



Third Sunday of Easter

May 5, 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

"Imagining Heaven"

Have you ever tried to picture heaven? Have you ever thought about what your stance is, although distant, in the presence of heaven? St. John in the Book of Revelation writes that in heaven there are countless numbers of people joyfully crying out in a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches, wisdom and strength, honor and glory and blessing" (Rev. 5:12). As believers transformed by Easter joy we are called, as heaven and earth unite, to have the same presence before the Lord. We are charged to show daily reverence, love and devotion to the Lord by joyfully crying out to Him. This means daily using our power, our positions, our relationships, our things, and our very wisdom to honor God. We are called to direct our health, our finances, our families and our gifts to constantly give glory to God. As part of the Communion of Saints we, together with the angels and saints, are Easter people charged with the mission to constantly give the proper joyful worship due to our Lord in heaven. We are to give worthy praise each day by giving all of our power, riches, wisdom, strength, honor and glory to God. In this daily walk of praise, the blessings that are returned will be so amazing that you will not be able to contain sharing that anointing with others. "Imagining heaven" helps us to know our basic mission - joyfully cry out in worship before the Lord. Look around you, look within you, look ahead of you and seize every opportunity as an instrument of worship and praise before the Lord. No, we don't just have to "imagine heaven", heaven and earth are in an intimate relationship when we are worshiping the Lord.

Christ's Blessings,
 Fr. Jeffrey Waldrep

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon, May 6	12:05 pm - Communion Service
Tues, May 7	5:30 pm - For the Priests of the Jackson Diocese
Wed, May 8	12:05 pm - Communion Service
Thurs, May 9	5:30 pm - Communion Service
Fri, May 10	12:05 pm - Special Intention
Sat, May 11	5:00 pm - People of Corpus Christi, Macon, MS
Sun, May 12	9:00 am - People of St. Joseph 11:30 am - People of St. Joseph

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

The Dakhlalla family - friends of the Folletts
 Pat Wilkes - daughter of Mary Runnels
 Kyle Williams and Hector Mula - friends of John & Jean Marszalek
 Gary Didly - cousin of Kathryn Barbier
 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
 Lyda Alice Burnham, Bruce Burnham and family - friends of a parishioner
 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
 Cindy Pittman - daughter 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 and

PRAYER REQUEST

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

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
 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
 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

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for our fellow parishioners who are sick:

Edwina Hogue	Barbara Clynych	Jane Ammerman
Tim Bastow	Kathryn Randall	Peggy Wolverton
Lee Ann Wilson	Theresa Lollar	Julie Smith
Joe and June Schmidt	Ana Maria Lopez	Charley Joel
John Marszalek	Robert Harris	Paul Cuicchi
Duane Aultman	Trish Auel	Kathy Winston & Jane Bell
Fr. Lenin Vargas	John Simpson	Lainie Anthony
Twila Alpe	Charles Tubertini	Barb Grzybowski
Dan Ryder	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	Patrick Smith	Andrew Pitman
Adam Fuhrmann	Cory Delouche	
Christian Bondi	Robert Elias	
Ryan Mangum	Clayton Eckler	
Matt Savage	Scott Shepard	

STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION
 Sunday Offering: \$5,725.00
 Online Giving: \$1,445.00

REFLECTION
 In today’s Gospel, Jesus tells Peter again and again, “If you love Me, feed my sheep.” He says the same to each of us, “If you love Me, use the gifts I have given you to serve your brothers and sisters.”

WEEKLY CALENDAR FOR MAY 5, 2019

Sunday, 5/5

10:15 am - K-8 Religious Ed. - Center/Hall
 10:15 am - KC Pancake Breakfast - Hall
 12:30 pm - 1st Communion Reception - Hall
 1:00 pm - Quilting Group - Center
 4:30 pm - Rule 62 - Lounge
 6:30 pm - HS Religious Ed. - Center

Monday, 5/6

5:50 pm - Boy Scouts - Hall

Tuesday, 5/7

10:00 am - Ladies Knitting Group - Lounge
 11:30 am - Grand Generation Lunch - Center
 4:00 pm - Confession - Church
 6:30 pm - RCIA Team Mtg. - Center

Wednesday, 5/8

Lebanese Dinner Prep - Hall
 7:15 am - Men’s Group - Center
 5:30 pm - Rule 62 - Lounge
 6:00 pm - 9am Choir Practice - Church
 7:00 pm - LIFT - CYO House

Thursday, 5/9

Lebanese Dinner Prep - Hall
 6:00 pm - KC Council Mtg. - Center
 6:00 pm - Confirmation - ACC

Friday, 5/10

Lebanese Dinner Prep - Hall
 11:30 am - Pro-life Rosary - Church
 6:00 pm - Wedding Rehearsal - Church

Saturday, 5/11

Lebanese Dinner Prep - Hall
 10:00 am - Rule 62 - Lounge
 5:30 pm - Wedding - Church
 6:30 pm - Reception - Hall

