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#### From The Archives

October 1st, 1999

#### FAREWELL FATHER FINLEY

The Catholic Community of St. Joseph & St. Patrick Parishes thanked Father James "Jim" Finley, who served as the Chaplain at NAS Meridian (1996-1999), for the tremendous contribution he made to our parishes. His next duty station was Yorktown, Virginia.



#### Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday	(St. Patrick):	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	(St. Joseph):	8:30 a.m.
Sunday	(St. Patrick):	11:00 a.m.
Sunday	(St. Patrick):	3:00 p.m.

#### Weekday Mass Schedule

Tuesday	(St. Joseph):	5:30 p.m.
Wednesday	(St. Patrick):	12:05 p.m.
Thursday	(St. Patrick):	8:30 a.m.
Friday	(St. Patrick):	12:05 p.m.

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

30 minutes before all Masses/11A-12N  
First Friday/4P Saturday's or by appt.

#### Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament

Every Thursday 12 Noon—6P  
St. Aloysius Chapel/Parish Center

*Chaplet of Divine Mercy* 3:00 p.m. (M-F)

*Vespers/Rosary* 4:45 p.m. (M-F)

*Dial-In Phone Number* is 769-206-1927

#### **Mass Schedule, Intentions, and Readings for October 2<sup>nd</sup>—8<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

Monday	No Mass	Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23; Mt 18:1-5, 10
Tuesday	5:30 p.m. <b>Bob Degitz</b> /Offered by KC Council 802	Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 9:51-56
Wednesday	12:05 p.m. <b>In Honor of MC Barrett</b> /Offered by Michael & Diane Barrett	Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6; Lk 9:57-62
Thursday	8:30 a.m. <b>Lila Borrell</b> /Offered by Dr. Luis Borrell	Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Lk 10:1-12
Friday	12:05 p.m. <b>Rogelio Malic</b> /Offered by Sal Moreno	Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9; Lk 10:13-16
Saturday	5:00 p.m. <b>Dr. Mones Thomas</b> /Offered by Dr. Nuni Thomas	Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-35, 36-37; Lk 10:17-24
Sunday	8:30 a.m. <b>Theresa Keppler</b> /Offered by Rose Schultz 11:00 a.m. <b>Bill Kalinowski</b> /Offered by John & Pat Maloney 3:00 p.m. Catholic Community	Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20 (Isaiah 5:7a); Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43

### The Decision Is Ours To Make

It is never too late to change, for the worse or for the better. Ezekiel contrasts the virtuous person who turns away from God and chooses to sin with the wicked person who turns away from sin to do what is right. Jesus asked the chief priests and elders to consider two sons, one who says no but ends up obeying and the other who promises to obey but does not follow through. Between these two readings, we hear St. Paul—who changed his life dramatically after his encounter with Christ—exhorts the Philippians to unify in Christ in thought and action. May we do the same.



**#IGiveCatholic is upcoming Tuesday, November 28, 2023.** St. Patrick School goal is to raise \$14,000 to replace all the blinds in the school. There are 82 windows in the school and the blinds in place are worn out. Replacing the blinds will help in multiple ways by making the school more secure and safe, becoming more energy efficient with savings on heat/air conditioning and improving the overall appearance of the school. Please consider a gift for this year's campaign.

**Come join us for Mass Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m.** in St. Patrick Church as the Third Grade Class will lead the Mass. All are welcome. Our school children do a beautiful job of proclaiming God's Word.

**School will be out for Fall Break** October 9th-10th and parent/teacher conferences will be October 11th and there will be no school that day either.

### **Wednesday Evening Dinners!!!**

Dinners continue October 4th (5P-6P) in the FLC. Breakfast will be served with scrambled eggs, sausage, bacon, hash browns, biscuits & gravy, pastries and drinks. The cost is \$6(A), \$3(C) 10 and under with a \$25 max per family. Volunteers are needed to help in the kitchen for food prep, set-up, clean-up and more. Please contact Debbie Hover (601) 938-0299 to volunteer.



Please reach out to any St. Joseph Hospitality Member for dinner (ribs or chicken) plate tickets or rib slab tickets. For more information, please contact Rhonda Carr 601 227 1199. This festival has been a tradition and all are welcome to come and enjoy a wonderful day of fellowship and fun!!!



### **RCIA Class Schedule**

**October 1st—Trinitarian Doctrine: Liturgical year—Facillitator—Ken Woodward**

**October 8th—Salvation History: Divine Revelation—Facillitator—Ken Woodward.**

**Classes are 9A—1030A in the Father Vally Room each week unless otherwise noted. For more information, please contact Ken in the Parish Office.**



Laura Jordan	Kymani Greer
Melanie Pressly	Howard
Carol Mendoza	Tuberville
Kathy Owen	Gary Street
Jim Harms	Wayne Murphy
Christopher Doss Sr.	Harry Cummings
Carolyn Croft	Travis Ross
Carlissa McCoy	Tuyen Huynh
Berta Soules	Julieth Gomez-Reyes
Jamie Gould	Judy Doorenbos
Lisa Gorgas	Dr. Tex Durgin
Joshua Maeda	Liam Arledge

### Upcoming Events/Activities

**September 30th—CWO of St. Patrick spaghetti dinner (fund raiser) after the 5P Mass in the FLC.**

**October 1st—The KC Silver Rose Ceremony will be during the 3P Mass.**

**October 4th—Wednesday Night Dinners , PSR classes and the Adult Bible Study all continue.**

**October 5th—Adult Bible Study (10A—1130A) in the Fr. Vally Room.**

**October 7th—St. Joseph October Festival of Harvest (11A—2P).**

**October 9th—Special Columbus Day Mass and Social at the KC Hall (6P).**

### Adult Bible Studies

#### Divine Mercy:

The Second Greatest Story Ever Told

Come join Scott Owen as he leads this study each Wednesday - 615P-730P in the Fr. Vally Room in the Parish Center.

