



Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 12, 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

Staying Tuned in to His Voice

Life in general is "noisy," and it is not always easy for us to hear the voice of our Good Shepherd Jesus Christ. We are bombarded with people's voices, images all around and ideas rolling through our heads. Jesus, our Good Shepherd, knows this and reaffirms us - "My sheep hear my voice; I know them and they follow me." Jesus Christ says this with the utmost confidence because he knows that he is always paying attention to us, just as a good shepherd pays attention to his sheep. He is always speaking to us, just as a good shepherd walks ahead of his flock talking and singing, so they can hear him and follow along. No matter how noisy, dark, or stormy life gets, he knows how to make His voice heard in our hearts. All we are required to do is to keep tuned into His voice through a daily prayer life. The reality is that God's server never goes down, the reception never goes bad: as soon as we turn the attention of our hearts to our Good Shepherd, he makes his voice heard. God is always online, waiting for us to turn our attention to him, so he can guide us to the meaningful life we long for. We must seize every opportunity that we have: daily mass, Eucharistic Adoration or weekly Rosaries are just a few of the many opportunities before us to stay tuned in to the Lord, while cancelling out the worldly noises. As we renew this weekend our commitment to listen, to give daily prayer and spiritual opportunities the place they ought to have in our lives, let us remember to stay tuned into our Good Shepherd's voice. All the other noise will not be as important.

Christ's Blessings,
 Fr. Jeffrey Waldrep

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon, May 13	12:05 pm - Communion Service
Tues, May 14	5:30 pm - Damien Harris
Wed, May 15	12:05 pm - Special Intention
Thurs, May 16	5:30 pm - Cornelius & Kathleen Ryan
Fri, May 17	12:05 pm - For the Priests of the Jackson Diocese
Sat, May 18	5:00 pm - People of Corpus Christi, Macon, MS
Sun, May 19	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:

Mary Lynn McKee - sister of Jay & Laura McKee
 Anita Marie Gerald - sister-in-law of Hugh Gerald
 The Dakhlalla family - friends of the Folletts
 Carly - friend of Tim Bastow
 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

PRAYER REQUEST

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

Mike Delouche - son of Curt & Shirley Delouche
 Greg Bevill - son of Amelia Bevill
 Melinda Redwine, Brenda Sisson, Audrey Scales and
 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
(Names on our sick list must be re-requested after 30 days)

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for our fellow parishioners who are sick:

Diane Crutchfield	Barbara Clynch	Jane Ammerman
Edwina Hogue	Kathryn Randall	Peggy Wolverton
Tim Bastow	Theresa Lollar	Julie Smith
Lee Ann Wilson	Ana Maria Lopez	Charley Joel
Joe and June Schmidt	Robert Harris	Paul Cuicchi
John Marszalek	Trish Auel	Kathy Winston & Jane Bell
Duane Aultman	John Simpson	Lainie Anthony
Fr. Lenin Vargas	Charles Tubertini	Barb Grzybowski
Twila Alpe	Chip Gavron	Emily Jones
Dan Ryder	Al Baca	Mary Runnels
Joel Okula	Patricia Raines	Hugh Comish
Dan Stumpf	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: \$10,943.50
 Online Giving: \$3,995.00

REFLECTION
 Paul and Barnabas encountered both violent rejection and joyful acceptance of the message that they preached. We, too, may meet with mixed reactions when we serve God, but the reward for those who follow faithfully is eternal life.

WEEKLY CALENDAR FOR MAY 12, 2019

Sunday, 5/12 - Mother's Day

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

Monday, 5/13

Lebanese Dinner Prep - Hall
 5:00 pm - Grief Group - Lounge
 5:30 pm - Boy Scouts - Hall

Tuesday, 5/14

Lebanese Dinner Prep - Hall
 10:00 am - Ladies Knitting Group - Lounge
 4:00 pm - Confession - Church

Wednesday, 5/15

Lebanese Dinner Prep - Hall
 7:15 am - Men's Group - Center
 1:00 pm - Book Club - Lounge
 5:30 pm - Rule 62 - Lounge
 6:00 pm - Finance Council Mtg. - Center
 6:00 pm - 9am Choir Practice - Church
 7:00 pm - LIFT - CYO House

Thursday, 5/16

11:00 am - Dinner Distribution - Hall

Friday, 5/17

11:30 am - Pro-life Rosary - Church
 1:00 pm - Quince Decorating - Hall
 6:00 pm - Wedding Rehearsal - Church

Saturday, 5/18

10:00 am - Rule 62 - Lounge
 5:30 pm - Wedding - Church
 7:00 pm - Quincinera - Hall

Sunday, 5/19

10:15 am - 3rd Sunday Coffee & Donuts - Hall
 2:00 pm - Knights Meeting - Center
 4:30 pm - Rule 62 - Lounge

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

To all our mothers, grandmothers, step-mothers, and god-mothers, we wish you the very best on this day! May God continue to bless you in your vocation! You are so loved!

PASTORAL COUNCIL RESULTS

We thank all our volunteers who ran for the Pastoral Council this year! We are so grateful for your willingness to serve our parish!

Please welcome our newest council members:

President Elect: Chris House
Secretary: Flo Henley
Parish Life Commissioner: Kathryn Barbier
Witness Commissioner: Beverly Wilson

They will join President Glenn Schmidt to begin their terms on June 1st, 2019. The following volunteers will also continue to serve on the council until May 31, 2020:

Worship Commissioner: Tom Simmonds
Faith Enrichment Commissioner: Rosy Taquino-Nigro
Parish Organizations Commissioner: Hillary Smith

Thanks also to Laura Damm, Dana Bohna, Robin Pigg, and Ian Perez for serving the last two years. Please keep our Pastoral Council in your prayers as they continue to help put our mission into practice.

FINAL RELIGIOUS ED. TODAY

Today will be our last Religious Ed classes of the year. We thank all our teachers, students and parents for their hard work! Enjoy your summer and see you all again in September!

ST. JOSEPH LADIES' LUNCHEON

The May Ladies' Luncheon will be on Tuesday, May 21st, at 11:30am at Elise McKinley's home. Elise's address is 129 Oriole Drive. Your hostesses will be Elise McKinley, Marsha Obringer, Joann Watson, and Liz Tomlinson.

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!

CANTOR OPENINGS IN WEST POINT

Immaculate Conception is looking for Cantors to be available to substitute for the Saturday evening services at 5:00pm and lead the Sunday 9:00am service, in light of Patrick Francis's departure. For complete details, please contact Lynn at

westpoint@jacksondiocese.org or 662-242-1829.

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.

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.

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 catholiccampms@juno.com

LEBANESE DINNER

Our 13th annual Lebanese Dinner sponsored by the Knights of Columbus is this 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 reshelve 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.