Sunday, 5/12 - Mother’s Day

Lebanese Dinner Prep - Hall
 10:15 am - K-8 Religious Ed. - Center/Hall
 1:00 pm - Quilting Group - Center
 4:30 pm - Rule 62 - Lounge
 6:30 pm - HS Religious Ed. - Center

GRAND GENERATION

The Grand Generation Luncheon will be this coming Tuesday at 11:30am in the Parish Center. In case you didn't know, the Grand Generation is our group of parishioners who are in that 60+ age range, and on the first Tuesday of each month, we like to show our appreciation for them by preparing and serving a home cooked meal. If you are in the grand generation and are interested in enjoying some good food and fellowship with us, there is no need to register...just join us this Tuesday! We hope to see you there!

FATHER JASON OUT

This week, Father Jason will be out of town on Wednesday and Thursday, so we will have Communion Services those days at the usual Mass times.

PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS TODAY

Elections for the Pastoral Council are today. Nominees for each position have been posted in the back of the church and are listed on the ballots. Please take a moment to cast your ballot before leaving Mass today! Thanks to all of you who agreed to run for the open positions, and thank you to all our current members who served the parish so well this past year!

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The Ladies Auxiliary is offering a \$1000 college scholarship to a graduating high school senior from our parish! Application forms are available on our website www.stjosephstarkville.org, or on the parish Facebook page. The deadline to apply is June 3rd at 2pm.

FAREWELL PATRICK

We offer our thanks and bid farewell to Patrick Francis, our 5:30pm Mass Choir Director, who will be leaving us this month to move back to his hometown. We are very grateful to have had him serving with us and for all the hard work he put in this past year! We wish him all of the best as he moves on and hope he will have continued success in the future!

ADORATION OPENING FOR THE SUMMER

Every week we are able to have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for a full 24 hours from 7am Tuesday to 7am Wednesday. This summer, we have an opening and need someone to cover Adoration starting Wednesday, May 29th, through July 31st, from 4:00am to 5:00am. If you have ever considered being a part of this wonderful ministry, this would be a perfect time to try it. Please email Mike Kassouf at kassouf@bellsouth.net if you want to help.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our 2nd graders receiving their first Holy Communion today, and to our 11th and 12 graders who will be Confirmed this week in Columbus at Annunciation Catholic Church on May 9th! We are so proud and grateful to see you receive these life-changing Sacraments, and you will remain in our prayers as you continue to grow in your faith!

MAY ROSARIES BEFORE MASS

The Knights of Columbus will be leading the rosary before each Sunday Mass in the month of May in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary. If you would like to join us in honoring her, please arrive 20 minutes before Mass and bring your rosary.

FAREWELL AND GOOD LUCK GRADUATES!

CCM and the parish would like to congratulate our 2019 graduates for all of their accomplishments! We wish you the very best and hope you know that you always have a home here in Starkville! Congratulations and God bless each of you!

ACS DRAW DOWN

Join us for our annual Draw Down fundraiser on May 10th at 7pm at the Trotter Convention Center at 402 2nd Ave N. in Columbus. This event is sponsored each year by the ACS advisory council. Tickets are \$100, which admits two adults and includes dinner, drinks, live music, and a chance to win \$10,000! Tickets can be purchased in the gathering space after Mass from Heather Fulton.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

All 5 year olds through 4th graders are invited to join us for VBS June 3rd-6th 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 helpers.

CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S CAMP

A Catholic Camp for children will be held in NE Mississippi on June 16-22 for boys and girls ages 7-11 and June 23-29 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 kids in north MS. The cost is \$100/ week. Scholarships and reduced fees are available. For applications, call, text or email: Ms. Heidi Stephens or Fr. Tim Murphy 662-304-0087 or catholiccamps@juno.com

LEBANESE DINNER

Our 13th annual Lebanese Dinner sponsored by the Knights of Columbus is Thursday, May 16th. 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 will be selling tickets on Sundays after Mass, or you can order online at: <https://squareup.com/store/knights-of-columbus-170>.

GATHERING SPACE LIBRARY

The books in the Gathering Space are organized by category, and each category has been assigned a number, which you will see on each book. The books are there for your use, so please feel free to borrow, enjoy them, and return them to be shared with others! When you return books, please do not re-shelve them yourself. Put them on the bookcase to the right, labeled "RETURN BOOKS HERE". If you would like to donate appropriate books, please take them to Deacon Jeff in the office, but do not leave them on the bookshelves. Books for children or young teens are kept in the Parish Center rather than this space. If you have any questions, contact Barbara Frank at 662-323-0538, and she will be able to help you.

WITH SYMPATHY...

We offer our condolences and our prayers to Peggy Cini on the death of her father, John Breuning, last week. May the grace and love of our Lord bring comfort and peace to you and your loved ones at this time.