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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 Our Priest

Jesus asks His disciples for total dedication if they are willing to follow him. As an example, he says that to be worthy, we must love Him more than our parents or children. He doesn't expect us to abandon our parents, but rather to have such a deep love for Him that it overflows into our families, allowing us to love them more profoundly. This means putting Jesus first, so that even if we lose a family member to death or divorce, our faith in the Lord remains steadfast. If someone in our family strays from the faith, we try to guide them back through our prayers, example, and encouragement. If a spouse tries to lead us into sin, we must have the courage to defend our faith.

Jesus then gives examples of three types of disciples:

Prophets: These are people who live out their faith and teach others the wisdom they have learned. They can be counselors, inspiring teachers, or leaders who encourage us to follow Jesus. Even if we don't possess these exact qualities, Jesus promises to reward anyone who follows their advice, learns from their teachings, or comes to follow Jesus because of them.

The Righteous: These are the people who teach us through their example of a quiet, faithful life. Many good parents practice this type of discipleship. Children may not always listen to their parents' advice, but they grow up with memories of how their parents lived. By imitating the best examples set by our parents, we receive the reward of the righteous.

The "Little Ones": These individuals follow Jesus with great joy and love, much like children. They may not be leaders or always get things right, and they could be elderly or disabled. In their weakness, they reveal the power of the Lord. When we respect and value them, we see Jesus in them. Experiencing Jesus through another person is a wonderful reward for a disciple.

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Timely Topic presentation by Fr. Mike Bridging Pope Francis and Pope Leo XIV Tuesday July 7, 2026, St. Clare Hall, 6 p.m.

In times past it was not unusual to find the words *Pontifex Maximus* after a pope's name. It literally meant the maximum or ultimate bridge between heaven and earth. The presentation will point out bridges between the administration of both popes as we look to the future.

NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR THE ADORATION MINISTRY



The Adoration Group is seeking devoted volunteers to help sustain our two Holy hours on Thursdays in the chapel. Whether you can commit to a weekly holy hour, or every other week, we need your help. Please call the Parish Office to sign up. Training will be provided.

Wednesday's Grace Summer with the Saints and Those on the Path to Sainthood invites everyone in this transformative and spiritual journey. Bring your dinner, and join them at 6 pm in St. Clare Hall. **All are welcome.** No registration required.

July 8 - *Radiating Joy, the Michelle Duppong Story*
July 22 - *Going Home Like a Shooting Star: Thea Bowman's Journey to Sainthood*
August 5 - *Saint Pio of Pietrelcina- Man of Hope and Healing*
August 19 - TBD



Altar Flowers this weekend are in memory of
Dr. Jay Tice
by his wife Liz and son JJ

The love you shared with the one you miss so much,
live on in the light of Christ's great love. 1 Corinthians 13:8

Events & Religious Education

Pre-K4-6th grade Children's Ministry and Sunday School

We are SnOW grateful for all VBS volunteers, but coordinators and teachers worked extra hard and deserve special recognition: Katie Todd-music and program coordinator and Kay Flood; Pat Haffey- registration coordinator; Pat Klar- kitchen/snack coordinator and organizational work; Christina Vanderloo, Casey Morris, Lori Flood, Brielle Rideaux, Caley Stogger, Stacy Kaiser, Bridgette Rideaux, Felix Rideaux, Marcia Steinbach, Jess Brown, Courtney Terrell- teachers and assistants; Marc McAlister- heavy lifting, climbing, decorating, kitchen, and cleanup; Rachael Kenyon-Creative Arts Camp coordinator and Christina Jasinski! **Thank you.**

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

WOW – July 1st- 7th-12th Graders

Oreo-fied Snack, Vote, Repeat! Come enjoy a fun Oreo tasting and cast your vote for your favorite flavor. Bring your favorite Oreo to share, and sample a variety of others. Ms. Maggie will be bringing some of her top picks, too. Let the taste test begin.



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Heartiest congratulations to Edward and Corey Marsalis in receiving the prestigious award entitled: Folds of Valor Quilt, this past Friday at Briarwood Presbyterian Church, Jackson. You both did St. Francis of Assisi proud.

SUNDAY OFFERING



FINANCIAL GIVING



Weekly Goal:	\$30,000.00
Collection Basket	\$26,819.50
Children's Offering	\$ 100.00
Online	\$ 4,229.62
Total	\$31,149.12



Our **June** monthly stewardship amount
by Bank Draft is **\$25,737.00.**

During the summer months, many parishes experience a decline in attendance, and with it ... a decline in giving. But going on a vacation is no reason not to support your parish. Online Giving is a good way to continue your support and not miss a week of tithing. Contact the parish office for details, 601-856-5556.



July: Capital Campaign.

