



The 2nd Sunday of Lent

March 17, 2019

St Joseph

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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

“Listening to Him” Helps Release the Grip of Evil

“This is my chosen son, listen to Him” (Lk 9: 36), this is what God commanded of Peter, James and John at the time of Jesus’ transfiguration. Listening to the Lord is essential. Our loving Lord sees that which is good, blessed and a gift in each of us and constantly desires creative, bold, exciting adventures in and through us. He wants to work in and through our gifts and talents, not only so that we can be loved, but so His love will shine in and through us. However, there are those inside and outside our Catholic Church who have chosen a deadlier path. They have chosen not to listen to the Lord and have gone down destructive paths. This next week Bishop Kopacz, as many bishops have already done, will be releasing the names of approximately 40 priests and one deacon who have had credible accusations against them of abusing children at some point and time in this diocese over the past 80 years. This is compounded with the horror we hear in the news of Church, Civil and Community people of power that have ignored, covered up, or did not respond aggressively when allegations were brought forward to them. In these times of greater accountability, Bishop Kopacz prays that, in publishing the names of abusers in the church, our knowing who they are will help in continuing healing and encouraging those who have not come forward to feel empowered to do so. The destruction that their abuse has caused is heart breaking. As we are assured by the transfiguration that God is constantly transforming bad into good, let us pray for those who have been abused and their families. Let us also pray for ourselves, that we will not fall into the trap of misusing our gifts and talents. For we must loosen the grip that sin has on us and others by turning to the Lord and “listening to Him.”

Christ’s Blessings,
 Fr. Jeffrey Waldrep

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon, Mar 18	12:05 pm – Warren Bourgeois, Sr.
Tues, Mar 19 – St. Joseph’s Feast Day	5:30 pm – People of St. Joseph
Wed, Mar 20	12:05 pm – Kaitlynn Vannoy
Thurs, Mar 21	5:30 pm – Robert J. Frohoff
Fri, Mar 22	12:05 pm – The Priests of the Jackson Diocese
Sat, Mar 23	5:00 pm – People of Corpus Christi, Macon, MS
Sun, Mar 24	9:00 am – People of St. Joseph 11:30 am – Special Intention 5:30 pm – People of St. Joseph

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

The Shippel family - friends of the Keiths
 Jean Kelley - sister of Mary June Lavelle
 Bob Nadorff - father of Michael Nadorff
 Bob Lambert - brother of Mary McCoy
 Marjorie Orr - sister of Lucia Hoover
 Gary Keith - father of Jason Keith
 Walker Jones - brother of Greer Smith
 Walter Stewart - father of Sarah Nedoff
 Dan Reese - brother of David Reese
 Stefanie Zdravec and LS Wills - friends of Demi Dunne
 Beverly Smitherman - friend of a parishioner
 Chris Coleman & family - friends of a parishioner
 Parents of a parishioner
 Barbara Setaro - friend of Beverly Wilson
 Kelson Bohna - son of Ron and Dana Bohna
 Barbara Brown - mother of Robin O’Nan
 Margaret Williams & Marth Hogan - aunt and cousin of Tamara Allen
 John Riske - father of Sarah Twietmeyer
 Dawn Repta & Walker Scrivner - cousin & friend of Gregg Twietmeyer
 Family of Rebecca Howell Trevino - cousin of Margaret Ann Chandler
 Lyda Alice Burnham, Bruce Burnham and family - friends of a parishioner
 Colleen Parker & Cindy Pittman - daughters of Wil and Judy White
 John Weston - nephew of Fred & Julie Smith
 Mike Delouche - son of Curt & Shirley Delouche
 Greg Bevill - son of Amelia Bevill
 Melinda Redwine, Brenda Sisson,
 Audrey Scales & Dr. Bill Foster - friends of Jimmy & Patti Abraham
 Fr. Robert Dalton - friend of Al Baca
 Conor Moran - nephew of Barbara and David Monts
 Lyn Barbier - mother of Kathryn Barbier

PRAYER REQUEST

Pray for: _____
 By/Relation: _____
 Date: _____ New request ___ Renewal ___ (check one)
Turn this form into the office or drop in the collection

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
 Liz, Austin & Nick Redding - sister and nephews of Katie Gent
 John Breuning - father of Peggy Cini
 Matt Savage - friend of a parishioner
 Brian Pitre - son of Lea Pitre
 Arlene Diaz - friend of a parishioner
 Greg Raney and family - friends of David and Lisa Darce
 Bonnie Bennett - friend 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
(Names on our sick list must be re-requested after 30 days)

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for our fellow parishioners who are sick:

Tim Bastow	Barbara Clynh	Jane Ammerman
Lee Ann Wilson	Kathryn Randall	Peggy Wolverton
Joe and June Schmidt	Theresa Lollar	Julie Smith
John Marszalek	Ana Maria Lopez	Charley Joel
Duane Aultman	Robert Harris	Paul Cuicchi
Fr. Lenin Vargas	Trish Auel	Kathy Winston & Jane Bell
Twila Alpe	John Simpson	Lainie Anthony
Dan Ryder	Charles Tubertini	Barb Grzybowski
Shirley Delouche	Chip Gavron	Emily Jones
Joel Okula	Al Baca	Mary Runnels
Dan Stumpf	Patricia Raines	Hugh Comish
Libby & Hugh Gerald	Jason Rollins	Tara Puckett
Mary Beth Moore	Rose Fischer	Flo Henley
Michael Rust	Susan & Virginia Brown	Dee Dee Cook
Brenda Fratesi	Dianna Janus	Bud Tomaso

ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE

Please pray for those fighting abroad to keep us safe:

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

STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION

Sunday Offering: \$10,216.00
 Online Giving: \$4,255.00

REFLECTION

Today’s first reading describes the offering of first fruits the people of Israel were to present to the Lord in thanksgiving for their deliverance from Egypt and the gift of the promised land. Is my offering at today’s Mass an appropriate response to the many blessings the Lord has given me?

WEEKLY CALENDAR FOR MARCH 10 and 17, 2019

Sunday, 3/10

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

Monday, 3/11 - No church activities

Tuesday, 3/12

7:00 a.m. - Men’s Prayer Breakfast - Hall

Wednesday, 3/13

12:00 p.m. - Lenten Lunch - FUMC
 5:30 p.m. - Rule 62 - Lounge
 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 Mass Choir Practice - Church

Thursday, 3/14

11:30 a.m. - Ladies Luncheon - Center
 4:30 p.m. - Confession - Church
 6:00 p.m. - KC Council Mtg. - Center

Friday, 3/15

12:30 p.m. - Pro-life Rosary - Church
 5:30 p.m. - Stations of the Cross - Church
 6:00 p.m. - KC Fish Fry -Hall

Saturday, 3/16

10:00 a.m. - Rule 62 - Lounge

Sunday, 3/17

10:15 a.m. - 3rd Sunday Coffee & Donuts - Hall
 1:30 p.m. - Quilting Group - Center
 4:30 p.m. - Rule 62 - lounge

Monday, 3/18

5:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts - Hall
 6:00 p.m. - Ladies Auxiliary Mtg. - Center
 7:00 p.m. - CCM Mat-Making - Hall
 8:00 p.m. - CCM Adoration - Church

Tuesday, 3/19 - St. Joseph Feast Day

7:00 a.m. - Men’s Prayer Breakfast - Hall
 10:00 a.m. - Ladies Knitting Group - Lounge
 4:30 p.m. - Confession - Church
 6:00 p.m. - Casserole Kitchen. - 1st Presbyterian
 6:00 p.m. - St. Joseph Feast Day Dinner - Hall

Wednesday, 3/20

12:00 p.m. - Lenten Lunch - FUMC
 5:30 p.m. - Rule 62 - Lounge
 5:30 p.m. - Finance Council Mtg. - Center
 5:30 p.m. - CCM Exodus 90 Mtg. - Hall
 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 Mass Choir Practice - Church
 6:30 p.m. - RCIA - Center
 7:00 p.m. - CCM Bible Study - Lounge

Thursday, 3/21

9:00 a.m. - Women’s Group - Center
 4:30 p.m. - Confession - Church
 6:00 p.m. - CCM Girls’ Group - Lounge
 6:15 p.m. - Parish Council Mtg. - Center
 6:30 p.m. - RCIA Team Mtg. - Center
 7:00 p.m. - 5:30 Choir Practice - Church
 8:00 p.m. - CCM Guys’ Group - Lounge

Friday, 3/22

11:30 a.m. - Pro-life Rosary - Church
 12:00 p.m. - Stations of the Cross - Church
 6:00 p.m. - KC Fish Fry -Hall

Saturday, 3/23

10:00 a.m. - Rule 62 - Lounge
 3:00 p.m. - CCM Murder - Hall

Sunday, 3/24

10:15 a.m. - K-8 Religious Ed. - Center/Hall
 1:00 p.m. - Quilting Group - Center
 4:30 p.m. - Rule 62 - Lounge
 6:30 p.m. - CCM Ministry Team Mtg. - Hall

RCIA

Because of spring break, RCIA will not meet on Wednesday, March 13th. The next RCIA session will be at 6:30pm on Wednesday, March 20th, in the Parish Center. The topic will be the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. All are welcome.

SPRING BREAK SCHEDULE

The Church Office will be closed this week, and Father Jason will not be available for Confession or Mass on Monday or Tuesday. We will have Communion Services those days, however, and daily Masses the rest of the week. Additionally, Religious Ed. will not meet today or next week, but we will resume K-8 classes on Sunday, March 24th and HS classes on April 7th. We hope you have a blessed break!

