



# St Joseph

## Catholic Church

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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: James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27**

**Be doers of the word. (James 1:22)**

In today's second reading, James compares the Scriptures to a mirror. When we read the word of God, or when we hear it proclaimed at Mass, we often see ourselves in the stories and teachings it contains. Scripture helps us "discern reflections and thoughts of the heart," both the good thoughts and the not so good ones (Hebrews 4:12). Scripture can expose our pride, confront our resentments, or uncover our deception, greed, or lust. But at the same time, Scripture assures us that God made us in his image. It convinces us that God loves us and that his grace is more than enough to change our lives. But no matter how much grace God has for us, James tells us that it's not enough just to hear the word of God—not if we want to see any significant changes in the sinful areas of our lives. Similarly, just hearing the word of God won't result in a growth in our gifts and virtues. We have to be "doers of the word" as well as "hearers" (James 1:22).

James gives us a wonderful image to help make this point: someone who hears the word but doesn't put it into action "is like a man who looks at his own face in a mirror. He sees himself, then goes off and promptly forgets what he looked like" (James 1:23-24). James isn't speaking about a poor memory here. He's speaking about poor priorities. People "forget" Scripture because they have placed other priorities ahead of following the Lord. The word of God does have the power to help us—but only to the degree that we cooperate with it. So be sure to read Scripture each day. But also be sure to write down one action step you can take based on what you have read. Then, dedicate your day to taking that one step at every opportunity. Let it help you say no to sin and yes to God today. If you do, you will be "blessed" beyond your expectations (James 1:25)!

**"Lord, I welcome your word."**

### MASS INTENTIONS

|                               |   |
|-------------------------------|---|
| <b>Mon, Sep 3 – Labor Day</b> | 12:05 pm – Shiloh Sciacca   |
| <b>Tues, Sep 4</b>            | 11:30 am – Healing Mass – People of St. Joseph<br>5:30 pm – People of St. Joseph                    |
| <b>Wed, Sep 5</b>             | 12:05 pm – Special Intention  |
| <b>Thurs, Sep 6</b>           | 5:30 pm – People of St. Joseph  |
| <b>Fri, Sep 7</b>             | 12:05 pm – Special Intention  |
| <b>Sat, Sep 8</b>             | 5:00 pm – People of Corpus Christi, Macon, MS   |
| <b>Sun, Sep 9</b>             | 9:00 am – People of St. Joseph<br>11:30 am – People of St. Joseph<br>5:30 pm – People of St. Joseph |

**Sunday Offering: \$8,389.00**

**Thank you for your contributions and generosity!**

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

Gary Keith - father of Jason Keith  
Liz, Austin & Nick Redding - sister and nephews of Katie Gent  
John Breuning - father of Peggy Cini  
Matt Savage - friend of parishioner  
Brian Pitre - son of Lea Pitre  
Traci Hardin - family member of Edwina Hogue  
Shiloh Sciacca - nephew of Havilah and Neil Couvillion  
Marilyn Hubbard - friend of parishioners  
Arlene Diaz - friend of a parishioner  
Greg Raney - friend of David and Lisa Darce  
Bonnie Bennett - friend of parishioner  
Parents of a parishioner  
Lyda Alice Burnham, Bruce Burnham and family - friends of a parishioner  
Hazel O'Neal and Jon Peterson - friends of a parishioner  
David Lack - husband of Susan Shira Lack  
Stephen Cobb and family - friends of a parishioner  
Dale Perkins - friend of Al Baca  
Marcus Efantis and the Morton family - nephew & friends of Demi Dunne  
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  
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  
Marilyn Bowen - friend of Jimmy and Patti Abraham  
Susan Felker & Danny Carlisle - friends of Jimmy & Patti Abraham

**PRAYER REQUEST**

Pray for: \_\_\_\_\_

By/Relation: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ New request \_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_ (check one)

*Turn this form into the office or drop in the collection*

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  
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  
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  
*(Names on our sick list must be re-requested after 30 days)*