June 27 & 28: Peter's Pence Collection.

July 18 & 19: St. Anthony School Tuition Assistance.

Please make checks payable to St. Francis of Assisi.



ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Questions About the Catholic Faith?

Have you ever wondered about the Catholic Church, the Mass, the sacraments, or what Catholics believe? OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a welcoming process for adults who are curious about the Catholic faith, interested in becoming Catholic, or seeking to complete the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, or Eucharist. Whether you are just beginning to ask questions or are ready to take the next step, we invite you to join us. There is no obligation—just an opportunity to learn, explore, and grow in faith. OCIA will begin again in August. For more information about the OCIA program, contact the parish office or visit the parish website at www.stfrancismadison.org.

World Youth Day 2027 Don't miss this opportunity Deadline July 1, 2026



The next World Youth Day will be held August 1-10, 2027 in Seoul South Korea. The Archdiocese of New Orleans has invited all young adults from the Jackson Diocese who are interested in traveling to WYD2027 to join them on their Pilgrimage.

If you are interested in going on this pilgrimage, contact Amelia Rizer the Diocesan Coordinator of Young Adult Ministry @amelia.rizer.rizer@jacksondiocese.org by July 1, 2026.

All young adults must be 18 or older by August 1, 2027, and have graduated high school. See the link below for more information on World Youth Day 2027.

To reserve your spot and for more information click on this link:

<https://versoministries.com/departures/wyd-seoul-2027-archdiocese-of-boston/>



ST. FRANCIS PANTRY

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



FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION

July 4th/5th: 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!



ALTAR FLOWERS

If you wish to dedicate Altar Flowers for you loved ones (deceased or special intention) We have the following dates available:

September: 6, 20 & 27 November: 1, 8 & 15
October: 11 & 18

Call the parish office to reserve at 601-856-5556.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a; Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19; Rm 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt 10:37-42
Monday	Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul 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
Tuesday	Amos 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Ps 5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8; Mt 8:23-27
Wednesday	Amos 5:14-15, 21-24; Ps 50:7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13, 16bc-17; Mt 8:28-34
Thursday	Amos 7:10-17; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mt 9:1-8
Friday	Feast of Saint Thomas, Apostle Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 20:24-29
Saturday	Amos 9:11-15; Ps 85:9 and 10, 11-12, 13-14; Mt 9:14-17

MASS INTENTIONS



Sat., Jun. 27

5:00 PM

Sun., Jun. 28

8:00 AM

9:10 AM

10:30 AM

5:00 PM

Mon., Jun. 29

7:00 AM

Tue., Jun. 30

7:00 AM

8:30 AM

Wed., Jul. 1

7:00 AM

Thurs., Jul. 2

7:00 AM

8:30 AM

5:00-7:00 PM

Fri., Jul. 3

7:00 AM

8:30 AM

VIGIL MASS

Mass † Tony Lockhart

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass † Dr. Jay Tice

Mass - Catherine † Shaughn Loper

Mass Missa Pro Populo

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Mass † Katherine Newell

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Mass † Hollis Felts

WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass

Mass - Catherine † Patsy Gerrets

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

ST. THOMAS

Mass † Katherine Newell

Mass - Catherine † Alice Marsalis

† Praying for Deceased ♥ Praying for Special Intention



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, Tristan Nethery, Kelly Yonko, and Willy Gabriel Cardona.

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR HEALING



Parishioners: Dora Thomas, Ann George, Michael Schenk, Tina Coats, Kathleen Hood, Elvie Clement, Chris Smith, Annie & Terry Grabiak, Louis Pellegrine, Ethan George, Betty Ravenstein, Leslie Philipp, Sieger Sims, Tom Miller, Brandy Tucker, Gregg Jones, Mary Kraft, Mary Conner, Molly Hoke, Shannon Moody, Davis Oltremari, Marilyn Hansen, Lauren Kalka, Michelle Harrison, Barbara Willis, Bernard Dreiling, Lucy Hilton, Mike Robinson, Christine School, Wes Williams, and David Hunt.

Family: 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, Selema Rookis, Marie Chipley, Troy Plaisance, Robin Ballough, Fred Delahoussay, Nancy Watts, Wells Heier, Caroline Duckworth, Dr. Sherrill Evans, Raymond Sahut, Ann Porcello, Margaret Barber, Shirley Burns, Ellen Joiner, Jim Stewart, Willie Crotty, Dane Taylor, Paul Bolus, Betty Ann Giliberto, Heather Griffin, Juan Vargas, and Chesney Spence.

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, Ethan Parker, Linda Parish, Robert Blount, Graycen Tompkins, Beckett Dees, Fred Muller, Joe Ellis, and Aubrey Jones.

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