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June 29, 2025 – St. Peter and St. Paul, Apostles



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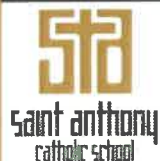


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MASSES:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 5:00 PM

*10:30 am Sunday and daily Masses are
live-streamed on our YouTube channel
and our Facebook page.*

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday-Friday: 7:00 AM

Holy Day: 7:00 AM, 6:30 PM

O.C.I.A. (formerly R.C.I.A.)

Wednesday: 6:30 - 8:00 PM

New inquirers welcome year round.

ROSARY:

Thursday: 6:40 AM

ADORATION:

Thursday: 5:00 - 7:00 PM

Divine Mercy Chaplet prayed at 6:30 PM

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:30 PM & by request

From the Desk of Msgr. Elvin Sunds

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul. Both of these great Apostles suffered tremendously for their faith. Peter suffered persecution, imprisonment, temptation and ultimately death by crucifixion, which the Lord foretells in the Gospel: "Amen, amen, I say to you, when you were younger, you used to dress yourself and go where you wanted; but when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go." But perhaps the greatest pain he endured was the guilt from denying our Lord. Paul suffered beatings, imprisonment, shipwrecks and illness as well as the emotional pain of mockery and false accusations. But perhaps the greatest pain he endured was the guilt from persecuting so many Christians before his conversion.

These two great men both teach us the same thing. God can transform suffering and use it for His glory. Christianity was built upon the courageous endurance of these and so many others who literally gave their lives to spread the Gospel. Their chains have allowed us to know true freedom in Christ. The shedding of their blood has shown us what it means to truly live. Their sufferings, endured with patience and love, teach us how to suffer gracefully.

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FAREWELL TO FR. JOSEPH

Dear Parish Family of St. Francis,

Fr. Joseph will celebrate all the Masses at St. Francis *this* Sunday, June 29th before he moves to St. Mary Church, Yazoo City on July 1st.

Please keep him in your prayers as he continues to serve our Diocese in Yazoo City, Belzoni and Anguilla.



Katelyn & Pate Dillard Kathy Kosek



Office Closed
July 4

In observance of Independence Day
Happy Independence Day!

UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST. FRANCIS

Saturday, June 28

8:30 am Pilgrimage departure to Natchez Basilica.

Sunday, June 29

9:00 am Coffee & Creed Group in St. Clare Hall.

Wednesday, July 2

No Choir rehearsal.

ST. FRANCIS PANTRY

"For it is in giving that we receive" St. Francis of Assisi"



FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION next weekend, **July 5/6:** Food donations may be left in the "green room". Please, **NO expired foods** and no previously opened packages. As always, monetary contributions are welcome, cash, check or the GIVE link on our website. Thank you for your continued support of this outreach program.

Events & Religious Education

Children's Ministry: Sunday School



Thank you to all the "safari guides" and to all who generously contributed time, leadership, creativity, supplies, food, and money to our VBS and Creative Arts Camp! We all had a spectacular time in the *Kingdom of the Son!*

7th-12th Grade Life Teen and Youth Ministry:

No WOW this week.

Thank you to all youth who helped in any way before, during, and after VBS to set up, decorate, assist in classrooms, present skits, lead music, clean up, and do other acts of service! You are greatly appreciated!

Save the date, Sunday, July 13, to feed lunch to the homeless with *Why Not Now of Mississippi* at Poindexter Park! Donations for the purchase of food are being accepted and can be sent to St. Francis church office. More info to be sent soon.



ALTAR FLOWERS

If you wish to dedicate Altar Flowers for you loved ones (deceased or special intention) We have the following dates available: October 12, 19 & 26, and November 2 and 9. Call the parish office to reserve yours at 601-856-5556.



Altar flowers this weekend are dedicated for

Priestly Vocations

given by Nancy Anklam

But to all who received Him, who believed in His name, He gave power to become children of God. John 1:12



In your hands, O Lord, we humbly entrust

Brian Grimmatt

son of our parishioner Dan Grimmatt.

Please keep the family in your prayers.

*Let perpetual light shine upon him.
May the souls of all the faithful departed,
rest in peace. Amen*



We still have a few signed copies of Fr. Frank Cosgrove's wonderful memoir, *Sir, Do You Know Where You Are Going?*, they're available in St. Francis office for \$20. Cash or checks only.



FINANCIAL GIVING



Weekly Goal:	\$30,000.00
Collection Basket	\$28,002.00
Children's Offering	\$ 57.00
Online	\$ 3,630.15
Total	\$31,689.15



Our **June** monthly stewardship amount by Bank Draft is **\$26,298.00.**

June: Capital Campaign.

June 29: The purpose of the Peter's Pence Collection is to provide the Holy Father with the financial means to respond to those who are suffering as a result of war, oppression, natural disaster, and diseases.

Please make checks payable to St. Francis of Assisi.

