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OUR MISSION

The Spirit of the Lord is upon us and has anointed us to proclaim the Good News. In love, our Holy Spirit Catholic Church family will seek the Kingdom of God so that we all may be one, bringing peace and unity to our world. With an undivided heart, we commit ourselves to live the Gospel teachings of Jesus. Following Him who is our Way, our Truth and our Life, we will live a life of holiness, worship, and service as witnesses to the Resurrection of our Savior Lord.



December 14, 2025
Third Sunday of Advent

Served by Priests of the Sacred Heart

PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. Hendrik Ardianto, SCJ—Moderator-Pastor

Rev. David Szatkowski, SCJ, JCD

Rev. Guy Blair, SCJ

Rev. (Paul) Phong Hoang, SCJ

Dn. Ted Schreck—Director of Evangelization

Sr. Rose Hacker, SSSF—Pastoral Assistant

STAFF

Christine Greer—Administrative Assistant

MaryAnn Nix—Receptionist/Secretary

Amanda Ready—Religious Education Coordinator

SHSM Catholic Social Services—(662) 429 5789

MASS TIMES

Thursday & Friday—8am

Saturday Vigil—6pm

Sunday—9:30am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday—5:30-5:50pm

or Weekdays by Appointment

ADORATION

Every Wednesday—6pm

First Saturday 9:30-10:30am

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday—9am to 3pm

WELCOME!

MASS & EVENTS CALENDAR

Sunday, December 14, 2025

Third Sunday of Advent

8:30 am Adult Faith Study

8:45 am Rosary in Chapel

9:30 am Mass +**Andy Massa** by: Diane Cullen

10:30 am OCIA

10:30 am PreK thru 5th Grade PRE

5:00 am Parish Christmas Program

Monday, December 15, 2025

Interfaith Set up

Tuesday, December 16, 2025

Interfaith Set up

10:00 -11:00 am Eucharistic Adoration

6:30 pm Finance Council Meets

Wednesday, December 17, 2025

Interfaith Set up

Office Closed till 1:00 pm—Staff Meeting CTK

NO Open Gym

6:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration

6:30 pm 6th thru 12th grade PRE

Thursday, December 18, 2025

Interfaith Set up

8:00 am Mass +**Mike Cullen** by: Diane Cullen

9:00 am Bible Study

7:00 pm AA

Friday, December 19, 2025

Interfaith Set up

8:00 am Mass +**Mary Magdalene**

11:30 am Office Closes for the Day

Saturday, December 20, 2025

8:15 am Interfaith Christmas Distribution

5:30 pm Confession

6:00 pm Mass +**Sandra McCormick** by: Kelli Bishop

Sunday, December 21, 2025 - Winter Begins

Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:30 am Adult Faith Study

8:45 am Rosary in Chapel

9:30 am Mass **For The Parish Community**

NO OCIA

NO PreK thru 5th Grade PRE

10:30 am Coffee & Donuts

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

Saturday, December 20

Greeter: Paula Busler/Sheri Carter

Usher: Martha Saia/Tom Busler

Server: Gavin Ellis

Lector: Bill Marking/Jim Buechele

Gift Bearer: Hankins Family

Eucharistic Minister: Greg/Leanne/Diane

Sunday, December 21

Greeter: Ron & Shirley Henderson

Usher: Carl/Bob G/Ron/Shirley

Server: Eli/Clay

Lector: Alan Gho/Coen McKnight

Gift Bearer: Jackson Family

Eucharistic Minister: Diane/Patsy/Robin/
Chris M/Barbara Dean/Sarah/Barbara Langley

OTHER MINISTRIES

Altar Linen Ministry: Donna Grasso (Dec)

Children's Homily:

December 14 - Amanda Moore

December 21 - Mary Lovell

Religious Goods Store:

December 13 - Cathy Powers

December 14 - Madeline Moore

December 20 - Jane Dettmer

December 21 - Mary Margaret Brasher

COLLECTION REPORT

Offering.....1 Yearly	\$ 12,735.98
Maintenance Fund.....	\$ 255.00
Community Services.....	\$ 115.00
Flowers.....	\$ 45.00
On Line Giving.....Gen.....	\$
Community Service.....	\$
Immaculate Conception.....	\$ 1,042.00

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† PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Please pray for the following who are sick or having/recovering from surgeries:

