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MASS TIMES

Sundays:
 9:00 am, 11:30 am
 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: 1 John 3:18-24

Let us love . . . in deed and truth. (1 John 3:18)

In today's second reading, John offers us solid guidance on how to "remain" in God's love (1 John 3:24). He tells us that one of the secrets to this is to listen to the movements of our hearts. That's because the heart, or the conscience, is the place where the Holy Spirit speaks to us most intimately.

On one end of the spectrum, John talks about having "confidence in God (3:21)," which means the Spirit is pouring God's love into us and reassuring us that we are following his commands. On the other end of the spectrum, our hearts can "condemn" us when the Spirit makes it clear that we have acted selfishly and taken advantage of someone (3:20). Surely we have all had experiences on both ends of this spectrum.

John makes it clear that it's not only a matter of our own consciences. Throughout his letter, he emphasizes the Holy Spirit's work of writing his words in our hearts and helping us to follow them. So what does this mean for us? It means that if the Holy Spirit is at work in our hearts, then we should take it seriously when we sense a tug in our hearts. We should pay attention to the movements of our hearts, because it may well be that the Spirit is trying to help us make the right decisions and draw closer to the Lord.

It's exciting to know that the Holy Spirit is constantly at work forming our hearts and helping us to make good decisions. He's even at work when we aren't aware of him! It's reassuring to know that he won't stop working in us until our every thought and action pleases Jesus and builds up his kingdom. So try to remain in God's love today. Try to listen to the movements of your heart. And try to put into practice whatever you think God is asking of you.

"Holy Spirit, come and move in my life. Inspire me to do good deeds in spirit and in truth."

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon, Apr 30 ACTS 14:5-18; JN 14:21-26	12:05 pm - Health of Shiloh Sciacca
Tues, May 1 ACTS 14:19-28; JN 14:27-31A	5:30 pm - Joseph Clarke
Wed, May 2 ACTS 15:1-6; JN 15:1-8	12:05 pm - Health of Bob Lambert
Thurs, May 3 1 COR 15:1-8; JN 14:6-14	5:30 pm - People of St. Joseph
Fri, May 4 ACTS 15:22-31; JN 15:12-17	12:05 pm - Special Intention
Sat, May 5 ACTS 16:1-10; JN 15:18-21	5:00 pm - People Corpus Christi, Macon, MS
Sun, May 6 ACTS 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; 1 JN 4:7-10; JN 15:9-17	9:00 am - People of St. Joseph 11:30 am - People of St. Joseph

Sunday Offering: \$5,163.00

Thank you for your contributions and generosity!

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

Dakhlallah family - friends of Randy & Melissa Follett
 Read Bush & family - friends of Chuck Bailey
 Bob Lambert - brother of Mary McCoy
 Kelson Bohna - son of Ron and Dana Bohna
 Kris Thomas - daughter-in-law of Jay McKee
 Hope Mooney - sister of Laura McKee
 Eugene Sheehan - friend of Joel Okula
 Tonya McLendon & Stefanie Zadravek - friends of Demi Dunne
 Gary Keith - father of Jason Keith
 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

PRAYER REQUEST

Pray for: _____

By/Relation: _____

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

Turn this form into the office or drop in the collection

Alecia Holder, Margie Fletcher & Tracey Lang - friends of Debra Lipe
 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 Garnett - friends of Demi Dunne
 Warren Fraser - friend of Susan Brown
 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
 A relative of Richard & Donna Coughlin
 Mary Jo Wallace - Aunt of Teresa Hamill
 Marjorie Orr - sister of Lucia Hoover
 Laverne Rebolj - mother of Dana Bohna
 Jane Reick - friend of Dolly Moore
 Goya-Olivos and Jaskowiak Families - friends of the Janus family

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for our fellow parishioners who are sick:

