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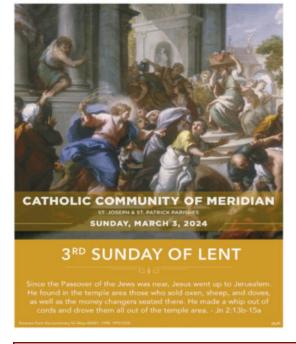
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From The Archives

There was a festive St. Patrick Day celebration in the FLC, March 17, 1999. Red Beans & Rice were on the menu and were enjoyed by all. Sister Paulinus Oakes RSM from Vicksburg, MS was the guest speaker. She was the author of the book "Angels of Mercy" a historical account of religious women and their heroic actions during the Civil War (1860's) and the Yellow Fever Outbreak (1870's).



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. (St. Patrick): Friday 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 March 4th - 10th, 2024

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Monday	No Mass		2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3,4; Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	Yen Huynh/ Offered by Tuyen Huynh	Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday	12:05 p.m.	Felipa Calvadores /Offered by Lucy Hodge	Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	Jo Bullock/Offered by KC Council 802	Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 11:14-23
Friday	12:05 p.m.	Donna White/ Offered by Pat & Jon Risch	Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10- 11ab, 14 and 17; Mk 12:28-34
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Gary Koca/ Offered by Dr. David & Rita Newell	Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20- 21ab; Lk 18:9-14
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Holy Souls in Purgatory/ Offered by Anonymous	2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6ab; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21
	11:00 a.m.	Bill & Lauren Harper/ Offered by Patty Westendorf Catholic Community	. 5, 642, 25 2 25, 5 6.2 . 22
			Scrutiny: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1); Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41

Today's readings are very familiar. We hear the ten commandments, which we probably memorized as children. In the Gospel, Jesus drives the money changers out of the temple, overturning their tables and spilling their coins. Let us challenge ourselves to listen to these words today as if God is personally speaking to us, telling us how to live and reminding us of the purpose of worship. With Easter less than a month away now, let us take to heart the words of the psalmist:

"Lord, you have the words of everlasting life."

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.

Parish Mission

Thank you to all who worked to make our Parish Mission a great success! Special thanks to Father Phil Krill for leading us on a wonderful renewal of faith during this Lenten season.



Registration for St. Patrick School
is now open for all families. There will
be an open house Monday, March 4th
(530P—700P). All families are
welcome to come see what our school
has to offer your child.
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 at 2P.

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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 this weekend in Jackson in the Cathedral of St. Peter and in Vicksburg during the DCYC. 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 and beyond.



Way of the Cross will be held each Friday (6P) with a fish fry (except as noted below). Fish plates are

\$10 each. The following groups will lead the Stations:

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

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.



Martha Haarala Nancy Leatherwood Kathleen Komar Matt Griffin Thanh Nguyen Lori Rowland Blaise Hannington Eugene Cole Dr. William Billups III James Hollomon Sarah Cylkowski Mark George A J Neal

Alec McIlwain **Ryann Gorgas Kyler Embrey Gina Mowdy** Jordan Greer **Jace Andy** John Maloney Ray Komar **Terry Lanterman** Joanie Hodge Dr. Roscoe Douglas **Dennis Hall Marvin Nance** Jo-Ann Dale **Chandler Mitts**

Upcoming Events/Activities

March 4th - St. Patrick School Open House (530P—700P).

March 6th—Wed. Night Dinners, PSR and Adult Bible Study continue.

March 7th—Downtown Lenten Service in First Christian Church. (12N).

March 8th - Stations of the Cross in St. Joseph Church at 6P followed by a Fish Fry in the Family Life Center.

