assisi



Ladies of St. Francis will meet on
Sunday, September 13 during coffee & donuts

September 6—Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Called to Purity of Intention: All that Christ does and asks us to do, in imita-
tion of him, is to give life: "I came that they may have life, and have it more
abundantly" (John 10:10). He knows that our journey on this side of eternity
will be imperfect, both because of the sufferings and sins we cause, and what
others do to us. No suffering or hurt is hidden from him. Still, it is life, not
death, that he desires. So he invites us to take on his gaze and heart: Only
then can we go to our brother who has hurt us, and with forgiveness, love,
patience, and prudence seek to bring him back to the light. Doing so always
brings us back to the heart of Christ and of his Church since he is the Light: He
is the Way, the Truth, and the Life (John 14:6).

Seeing as He Sees: This passage is a classic reference for fraternal correction:
the Christian practice of helping another to live the truth in love and bring to
his or her attention a real fault that may be causing harm to that person or to
others. It's rooted in the outward gaze of Christ himself toward his children: a
gaze with no selfishness, no egotism, but one of pure love that begins in the
truth and desires the good of others. It's a practice that must constantly bring
us back to our knees and to living in sincerity before God since only his light
can truly illuminate our hearts and purify our intentions for the good of oth-
ers.

The Power of Communion: There seems to be a special grace hidden in com-
munion—in working together for the good of others and in praying together.
Jesus highlighted both of these aspects in his words to his apostles. Let Jesus's
affirmation strengthen our faith in the power of intercessory prayer and the
great gift he has given us in the Church and our own communities and fami-
lies. He wishes to make himself present in the world through us in our com-
munities. As he said, "For where two or three are gathered together in my
name, there am I in the midst of them" (Matthew 18:20).

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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 Com-
munion and/or Confirmation. Our OCIA involves a combina-
tion 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.