**PRAYER LIST**

***Please pray for our fellow parishioners who are sick:***

|                  |                        |                 |
|------------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| Dan Stumpf       | John Simpson           | Charley Joel    |
| Shirley Delouche | Charles Tubertini      | Paul Cuicchi    |
| Libby Gerald     | Chip Gavron            | June Schmidt    |
| Jane Bell        | Al Baca                | Kathy Winston   |
| Mary Beth Moore  | Edmond Emplainscourt   | Lainie Anthony  |
| Michael Rust     | Ron & Patricia Raines  | Barb Grzybowski |
| Brenda Fratesi   | Jason Rollins          | Emily Jones     |
| Barbara Clynch   | Rose Fischer           | Mary Runnels    |
| Kathryn Randall  | Anna Chromiak          | Hugh Comish     |
| Theresa Lollar   | Susan & Virginia Brown | Tara Puckett    |
| Edwina Hogue     | Dianna Janus           | Flo Henley      |
| Ana Maria Lopez  | Jane Ammerman          | Dee Dee Cook    |
| Robert Harris    | Peggy Wolverton        | Bud Tomaso      |
| Trish Auel       | Julie Smith            | Tim Read        |

**ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE**

***Please pray for those fighting abroad to keep us safe:***

|                 |                 |                |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Aaron Cini      | Christian Bondi | Robert Elias   |
| Billy Stricklin | Ryan Mangum     | Clayton Eckler |
| Kevin Raftery   | Patrick Smith   | Scott Shepard  |
| Adam Fuhrmann   | Cory Delouche   | Andrew Pitman  |

**FORMED:**

**The Catholic Faith. On Demand**

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

**WEEKLY CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 2, 2018**

**Sunday, 9/2**

10:15 a.m. - KC Pancake Breakfast - Hall  
4:30 p.m. - Rule 62 - Lounge

**Monday, 9/3 - Labor Day**

Office Closed

**Tuesday, 9/4**

10:00 a.m. - Ladies Knitting Group - Lounge  
12:00 p.m. - Grand Generation Lunch - Center  
4:30 p.m. - Confession - Church  
6:30 p.m. - CCM Tuesday Night Dinner. - Hall

**Wednesday, 9/5**

7:15 a.m. - Companions on the Journ - Center  
1:00 p.m. - Book Club - Lounge  
5:30 p.m. - Rule 62 - Hall  
6:00 p.m. - 9:00 Choir Practice - Lounge

6:30 p.m. - RCIA - Center  
7:00 p.m. - Novena/Rosary - Church  
7:00 p.m. - LIFT - CYO House  
7:15 p.m. - 11:30 Choir Practice - Lounge

**Thursday, 9/6**

9:00 a.m. - Women's Morning Group - Center  
7:00 p.m. - 5:30 Mass Choir Practice - Lounge  
7:00 p.m. - Novena/Rosary - Church

**Friday, 9/7**

11:30 a.m. - Pro-Life Rosary - Church  
12:30 p.m. - Bagging for Food Pantry - Hall  
7:00 p.m. - Novena/Rosary - Church

**Saturday, 9/8**

10:00 a.m. - Rule 62 - Lounge  
9:00 a.m. - Food Distribution - Hall  
3:00 p.m. - Baptism - Church  
7:00 p.m. - Novena/Rosary - Church

**Sunday, 9/9**

1:00 p.m. - Quilting Group - Center  
4:30 p.m. - Rule 62 - Lounge  
7:00 p.m. - Novena/Rosary - Church

## **GRAND GENERATION HEALING MASS AND LUNCH**

This Tuesday, September 4th, Fr. Lenin will be leading a Healing Mass at 11:30am in the church. The Mass will be followed by our monthly Grand Generation Luncheon in the Parish Center. Our regularly scheduled Mass at 5:30pm will take place as usual.

## **LABOR DAY SCHEDULE**

The Church Office will be closed Monday in observance of the Labor Day holiday. We will still have Mass at 12:05pm that day.

## **HEALING NOVENA AND PRAYER SERVICE**

In light of the recent events in the news media regarding the scandal within the ranks of the Catholic Church, Fr. Lenin is hosting a nightly Rosary and Novena for 9 consecutive nights beginning on Wednesday, September 5th, and ending with a prayer service on the 13th. In hopes of bringing healing and restoration of faith for the victims of these terrible crimes, as well as solidarity for the many good and holy priests affected by the atrocities and for the whole church, Father invites anyone who is interested to join him in prayer. The group will meet each evening at 7:00pm in the Church, with the exception of Sunday night, the 9th, when the group will begin immediately following the 5:30pm Mass. We hope you will join us.

## **WELCOME MARY BETH!**

We welcome our new Campus Minister, Mary Beth Nunenmacher, to our staff here at St. Joseph! Mary Beth has been in ministry for several years and was a member of the CCM as an undergraduate at MSU, and served as the president of CCM last year. We look forward to her being a part of the team, so please join us in welcoming her!

