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#### From The Archives

(Part 2) Before Father Vally returned to America, he and his family bought and donated a processional cross to his boyhood church in Lavaudieu and thus he remained connected to his home. Upon returning to Meridian, he began to plan for both a new church & school. An abandoned building was acquired and moved to the church property. The school was now set to grow even more. <section-header><text><text><text>

#### 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 Schedule Tuesday (St. Joseph): 5:30 p.m. Wednesday (St. Patrick): 6:15 p.m. Thursday (St. Patrick): 8:30 a.m. (St. Patrick): 12:05 p.m. Friday

Sacrament of Reconciliation Every Friday 1130A-12N/Every Saturday 4P-430P or by appointment.

<u>Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament</u> Every Thursday 12N —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 April 28<sup>th</sup> - May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Monday	No Mass		Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9; Jn 3:1-8
Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	Mike Powers/Offered by Mary Powers Dr. Mones Thomas/Offered by Dr. Nunie Thomas	Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday Confirmation Mass	6:15 p.m.	In Honor of our Confirmante	Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jn 3:16-21
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	In Honor of Dr. Romeo & Gloria Gomez/Offered by Lynn Peacock	Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20; Jn 3:31-36
Friday	12:05 p.m.	Ruby Fajardo/Offered by Lynn Peacock Mark Hampson/Offered by George & Pam Walston	Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	<b>Rodrigo Tan/</b> Offered by Lynn Peacock	1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Jn 14:6-14
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Bernice Pringle/Offered by Deb Parker	Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a);
	11:00 a.m.	Salvador Lopez/Offered by Guy & Ana Harper	Rv 5:11-14; In 21:1-19
	3:00 p.m.	Catholic Community	JII 21.1 1 <i>J</i>

#### **Divine Mercy Sunday**

In 1931, a young Polish nun named Faustina Kowalska saw Jesus appear with rays of mercy emanating from his heart. He asked that an image of his Divine Mercy be venerated on the Sunday after Easter Sunday, which had been long been associated with the final day of the Octave of Easter. On April 28, 1935—nearly exactly ninety years ago-Divine Mercy Sunday was celebrated for the first time with a completed painting of her vision of the merciful Lord. In 2000, Saint John Paul II decreed that this feast be made official worldwide.



**During the Easter** Season both St. Joseph & St. Patrick Churches are

adorned in beautiful flowers. If you would like to contribute to offset the cost, please write a separate check to either church and note on the memo line "Easter Flower Fund." You may also donate online to either church. Under the Funds tab, select "Easter Flower Fund." Thank you.



Countdown 2025 will be May 2<sup>nd</sup> and tickets are now on sale at the school/ parish office. Tickets will also be available after Masses this weekend of April 26th & 27th. Tickets are \$100 each with a grand prize of \$5,000. Tickets may be purchased in shares as small as \$25. The Countdown is a fun night of fellowship!!

It is with great joy that we announce that St. Patrick Church has been designated one of the Diocesan pilgrimage churches during this Jubilee Year. Please be welcoming to visitors who may be stopping here in Meridian to visit St. Patrick while on a pilgrimage of their own. We are also excited to announce that there will be a special Jubilee Year of Hope Mass in St. Patrick Church, Saturday, June 14th at 11:00 a.m. **Bishop Kopacz will be the celebrant** and all of the parishes in our Deanery will be invited (priests and parishioners alike) to be an integral part of this most special Liturgy.

#### **Confirmation & First Holy Communion**

This week we will be celebrate two special Sacraments starting with the Sacrament of Confirmation being celebrated Wednesday, April 30th with Mass starting at 6:15 p.m. in St. Patrick Church. Bishop Kopacz will be the celebrant.

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be celebrated Sunday, May 4th during the 8:30 a.m. Mass in St. Joseph and the 11:00 a.m. Mass in St. Patrick.

All are welcome to attend these most special Liturgies.

### <u>Socíal Sunday</u>

Special thanks to the Knights of Peter Claver and the Hospitality Committee for providing the donuts and coffee for Social Sunday, April 6th after the 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph Church. Social Sundays occur every first Sunday of the Month after Mass on the grounds of St. Joseph. All are welcome!

# **OCIA**

(Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

April 27th—Mystagogy 1—Role of Laity...Our Spiritual Gifts.

May 4th—Mystagogy 2—Called to Holiness...Living the Virtues.

Class time 9A-1030 in the Father Vally Room in the St. Patrick Parish Center. Facilitator—Ken Woodward.





**Gladys Kelly Bob Stephenson** Tuan Pham Tim Keller Timothy Pinkston Augustine **Angelina Diaz Caroline Shuler** Angie Partridge Karen Iosia Andre Razev Olivia Scarbrough Thomas Saylor Samson Howell Aaron Barnett **Brenda Wright** 

Kevin Nguven Allison Galvan Jonah Murphy Kristen Jimmy Lee **Brittany Embrey Mollie DeGeneres Joyce Woolley Daniel Pittman Cooper Stringer Blakely Purdy Rick Norman Jimmy Rigdon Christy Pritchard** 



April 27th—Level Up as we celebrate the canonization of Carlo Acutis at 12N this Sunday in the Family Life Center. All kids are welcome to enjoy the fun!!!

April 30th—Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated at 615P in St. Patrick Church with Bishop Kopacz as the celebrant. Please note the 1205P Mass is cancelled on the 30th.

April 30th—All PSR students are expected to attend Confirmation Mass. Please be in the church by 6P. Please sit with your class and catechist.

