

# ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: SATURDAY 4:30 - 5:00 PM OR BY APPOINTMENT

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: TO INSURE SUFFICIENT TIME FOR ADEQUATE PREPARATION, COUPLES SHOULD CONTACT THE PRIEST FOUR, PREFERABLY SIX MONTHS IN ADVANCE OF THE WEDDING

**IF YOU ARE CELEBRATING A SACRAMENT THIS YEAR, A RECENT COPY OF YOUR BAPTISMAL RECORD MUST BE PROVIDED TO THE PARISH.**

**(SATURDAY MASS SCHEDULE: 5:30 PM) (SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE: 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM)  
(Spanish Mass-Sunday- 2:00 PM)**

*Third Sunday of Advent, Dec. 11, 2016*

**TODAY, Dec. 11**

Mass - 8:30 a.m. - People of the Parish

Mass - 11:00 a.m. - Peace in Our World

Spanish Mass - 2:00 p.m. - Increase in Vocations

PSR - 9:45 a.m.

**MONDAY, Dec. 12**

Mass - 8:30 a.m. - Bill Curtis

**TUESDAY, Dec. 13**

Mass - 8:30 a.m. - Anna Rose

**WEDNESDAY, Dec. 14**

Mass - 5:30 p.m. - Charlie O'Riordan

**THURSDAY, Dec. 15**

Communion Service - 8:30 a.m.

**FRIDAY, Dec. 16**

Mass - 8:30 a.m. - Bill & Alice O'Brien

**SATURDAY, Dec. 17**

Mass - 5:30 p.m. - Helen Sturm

*Pray for* --- **The Sick in our Community**

Judy McCollum, Don Ravetta, Charles Thompson, Jamie Dishman, Frank Joseph, Jim Conway, Bobbie Anderson, Jim Farrell, Karen Zwissler, Mia Isabella Calnan, Steve Blake, John Brooks, Jodie Barnes, Kathy Grant, Bertha Hull, Belinda McKinney, Pamela Bull, Joshua Whitam, Marvin Webster, Melissa Barker, Jerri Mocknick, Leslie Shannon, Whitney Doiron, John Alford, Laura Uecker, Philip Vedros, Milton Farr, Rebecca Battalio, Glenda Daigle, Mark Reddy, Bonnie Bruce, Sharon Bowers, Camille & Warren Doiron, Larry Lambiotte, Collin Farrell, Mary Jane Lauderdale, Sherri McBride, Mark Antoine, Mary Ray, Marian Clark, Beverly Goodwin, Evelyn Weaver, Barb Price, Dana Faye Clausner, Jackie Rushing, Sharon Hanks, Walley Hipp, Frances Powell, Zoraida Sanchez, James Powers, Emily Jane Tucker, James Leo, Candice Hicks, Bob Slaven, Matt Holm, Gayle Parker, Christina Pond, Marye Lou Lee, Enloe Kee, Ann Kerr, Debra Dent, Lori Stevens, Debbie Welp, Sr. Annette Seymour, Mary & Joe Bottino, Bill Roach, Laura Thomas, Ashley Zepponi, Donna Carpenter, Marilyn Jones, Dolly Claypool, Bob Croisdale, Scott Hughes, David Horner, Richard Gordon, Tuddy Fulcher, Phillip Dardeau, Chris Sanders, Connie Louviere & Greg Hull.