Michael Rust	Charles Tubertini	Charley Joel
J. Connor Ferguson	Chip Gavron	Paul Cuicchi
Carla Bohna	Al Baca	Clyde Taylor
Brenda Fratesi	Edmond Emplaincourt	Linda Morse
Barbara Clynch	Frances 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 Runnels
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 Wolverson	Bud Tomaso
Diane Evrard	Julie Smith	Tim Read

ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE

Please pray for those fighting abroad to keep us safe:

Billy Stricklin	Ryan Mangum	Robert Elias
Kevin Raftery	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**
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WEEKLY CALENDAR FOR APRIL 29, 2018

Sunday, 4/29

10:15 a.m. - K-8 Religious Ed. - Center/Hall
 12:30 p.m. - First Holy Communion Reception - Hall
 1:00 p.m. - Quilting Group - Center
 4:30 p.m. - Rule 62 - Lounge
 6:30 p.m. - HS Religious Ed. - Center

Monday, 4/30

5:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts - Hall
 8:00 p.m. - CCM Breakfast Breaks - Hall

Tuesday, 5/1

10:00 a.m. - Ladies Knitting Group - Lounge
 11:30 a.m. - Grand Generation Lunch - Center
 4:30 p.m. - Confession - Church
 8:00 p.m. - CCM Breakfast Breaks - Hall

Wednesday, 5/2

7:15 a.m. - Companions on the Journey - Center
 1:00 p.m. - Book Club - Lounge
 5:30 p.m. - Rule 62 - Lounge
 6:00 p.m. - 9:00am Choir Practice - Church
 7:00 p.m. - LIFT - CYO House
 7:15 p.m. - 11:00am Choir Practice - Church

Thursday, 5/3

8:00 a.m. - KC Lebanese Dinner Prep - Hall
 9:00 a.m. - Women's Group - Center

Friday, 5/4

8:00 a.m. - KC Lebanese Dinner Prep - Hall
 11:30 a.m. - Pro-Life Rosary - Church
 3:30 p.m. - Graduation Party - Hall
 5:00 p.m. - Wedding Rehearsal - Church

Saturday, 5/5

9:00 a.m. - Cub Scout Banquet - Hall
 10:00 a.m. - Rule 62 - Lounge
 12:00 p.m. - Wedding - Church

Sunday, 5/6

10:15 a.m. - K-8 Religious Ed. Bingo Party - Center/Hall
 10:15 a.m. - KC Pancake Breakfast - Hall
 10:15 a.m. - CCM Mat Making - Hall
 1:00 p.m. - Quilting Group - Center
 4:30 p.m. - Rule 62 - Lounge
 6:30 p.m. - Final HS Religious Ed. - Center

BULLETIN ADVERTISING

We have two openings in the back of the bulletin for anyone who would like to advertise their business. Ads are typically the size of a general business card and the cost for the whole year is only \$200. This includes the full-color ad on the weekly church bulletin as well year-round presence on the homepage of our St. Joseph website! If you are interested, please contact Demi in the Church Office for more details.

GRAND GENERATION LUNCHEON

This Tuesday, May 1st, at 11:30am is our next Grand Generation Luncheon. With VBS in June and travel/summer stuff in July, this will be your last chance at the best priced meal in town until August. And as an added bonus, we will have a couple of guest speakers on Tuesday that you won't want to miss.

CCM MAT MAKING NEXT SUNDAY

While enjoying your pancakes between the morning Masses on Sunday, May 6th, CCM invites parishioners to join us in the parish hall to help with making plarn (plastic yarn) for the homeless mats. We will be flattening bags, cutting and tying strips to make the plarn, and also crocheting the plarn into mats. We will also be doing this after the 11:30 Mass. Students who have been on our Jackson mission trips to give them to the homeless have shared that the homeless express such gratitude for the people who care so much about them to provide them with mats. The mats provide a comfy bed and a good night's sleep which is hard when you are outside. Thank you for your generosity of time, bags and love.

