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MASS TIMES

Sundays:
 9:00 am, 11:30 am, 5:30 pm
 Mon, Wed & Fri
 12:05 pm
 Tues & Thurs
 5:30 pm

OFFICE HOURS

Mon - Thurs
 8:30 am - 4:00 pm
 Fri
 8:30 am - Noon

RECONCILIATION

Tues 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm
 or by appointment

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tues 7:00 am - Wed 7:00 am

Meditation: John 20:19

Peace be with you. (John 20:19)

It's tempting to stay shortsighted when we think about these words of Jesus to his apostles. It's tempting to link our peace with the events of our day. If things are going well, we are at peace. But the moment one of life's trials comes along, we lose our peace.

Jesus experienced all of the emotions we experience, both the good and the bad. He showed love and tenderness to a woman who washed his feet. He showed disappointment with the Pharisees who flaunted their religiosity. He was especially compassionate toward the crowds that followed him, and he was surprisingly angry with the money changers in the Temple. He applauded people's generosity, and he hated to see anyone suffering.

Yet for all of these different emotions, one thing remained constant: Jesus always held on to his peace. That's because the peace that Jesus had was not about things going his way. His peace was about knowing that his Father was always with him and that God would always be faithful to his promises. It's ironic, isn't it? We can lose our peace, not only when things go wrong, but even when things are going our way. We can forget about God. We can begin to rely only on ourselves and end up feeling proud and self-righteous. And this kind of self-reliance can lead to a downward spiral of agitation and insecurity.

The peace that God offers us is rooted in knowing that we are loved by him, forgiven by him, and saved by him. So when things are going your way, be sure to remain peaceful by thanking God for all of your blessings. And when you are feeling angry, resentful, or bitter, take those feelings to the Lord and ask him to help you. Love everyone. Seek what is best and just for everyone. Seek the Lord each day, and he will help you "let the peace of Christ control your hearts" in every situation (Colossians 3:15).

"Lord, help me to hold on to your peace at all times and in every situation."

MASS INTENTIONS

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| Mon, Apr 9 – Annunciation of the Lord IS 7:10-14; 8:10; HEB 10:4-10; LK 1:26-38 | 12:05 pm – People of St. Joseph |
| Tues, Apr 10 ACTS 4:32-37; JN 3:7B-15 | 5:30 pm – Communion Service |
| Wed, Apr 11 ACTS 5:17-26; JN 3:16-21 | 12:05 pm – Catolina Blanche |
| Thurs, Apr 12 ACTS 5:27-33; JN 3:31-36 | 5:30 pm – Rosa Correro |
| Fri, Apr 13 ACTS 5:34-42; JN 6:1-15 | 12:05 pm – Health of Shiloh Sciacca |
| Sat, Apr 14 ACTS 6:1-7; JN 6:16-21 | 5:00 pm – People Corpus Christi, Macon, MS |
| Sun, Apr 15 ACTS 3:13-15, 17-19; 1 JN 2:1-5A; LK 24:35-48 | 9:00 am – Warren Bourgeois, Jr. 11:30 am – People of St. Joseph 5:30 pm – People of St. Joseph |

Sunday Offering: \$11,749.00

Thank you for your contributions and generosity!

Please pray for our relatives and friends who are sick or grieving:

Marilyn Bowen - friend of Jimmy and Patti Abraham
 Susan Felker & Danny Carlisle - friends of Jimmy & Patti Abraham
 Susannah Smith - friend of Peggy Cini
 Gwen Hatch - sister-in-law of David Monts
 Mark & Claire Lilly - parents of Mark Lilly
 A friend of Lea Pitre
 Deborah Young - relative of parishioner
 Brian Gill - family of Patricia and Godfrey Uzoigwe
 Dana Uzoigwe - daughter-in-law of Patricia & Godfrey Uzoigwe
 Kerri Irby and family - daughter of Peggy Cini
 Colleen Parker & Cindy Pittman - daughters of Wil and Judy White
 Roger Austin & David Dionne - uncle and cousin of Dawn McGinley
 Lyda Alice Burnham, Bruce Burnham and family - friends of a parishioner
 Parents of a parishioner
 Jimmy Mitchell & family - friends of a parishioner
 George Mangum - son-in-law of Eugene & Carolyn Columbus
 Renee Columbus - daughter-in-law of Eugene & Carolyn Columbus
 Catherine Stone - sister of Trish Auel
 Brenda Graves - sister of Debra Lipe
 Alecia Holder, Margie Fletcher & Tracey Lang - friends of Debra Lipe
 Frankie Smith - grandson of Frank & Hillary Smith
 Christina Moore - daughter of Billy and Mary Beth Moore
 Marianne Morgan - friend of Jeri Mangum
 Edith Harkins - mother of Flo Henley
 Shaw Coats - grandson of Barbara Coats
 Keri Nixon - sister-in-law of Lisa Stricklin
 Allen Love, Madelyn Gamett & Stefanie Zdravek - friends of Demi Dunne
 Warren Fraser - friend of Susan Brown

PRAYER REQUEST

Pray for: _____

By/Relation: _____

Date: _____ New request ___ Renewal ___ (check one)

Turn this form into the office or drop in the collection

Tom Lavelle - son of Mary June Lavelle
 Bill and Dyan Duncan - friends of Rich and Barb Meiring
 The Jimmy Mitchell family - friends of a parishioner
 Julie Taylor - friend of Ronnie Puckett
 Shiloh Sciacca - nephew of Havilah and Neil Couvillion
 The Harris family - friends of Beverly Wilson
 Thad Pepper - son-in-law of Dan and Suzanne Stumpf
 Dan White - brother of Wil White
 A relative of Richard & Donna Coughlin
 Mary Jo Wallace - Aunt of Teresa Hamill
 Kris Thomas - daughter-in-law of Jay McKee
 Hope Mooney - sister of Laura McKee
 Marjorie Orr - sister of Lucia Hoover
 Laverne Rebolj - mother of Dana Bohna
 Jane Reick - friend of Dolly Moore
 Nicole Dunne - niece of Jim Dunne
 Thomas Guest - friend of John and Dawn McGinley
 Goya-Olivos and Jaszowski Families - friends of the Janus family
 Leslie Agostinelli and baby Edie - sister & niece of Heather Simmonds
 Kelson Bohna - son of Ron and Dana Bohna
 (Names on our sick list must be re-requested after 30 days)

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for our fellow parishioners who are sick:

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| J. Connor Ferguson | Chip Gavron | Paul Cuicchi |
| Carla Bohna | Al Baca | Clyde Taylor |
| Brenda Fratesi | Edmond Emplaincourt Frances | Linda Morse |
| Barbara Clynych | Hairston | June Schmidt |
| Dorothy Clowers | Ron & Patricia Raines | Kathy Winston |
| Kathryn Randall | Jason Rollins | Lainie Anthony |
| Carol Reed | Rose Fischer | Stan & Barb Grzybowski |
| Joey Johnson | Anna Chromiak | Emily Jones |
| Theresa Lollar | Susan & Virginia Brown | Mary Rannels |
| Edwina Hogue | Dianna Janus | Hugh Comish |
| Ana Maria Lopez | Jane Ammerman | Tara Puckett |
| Robert Harris | Father Lenin | Flo Henley |
| Trish Auel | Celeste Tomaso | Dee Dee Cook |
| John Simpson | Peggy Wolverton | Bud Tomaso |
| Diane Evrard | Julie Smith | Tim Read |
| Charles Tubertini | Charley Joel | |

ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE

Please pray for those fighting abroad to keep us safe:

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| Billy Stricklin | Ryan Mangum | Robert Elias |
| Kevin Rafferty | Matt Savage | Clayton Eckler |
| Chris Withrow | Connor Bohna | Scott Shepard |
| Adam Fuhrmann | Patrick Smith | Andrew Pitman |
| Christian Bondi | Cory Delouche | |

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 enter our **parish code: HT24XG**
 and follow the steps to create your own free account!

