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Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord
Sunday, December 25, 2022

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Mass Times

Saturday,.....5:00 pm
Sunday.....8:00 am
Sunday.....11:00 am
Sunday (Spanish).....1:00 pm
Tuesday.....6:00 pm
Wednesday.....6:00 pm
Thursday.....6:00 pm
Friday.....10:00 am
Holy Days—Check Bulletin for time

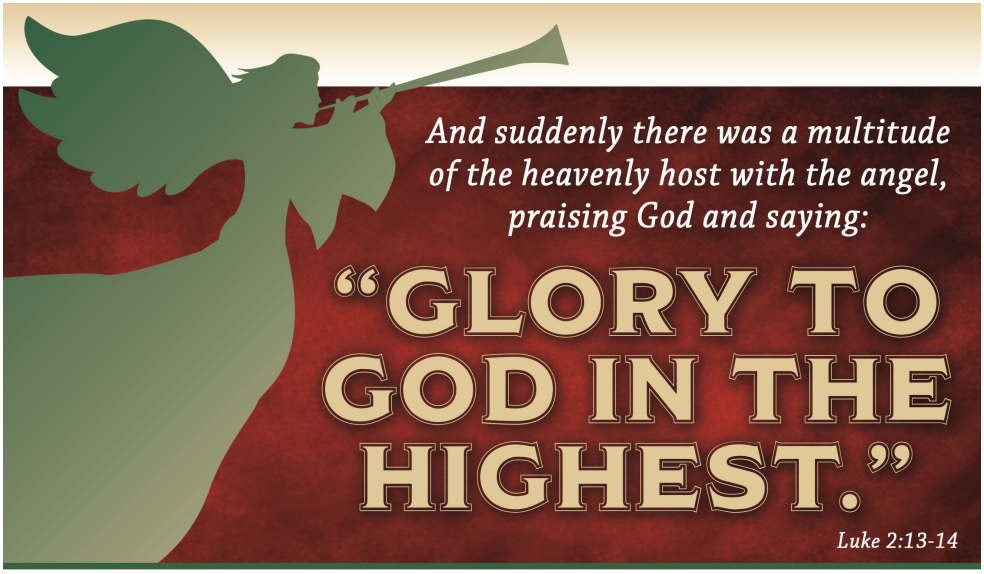
20 minutes before each Mass a Rosary will be prayed.

Confessions and Adoration

- Adoration —Thursday 5:00 pm
- Confessions—During Adoration on Thursday, Saturday 4:15—4:45 pm or by Appointment

Parish Mission Statement

We, the family of St. Jude, Pearl, Mississippi are a vibrant, Eucharistic community with caring members that are empowered by baptism to serve God through the sacraments. We will proclaim the good news and provide spiritual and moral guidance to parishioners and the community by creating a holy and comforting place that encourages active participation, service to each other, and love.



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Mass Intentions

Saturday, 5:00 pm—
Sunday, 8:00 am—
Sunday, 11:00 am— +
Sunday, 1:00 pm—Spanish Community
Tuesday, 6:00 pm—NO MASS
Wednesday, 6:00 pm—NO MASS
Thursday, 6:00 pm—NO MASS
Friday, 10:00 am— Catherine Thomas +

Sunday, December 18, 2022
$8,885.50

A cheerful giver does not count the cost of what he gives. His heart is set on pleasing and cheering the one to whom the gift is given.
—St. Julian

You can signup for online Giving https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Giving/PS-1649;

Or text Give to 601-768-1831;

Or mail in your weekly, bi-monthly, or monthly tithe to PO Box 5526, Pearl, MS 39288-5526;

Or drop your tithe at the office using the Drop Box near the door of the Office.

Thank you to all who mailed, dropped by with their offering or signed up for online donations.

This past Wednesday, the reading was from the first chapter of Luke's Gospel, where we find Mary coming to visit her cousin, Elizabeth. At the end of this Gospel passage, in verse 45, we find the amazing line spoken by Elizabeth, "Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled."

I would like to ponder for just a minute on that verse. First, "you who believed" points to the reality that our access to God is through our belief. I am not discounting the ability to reason about God's existence, but rather to enter into a relationship with God we must believe; we must be able to look beyond the merely empirical, into the world of the supernatural. Second, "spoken to you by the Lord," reminds us that God is always reaching out to us, but we must learn to be truly attentive to his voice, to hear what the Lord is saying to each of us, right here, right now. Finally, "would be fulfilled," reminds us that it is God's will that must be fulfilled, not ours. Our limited expectations can sometimes blind us to how God's will is manifested. Who would have thought that God the creator of all, would come to us as a helpless child, born of a young woman, born in a barn, and laid to rest in a manger?

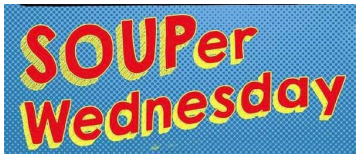
Fr. Jofin will be out of town Monday through Thursday. There will be NO MASS or Word and Communion Service. Mass will be celebrated on Friday, December 30 at 10:00 am.

