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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.



Mass Times

Saturday,	5:00 pm
Sunday	9:30 am
Sunday (Spanish)	12:15pm
Tuesday	12:00 pm
Wednesday	6:00 pm
Thursday (English)	6:00 pm
Thursday (Spanish)	6:30 pm
Friday	10:00 am

Holy Days—Check Bulletin for time

30 minutes before 5:00 pm Saturday Mass a Rosary will be prayed.

Confessions and Adoration

- Adoration —Wednesday, 5:00—6:00 pm Thursday, 6:30-7:30 pm
- Confessions—During Adoration on Thursday and Saturday 4:15—4:45 pm or by Appointment

Mass Intentions

Saturday, 5:00 pm— Daniel Witucki + and Dori Paczak (Birthday)

Sunday, 9:30 am - Julie Thomas +

Sunday, 4:00 pm-

Sunday, 6:00 pm—Special Intention

Monday, 12:00 am-

Monday, 12:00 pm—Catherine Thomas +

Tuesday, 12:00 pm—

Wednesday 6:00 pm— NO MASS

Thursday, 6:00 pm—NO MASS

Thursday, 6:30 pm—NO MASS

Friday, 10:00 am— NO MASS

Sunday, December 17, 2023

Total: 8,084.50 Spanish Collection \$1,225.00

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.



Catholics are expected to fulfill their obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. This year, since Christmas is on a Monday, we will observe the following schedule.

Please plan to attend a Sunday Mass and a Mass for Christmas.

Christmas Mass

Sunday 12/24/2023 4:00 pm Christmas Vigil Mass (Spanish)

6:00 pm Christmas Vigil Mass (English)

11:20 pm Christmas Carols

Monday 12/25/2023 12:00 am Midnight Mass (English)

12:00 pm Christmas Day Mass (bi-lingual)



World Marriage Day 2024 The Catholic Diocese of Jackson and the Office of Family Ministry would like to invite all couples who are celebrating their 25th, 50th, 60th or longer year anniversaries to the Diocesan World Marriage Day Celebration. This year we are hosting two events; Jackson and Tupelo.

Saturday, February 10, 2024 at 1:00 pm at St. Peter's in Jackson

There will be Mass with a reception immediately following. To register contact your parish office or go to www.jacksondiocese.org/family-ministry to register yourself. For additional information or questions, please call the Office of Family Ministry at 601-960-8487 or email Debbie Tubertini at debbie.tubertini@jacksondiocese.org



St. Jude will host a Diocesan Floral Design Workshop on Saturday, January 20 from 10:00 am to 2:00pm. Contact Rhonda Bowden at rbowden@stjudepearl.org if you plan to attend this workshop.

The Church offices will be closed from Friday, December 22nd at 12:00 pm until Tuesday, January 2, 2024. If you need to get in touch with one of our staff, please call the office and leave or email us and we will be back to you. There will be no Mass the week of December 24-29.



MARRIAGES/QUINCEAÑERAS

Church arrangements should be made at least 6 months ahead and before any venues are secured. You must call in person at the office to discuss scheduling and sacramental preparation.

BAPTISMS

Parents are required to participate in Baptismal Preparation before a child can be baptized. For arrangements call Kathleen Edwards (601) 939-3181, ccd@stjudepearl.org.

FUNERALS

When planning a funeral, please contact the Church office before finalizing any arrangements.



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 Michael Finnegan Herschel Baker Julie Tran **Margaret Daniels** Lucy Lovertich James Cannon Tina Downey Nicole Chapman Jane Millette Mike Siller

Patricia Poole Dolores Ledet Jim Owens
Margaret Kaldon Esther Slay Dorothy Lambert
Betsy Cox Ignacio and Wanda Zambrano
Dana Fuerst Cait Houser Matt Hopkins
John MccCarty Caroline Dunagin Anna Roan

Valerie Zadzielski Ja Wayne Olinger Juanita Zan Rosalia Garcia Bertha Val Evelyn Solomon

Juanita Zambrano Gonzales Mike and Jackie D'Aquila Bertha Valentine Tyler and April Owens

CALLING all COOKS

Calling all cooks! On **Saturday, January 13th from 9 am until noon** in the Parish Hall kitchen, the Feed My Sheep ministry will be preparing casseroles & soups for Stew-

pot's Opportunity Center Warming Shelter. Please contact Beth Paczak (217) 714-3493 if you have any questions or to sign up as a volunteer.



No Sunday School Sundays, December 24 or 31st. Classes Resume on Sunday, January 7, 2024 promptly at 10:30am. We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

with safe travels.



All Youth 6-12 grades are invited and encouraged 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.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

"'Your house and your kingdom shall endure forever before me:

your throne shall stand firm forever." (2 Sm 28:16)

Psalm:

For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord. (Ps 89)

Second Reading:

The revelation of the mystery kept secret for long ages

but now manifested through the prophetic writings and,

according to the command of the eternal God, made known to all nations to bring about the obedience of faith. (Rom 16:25-26)

Gospel:

"Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son,

and you shall name him Jesus." (Lk 1:31)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

God's plans are not always what we imagined. Sometimes they make us hesitate. Be like Mary. Say "Yes, Lord" — and God will show you that His imagination is better than yours.

Observances for the week of December 24, 2023

Sunday: 4th Sunday of Advent; Christmas Eve

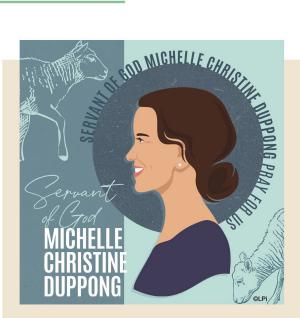
Monday: The Nativity of the Lord

Tuesday: St. Stephen, First Martyr

Wednesday: St. John, Apostle and Evangelist Thursday: The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

Friday: St. Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr

Next Sunday: The Holy Family; New Year's Eve



Saint of the week

Servant of God Michelle Christine Duppong worked as a FOCUS missionary and a lay parish minister in the early 2000's. Her life was a testament to her commitment to God and social justice work. She died at age 31 in 2015 but her legacy lives on today in those whose lives she touched.

Prayer

Jesus, I praise and thank you for the life of your servant Michelle Duppong. in her life and suffering, she joined you in your thirst for souls and embraced the cross offered to her. Following her example, I ask for the special grace of [personal intercession] and, if it brings you greater glory, that she be honored by your Church. Jesus, I ask this in your Holy Name.

Amen.

-With ecclesiastical approval of Bishop David D. Kagan, Diocese of Bismarck

(Prayer Source: https://bismarckdiocese.com/prayer-of-intercession)