



St Joseph

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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: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48
They were astounded. (Acts 10:45)

Today, the Sacrament of Confirmation follows Baptism and Eucharist. Baptism, in most cases, is administered to infants. Then, children receive their First Holy Communion around the age of seven. Then, they are confirmed sometime in their teens. That's the typical order of things. In the early Church, the order was a bit different. Once a person had a conversion to Jesus, they received all three sacraments of initiation at the same time.

Today's second reading tells us that the Holy Spirit doesn't always follow the prescribed order. Before he is even baptized, Cornelius is visited by an angel. At the same time, the Holy Spirit tells Peter to visit Cornelius, although Cornelius was a Gentile, and Peter—a faithful Jew—was forbidden to enter a Gentile's home. Then, as Peter preaches to Cornelius and his household, God breaks the rules again. The Holy Spirit comes upon these Gentiles, and they begin speaking in tongues. They didn't have to repent, convert, or be baptized; the Spirit just fell. Only then did Peter baptize them.

What's the point to this story? God likes to stretch the way we think. He stretched Cornelius and Peter while they were at prayer, and the same can happen with us (Acts 10:3, 10-16). He stretched everyone again while Peter was preaching, and he stretched the whole Church when Peter explained to the other apostles what had happened (11:1-18).

Today, ask the Holy Spirit to stretch the way you think. Then listen to what comes into your mind. When the Scriptures are proclaimed at Mass, ask the Spirit for new insight into God's love. When you hear the homily, ask the Spirit to show you how to put it into practice. When you are praying after Communion, ask him to stretch your love for the people at Mass with you. Then, go out and try to do whatever you think the Spirit has put on your heart.

"Come, Holy Spirit, stretch me."

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon, May 7 ACTS 16:11-15; JN 15:26-16:4A	12:05 pm – Health of Shiloh Sciacca
Tues, May 8 ACTS 16:22-34; JN 16:5-11	5:30 pm – Cornelius & Kathleen Ryan
Wed, May 9 ACTS 17:15, 22-18:1; JN 16:12-15	12:05 pm – People of St. Joseph
Thurs, May 10 ACTS 18:1-8; JN 16:16-20	5:30 pm – People of St. Joseph
Fri, May 11 ACTS 18:9-18; JN 16:20-23	12:05 pm – Special Intention
Sat, May 12 ACTS 18:23-28; JN 16:23B-28	5:00 pm – People Corpus Christi, Macon, MS
Sun, May 13 – Ascension of the Lord ACTS 1:1-11; EPH 1:17-23; MK 16:15-20	9:00 am – People of St. Joseph 11:30 am – People of St. Joseph

Sunday Offering: \$4,429.00

Thank you for your contributions and generosity!

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

Dr. Bill Foster - friend of Jimmy and Patti Abraham
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

PRAYER REQUEST

Pray for: _____

By/Relation: _____

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

Turn this form into the office or drop in the collection

Brenda Graves - sister of Debra Lipe
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
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
(Names on our sick list must be re-requested after 30 days)

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for our fellow parishioners who are sick:

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

ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE

Please pray for those fighting abroad to keep us safe:

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

FORMED:

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Go to **formed.org** and click on the **Register** tab,
enter our **parish code: HT24XG**
and follow the steps to create your own free account!

WEEKLY CALENDAR FOR MAY 6, 2018

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

Monday, 5/7

8:00 a.m. - KC Lebanese Dinner Prep - Hall
5:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts - Hall

Tuesday, 5/8

8:00 a.m. - KC Lebanese Dinner Prep - Hall
10:00 a.m. - Ladies Knitting Group - Lounge
4:30 p.m. - Confession - Church

Wednesday, 5/9

7:15 a.m. - Companions on the Journey - Center
8:00 a.m. - KC Lebanese Dinner Prep - Hall
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, 5/10

9:00 a.m. - Women's Group - Center
11:00 a.m. - KC Lebanese Dinner Pick-up - Hall

Friday, 5/11

11:30 a.m. - Pro-Life Rosary - Church
12:30 p.m. - Bagging for Food Pantry - Hall
6:00 p.m. - La Leche Pot Luck - Center

Saturday, 5/12

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

Sunday, 5/13 - Ascension of the Lord

1:00 p.m. - Quilting Group - Center
4:30 p.m. - Rule 62 - Lounge

BULLETIN ADVERTISING

We have one opening 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.

PENTECOST PARISH MEAL

On Pentecost Sunday, May 20th, following the 11:30am Mass, everyone is invited to an International Pentecost Parish Meal in the Parish Hall. Come celebrate the birth of the Church as we dine on cuisines from around the world. All are asked to bring a dish of your nationality to share with one another! There is a sign up sheet in the back of Church. We hope you can all make this parish-wide celebration!

CATHOLIC KIDS' CAMP

A Catholic Camp for children will be held in NE Mississippi on June 17-23 for boys and girls ages 8-11 and June 24-30 for boys and girls ages 12-14. This is a residential, over-night camp that includes daily Mass, sports, art and opportunities to meet other Catholic children in north MS. The cost is \$100/week. Scholarships and reduced fees are available. Application deadline is June 12th, and applications are on the gathering space table in the back of the Church. For details or more info, please call Fr. Tim Murphy at 662.304.0087 or email catholiccampms@juno.com.

END OF CCM SHOPPING BAG DONATIONS

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 END TODAY

Today is our final day of religious ed. class for this school year. 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 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.

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.

WITH SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy goes out to Billy Stricklin on the death of his brother, Shawn Stricklin, last weekend. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this tragic time. May the loving arms of our Lord comfort you and bring you peace.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's Altar flowers were provided by parishioner Albert Baca in memory of his beloved wife, Dolores Baca, whom we remember in the Mass today.