## Lay Ministry

Dec. 17-18

Altar Servers

5:30 p.m. - David & Christine Wallace

8:30 a.m. - James and Thomas Trichell

11:00 a.m. - Dalton and Grace Windham

**Lector/Commentator**

5:30 p.m. - John Barnes and Amy Bednar

8:30 a.m. - Jessica Delk and Cheryl Roberts

11:00 a.m. - Children Mass

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

**Dec. 17**

5:30 p.m. - Waverley Artz, Bill Bradley, Jessica Delk,

Jennifer James, Launo Moore

**Dec. 18**

8:30 a.m. - Kathy Castellane, Roberto Lamanilao, Cathy

Blanche, Johannes Wibowo

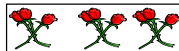
11:00 a.m. - Karen & Mike Calnan, Vince Chiarito, Ana

& Brady Clark

## Collection -

12/11/16 - Myrtle Alvarado, Dottie Brown, Jane Loboda

12/18/16 - Carol Spiers, Joan Donovan, Gertrude Lyons



If you would like to donate to the Altar Flower

fund for the Christmas flowers, please send in your donation labeled Christmas flowers to the office. Thank you.

CYO --- will meet this Sunday, Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>, at St. Michael at 5:30 p.m. Dinner will be provided.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS -

Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> - 7:30 p.m. Rosary/ 8 p.m. Meeting.

Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> - Ladies's Auxillary Mtg. Bring "hotel" size toiletries for Haven House.

KC Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest, Deadline, Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>. Info at [www.ms-kofo.com/898/Christmas-contest.html](http://www.ms-kofo.com/898/Christmas-contest.html).

Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> – 2 – 4p.m. Children's Christmas Party. All families are invited to attend. Please bring wrapped gift with your child's name on it as well as an unwrapped gift for a boy or girl ages 7-12 to be donated to the children's shelter. The party will feature arts and crafts for the kids, food, and a special appearance by Santa.

16 half pans of dressing for sale \$10 each- call Charles Hahn at 831-1057 or John Piazza at 218-3318.

Substance Abuse Poster Winners are 8-11 Drugs – Hampton Derivaux; 12-14 Drugs-Cameron Ghrigsby, and 12-14 – Adam Eckstein. Thank you to Anna McCain and Brittany McFall for helping with the scoring.

Citizenship Essay Contest Winners: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – Anna Lamanilao; 9<sup>th</sup> Grade – Adam Eckstein; 10<sup>th</sup> grade- Mattie Derivaux; 11<sup>th</sup> Grade- Adrienne Eckstein; Senior Scholarship winner is Charles Martin. Thank you to Anita Hossley and Lisa Reid for helping with the scoring.

YOU CAN UNDERSTAND THE BIBLE – The Bible Timeline is a Catholic Bible study that can help you make sense of the Bible. Karla and David McHan will facilitate this program on Sunday mornings at 9:45. For more info, please contact Karla at [mchanfam@bellsouth.net](mailto:mchanfam@bellsouth.net).

MEALS ON WHEELS – We are looking for someone to head- up and organize the meals on wheels program here at St. Michael. Please call Jane Loboda for more information at 638-5731.

POOR JAR- will be located in the back of the Church during the Advent Season. Please give what you can. Thank you

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE – will be this Sunday, Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> before 2 p.m. Mass at 1:40 p.m. Mass will be afterwards at usual time.

CENTER FOR PREGNANCY CHOICES - We are entering the holiday season with cheer and blessing! We love to use this time of year to stock our baby boutique! This year we are doing a wipes drive! Would you bless the CPC with a donation of wipes this Holiday Season!? We prefer 80 count or less wipe packs because the giant refills are hard to distribute and keep fresh. You can drop off wipes M- Th 8:15am- 4:15pm at the CPC (1401 Adams St. Vicksburg, MS 39180.)

NATIVITY OPEN HOUSE – featuring approximately 450 Nativities from the collect of Mrs. Charles Weissinger, at Goodman Memorial United Methodist Church in Cary, Mississippi on Saturday, Dec 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 17<sup>h</sup> from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Sundays, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 18<sup>th</sup> from 1p.m. till 4 p.m. Admission is free but donations are accepted.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR THE NEEDY – Once again we will be collecting gifts for the Department for Human

Services. Please bring them wrapped and labeled with child or adult and the appropriate age the gift would go to. Leave them in the Vestibule area near the Virgin Mary statue. Please make sure that the gift is still in very good shape. The last day is Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>.