May 2nd—St. Patrick School Countdown—Family Life Center—Doors open at 630P. Tickets are \$100 each with a grand prize of \$5,000!

May 4th—Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be celebrated during the 830A Mass in St. Joseph Church and the 11A Mass in St. Patrick Church.

June 14th—11A—Special Jubilee Year of Hope Mass will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church. All of the Deanery Parishes will be included in this Liturgy.

June 23rd-27th—Vacation Bible School Circle your calendars!!!



There will be two summer camps for teens (going into the ninth grade to graduating seniors) at King's Camp in Mer Rouge, LA. Beloved (July 13-16) will be for girls and Mission Possible (July 16-19) will be for boys. This camp will include Catholic teens from the Jackson & Shreveport Diocese. Please contact Angela for registration information.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated Wednesday, April 30th starting at 615P in St. Patrick Church. Bishop Kopacz will be the Celebrant and since this time coincides with PSR, all the PSR students will be in attendance as well.

### Beauty for a Cause (For the Ladies)

From now until May 31st, you can purchase Mary Kay products for the price in the book with no taxes or shipping charges. 50% of the profits will be donated for the VBS in June. Please look through a Mary Kay book or at MaryKay.com/PVtar. You can then contact Pam Tvarkunas (601) 513-7566 place an order or for more information.

Wednesday Night Dinners will conclude May 7th with Filipino Night being on the menu. Come enjoy Lumpia, Fried Rice, Chicken Kabob, & Lancit Noodles as we close out the year. Dinner is served 5:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m. in the FLC. Cost is \$6 Adults, \$3 (Children under 10) with a \$25 maximum per family.

# Weekly Collections

# St. Joseph Parish

Needed Income (Weekly):	\$4,428.00
April 13 <sup>th</sup> :	\$3,179.00
Online (Apr 11-17):	\$783.00

# St. Patrick Parish

Needed Income (Weekly):	\$15 <i>,</i> 869.00
April 13 <sup>th</sup> :	\$9,363.00
Online (Apr 11-17):	\$2,548.00

#### Spanish Mass

April 13<sup>th</sup> :

\$649.00

Special collection this weekend is for Catholic Home Missions.

#### Catholic Women Organization of St. Patrick

The CWO will meet **this Saturday, April 26th at 6P** in the Father Vally Room. All adult women are invited.

#### **Parish School of Religion**

As a reminder all students are expected to attend the Sacrament of Confirmation with your class, Wednesday, April 30th in St. Patrick Church. The Mass will start at 615P.



#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

#### <u>COUNCIL 802 /ASSEMBLY 1251</u>

The Knights will be hosting a Vitalant "Spring Fling" Blood Drive, Tuesday, May 6th at the KC Hall, 2217 Highway 19 North. Please go to vitalant.org to register or for more information.

The Knights are pleased to again offer college scholarships to knights, children or grandchildren of knights. Graduating Seniors can access the application on the front page of the council website www.kofc802.org. Returning students need only to provide a copy of their transcript. Please send applications or transcripts to Mr. Tom Zettler. Deadline is June 1.

# **Children's** Choir!

#### The Choir will practice April 30th 530P-600P in Room 214 in the FLC.

The Choir is being led by Mrs. Sarah Pogue. K-8th graders are invited. The choir will be singing during the 11:00 a.m. Mass, Sunday, May 7th in St. Patrick Church.



# **OUR LADY'S CORNER**

Our Lady's Corner Store will be open Sunday April 27<sup>th</sup>, May 4th & 11th (10A -1045A and after the 11A Mass), Wednesday, April 23rd (400P—630P) and Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> (after the 5P Mass). The store has First Holy Communion & Confirmation gifts. To shop by appt., please contact Pat (601) 479-0920 or John in the Parish Office.



Parishioners: Please pray for Helen Reynolds, Ed Shamp, Patricia James, Joe Mosby, Linda Jenkins, Stephanie Coffman, Rory Santiago, Tom Zettler, Frank Washington, Martha Haarala, Janet Bunker, JoAnn Mack, Dr. David Newell, Rosie Leflore, Barbara Holscher, Billy Mitts, Mel Brumfield, Teresa LaBiche, Martha & Larry Mazingo, and Dianne Hall.

Family & Friends: Please pray Kenny Watts (brother of Grace Mitts), Peggy Rvan (sister of Pat Maloney), Melissa Tullos (daughter of Jon & Pat Risch). Betty Koca (former parishioner), Arthur Hardin (BIL of Sarah Pogue), Marijoy Howell (daughter of Rory Santiago), Jimmy Michaud & Michael Moultis (nephews of Sue Blier), Carl Hampton (BIL of Edna Blanks), Lee Feldman (friend of Bridget & John Harwell), Erin Lewis (daughter of Mary Harrington), Dalton Kyle (friend of Pam Walston), Mary Urbeck (SIL of Pat Risch), Paula Ramagos (cousin of Les Pogue), Marie Conway (cousin of Rose Schultz), Leo Kushnir (great nephew of Rose Schultz), Bill Watson (friend of Rose Schultz), Samson Beck and John Eugene Morgan (son & grandson of Helen Beck) and Sylvia Jackson.

If you or a family member or a friend are in need of a visit from a priest or lay minister, please the Parish Office.

We would like to thank our 18 Lay Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who visit parishioners who are homebound, in nursing homes or the hospital and bring the Eucharist to them. You are appreciated.



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