Saturday, December 31st and Sunday, January 1st, St. Jude will have Adoration and Benediction beginning at 30 minutes prior to the Mass for the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God.

Prayer List—Remember in your prayers all those who are chronically ill and are homebound. Names added to the prayer list will be included for one month, unless otherwise requested.

Larry Neese	Joy Morales	Molly Hoke	Barbara Rivere	Missy Goodman
Kathy Moody	Larry Watkins	Joe McCormack	Michael Finnegan	Herschel Baker
Julie Tran	Sandra Bebout	Margaret Daniels	Lucy Lovertich	Patricia Poole
Rhonda Dunn	Paul Field	Jim Owens	Patty Gray	Peter Rippa
David Smith	James Cannon	John Hummel	Nicole Chapman	Margaret Kaldon
Valerie Zadzielski	Esther Slay	Dorothy Lambert	Wanda Zambrano	Juanita Zambrano Gonzales

Our annual World Marriage Day is scheduled for Sunday, February 12, 2023 at St. Peter's in Jackson at 3:00 pm. All couples in the Diocese who are celebrating their 25, 50 and 60 year or special anniversaries are invited to attend. Please submit names of parishioners who have these special anniversaries so that we can send a personal invitation to each couple. Deadline for submission is January 10, 2023.



Beginning Wednesday, January 4, 2023, at 6:30 pm, everyone is invited to participate in Souper Wednesday. Souper Wednesday is an opportunity for the people of St. Jude to gather at the Parish Hall, share a hearty bowl of soup together, watch a video (about 30 minutes), and then enjoy some lively discussion.

Daily Readings

Monday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22
Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Wednesday: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8; Mt 2:13-18
Thursday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:36-40
Friday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Col 3:12-21 [12-17]; Ps 128:1 -5; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23
Saturday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18
Sunday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)
Monday: St. Stephen; Kwanzaa begins
Tuesday: St. John
Wednesday: The Holy Innocents
Thursday: St. Thomas Becket; Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord
Friday: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph
Saturday: St. Sylvester I; New Year's Eve
Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults will meet each Thursday evening following the 6:00 pm Mass. All who are interested in becoming Catholic, wanting to learn more about their Catholic Faith, if you are just curious about what the Catholic Church teaches, are invited to attend these sessions.

If you or someone you know is questioning becoming Catholic, please fill out one of the inquiry cards in the back of the church and place it in the collection basket or email Deacon Mark Bowden at bowdenofbrandon@yahoo.com

If you are searching and want to inquire more about the Catholic Faith, please do not hesitate to email —I would love to talk with you!

St. Jude Young Apostles
Grades 7-12
All are welcome

All Youth 7-12 grades are encourage to come to our Wednesday evening Youth nights. We will attend Mass together followed by dinner and fellowship. We are planning an exciting year with many fun activities, trips, retreat, etc.

We will meet every Wednesdays!!! PLEASE join us!

Baptismal Prep:

A Baptismal Prep class will be held on Sunday, February 5 and 12 from 12:00-1:00 pm in St. Jude Room across from the office. This class is designed for first-time new/ expecting parents or parents of children under the age of 7 who are Baptizing a child in the Catholic faith for the first time. Registration is required. Please contact Kathleen in the office by Wednesday, February 1st if you wish to attend.

No Sunday School and Adult Faith Formation on December 25 or January 1. Classes resume on Sunday, January 8 at 9:15am—10:30 am.

Dec. 24:

Masses at 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. (Spanish);

Christmas carol presentation by choir at 11:30 p.m.

Dec. 25: Masses at 12:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Jan. 01: Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God – regular weekend Mass times

Everyone is invited to participate in the

Five First Saturdays Devotion to Our Lady of Fatima

at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Gluckstadt

January 7, February 4, March 4, April 1, & May 6

Each First Saturday the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered at 8:00 a.m. until Mass time at 9:00. After Mass, a Rosary will be prayed and there will be time for prayer and meditation.

OUR FASCINATING FAITH

Christmas Time

The feasts that make up Christmas Time all illuminate in their own way the fundamental mystery of the Incarnation that stands at the heart of this sacred season. Each celebration sheds its own distinct light on our conviction that, in the birth of Jesus, earth and heaven have been wedded together for the sake of our salvation. The feasts of the Holy Family, Mary the Mother of God, Epiphany, and the Baptism of the Lord all have their own particular histories. But they have been joined together in a single seasonal flow that invites us to trace the unfolding meanings of the Incarnation from myriad perspectives. As we follow the successive meanings of Jesus' birth, his participation in family life, the meaning of Mary's motherhood, the significance of the Magi's visit, and the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, we are invited to explore in deeper and deeper fashion the staggering truth that Jesus has shared completely in our human experience, has truly become one with us, fully human while remaining fully divine.

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