OCIA

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

- Have you been worshipping with us, but never officially taken the step to become Catholic?
- Have you been away from the Church, and have now returned, but want to know more?
- Have you been a Catholic all your life, but never celebrated all the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist)?
- Have you joined us from a different background and would like to find out more about the Catholic Church? If you ("or someone you know") answers YES to any of these questions, you are invited to find out more through process called the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults. It is a journey that begins with your questions. There is no obligation to join us as you discover more about your Catholic faith. The decision is ultimately yours to discern if this is to be your spiritual home. OCIA will resume in mid-August but inquirers are encouraged to reach out for more information at any time. More information about the OCIA program can be obtained by visiting the church website at <http://www.stfrancismadison.org> or by calling the church office at 601-856-5556.

MASS INTENTIONS



- Sat., Jun. 28 VIGIL MASS**
5:00 PM Mass † John Suedel
- Sun., Jun. 29 THE SOLEMNITY OF ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL**
8:00 AM Mass † Chrysteen Winfrey
9:10 AM Mass - St. Catherine † Yvonne Maloney
10:30 AM Mass
5:00 PM Mass † Elda Obando
- Mon., Jun. 30 WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
7:00 AM Mass † Dorothy Roman
- Tue., Jul. 1 ST. JUNÍPERO SERRA**
7:00 AM Mass † Joseph Gandolini
8:30 AM Mass - St. Catherine † Kevin Woods
- Wed., Jul. 2 WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
7:00 AM Mass ♥ Claire Befort
- Thurs., Jul. 3 ST. THOMAS**
7:00 AM Mass ♥ Ann Vatti
8:30 AM Mass - St. Catherine † Alice Marsalis
5:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- Fri., Jul. 4 INDEPENDENCE DAY**
7:00 AM Mass † Dr. Jay Tice
8:30 AM Mass - St. Catherine † Aline Mabry

† Praying for Deceased ♥ Praying for Special Intention



YOUNG ADULTS INVITATION

Join the Catholic Diocese on Tuesday, July 1st at Fondren Guitar for Trivia on Tap. Edgar Meyer a fan favorite and one of our young adults will be leading us in Trivia. All young adults 21 and older are welcome!



PRAY FOR OUR SOLDIERS

Revell Patterson, Mark Vincent, John Logan, Christopher Hanneke, Brian Flaherty, Garrett Kennedy, Caroline Grace Smith, Greg Weatherford, James Kaiser, Dagan Nations, Lee Greco, Liam Nethery, and Tristan Nethery.

Thank you for protecting our country.
May the Lord keep you safe.

PLEASE PRAY FOR HEALING



Parishioners: Rick Mills, Amanda Williams, Bill Smith, Dora Thomas, Ann George, Michael Schenk, Tina Coats, Kathleen Hood, Elvie Clement, Chris Smith, Terry Grabiak, Louis Pellegrine, Ethan George, Betty Ravenstein, Leslie Philipp, Sieger Sims, Tom Miller, Brandy Tucker, Gregg Jones, Pat Rogers, Shannon Moody, Davis Oltremari, Marilyn Hansen, and Michelle Harrison.

Family: Joseph Edge, Jerry Thomas, Austin Stewart, Isabella Saab, Robert Smith, Kay Wittenberg, Donna Stanley, Keely Ramshur, Desiree Savoie, Angela Gaither, Martha Hall, Marinella Davis, Amy McManus, Dan Nguyen, Rebecca McManus, Porter Antici, Mary Ann Williams, Allen Tolbert, Selema Rookis, Marie Chipley, Troy Plaisance, Rita Barrau, Robin Ballough, Fred Delahoussay, Hap Post, Nancy Watts, Wells Heier, Caroline Duckworth, Dr. Sherrill Evans, Raymond Sahut, Abby George, Ann Porcello, Celia Bustillos, and Dorothy Lacourge.

Friends: Lorene David, Lynn Goodman, Genesis Moore, Carrie Maniscalco, Lindsay McCollum, Consha Sims, Tommy Chifoln, Laura Higgins, Ruby Joblin, Travis Griffin, Shirley Jones, Patsy Meyer, Kay Beggerly, Gene Fox, Phil Cook, Brenda Dehm, Shannon Gilmer, Zayden Washington, Adele Brown, Carl Fields, Elizabeth Albertson, Jimmy Haltam, Mary Bradley, Gail Madden, and Ethan Parker.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 2 Tim 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19
Monday	Gen 18:16-33; Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 8-9, 10-11; Mt 8:18-22;
Tuesday	Gn 19:15-29; Ps 26: 2-3, 9-10, 11-12; Mt 8: 23-27
Wednesday	Gn 21:5, 8-20a; Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Mt 8: 28-34
Thursday	Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117: 1bc, 2; Jn 20: 24-29
Friday	Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24: 1-8, 62-67; Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5; Mt 9: 9-13
Saturday	Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 9:14-17

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