## **PASSION OF THE CHRIST ACTOR TO SHARE HIS STORY IN JACKSON**

Jim Caviezel, known for his portrayal of Jesus Christ in the 2004 movie "The Passion of the Christ" and his role on the CBS television series "Person of Interest," will speak in Jackson on Sept. 7th. Caviezel's appearance is to help support programs of Catholic Charities, Diocese of Jackson. Caviezel, 49, is a Catholic and native of Mt. Vernon, Washington. He recently played the role of gospel writer Luke in the movie, "Paul, Apostle of Christ." The event details are as follows:

**When:** 7:30pm, Friday, Sept. 7th

**Where:** Thalia Mara Hall, 255 E. Pascagoula, Jackson

**Tickets:** \$25-\$100 or \$250 seats which include a meet and greet with Caviezel.

Tickets are available through Ticketmaster or at the Thalia Mara Hall ticket office. Contact: 601-326-3758 for more information.

## **DWELLING PLACE**

Feel the need to get away for one or several days of solitude and self-care? The Dwelling Place is a place of hospitality and prayer open to people of all Christian traditions. Do you feel a nudge that can't be defined or ignored? Or do you feel the need for time and space to sort something through? The Holy Spirit has a way of not letting us alone when God wants to gift us or desires to help us resolve an issue in our lives. Treat yourself to an overnight, a weekend or longer to let God in. It can be a life-changing experience. The Dwelling Place has everything you need--a beautiful quiet setting, a lovely chapel, library and good food! No stress!

Just rest in the Lord. Just call and arrange a mini-vacation with God. Check our website at [www.dwellingplace.com](http://www.dwellingplace.com) or Facebook for options available. Contact Sheila Avery, secretary, 662-738-5348 to schedule your time.

## **RCIA**

RCIA will begin this Wednesday, September 5th, at 6:30pm in the Parish Center. For more information, contact Dave Monts at (662) 263-6946 or [dilmontsinms@gmail.com](mailto:dlmontsinms@gmail.com). All are welcome!

## **K-12TH GRADE RELIGIOUS ED. REGISTRATION**

To those parents who have registered your children already, thank you. To those who still need to, please do so today. Text books have been ordered, but we still need your registration forms. The forms are in the back of church, and the cost is \$20 per child or \$30 per family. Scholarships are available to anyone in need. Classes begin September 16th. K-8th grade meet from 10:15-11:15am and 9th-12th grades meet from 6:30-8:00pm.

## **CYO/LIFT/HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP**

If you are a 9th-12th grader and need a midweek lift, come join our youth group Wednesday nights from 7-8:30pm. We use this time to have fun bonding with friends and to strengthen our faith in Christ through prayer, in opening up God's Word, and through discussions of current events. We meet in the cozy little white house near the main exit of the church parking lot. We hope to see you Wednesday evenings.

## **HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT CUB SCOUTING?**

St. Joseph's Pack 127 is recruiting for the up-coming Cub Scout year and would love to have your child in our pack. Even though the sign-up nights advertised through the schools have past, it is never too late to join. The pack consists of grades K-5, and both boys and girls can join. If you don't have a child to share with us but would be interested in sponsoring or providing a scholarship for other children to sign up, please let us know. We want to share our scouting experience with you. We meet Monday evenings at 5:30pm in the Parish Hall. We will have information and activities for both parents and scouts. Contacts: Cub Master, Joan Fuentes (662)312-4931 or Den Leader, Ann Johnson (662)352-3789.

## **CCM COOKS NEEDED**

Every semester our awesome parishioners volunteer to cook for our college students. All that is involved is finding the recipe you want to cook, sending it to Mary Beth and then cooking it for our students. We will do the shopping and clean-up after. We serve dinner at 6:30pm every Tuesday. If you want to serve our students by cooking a meal for them, please contact Mary Beth Nunenmacher in the Church Office to pick a date. Thank you for always being so generous with our college students.

## **ADORATION HOUR OPEN**

We have the following hour of Adoration open: Wednesday mornings from 1am to 2am. If you have ever considered spending an hour with Jesus in the Eucharist, now would be a wonderful time. If you are interested, contact Mike Kassouf at 662-312-2973.

## **WITH SYMPATHY**

We offer our deepest sympathy to Emily Jones on the passing of her father, Dr. Thomas Braddock. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. May God bring peace and comfort to you and all of your loved ones.