CCM SHOPPING BAG THANKS

Thank you to all of our parishioners who supplied CCM with your shopping bags. We are at the end of the semester and won't have a need for any bags through the summer. Your support of this beautiful ministry has been tremendous and we are truly grateful. If we need more bags when the Fall Semester begins, we will put a notice in the bulletin. Have a great summer!

K-12TH RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES

Classes continue as usual for our K-12th grade students today, Sunday, April 29th. Our final day of class for this school year will be on Sunday, May 6th. Thank you to all of our teachers who have given of their time, talent and love in teaching the children of our parish.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

All 5 year olds through 4th graders are invited to join us for VBS June 4th-7th from 8:30-11:30am. This is a great way for your younger children to learn about their Catholic Faith and have fun at the same time. They will hear Bible stories, do crafts, play games and learn new songs. Please sign up your child on the sheet in the gathering space of the church. If your older children want to help, sign them up as well and indicate that they are a helper.

SUMMER COLLEGE STUDENTS

Summer time is here but we haven't forgotten our college students! If you are a Catholic college student who is here for the summer, please let us know you are here by filling out the sign-up sheet on the tables in the back of the church. We will be meeting periodically throughout the summer for "dutch treat" supper, a movie or other fun activity.

CCM EXAM BREAKFAST BREAKS

Take a break from studying and join us for breakfast at 8:00pm on Monday, April 30th and Tuesday, May 1st. We will serve breakfast foods, coffee, juice and hot chocolate to give you energy to stay up

studying for those exams. The study breaks will be taking place in the Parish Hall behind the church. Bring your friends!

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION EVENT

West Point's Young At Heart, under the guidance of Mrs. Velma Caskey, is organizing a presentation on a "model for healthy living", for the Young at Heart and for all those who are willing to participate in the meeting. It will be on Saturday, May 5th, with a cover dish supper in the Immaculate Conception parish hall immediately following the 5:00pm Mass. Sister Pat Clemen of Morton, MS will be the featured speaker. Sister Pat, a religious Nun and a retired Nurse, is the Coordinator of Parish Health Ministry of Catholic Charities, Inc. She enlightens the health and spirituality in the light of Christ's suffering and to find comfort and peace. If you are interested in attending, please contact Immaculate Conception Church, West Point with any of the following: Office: 662-242-1829 Email: westpoint@jacksondiocese.org Text: 662-242-1829

RUN FOR THE ROSES BANQUET

The Mississippi State University Equestrian Team and Horse Judging team are hosting a banquet with a live viewing of the Kentucky Derby May 5th at 4:45 at the Mill. There will also be live and silent auctions, along with a best hat contest and more! Individual tickets are \$40 and include dinner. For more information on tickets, auction items donations, and table sponsorships please contact Cecilia Collins at ccc500@msstate.edu.

MILITARY CARE PACKAGES

The Parish Care Committee would like to send care packages to our fellow parishioners who have been recently deployed by the military. They are looking for submissions of names and mailing information for package recipients. Please submit the information by June 15th to Sal Keith (salkeith80@gmail.com) or 662-617-9241.

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, or you can order online at: <https://squareup.com/store/knights-of-columbus-170>.

ACS NEWS

Annunciation is now taking applications for next year's pre-K-8th grades. If you are interested in a top-notch Catholic education, please contact Katie Fenstermacher, Marketing and Admissions Director, at (662) 328-4479. Also, please save your box tops for ACS! Each one is worth 10 cents for the school! Thank you!

EXTENSION MAGAZINE

The Spring 2018 issue of Catholic Extension's magazine *Extension*, tells of the inspiring work of Catholic faith communities in hurricane-damaged Puerto Rico. The Church has a central role in reaching out to residents to address their spiritual and human needs. It also features a story about Catholic Extension's partnership with Catholic universities, particularly in the Northeast, that provide education and training for Church leaders in mission dioceses. Its inspiring stories will help you experience a different side of the Catholic Church in America—in places where faith is strong but resources are limited. A digital version of the magazine can be found at catholicextension.org/extension-magazine-newest.