WEEKLY CALENDAR FOR APRIL 8, 2018

Sunday, 4/8 - Divine Mercy Sunday

10:15 a.m. - K-8 Religious Ed. - Center/Hall
 10:15 a.m. - KC Pancake Breakfast - Hall
 12:30 a.m. - Baptism - Church
 1:00 p.m. - Quilting Group - Center
 3:00 p.m. - Divine Mercy Chaplet - Church
 4:30 p.m. - Rule 62 - Lounge
 6:30 p.m. - HS Religious Ed. - Center
 6:30 p.m. - CCM Ministry Team Mtg. - Hall

Monday, 4/9

5:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts - Hall
 5:30 p.m. - Grief Group - Lounge
 6:00 p.m. - CCM Mat-Making - Center

Tuesday, 4/10

10:00 a.m. - Ladies Knitting Group - Lounge
 6:30 p.m. - TND/FUEL - Hall

Wednesday, 4/11

7:15 a.m. - Companions on the Journey - Center
 5:30 p.m. - Rule 62 - Lounge
 6:00 p.m. - 9:00am Choir Practice - Church
 6:30 p.m. - RCIA - Center

7:00 p.m. - LIFT - CYO House

7:15 p.m. - 11:00am Choir Practice - Church

Thursday, 4/12

9:00 a.m. - Women's Group - Center
 6:00 p.m. - KC Council Mtg. - Center
 8:00 p.m. - CCM Guys Group - Lounge

Friday, 4/13

11:30 a.m. - Pro-Life Rosary - Church
 12:30 p.m. - Bagging for Food Pantry - Hall

Saturday, 4/14

9:00 a.m. - Food Distribution - Hall
 10:00 a.m. - Rule 62 - Lounge

Sunday, 4/15

10:15 a.m. - K-8 Religious Ed. - Center/Hall
 10:15 a.m. - 3rd Sunday Coffee & Donuts - Hall
 12:30 p.m. - Baptism - Church
 1:00 p.m. - Quilting Group - Center
 4:30 p.m. - Rule 62 - Lounge
 6:30 p.m. - HS Religious Ed. - Center
 6:30 p.m. - CCM Ministry Team Mtg. - Hall

RCIA

The next RCIA session is Wednesday, April 11th, at 6:30pm in the Center. The topic is Catholic social teaching. All are welcome!

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS IN THE FAITH

We wish to welcome our new parishioners who formally entered the Church through confirmation during Easter Vigil Mass. Welcome: Chasity Barber, Emily Bedwell, Peggy Bell, Jennifer Collins, Janice Crowe, Madison Decker, Mark Frantz, Siwei Jiang, Dennis Joy, Erin Smith, Megan Terry, Cole Turner, Ramona Williams, Shannon Williams, and Andrew Word. We continue to keep all of you in our prayers as your faith journey continues!

FR. LENIN OUT

Father Lenin had out-patient knee surgery to repair his meniscus last Friday. He will be out for a few days to recover. Please send him best wishes and keep him in your prayers for quick healing. Also, both he and Fr. Rusty will be out Tuesday for a conference, therefore we will have no Confession or Mass that day.

LIFETOUCH PHOTO MAKE-UP DAY OR SUBMISSIONS

Lifetouch has let us know that *only those parishioners who had a photo taken or submitted a photo for the new directory will receive one when the books arrive!* Therefore, if we have 15 people or more, they will be happy to come out to do a photography make-up session for our parish. If you missed the opportunity to have your free portrait made, this is your chance! Please email Demi at demidunne@hotmail.com to let her know if you are wishing to come to a make-up shoot. Otherwise, you can submit a photo to Demi by April 23rd to be put in the new directory. The photo should be no bigger than a 4x6, or jpegs should be at least 250kb.

YOUTH CHOIR

We are attempting to organize a youth choir for our parish that would lead the congregation in song/music during one Sunday Mass approximately once a month. Any 6th-12th graders who would like to sing or play an instrument in this choir, please contact Ian Perez at (662) 694-0353 for more information.

