



# 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: Mark 10:17-30

*... with persecutions and eternal life in the age to come. (Mark 10:30)*

Today in Rome, Pope Francis will canonize Archbishop Oscar Romero of El Salvador, in addition to Pope Paul VI, who is featured on pages 52-57 of this magazine. Selected as archbishop of San Salvador in 1977, Romero served during a time of intense political turbulence and religious persecution. Through his homilies, radio sermons, and newspaper articles, Romero became the voice of his country's conscience. Constantly referring to the message of the gospel, he condemned the violence and corruption that plagued his country.

Countless threats against his life didn't deter Romero. In one homily, he said, "You can tell the people that if they succeed in killing me, I forgive and bless those who do it. Hopefully, they will realize they are wasting their time. A bishop will die, but the Church of God, which is the people, will never perish." On March 24, 1980, as he was saying Mass, a lone gunman stood at the door of the chapel and fired. Romero, who was standing at the altar, was shot in the heart and died on the spot.

In his letter announcing Romero's canonization, Pope Francis wrote, "In the beautiful land of Central America, bathed by the Pacific Ocean, the Lord granted his Church a zealous bishop who, loving God and serving brothers and sisters, became the image of Christ the Good Shepherd. In times of difficult coexistence, Archbishop Romero knew how to lead, defend and protect his flock. . . . And at the moment of his death, while he celebrated the Holy Sacrifice of love and reconciliation, he received the grace to identify himself fully with the One who gave his life for his sheep."

Oscar Romero lived out today's readings. He chose God's wisdom over the wealth and comfort of the world. He proclaimed the word of God in a way that cut people to the heart. And he gave everything to the poor of El Salvador. May his witness move all of us to answer the cry of the poor and downtrodden.

*"St. Oscar Romero, pray for us."*

### MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Mon, Oct 15</b>	12:05 pm – Health of Shiloh Sciacca
<b>Tues, Oct 16</b>	5:30 pm – Joseph Thelly
<b>Wed, Oct 17</b>	12:05 pm – Sue Thigpen
<b>Thurs, Oct 18</b>	5:30 pm – Special Intention
<b>Fri, Oct 19</b>	12:05 pm – Tommy Allen
<b>Sat, Oct 20</b>	5:00 pm – People of Corpus Christi, Macon, MS
<b>Sun, Oct 21</b>	9:00 am – People of St. Joseph 11:30 am – People of St. Joseph 5:30 pm – Ann Boneau

**Sunday Offering: \$6,394.00**

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

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

Olivia - friend of Alex and Cindy Harris  
Amy Arnault - sister of Lynne Ryder  
Christina Moore - daughter of Billy and Mary Beth Moore  
Beverly Norris - friend of Barb Frank  
Alexander Rosener & family - brother of Dianna Janus  
Abraham and Bobbie Potts - friends of a parishioner  
Tom Lavelle - son of Mary June Lavelle  
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

**PRAYER REQUEST**

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

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

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

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

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  
Allen Love & Stefanie Zdravek - friends of Demi Dunne  
Marilyn Bowen - friend of Jimmy and Patti Abraham  
Susan Felker & Danny Carlisle - friends of Jimmy & Patti Abraham  
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  
*(Names on our sick list must be re-requested after 30 days)*

**PRAYER LIST**

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

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

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

**WEEKLY CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 14, 2018**

**Sunday, 10/14**

10:15 a.m. - K-8 Religious Ed. - Center/Hall  
10:15 a.m. - Danté Adult Ed. - Hall  
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 Team Mtg. - Hall

**Monday, 10/15**

5:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts - Hall  
6:00 p.m. - Ladies Auxiliary Mtg. - Center  
6:00 p.m. - Liturgy Committee Mtg. - Center  
6:30 p.m. - ENGAGE - Church  
7:00 p.m. - CCM Mat Making - Center

**Tuesday, 10/16**

10:00 a.m. - Ladies Knitting Group - Lounge  
4:00 p.m. - Confession - Church  
6:00 p.m. - Casserole Kitchen - 1st Presbyterian  
6:30 p.m. - CCM Tuesday Night Dinner - Hall

**Wednesday, 10/17**

7:15 a.m. - Companions on the Journey - Center  
5:30 p.m. - Rule 62 - Lounge  
6:00 p.m. - CCM Game Night - Hall  
6:00 p.m. - 9:00 Choir Practice - Church  
6:00 p.m. - KC Council Mtg. - Mary Room  
6:30 p.m. - RCIA - Center  
7:00 p.m. - LIFT - CYO House

**Thursday, 10/18**

9:00 a.m. - Women's Morning Group - Center  
6:00 p.m. - CCM Girls' Group - Lounge  
7:00 p.m. - 5:30 Mass Choir Practice - Church  
7:00 p.m. - *The Mass* Series - Center  
8:00 p.m. - CCM Guys' Group - Lounge

**Friday, 10/19**

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

**Saturday, 10/20**

9:00 a.m. - Food Distribution - Hall  
10:00 a.m. - Rule 62 - Lounge  
12:00 p.m. - KC Blood Drive - Hall

**Sunday, 10/21**

10:15 a.m. - K-8 Religious Ed. - Center/Hall  
10:15 a.m. - Danté Adult Ed. - Hall  
10:15 a.m. - Coffee & Donuts - Hall  
1:00 p.m. - Quilting Group - Center  
4:30 p.m. - Rule 62 - Lounge  
6:30 p.m. - HS Religious Ed - Center

### **RCIA**

The next RCIA session will be Wednesday, October 17th, at 6:30pm in the Parish Center. The topics this week are the existence of God and the divinity of Christ. All are welcome!

