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From The Archives

Continuing our remembrance of Fr. James Wendell SVD who served Mount St. Joseph parish (1910-1920). Other highlights of his tenure included celebrating the mission's first wedding (December 1913), construction of the Convent for the Sisters of Mt. St. Joseph that was completed in June 1914 and the addition of the high school that graduated 16 student in its first class.



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. Patrick): 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 1P—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 February 26th - March 3rd, 2024

Monday	No Mass	Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11 & 13; Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday St. Patrick	5:30 p.m. Dr. Mones Thomas/ Offered by Dr. Nunie Thomas	Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23; Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday	12:05 p.m. Laine Melton/ Offered by Mary Harrington	Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28
Thursday	8:30 a.m. In Honor of Mary Semmes/ Offered by Lynn Peacock	Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Lk 16:19-31
Friday	12:05 p.m. Joe Semmes/ Offered by Lynn Peacock	Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday	5:00 p.m. Pat Wright/ Offered by KC Council 802	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Sunday	8:30 a.m. Fred & Frieda Gargani/ Offered by Rose Schultz 11:00 a.m. Wayne McInnis/ Offered by Martha & Larry Mazingo 3:00 p.m. Catholic Community	Ex 20:1-17; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c); 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25. Scrutiny: Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42.

Old Testament meets New Testament in today's Gospel, which features Jesus, the center of the New Testament, with two of the main figures from the Hebrew scriptures, Moses and Elijah. The two people who perhaps best represent the law and the prophets of old join with the Son of God, who himself said that he had come to fulfill the law and the prophets. In the company of Moses and Elijah, Jesus is transfigured, giving his disciples a brief taste of his glory. May that glorious vision sustain us during this penitential season.



Our Parish Lenten Mission is this week (Sunday—Tuesday, 6:00P—7:30P) in St. Patrick Church featuring Father Philip (Phil) Krill!!!

EXTRA! EXTRA!

More Good News!!! Father Phil is going to lead two morning sessions, Monday & Tuesday (February 26th and 27th) at 10A in the Father Vally Room in the St. Patrick Parish Center.

Fr. Phil was originally ordained a Priest in 1981 with the Congregation of Holy Cross (founders of Notre Dame University). He is now retired and resides in St. Louis, MO. One other fact about him was that originally attended college at Notre Dame on a baseball scholarship.

Additionally during the Mission, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available Monday, February 26th (5P—6P) in the Family Life Center.



Registration for St. Patrick School for Parish Family registration opens February 26th. Open registration begins March 4th. Save \$100 on registration, if it is paid by March 31st.

Sending your child to St. Patrick School is an investment that will pay dividends many times over in his or her lifetime.

Stations of the Cross are led by the students every Friday during Lent at 2P. All are welcome to attend.

Save The Date!!!

Countdown 2024 is coming April 19th! We will be celebrating 150 years in Meridian!

More Information To Come!



Congratulations!

Congratulations to the following parishioners on being selected as recipients of the

Bishop Chanche Mission Award Medal of Service

Ida Tomlin—St. Joseph

Katie & Brandon Rutledge—St. Patrick

Bishop Chanche Youth Award

Travis Ross—St. Joseph

The awards will be presented the weekend of March 2nd-3rd. We thank the above honorees for their dedication to our parish and school community and by going above and beyond in serving the needs of our Catholic Community.



Way of the Cross will be held each Friday (6P) with a fish fry following. Fish plates are \$10 each. The

following groups will lead the Stations:

Mar. 1st - St. Patrick—St. Patrick School

Mar. 8th - St. Joseph—KPC 208/KC 802

Mar 15th - St. Patrick—Catholic Youth (Soup & salad will be served for a donation only after Stations).

Mar. 22nd - St. Joseph—Servants of Mary/Hospitality/Pastoral Councils

Downtown Lenten Service Schedule

Feb. 29th—Central UMC

March 7th - First Christian Church

March 14th - St. Paul Episcopal Church

March 21st - St. Patrick Catholic Church

Each service will start at 12 Noon with lunch following at 1230P. There will be a donation basket set up and each church will select their own designee for the proceeds from the money collected.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**Richard Harris
Reagan Gorgas
Michael Berryhill
Lucious Abrams
Howard McCarty
Barbara Rogers
Theresa Franklin
Beckett Ethridge
Elois Fleming**

**Richard Moody
Alberta Mosley
Robert McDaniel
Adam Ethridge
Ava Cayer
Alice Markey
Randi Huntley
Amelia Gabrelcik**

Upcoming Events/Activities

February 25th—27th - Parish Mission nightly (6P-730P) in St. Patrick Church. Morning sessions—(10A-1130A), Monday & Tuesday in the Fr. Vally Room.

February 28th—Wed. Night Dinners, PSR and Adult Bible Study continue.

February 29th—Downtown Lenten Service In Central UMC. (12N).

March 1st—Healing Mass at 12 Noon in St. Patrick Church followed by lunch furnished by the ACES.

March 1st - Stations of the Cross in St. Patrick Church at 6P followed by a Fish Fry in the Family Life Center. Plates are \$10 each. Guaranteed delicious!!!