LEBANESE DINNER

Our 12th annual Lebanese Dinner sponsored by the Knights of Columbus is Thursday, May 10th. Dinner tickets are by advance sale only and are \$12. The dinner includes baked Kibbee, rolled grape leaves, green beans and Lebanese salad with pita bread. Also available in-house will be several types of baklava and Lebanese pastries. Knights are in the gathering space selling ticket today after both Masses. They will also be selling on future Sundays after Mass.

OPERATION RICE BOWL

Don't forget to turn in your rice bowl if you took one this Lent! They are due and the funds will be sent to the Diocese this week for distribution. Thanks to all who participated!

FRASSATI FELLOWSHIP OF MS

We would like to invite all young Catholic professionals (graduate students, recent alumni, and young professionals already in the workforce, single or married) to join our regional outreach ministry! This group is named after Bl. Pier Giorgio Frassati, an Italian Catholic activist, whom Pope JP II named the patron of young adults for the 21st century. According to our patron's example, we strive to "serve the Lord in total happiness" through spiritual, social, and service-filled activities. If you are interested in joining us, please email us at frassatims@gmail.com for more information.

"DELTA ITALIANS" TALK AT MSU

Father Paul Canonici is coming to MSU to present: "The Revival of a Lost Immigration Story: The Delta Italians." Father Paul Canonici is a retired Catholic Priest and one of the few remaining first generation, American-born Italians who immigrated to the Delta region. He has been studying the issue and the history of these families over the years, publishing two books, "The Delta Italians," Volume I and II. The event is going to be at Mississippi State University on April 19th at 5:00pm at the McCool building's auditorium, room 234. A book signing will take place right after the presentation, at 6:00pm, sponsored by Barnes and Noble.

ACS NEWS

ACS's annual \$10,000 Drawdown fundraiser will be on Friday, April 20th, at 7:00pm at the Trotter Convention Center. Tickets are \$100. Each ticket admits two adults (21 and older) and includes dinner catered by Huck's restaurant, live music by Win-wheel, open bar, and a chance to win \$10,000. Also, ACS students are selling raffle tickets for the chance to win complete orthodontic treatment from Callaway Orthodontics! Each ticket is \$25. The drawing will be held on April 20th at the annual Drawdown. You do not have to be present to win and treatment is transferable to a friend or family member. For tickets, see an Annunciation parent in the back of the church after Mass or contact Heather Fulton at heatherful-ton@gmail.com.

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

CCM will lead the parish in the Divine Mercy Chaplet today, April 8th, at 3:00 in the afternoon. We hope all of you will join us for this special time of prayer.

CCM T SHIRT SALES

CCM will be selling their Hail Mary, Hail State T-shirts after all the masses today. The cost is \$15.00 each. Cash or check only. We only have adult sizes available. If you want children sizes, an order form will be available!

DWELLING PLACE RETREAT VESPER TIME — NOW WHAT?

At the Vesper time in our lives, we need to pause to pray and reflect upon our history-- where we have been, where we are now, and consider the direction we are headed. What now? Where to from here? How can I best make this time in my life truly God's time? Presented by Kathleen and David Gruseck, married for 50 years, Kathleen is a Certified Spiritual Director and David is a Permanent Deacon since 1999. The retreat begins April 27th with dinner at 6:30pm and runs through the 28th. The cost is \$100. For more information, contact The Dwelling Place at 662-738-5348 or email us at dwellpl@gmail.com

GATHERING SPACE LIBRARY

The books in the Gathering Space are organized by category, and each category has been assigned a number, which you will see on each book. The books are there for your use. Feel free to borrow, enjoy them, and return them to be shared with others. When you return books, please do not re-shelve them yourself. Put them on the bookcase to the right, labeled "RETURN BOOKS HERE". If you would like to donate appropriate books, please take them to Demi or Jeff in the office, but do not leave them on the bookshelves. Books for children or young teens are kept in the Parish Center rather than this space. If you have any questions, please direct them to Barbara Frank (662-323-0538)