Adult Bible Studies

The Wednesday Night Bible Study "Acts: Spread the Kingdom" continues Mar. 6th. 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" concludes March 7th. 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

Please pray for the following youth & adults who are attending the DCYC in Vicksburg this weekend:

Annilyn Hoang, Grace Clayton, Valeria Rangel, Arely Gomez, Itzel Gomez, Yuilana Ayala, Yareli Rangel, Regina Galvan, Vanessa Espino, Christopher Rangel, Diego Espino, Jose Angel Garcia, Mauricio Espino, Joseph Winfield

Adults: Angela Dove, Stephanie Norris, Cassy Klutz, Rick Berryhill

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

Wednesday Evening Dinners continue March 6th (5-6P). The menu will be chicken-n-dumplings, mashed potatoes, 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 18th:
 \$1,604.00

 Black & Indian Missions:
 \$307.00

 Online (Feb. 16th—26th):
 \$1,375.00

St. Patrick Parish

 Needed Income (Weekly):
 \$15,231.00

 February 18th:
 \$8,363.00

 Black & Indian Missions:
 \$1,286.00

 Online (Feb. 16th –26th):
 \$2,720.00

Spanish Mass

February 18th: \$396.00 Black & Indian Missions: \$32.00

There is a second collection for St. Patrick Church Repairs this weekend. Additionally, please consider a gift to the CSA this year. Every donation helps.







KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 802 NEWS

Knight of the Year (2023-24)
Robert Connor

Family of the Year (2023-24)
Pete & Pat Nause Family

Congratulations to the above honorees. Well earned and deserved by both as they embody what it means to selflessly serve the needs of others and to share our Catholic Faith by how they live their lives each and every day!

Attention all 3rd Degree members of the Knights of Columbus! There is going to be a 4th Degree Exemplification in Meridian, Saturday, April 6th. This is the first time this degree has been offered in Meridian in over 10 years. Please contact David Stephens (601) 938-5757 ASAP if you are interested in advancing to the Patriotic Degree of the Knights of Columbus. This ceremony is of the most beautiful events that you will ever be a part of so please consider joining the 4th Degree.

An addendum on to the recent thank you from the Knights of Peter Claver Council 208 on our recent Mardi Gras party. Special thanks to Bucky's on 5th Bar & Grill and Mitchell Distributing for their in-kind donations that helped the party have a festive atmosphere.



RCIA Class Schedule

March 3rd—Sacrament of Penance— How to make a Confession -Facilitator—Ken Woodward (First Scrutiny during the 11A Mass)

March 10th—Sacrament of Holy Orders & Anointing—Facilitator—Rick Berryhill (Second Scrutiny during the 11A Mass)

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

OUR LADY'S CORNER

Our Lady's Corner Store will be open Sat. Mar. 16th & 23rd (after 5P Mass), Sun. Mar. 17th & Apr. 14th (10A-1045A and after Mass). 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! You may also make an appointment to shop by contacting Pat (601) 479-0920 or John in the Office.

Parish School of Religion

PSR classes will continue Wednesday, March 6th with the students meeting in the church at 615P and classes 630P—730P.

FORMED is available to all members of our Catholic Community at no cost.

Sign-up is easy. Simply go to

FORMED.org, enter our parish name or zip code and register yourself. Boom, that is it. No password needed!



Family & Friends:

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Emmanuel Hernandez, Virginia McGinnis, James Rainey and Mike Reed.

Parishioners:

Please pray for Connie Royal, Richard Semmes, Tina LeFlore, Sal Moreno, Barbara Holscher, Martha Mazingo, John Kasper, Bobbie Crudup, Martha Haarala, Nancy Leatherwood, Helen Beck, Thelma Robinson.

Family & Friends:

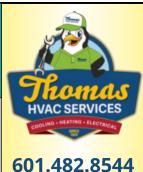
Please pray for Ashley Alexander (sister of Katie Rutledge), Rebecca Goodnough (sister of Janet Bunker), John Eugene Morgan and Joseph Michael Cridiso (sons of Helen Beck), Anna Payne (cousin of Rose Schultz), Marijoy Howell (daughter of Rory Santiago), Donney Washington (sister of Frank Washington), 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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