Adult Bible Studies

The Wednesday Night Bible Study “Acts: Spread the Kingdom” continues Feb. 28th. Come join Scott Owen as he leads this study each week (615P-730P).

The Thursday morning (10A-1130A) Adult Bible Study “Fatima: Hope for the World” continues Feb. 29th. Come join Ken Woodward on this journey of faith.

Both bible studies are in the Father Vally Room in the Parish Center.



St. Patrick is now accepting applications to reserve niches in the Mitchell Family Columbarium. For more information, please contact Dave Viger at 601-480-3364 or dave.viger@gmail.com.



Youth Activities

The Youth will meet at 4P this Sunday in the Youth Room. Youth (6th—12th grades are welcome.

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

CWO of St. Patrick will meet this Saturday, February 24th at 6:00 p.m. This month's guest speaker will be Aubrey Florey from World of Flowers. Aubrey will teach the group flower arranging. There will be a small charge for the event and RSVP is requested. Call/text 601-917-4566 if you plan to attend.

Wednesday Evening Dinners continue February 28th (5-6P). The menu will be meat loaf, mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, rolls, salad, dessert and drinks. The cost is \$6(A), \$3(C) 10 and under with a \$25 max for a family.

Weekly Collections

St. Joseph Parish

Needed Income (Weekly): \$2,981.00
February 11th: \$2,712.00
Catholic Service Appeal: \$296.00
Online (Feb. 12th—16th): \$41.00

St. Patrick Parish

Needed Income (Weekly): \$15,231.00
February 11th: \$16,978.00
Catholic Service Appeal: \$1,764.00
Online (Feb. 12th—16th): \$1,470.00

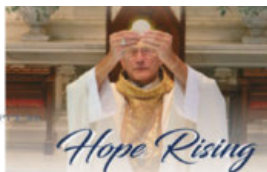
Spanish Mass

February 11th: \$391.00

Vietnamese Mass

February 11th: \$206.00

The Catholic Service Appeal is now in full swing. Please consider a gift to the CSA this year. Every donation helps.



Thank You



St. Patrick Church recently received gifts in memory of Dorothy (Dot) DuRapau, Edward Gough and Gary Koca.

Special thanks to Betty Koca who recently provided for the altar flowers in St. Patrick Church in memory of her late husband Gary "The Cookie Man" Koca.

Betty also would like thank all the parishioners and organizations who have offered Masses for the repose of the Soul of Gary over the recent months. They have been very meaningful to her.

Hispanic Community News

There will be a Lenten Mission for the Hispanic Community, Sunday, March 10th (4:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.) in St. Patrick Church. Mass will be celebrated by Father Augustine at 3:00 p.m. as scheduled with the Mission to follow.

Father Jose de Jesus Sanchez, pastor of St. Joseph Church in Greenville, MS, will lead the Mission. We look forward to welcoming Father Sanchez back to Meridian where he served the Catholic Community as the Parochial Vicar for several years.



RCIA Class Schedule

February 25th—Sin & the Consequences of Sin—The Doctrine of Purgatory—Facilitator—Ken Woodward

March 3rd—Sacrament of Holy Orders & Anointing (First Scrutiny-Catechumens- during the 11A Mass) - Facilitator—Ken Woodward

Classes are 9:00 a.m.—10:30 a.m. in the Father Vally Room in the St. Patrick Parish Center unless otherwise noted.

ACES NEWS

The ACES will host a lunch in the Father Vally Room in the St. Patrick Parish Center immediately after the Healing Mass, Friday March 1st (approximately 1:00 p.m.). For more information, please contact Beth Ohnemus 601 479-4221.

All Young-At-Heart are Welcome!

Parish School of Religion

PSR classes will continue Wednesday, February 28th with the students meeting in the church at 615P and classes 630P—730P.

OUR LADY'S CORNER

Our Lady's Corner Store will be open this Sunday, February 25th, March 17th and April 14th (10A-1045A and after Mass), this Saturday, February 24th (after 5P Mass) and Wednesday, February 28th (430P—6P). The Store is stocked with 1st Holy Communion and Confirmation Gifts along with spring faith gifts/supplies. A new shipment of Rosaries (all price ranges) have just arrived! Come and check them out!



Family & Friends:

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Judi Webb (sister-in-law of Martha Mazingo)

Parishioners:

Connie Royal, Richard Semmes, Tina LeFlore, Fred Rogers, Sal Moreno, Barbara Holscher, Martha Mazingo, John Kasper, Bobbie Crudup, Helen Beck, Thelma Robinson.

Family & Friends:

Please pray for Rebecca Goodnough (sister of Janet Bunker), John Eugene Morgan and Joseph Michael Cridiso (sons of Helen Beck), Anna Payne (cousin of Rose Schultz), Marijoy Howell (daughter of Rory Santiago), Donney Washington (sister of Frank Washington), Linda Hiebert (aunt of Cassy Klutz), Rhonda Boren (SIL of Donna Duckworth), Rosy Jones, Betty Koca, Dakota Sherman (g-g-daughter of Betty Koca).



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