#### St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians

Come join Ken Woodward as he leads a study about St. Paul's letter to the Philippians each Thursday - 10A—1130A also in the Father Vally Room.





### Youth Activities

The next Youth gathering will be Sunday, October 8th at 4P in the Youth Room upstairs in the Family Life Center.

All youth 6th-12th grades are welcomed. Youth gatherings will be at 4P the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month.

"If you are what you should be, you will set the whole world ablaze."  
St. Catherine of Siena

**For more information on youth activities, please contact Angela Dove at the Office (601) 436-6025 or by email [Angela@catholicmeridian.org](mailto:Angela@catholicmeridian.org).**

Please continue to pray for Father Augustine as he visits home (India) and enjoys some time with his parents.

The Meridian Center for Pregnancy Choices Fall Main Event will be Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 530P in Northcrest Baptist Church. Featured guest speaker will be Abby Johnson. VIP tickets including dinner are \$45. Meet and greet tickets are \$10. Meridian's own Holly Brand will emcee the event.

## Weekly Collections

### St. Joseph Parish

Needed Income (Weekly): \$2,981.00  
September 17<sup>th</sup>: \$1,356.00  
SPC Repairs (Aug 15-Sep 17): \$970.00  
Online (Sep 18-Sep 22): \$645.00

### St. Patrick Parish

Needed Income (Weekly): \$15,231.00  
September 17<sup>th</sup>: \$5,317.00  
SPC Repairs (Aug 15-Sep 17): \$40,658.00  
Online: (Sep 18-Sep 22): \$800.00

### Spanish Mass

September 17<sup>th</sup>: \$301.00  
SPC Repairs (Aug 15-Sep 17): \$65.00

Thank you for your continuing generosity for the St. Patrick Church Repairs. Though the bulk of the repairs/renovations has been completed, donations are still needed to offset the cost of the recent work. The next special collection will be this weekend.

## Our Lady's Corner

Our Lady's Corner has been a part of our Catholic Community for almost a quarter of a century. In order to resume opening the store on weekends and Wednesday evenings, volunteers are needed. As such, there will be a training session on how to operate the store Thursday, October 19th at 530P in the Family Life Center. You will also be treated a delicious home cooked meal for your time. Please RSVP by text Pat Risch at 601-479-0920. Many of you have expressed a desire to see the store open again. This is your chance to make it happen. Many hands make light work.

### *Singers—We Need You!*

The 11 am Choir needs additional singers. There are no auditions, no experience is needed, no age requirement, just a desire to use your voice to praise our God and Savior. Practices are Wednesdays at 5P in the music room in the FLC. We are currently preparing for special liturgies and Christmas. For more information, please call Richard or Aleen Semmes at 601-604-5170 or 601-527-3782.



### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 802 NEWS

*The Silver Rose Ceremony will be this Sunday, October 1st during the 3P Mass. The Fourth Degree Honor Guard will be participating as well.*

*There will be a special Columbus Day Mass October 9th (6P) in the KC Hall (2217 Highway 19 North). Following the Mass, there will be a social. All are welcome!*

*The Knights of Columbus will be leading the Rosary 30 minutes before each weekend Mass during the month of October starting the weekend of October 7th/8th. October is the month of The Most Holy Rosary and October 7th is the feast of our Lady of the Rosary*

### Catholic Women of St. Patrick

The Catholic Women of St. Patrick will be having a spaghetti dinner in the FLC starting at 6P immediately after Mass Saturday evening. Plates will be \$10 for adults/\$5 for children.

Dinner will include spaghetti, salad, dessert and drink. Wine will be available for a donation. To go plates will be available. Feel free to stop by and enjoy a delicious meal with family and friends! All are welcome!

### Parish School of Religion

**PSR classes continue October 4th with the students meeting in the church at 615P and classes 630P—730P. PSR registration is still open online or at the Parish Office.**



### **Friends & Family:**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of: William Allen Harris (father of Al Harris), Judge George Warner and Patricia Ann Skelton.

### **Parishioners:**

John Kasper, Patricia James, Mouise Richards, Lucas Osen, John Schultz, Rosalie Leo, Barbara Holscher, James & Therresitta Hollomon, Serenity Hollomon, Martha Mazingo, Connie Royal and Helen Beck.

### **Family & Friends:**

Sarah Hagwood (daughter of Deborah Mosby), Billy Dixon (friend of Irma & Sylvester Alexander), Dale McCarty (brother of Howard McCarty), Marijoy Santiago Howell (daughter of Rory Santiago), Father Thomas Foster (brother of Gina Conner), Wanda DeForest (sister of Carolyn Sharp), Wayne Kidd (friend of the Mitts family), Anjr Knight (cousin of Rose Schultz), Laylah White (great niece of Patty Harris), Megan Ellis (granddaughter of Thelma Robinson), Anna Payne (cousin of Rose Schultz), Leo Kushnir (great-nephew of Rose Schultz), Dr. John Voss, Janet Knight (cousin of Bridget Harwell) and Betty Koca.



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