Leigh Ann Gilmer (Brasher niece), Helen Spencer, Brandon Grant, Shirley Henderson, Joe Cervetti, Ken Hoover, Jaime Perez (Nix), Laura Greenwell (Dean), Brett Hollifield (Russell bronlaw), Pat Eldred (mom), Gavin Vincent, Kim Leviton (Sam/Tina Devereux) Karen Rawlings, Gwen Savage, Paula Busler, Martha Claire Tuthill (Saia daughter), Michael French, Braylon Cox, Danny Thomas, Lance Nelson, Mary Greenwell, Theresa Perez, Ellen McKenzie (k. Bishop), Tracy Haring (Mike K.), Michael Krug (N.Marking bro), Grace Howell (Kelli Bishop), Devin Candella (M. Grant bro), Marvin Dixon, Daniel Logan, Leslye Hall, Gene Mallett, Rachel Stevens (Goode), Dawn Kovaloski, Jennifer Cole (M Huffman niece), Tony Field (M Mitchell dad), David Smith (Liz B. nephew), Steve Harrison, Mark Printup, Robert Ryan, Ron Gaunt, Karen Weishaar (Nix), Norma Nickarz (mom), Patsy Cordell (Joy's sisnlaw), Mike Nix (bro-in-law), Jimmy Helms (K. Tarsi dad), Nancy Kelly (H. Spencer sis), Ed French (bro-n-law), Jeff Smith, Chris Carroll (Sr. Rose Nephew), Kathy Eldred, Judy Ferguson (daughter-in-law), Glenn Donnelly.

Advent Gospel Reflections by Bishop Robert Barron from 8:30-9:15 am in the meeting room of the small chapel. Available on Amazon and Word on Fire. Call Jim Buechele for details 901-219-3075. Every Sunday.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Every Tuesday: 10 am—11 am
Every Wednesday: 6 pm-7 pm
Every 1st Saturday:
9:30 am-10:30 am

WEEKLY ROSARY



Join us at 8:45 am every Sunday in the Chapel to pray the Rosary.
Thursday & Friday 7:30 am before Mass.

FR. GUY'S REFLECTION

Dear Friends,

As you know, every Advent, John the Baptist occupies the second and the third Sundays of the season. He is not passing out candy canes or wreaths for our doors wishing us a Merry Christmas. What an unexpected person to meet in this season of preparation for the birth of Christ! He stands on our pathway to Bethlehem; if we try to go around him, he will block our steps. He warns us we cannot proceed to the manger and kneel in the presence of the newborn infant without a change of heart. We cannot welcome Christ if we do not listen to John the Baptist first.

While John the Baptist may be wagging a finger at us and challenging us, Advent is also a season of joy. Often with the message of repent and the somber purple color, we forget, we are celebrating that a savior has been born to save us!

Advent questions our witness to Jesus Christ, just as John the Baptist questions our life choices, and whether we are directed towards God. Someone once stated: "we cannot be for God and be against people." This is a thought for our reflection as we journey toward Bethlehem. There is so much rhetoric today against this or that group of people. Keeping in mind there is good in everyone, and God is the Father of all people can lead us to see a more inclusive truth than being blinded by divisive rhetoric.

Advent is not simply preparation for Christmas. Christ came once as an infant. His arrival now is quite different. This is a time we are making ourselves ready to meet Christ in the most unexpected people. It is a time of compassion, welcome and goodwill. The experience of Christ coming as He did was most unexpected. When we can see Christ in the face of others, we have done the work of Advent in preparation to kneel in adoration at the manger.

Peace for your week,
fr guy

EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday, December 24, 2025

Queen of Peace	4:00 pm
Holy Spirit	4:00 pm
Good Shepherd	4:00 pm
St. Joseph	4:00 pm
St. Gregory	4:00 pm
Christ the King, English	4:00 pm
Christ the King, Spanish	6:00 pm
Christ the King, Bi-lingual	Midnight

Thursday, December 25, 2025

Queen of Peace	9:00 am
St. Joseph	9:00 am
St. Gregory	9:00 am
Holy Spirit	9:00 am
Christ the King, English	9:00 am
Christ the King, Spanish	11:00 am



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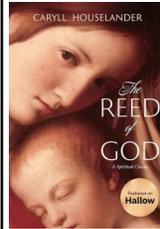


COFFEE & DONUTS

The Men's Association will be furnishing coffee and donuts after SUNDAY morning Mass this Sunday December 21, 2025 for everyone in the Family Life Center. ALL ARE WELCOME!



SAINTS IN WAITING BOOK CLUB



Join the Saints in Waiting Book Club this Advent as we read the Reed of God by Caryll Houselander.

We will meet this third Friday of Advent (**Dec 19**) at 10:30am at St. Gregory's Parish Hall for the last class.

Address: 705 Strayhorn, Senatobia, MS—38668

For more info: please contact Janet Cupo

Phone: 662-288-3373

Email: janetktc@gmail.com

SACRED HEART SCHOOL

SACRED HEART SCHOOL Our school will begin accepting applications for the **2026-2027** school year on December 1. Classes in the lower grades are filling up quickly! Apply online at www.sheartschool.org under the ADMISSIONS tab. To schedule a tour, please call 662-349-0900 or email bmartin@shsm.org. Don't miss out on the opportunity to join our faith-center community!

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring their annual Coats for Kids drive.



For more information, contact Bill Horne at 901-289-4247

RECYCLE ALUMINUM CANS

Holy Spirit Men's Association is continuing to collect Aluminum Cans. Please place clean, **crushed** or uncrushed cans in the trailer in front of the garage.



EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOOD PANTRY NEED



For our new families/a reminder for us all - Holy Spirit is responsible for furnishing packages of **Idaho instant potatoes and cans of Hunt's pasta sauce** for the Hernando Food Pantry. This is an ongoing need. Bring them to Mass with you and drop them in the basket just inside the door in the Narthex.



God bless your generosity. Matthew 26:11

BOSTON BUTT FOR THE NEW YEAR



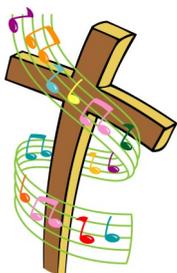
The Men's Association are accepting orders for "Boston Butts". Order yours today!! Remember they only cook so many. Smoked to Perfection! **\$45.00 each.**

OCIA

We want to invite all adults who are considering becoming Catholic or receiving the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and/or Eucharist) to reach out as we are preparing for our next sessions of OCIA.

For more info, contact Deacon Ted Schreck:

- **Phone: 662-342-1073**
- **Email: nwms.evangelization@gmail.com**



JOIN THE CHOIR

The choir is looking for voices to add to our group! We especially need male voices, however all interested in joining the Choir are welcome.

If you would like to join the Sunday Choir, please reach out to **Stacy Michaels** by call or text **662-910-0749** even if it's just for the Christmas season or even just the Easter season, we are always looking for strong voices.

ADVENT GENEROSITY CHALLENGE



Have you ever reached Christmas only to realize you prepared everything but your heart?

This Advent, Holy Spirit invites you to live out radical generosity through weekly reflections and simple challenges with family, friends, and neighbors.

To receive the 5-part Advent series by email or text, join our FlockNote group at:

<https://HolySpiritCatholicChurc2.flocknote.com/adventchallenge2>

JOURNEY THROUGH ADVENT

Join us for a "Journey through Advent": Small group sessions on the Advent Sunday readings.

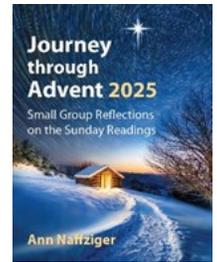
When: Wednesday 12:00-1:30 pm, December 17, 2025 (Bring your lunch)

Where: Good Shepherd Church Social Hall, 1329 Casino Center Dr. Ext., Robinsonville.

Facilitator: Sister Rose

Come to one, come to all the sessions.

Please sign up in the Narthex.



Prepare Your Heart for Christmas! Join us Tuesday, Dec. 23 at Christ the King for a special showing of "The Shepherd" from The Chosen (TV-PG). After Eucharistic Adoration (6-7 pm), gather in the social hall from 7:15-8 pm to experience the Nativity through the eyes of humble shepherds whose encounter changed the world forever. Deacon Ted will lead a short, engaging Bible study after the episode. Light snacks provided! If you have company coming for Christmas, please invite them to join us too!



BECOME ONE OF THE MILLIONS OF MONICAS

One Hour
One Purpose
Our Children

MONDAYS

5-6 PM

HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH

BEGINNING: JANUARY 12, 2026

Join with other mothers as we pray to grow in holiness and humility
and for our children's faithful return to the Catholic Church

Third Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10

If Only . . .

We all have our own “if onlys.” If only my hands didn’t shake. If only my knees were stronger. If only I weren’t afraid. If only we had enough rain. If only I could see more clearly. If only I could hear as I used to. If only I didn’t feel trapped.

God understands. Even though life is not perfect, and even though our property and bodies deteriorate, God promises a restoration of all that is beautiful. The struggles of this life cause us to yearn for another, more glorious life.

Isaiah prophesies a day when God’s glory will come. “Here is your God,” Isaiah says. “God comes to save you.” These words brought hope to those in exile, a people powerless and poor.

When Christians hear this text, we hear a promise that echoed all the way to the birth of Jesus. Jesus, whose name means “savior,” is coming, and all will be made new in him.

Every time we strengthen the weak, help the needy, water the plants, or shovel the snow, we remove someone’s “if only.” We help them witness the coming of Christ.

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Third Sunday of Advent

James 5:7-10

Patient Waiting

Some things just take time. It takes time for crops to grow, for bread to rise, and for wine to age. It takes time to learn how to play a musical instrument or to develop athletic skill. Some things cannot be rushed. We do what we can to prepare the earth and strengthen our bodies for the tasks at hand. But in the end, we wait.

It is hard to wait, especially when we anticipate good results. We wish that children would master the lesson, that the beloved would return from a journey, and that God would answer a prayer. It is hard to wait for what we want. Sometimes we do not behave our best while we are waiting. We grow impatient and irritable.

God is slow. It took thousands of years for God to deliver on the promise to Abraham. Eventually, the child was born in Bethlehem. Then people had to wait for the child to grow up.

Then Jesus died on the cross, and people had to wait for the Resurrection. Then he rose, appeared, and promised to come back again. But people had to wait. We are still waiting.

The Letter of James says, “Be patient, brothers and sisters, until the coming of the Lord.” We know we must be patient for Christ to come again. While we are waiting, we strive to live in harmony, because it is in our community where we experience even now the coming of our God.

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