ST. MICHAEL NATIVITY PLAY - We are currently working on putting together our annual Nativity Play for the 5:30 pm Christmas Eve Mass on the 24<sup>th</sup>. All children and teenagers ages 3 and up are invited to participate. We will meet on Sunday the 18<sup>th</sup> 3:30-4:30 and Wednesday the 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:30 in the church to rehearse. Please encourage your child to participate so that we can create a special experience for all of our Parishioners this holiday season. Email Chesley Lambiotte with any questions [chesley\\_sadler@yahoo.com](mailto:chesley_sadler@yahoo.com)

SIGN-UP SHEETS FOR ADVENT – Lector/Commentators, Altar Servers & Eucharistic Ministers sign up sheets will be available soon, please take some time and choose a Mass to serve and to be a special part of the Advent season.

#### RECONCILIATION SERVICE SCHEDULE –

St. Michael – Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

St. Paul - Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

St. Mary – Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY – will be held on Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. Peter the Apostle in Jackson. There will be a Mass with a reception following. The Mass honors couples married 25, 50 and 60 year anniversaries or any significant anniversary. Please contact the Rectory during business hours to have your names and anniversary date sent in to the Diocese.

CHILDREN'S MASS – for all children K-6<sup>th</sup> grade will be next Sunday, Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> at 11 a.m. Mass. Please sit in the front, left side of the church. Contact [mimijeffers@msn.com](mailto:mimijeffers@msn.com) with questions or if your child would like to read during Mass.

THANK YOU!! – We received just over \$6500.00 from our initial #igivecatholic campaign which is 2/3 of our goal. We expect to receive our monies from the diocese in about six weeks and then we begin implementing new technology into our faith formation programs. Thanks to everyone who participated.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION – If you are new to the parish please register as a parishioner. Registration forms are on the library counter in the vestibule of the church. You may place them in the collection basket

PRAYER MINISTRY – The Mercy Associates are a group of lay men and women who work with the Sisters of Mercy to further the charism of mercy in our parishes and community. Since Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> we have offered prayer support to over 250 people through our Intercessory Prayer Ministry. This group of 20 women is committed to pray for

each intention several times each day for seven days. All prayer requests are held in complete confidentiality. To submit a prayer request, simply call the Church or Mercy Associate Hilda Moeller at 601-529-6119.

present diocesan policy. We encourage any victim to contact Valerie McClellan, victims Assistance Coordinator at 601-326-3728.

**BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE** – We are here to help you and your family while dealing with the loss of a loved one. Volunteers prepare meals for parishioners who suffer a loss in their family. If this committee can be of help to you, please contact the Rectory. We are always happy to have new volunteers in this ministry. If you would like to help in any way, please contact Christy Middleton at 601-638-7398 or the Rectory.

**SPECIAL MASSES** – don't forget that we have special Masses said during the week for your Intentions or in special memory of a loved one. The donation is \$10 and a card will be sent out to let the family know that a Mass will be said. Please call or come by the office.

If you know someone interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith, please have them call Cheryl Roberts at 629-9334 or e-mail [c.c.roberts07@gmail.com](mailto:c.c.roberts07@gmail.com) to ask about the RCIA program

**PARISH HALL** – Just a friendly reminder that the parish hall is used by many people and groups. As a courtesy, please leave the parish hall in the condition that you found it, which includes placing the tables and chairs where originally located. Also, please take care to stack tables and chairs properly for storage. Please check the Church Calendar before you plan an event by calling the Church Secretary at 636-3445.

#### **CALLED TO PROTECT**

In accordance with the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People passed by the U.S. bishops in Dallas, the Diocese of Jackson wishes to encourage any victim of sexual abuse by a member of the Catholic Clergy to come forward and begin the healing process. When an allegation is found to be credible, counseling will be offered, so that the healing process can begin in accord with our