NO THURSDAY WOMEN'S GROUP THIS WEEK

The Thursday Morning Women's Group will not meet this week for Spring Break. They will resume on Thursday, March 21st.

EXTRA LENTEN CONFESSIONS

In order to give folks more opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation this Lenten Season, Father Jason plans to add Confessions each Thursday of Lent at 4:30pm, preceding the 5:30 daily Mass.

LADIES' LUNCHEON

March 14th will be the next St. Joseph Ladies' Luncheon in the Parish Center at 11:30am. Be sure to wear green as we're celebrating St Patrick's Day! Your hostesses will be Beverly Wilson, Mary June Lavelle, Patricia Uzoigwe and Hillary Smith. We hope to see you there!

THIRD SUNDAY COFFEE & DONUTS, 3/17/19

Join us on Sunday, March 17th, between the morning Masses for food and fellowship in the Parish Hall. Every 3rd Sunday of the month, following the 9:00am Mass, the Parish Care Committee is providing Shipley's doughnuts, juice and coffee for the whole parish to get together and visit with one another. All are invited!

OKTIBBEHA COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY FUNDRAISER MARCH 17TH

Having a graduation party, family get together, or baseball tailgate? You can win a Little Dooey tailgate package for 20 (\$264 value) that includes pulled pork, chicken, 3 sides, cheese & sausage tray, iced tea and all the fixings. Tickets (2 for \$5 or 5 for \$10) will be on sale after Mass on Sunday, March 17th. The drawing will be March 18th. 2nd & 3rd place prizes of a Family Pack for 6 (\$33 value) will also be awarded.

ST JOSEPH FEAST DAY, MARCH 19TH

Please join us on March 19th to celebrate the Feast Day of our parish patron saint, St. Joseph. The St. Joseph Altar will be set up in the Hall and a dinner will be served following the 5:30pm Mass that evening. Everyone is encouraged to participate in the making of the St. Joseph Altar and volunteers are needed to provide items for it. Some of the items needed are bottles of wine, olive oil, bags of rice, spaghetti, dried beans, etc. We are also asking for canned goods to be donated to the SJFP, particularly protein canned goods, such as peanut butter, tuna fish or canned meats, as well as canned fruit. Please bring the items on Sunday, March 17th, after 1:00pm to the Parish Hall, and feel free to stay and help with set-up! If you have any questions, please contact Hillary Smith at 662-719-1689.

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

Tuesdays during Lent, from 7:00-7:45am, come to pray and reflect on this holy season of Lent and enjoy breakfast provided by the Knights of Columbus. All men of the parish are welcome to attend.

LENTEN LUNCHEON

Every Wednesday during Lent, the Starkville Ministerial Association is sponsoring a weekly Lenten Luncheon at 12 noon at the First United Methodist Church. FUMC is located at 200 W. Lampkin Street downtown. St. Joseph will lead the reflection and provide the meal on March 20th. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND FISH FRY

Please join us each Friday evening of Lent for the Stations of the Cross in the Church beginning at 5:30pm, followed by the Knights of Columbus Fish Fry. Bring the whole family to enjoy a fried or baked catfish dinner with all the fixings for \$8.00 per plate for adults and \$5.00 for students or kids under 16. Cash, checks and now also credit cards accepted!

PARISH LENTEN MISSION, APRIL 4TH

Fr. Francis Orozco, OP, a Dominican friar and Vocations Director of the St. Martin de Porres Southern Province of Dominicans, will offer a mission on the Mercy of God and the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy on Wednesday, April 4th, at 6:00pm. This year will be different in that our Lenten Reconciliation Service will follow the Mission Service. We hope all of our parishioners can attend!

PARISH RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Join us for a Parish Reconciliation Service on Wednesday, April 4th, following the Lenten Mission in the Church. Several priests from our neighboring parishes will come down to hear your confessions. Lent is a wonderful time to receive this very important Sacrament, so please make plans to come.

CATHOLIC SERVICE APPEAL

We thank all those at St. Joseph Parish who have generously responded to the annual Catholic Service Appeal. Countless lives are touched by every contribution. We ask that God grant us a renewed sense of responsibility for the work of our parish, diocese and the church throughout the world. We ask those who have not sent in your pledge to please consider a gift. To date, St. Joseph has raised \$5,504.00, and our goal is \$35,486.69. For more on information about the Appeal or to donate online, please visit www.jacksondiocese.org.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED AT 11:30AM MASS

We are still seeking volunteers who would like to serve the 11:30am Mass as Eucharistic Ministers. We have had several people move and drop off the list recently and are hoping to replace those folks and even gather more! You will only be asked to serve 1-2 times per month, and training only takes about 15 minutes. If you have ever considered serving the parish in this important ministry, now is the time to join us! Please call Deacon Jeff in the office to set up a time to train at your convenience, and thank you so much for your willingness to serve!