



St Joseph

Catholic Church

607 University Dr. Starkville, Mississippi 39759
Office 662-323-2257 Fax: 662-323-2258
www.stjosephstarkville.org

PARISH STAFF

Fr. Lenin Vargas
fr.leninvargas@mac.com
Pastor

Fr. Rusty Vincent
rvincent890@yahoo.com
Associate Pastor

Deacon Jeff Artigues
jeff@stjosephstarkville.org
Pastoral Minister and DRE

Deacon John McGinley
johnmcginley@gmail.com

Mary Beth Nunenmacher
ccm@stjosephstarkville.org
Campus Minister

Ms. Demi Dunne
demi@stjosephstarkville.org
Office Manager

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 10:46-52

He began to cry out. (Mark 10:47)

Bartimaeus makes it perfectly clear: when we really want something, we will push through the obstacles in order to get it. Bartimaeus pushed through the opposition of the crowd that tried to keep him from Jesus. He wanted to be healed, and nothing would stop him. In a similar way, the "crowds" of the world seem to want to keep us from Jesus and from receiving his healing touch. They are telling us to be content with who we are. "Jesus can't help you," they tell us, "so just accept the status quo instead."

The problem is, what the world offers can leave us restless, unfulfilled, always searching, always looking for the next best thing to make us happy. All too often, our desires for God's peace and love become fleeting moments that get shouted down by the influence of the crowd. Each day, in certain ways, we face opposition similar to what Bartimaeus faced. He was wrapped in a "cloak" of comfort (Mark 10:50). The crowd told him to stay put and to be content with his blindness. "Jesus cannot help you; you're not worth his time." But Bartimaeus was desperate. He refused to listen to the crowd. As a result, Jesus heard him, and Bartimaeus gladly threw off his cloak and ran to where Jesus could wrap him in divine love.

Follow Bartimaeus' example! The crowds of the world want all of your time, but you don't have to follow them. Today and every day, you can throw aside the "cloak" of partial comfort and spring up to meet Jesus (Mark 10:50). Let him wrap you in a cloak of grace and healing. Remember this as well: while the crowds of the world want to keep you from Jesus, there are also crowds of disciples who want to follow him. They can help you grow in your faith. Find people who pray together. Find a Bible study. Join people who serve the poor. Surround yourself with people who share your desire for Jesus. Join them as you follow Jesus "on the way" (Mark 10:52).

"Open my eyes, Lord, to the disciples around me."

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon, Oct 29	12:05 pm – Health of Shiloh Sciacca
Tues, Oct 30	5:30 pm – Special Intention
Wed, Oct 31	12:05 pm – Long Nguyen
Thurs, Nov 1 – Feast of All Saints	7:00 am – People of St. Joseph 12:05 pm – People of St. Joseph 7:00 pm – People of St. Joseph
Fri, Nov 2 – Feast of All Souls	12:05 pm – Ed Beriswill
Sat, Nov 3	5:00 pm – People of Corpus Christi, Macon, MS
Sun, Nov 4	9:00 am – People of St. Joseph 11:30 am – People of St. Joseph 5:30 pm – People of St. Joseph

Sunday Offering: \$8,541.00

Thank you for your contributions and generosity!

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

José Solorzano - father of Fr. Mario Solorzano
Sr. Ailes Therese - friend of Al Baca
Nicky Cumberland - friend of Courtney Slattery
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
Shiloh Sciacca - nephew of Havilah and Neil Couvillion
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

PRAYER REQUEST

Pray for: _____
By/Relation: _____
Date: _____ New request ___ Renewal ___ (check one)
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
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
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:

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

The Catholic Faith. On Demand
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 OCTOBER 28, 2018

Sunday, 10/28

10:15 a.m. - K-8 Religious Ed. - Center/Hall
10:15 a.m. - Danté Adult Ed. - Hall
10:15 a.m. - Bake Sale - Church
12:30 p.m. - Bake Sale - 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 Team Mtg. - Hall

Monday, 10/29

5:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts - Hall
7:00 p.m. - CCM Mat Making - Center

Tuesday, 10/30

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

Wednesday, 10/31 - Halloween

7:15 a.m. - Companions on the Journey - Center
5:30 p.m. - Rule 62 - Lounge
6:00 p.m. - Trunk-R-Treat - Hall & Parking lot
6:00 p.m. - 9:00 Choir Practice - Church
6:30 p.m. - RCIA - Center
7:00 p.m. - LIFT - CYO House

Thursday, 11/1 - All Saints' Day

9:00 a.m. - Women's Morning Group - Center
6:00 p.m. - CCM Girls' Group - Lounge
8:00 p.m. - CCM Guys' Group - Lounge

Friday, 11/2 - All Souls' Day

11:30 a.m. - Pro-Life Rosary - Church
12:30 p.m. - Prayer Service - Columbarium

Saturday, 11/3

10:00 a.m. - Rule 62 - Lounge
CCM Game Day Parking - TBA

Sunday, 11/4

10:15 a.m. - K-8 Religious Ed. - Center/Hall
10:15 a.m. - Danté Adult Ed. - Hall
10:15 a.m. - Pancake Breakfast - 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 31st, at 6:30pm in the Parish Center. The topics this week are saints and All Saints. All are welcome!

PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY TODAY, 10/28/18

The last Sunday in October is Priesthood Sunday. Please keep our priests in your prayers, and if you get the chance today, let them know of your appreciation for their presence in our lives and for faithfully serving our spiritual needs throughout the year.

USHER TRAINING

This Sunday after 9am and 11:30am Masses, there will be a Greeter/Usher Training lasting about 15 minutes. Please plan to join us.

ALL SAINTS' DAY SCHEDULE

November 1st is the Feast of All Saints. It is a Holy Day of Obligation and the Church Office will be closed. Our Mass times for that day will be 7:00am, 12:05pm & 7:00pm.

ALL SOULS' DAY MASS AND COLUMBARIUM PRAYER SERVICE

November 2nd is the Feast of All Souls, and we will have Mass at 12:05pm. Immediately following the Mass, we will have a prayer service in the Columbarium honoring those members of our St. Joseph family who have been laid to rest there. All family and friends of our dearly departed are invited to participate.

CYO GARAGE SALE

This year's CYO Garage Sale will take place Saturday, December 1st, from 8:00 -11:30am in the Parish Center. If you're anticipating receiving new furniture, appliances, or other household items, then donate your older (but in good/working condition) items to the church. Items can be brought to the Parish Center on Thursday, Nov. 29th, from 8:30am -5:00pm and Friday, Nov. 30th, from 8:30am -1:00pm. Contact Jeff with any questions, or if you have larger items that you may need help with. Thank you.

KC NEWS

Congratulations and welcome to the following new members who joined Starkville's Fr John P Egan, Knights of Columbus Council: Brendan Jones, Dennis Joy, and Vijayan Chellaian.

BAKE SALE TODAY!

The Ladies Auxiliary is hosting their annual bake sale after the morning Masses today to raise funds for a scholarship to support a young parishioner entering college next Fall. Please join us for this "sweet" cause by buying some delicious baked goods after Mass!

KC "GET OUT THE VOTE" DRIVE AND ELECTION NOVENA

In Keeping with the Knights of Columbus' focus on patriotism and civic involvement, Assembly 2734 is announcing a NONPARTISAN "Get Out the Vote" drive to make sure that all registered voters in the parish are able to make it to the polls on November 6th. The Knights of Columbus Council has organized nonpartisan teams of volunteers who are taking the names and addresses of individuals who may have trouble getting to the polls, such as elderly persons, those who are disabled, and others who are unable to drive or walk to their precinct. The team is responsible for arranging transportation to the polls for these individuals on Election Day. Any registered voter in the parish who needs assistance or

transportation on Tuesday, November 6th, please see a representative from the Knights after Mass or contact Chuck Bailey at 662-312-4588. In addition, the Knights have made up Election Day Novena cards to be prayed for 9 consecutive days beginning on October 29th to November 6th. The Novena comes from the 1959 dedication of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC, as Mary Immaculate is the declared patroness of the United States. Everyone is invited to participate in the Novena. If you are interested, please pick up the prayer card from the table in the back of the Church.

BELK CHARITY SALE

Assembly 2734 of the Knights of Columbus is selling tickets to the Belk Charity Sale for only \$5. All proceeds from the ticket price go directly to the Knights and you can deduct \$5 from your purchase. The sale will be held from 6am until 10am on Saturday, November 3rd, at any Belk store. Brochures detailing the in store discounts and tickets can be purchased from the church office or by calling Chuck Bailey at (662) 312-4588.

TRUNK-R-TREAT THIS WEDNESDAY!

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!

TRANSITIONS AND TRANSFORMATIONS RETREAT

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 CSsp, The Dwelling Place director. The retreat begins with dinner at 6:30pm on November 9th, and the cost is \$180.

BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER DEADLINE TODAY

The Knights of Columbus baby bottle fundraiser is coming to an end! If you haven't already, we encourage you to return your bottles as soon as possible! Even if they are empty, we would like to get them back. Please make checks payable to The Knights of Columbus, and thank you so much for participating.

A PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests. Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments. Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with love for your people. Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom. Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel. Allow them to experience joy in their ministry. Help them to become instruments of your divine grace. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest. Amen.