

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, 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, Adam Smith, Janice Bowling, Ted Rounsaville, Barbara Watts, Cristy Barrios

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.



ALTAR
flowers

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.

OCTOBER LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS

Saturday, October 17 @ 4:00PM

Eucharistic Ministers: (H) Gerry Whitman
Paige Jackson, Sandy Wojcik
Lector: Gerry Whitman
Commentator: TA Boyd
Altar Servers: Kenneth Goodrum, Koltin Nolin
Thurifer: Joshua Smith
Ushers: Brandon Bowman
Greeters: Alice Hearn, Phyllis Hobbs
Music: Eileen

Sunday, October 18 @ 10:00AM

Eucharistic Ministers: (H) Aaron Achord
Bridget Achord, Laura Murray
Lector (1): Talita Ruble
Lector (2): Corey Schilling
Commentator: Jason Guthrie
Altar Servers: William Murray, Maddie Postma
Thurifer: Kam Perkins
Ushers: Mark Smith, Myron Bartholomew
Greeters: Kathy Phillips, Susan Smith
Music: Emily, Eileen

October 3 & 4, 2026
Regular Offertory

Envelopes	\$5081.00
Loose Cash	\$718.60
Total	\$5799.60

Building Fund 10/3-10/4 = \$ 418.00

September online giving = \$3500.16

September Collection Totals:

September 5 & 6:	\$5513.59
September 12 & 13:	\$3848.00
September 19 & 20:	\$4685.85
September 26 & 27:	\$3973.50
September online giving:	\$3500.16
September Total:	\$21521.10



St. Francis Of Assisi Catholic Church

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OCTOBER 11, THE TWENTY EIGHTH 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 11:00AM

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday: No Daily Mass
Tuesday: NO Daily 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 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
Talita Ruble, Member
Owen Junkin, Member

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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.



Alba Anders (10)
Tyler Shann (10)
Gabriel Smith (14)
Jim Bonner (15)
Danny Smith (16)

Senior Anointing Mass & Luncheon

Wednesday, Oct. 14

11:50 Rosary

12:40 Mass

Luncheon following Mass

NO Daily Mass
Tuesday, Oct 13

Created for Covenant
Thursdays at 6:15
in the library.
All are welcome!



Support our SEMINARIANS

OCTOBER 24, 2026 | 6-9PM | VIP: 9-6PM
CLYDE MUSE CENTER
515 COUNTRY PL, PEARL, MS 39208
Celebrate! Harvest of Jackson

Join us for the Annual Homegrown Harvest on Saturday, October 24, at the Clyde Muse Center in Pearl. Enjoy a joyful evening of barbecue, blues music, a silent auction, and the opportunity to hear from and meet our seminarians. The Diocese of Jackson is blessed to have 12 seminarians currently preparing for the priesthood, and Homegrown Harvest helps support the cost of their education and formation.

We invite you to attend, purchase a ticket, or become a sponsor and help invest in the future of our Catholic faith.

Tickets & Sponsorships: bit.ly/HomegrownHarvest2026



St. Francis Picnic

Oct. 18 after the **10:00AM** Mass

Meat, baked beans, potato salad, drinks & desserts will be provided!

If your last name starts with

A–M: bring a vegetable casserole

N–Z: bring salad, pasta, or deviled eggs

The Parish provides a majority of the food for this picnic, however, we still need your food contributions to make this a success!

If you have a favorite dish/dessert, feel free to bring it in **ADDIT ION** to your assigned dish! Thank You!



Reminder: St. Francis Jubilee Celebration Mass is this Sunday, October 11 at 10:00AM.

Bishop Kopacz will be celebrating this Mass.
(only the picnic has been postponed)



*Altar Flowers are
given by
Lanelle Wusterbarth,
in loving memory of
her husband,
Robert Wusterbarth.*

ATTENTION:

Beginning November 3rd the prayers for healing, located on the back page of the bulletin will be deleted in an effort to update the list of names. If you know of a name that needs to remain on the list please contact the office.
601-833-1799

All are welcome to join the
Children of Faith
Formation
this Wednesday,
October 14th,
at the playground for a
LIVE ROSARY
the Rosary will begin at 6:20PM.



Save the Date:

Wednesday, October 28 at 5:30PM

October 11—The Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In this parable Jesus speaks about a king who invites many people to a wedding banquet for his son, but surprisingly none of those invited attend the celebration. They give many different excuses, but the final result is that they don't go. "God is good to us, he freely offers us his friendship, he offers us his joy and salvation," the Pope said. "But so often we don't accept his gifts; we place our practical concerns, our interests first. And when the Lord is calling to us, it so often seems to annoy us."

God often experiences refusal and rejection on the part of those he offers his gifts to. But his love knows nothing of discouragement. That is why he sends his servants to go out to all the byways and invite everyone they meet, both good and bad people without any distinctions. It is striking that bad persons are also invited. Our Lord excludes no one from his call. The invitation that many had rejected is now offered to people who previously had not been part of his circle of acquaintances, people with no relation to him. Men and women from every background and social condition, even those who do not pray or even know much about God – all are called to holiness to share in the glory of heaven. No one is excluded. God's generous invitation to participate in heavenly glory is gratuitous and universal.

But the Gospel continues: "When the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment" (v.11). Everyone there had been invited, like all of us are invited, to salvation.

"Jesus announced the judgment of the Last Day in his preaching," the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* reminds us, "Then will the culpable unbelief that counted the offer of God's grace as nothing be condemned. Our attitude to our neighbor will disclose acceptance or refusal of grace and divine love...Yet the Son did not come to judge, but to save and to give the life he has in himself. By rejecting grace in this life, one already judges oneself, receives according to one's works, and can even condemn oneself for all eternity by rejecting the Spirit of love."

Excerpts: Opus Dei



Please keep
Bo Allen & his
family in your
thoughts & prayers
upon the passing
of his Dad,
Mike Allen,
may his soul
rest in peace.



United In Mission Capital Campaign

"Forming shepherds, strengthening parishes, and building a vibrant future for generations to come."

How will our Parish benefit from United in Mission?

Our Parish Needs:

Repave the parking lot

Install security fence

Improve Handicap Access/Crosswalk

Increase Security and Reimagining Funding

Install Pavilion on Playground

Our Plan:

As you will learn from Father at the upcoming campaign events, United In Mission will benefit our parish directly through the Parish Share portion of the funds we raise.

Every dollar we raise in our parish will be split equally between support for our seminarians and for our own parish needs.

Should we surpass our United In Mission goal, we will keep 70% of all new funds we raise over our goal.

This is a tremendous opportunity for our parish to complete projects and plan for our future.

How Do I Learn More?

Please join Fr. Mano following Mass Saturday, Oct. 23rd and Sunday, Oct. 24th for a brief presentation highlighting the benefits of United in Mission.

This is the best chance to learn more about the campaign, and its benefits to our parish. You will be encouraged to ask questions and will not be asked to make your gift, rather prayerfully consider your contribution.

For more information please contact Jenna Owens 301-880-6429 or be email jowens@guidanceingiving.com



OCIA

Order of Christian Initiation
for Adults

Tuesday, October 14 @ 6:00PM

Topic: **I Believe in Jesus Christ**

All are welcome to
join in the class.

Class meets in the library