### **CCM FALL RETREAT 2018**

**ATTENTION ALL COLLEGE STUDENTS:** Fall Retreat is this coming weekend, October 19th-21st. There is still time to turn in your retreat form and money! Pick up a form in the back of the church or you can come by the Church Office during the week.

### **TRUNK-R-TREAT**

Put on your favorite costume and join us for the St. Joseph Halloween Party hosted by the CYO, CCM, and the Knights of Columbus! Wednesday, October 31st, from 6:00-8:00pm in the Parish Hall, featuring our famous Trunk-R-Treat and many other games and attractions for kids of all ages. Complimentary hamburgers and hot dogs will be served, so bring the whole family!

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE**

If you're interested in helping those in need, serving our parish, growing in faith or obtaining exclusive access to top-rated insurance protection for your family, then the Knights of Columbus is the organization for you. Fr John Egan Council at St. Joseph will conduct a membership drive after each Mass today. Please consider joining our council. For more information, visit: [kofc.org](http://kofc.org) or [stjosephstarkvillecontact@bellsouth.net](mailto:stjosephstarkvillecontact@bellsouth.net) Mike Kassouf at [kassouf@bellsouth.net](mailto:kassouf@bellsouth.net)

### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR CCM PARENTS' NIGHT OUT!**

The CCM students are having their first Parents' Night Out on Saturday, December 1st, from 6:30-9:30pm in the Parish Hall. Mark your calendar to have a date night while we take care of the kids! There will be food, games, activities and a movie for them to enjoy. There is no fee, but any donations will be used to support the ongoing ministries of CCM. Thanks and we hope to see you then!

### **PROTECTION OF CHILDREN**

On Sunday, October 21st, the material covered in class for K-12th grade will be the annual diocesan protection of children program. This program is designed to help children understand proper boundaries, know and identify safe adults and other aspects of safe environments. If you would like to review the material prior to the 21st or if you would like to present this material to your child instead of having them learn it in class, please contact Deacon Jeff.

### **TRANSITIONS AND TRANSFORMATIONS DWELLING PLACE RETREAT, 11/9-11**

Am I in transition in retirement, in my workplace, in my family, my residence, my relationship or health? When the familiar is removed, how do I deal with my feelings in the "not yet"? Have I developed a plan as I transition from one phase of my life to another? How do I continue to live a more fulfilling life? Some of the topics that will be dealt with during this retreat will be: realizing my gifts, overcoming my fears, addressing my regrets, exploring my lost dreams. Where do I get my support? How does my faith assist my transition? This weekend will be a time to explore these issues in the light of faith. Facilitated by Dr. Francis Baird, LPC, who has a private counseling practice in Columbus and Starkville and Clare Van Lent, MA CSp, The Dwelling Place director. The retreat begins with dinner at 6:30pm on November 9th, and the cost is \$180. All are welcome.

### **KC BLOOD DRIVE**

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a blood drive on Saturday, October 20th, from noon to 5:00pm in the Parish Hall. Please contact Mark Lilly at 323-7794 for an appointment.

### **ST JOSEPH LADIES' LUNCHEON**

Our October Ladies' Luncheon will be on Tuesday, October 23rd, at 11:30am. It will be held at Kathie Parker's home, 13746 Miss Hwy 12W. Hostesses will be Elaine White, Mary McCoy, & Kathie Parker.

### **HURRICANE FLORENCE COLLECTION TODAY**

The USCCB has asked all Diocese in the United States to take up a special collection for the victims of Hurricane Florence and other 2018 natural disasters. Many mentioned missing the opportunity to give last Sunday, therefore we will be collecting again today, October 14th, and the proceeds will go to Catholic Charities, the official relief agency of the Catholic Church. If you would like to contribute, please make checks payable to St. Joseph with FLORENCE in the memo line and drop the donations in the basket on the table in the back of the church. Thank you for your generosity!

### **ACS NEWS...**

ACS Annual Art Auction "Understanding Mississippi" is October 26th at 7:00pm at the Town Creek Pavilion in West Point, MS. The night features a live auction, barbeque and an open bar. Tickets can be purchased for \$30 at the school office or \$35 at the door the night of the event. We are currently in need of silent auction items. If you have an art item, or know of someone who would be willing to donate an item, please deliver it to the school by October 24th. Auction items can be art pieces, gift certificates, donations from a retail store, etc. We appreciate your generosity! For more information contact Katie Fenstermacher at [marketing@annunciationcatholicsschool.org](mailto:marketing@annunciationcatholicsschool.org).

### **BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER**

The Knights of Columbus will be distributing baby bottles from the Starkville Pregnancy Care Center. We encourage each household to take a bottle home, fill it with coins, currency or checks, and return it no later than Sunday, October 28th. Your contributions will make a difference in the lives of young women in our community who are facing unexpected pregnancies. Your efforts will save the lives of unborn babies and help their moms learn about Jesus! Thank you for your participation!

### **CALLING ALL BASS FISHERMAN**

St. Richard Knights of Columbus is planning its 1st Annual Team Bass Challenge Saturday, November 10th, at Ross Barnett Rez. Friday Night Dinner will be served on November 9th for competing fishermen in Foley Hall featuring a guest speaker & door prizes. \$100.00 per 2 man team (optional 3rd member \$50.00). Payouts for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place. 1st Place Luncheon Pot \$30.00/Boat. Contact Tommy Lamas @ 601-366-2335 or [lamas@saintrichard.com](mailto:lamas@saintrichard.com) for more info.

### **EVENING ADULT ED. WITH DEACON JOHN**

**ENGAGE!** verb: to interest someone in something and keep them thinking about it. Deacon John McGinley will be leading a series of talks and discussions about faith and spirituality. The hope is that each session will help us all engage in our faith in new ways. For the next 3 months, there will be twice-monthly, 1-hour sessions in the church, held on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month from 6:30-7:30pm. There is no cost for this so come when you can!