

# Rev. Mike Austin, Pastor Deacon Bill Vrazel

Mass Schedule: Summer Months, Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Winter Months, Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., & 5:00 p.m.
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#### God's Love For Us In Our Humanity Is Real

As a priest, I'm amazed how happily married couples remember the tiniest details of their earliest encounters. They effortlessly report things like: "he wore a blue shirt," "we ordered brussels sprouts," "her hair was up in a bun," and "he spilled shrimp cocktail sauce at my family's open front door when it was ten degrees below zero," (that one's courtesy of my mom). We delight in remembering and speaking of when our new life of love began. The little details are glorious reminders that it's all *real*.

It's similar for John the Apostle. He tells us of the two disciples who followed Jesus into his house, "...they stayed with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon." Why does that tiny detail matter? Because *that's the time of day when they encountered the love of Jesus the Messiah in their lives*. Our religion is not primarily about abstract truths about God, no matter how true or sublime. It is about God meeting and saving us in our human nature. It's about a *human* relationship.

What was the time of day when you first recall encountering Christ and his Church? Who was there? What did you feel? How did things look and smell? What happened? Take some time to recall it in detail. For me, it was inside an old, rickety church on a hillside in Jerome, Arizona. It was about 9 p. m. on a Saturday evening. I was with my friends Jenny, Brad, and Laura. We were praying, singing, and laughing. When was it for you? Remembering the details isn't empty nostalgia. It reminds us now that God's

TODAY'S READINGS	<i>First Reading:</i> The LORD came and revealed his presence, calling out as before, "Samuel, Samuel!" Samuel answered, "Speak, for your servant is listening." (1 Sm 3:10) <i>Psalm:</i> Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will. (Ps 40) <i>Second Reading:</i> Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? But whoever is joined to the Lord becomes one Spirit with him. (1 Cor 6:15, 17) <i>Gospel:</i> So they went and saw where Jesus was staying, and they stayed with him that day. (Jn 1:39)			
READINGS FOR THE WEEK	Monday:       1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22         Tuesday:       1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28         Wednesday:       1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6         Thursday:       1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12         Friday:       1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19         Saturday:       2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21         Next Sunday:       Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (4a)/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20			
EVENTS OF THE WEEK	Monday, January 15, 2024 — Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Parish Office Closed Tuesday, January 16 — Wednesday, January 17 —	<ul> <li>7:25 am Rosary – Church</li> <li>8:00 am Mass –Church</li> <li>10:00 am Holy Family Parish Prayer Group – Chapel</li> <li>5:00 pm – 11:00 pm Adoration – Church</li> <li>5:00 pm – 6:00 pm – Reconciliation Offered in Church</li> <li>5:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal – Chapel</li> <li>6:30 pm Parish Eucharistic Revival Team – HFC All Purpose Room</li> <li>6:30 pm Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help - Chapel</li> <li>7:00 pm Vigil Mass - Chapel 9 Days for Life Novena – Visit respectlife.org</li> <li>6:30 am Java and Jesus Men's Group – Parish Hall</li> <li>7:25 am Rosary – Church</li> <li>8:00 am Mass – Church 9 Days for Life Novena</li> <li>9:00 am Bible Study – Parish Hall</li> <li>6:30 pm OclA – Parish Hall</li> </ul>		
	Thursday, January 18 —	<ul> <li>7:15 am Rosary – Chapel</li> <li>8:00 am Mass – Chapel <i>9 Days for Life Novena</i></li> <li>9:00 am – 5:00 pm Adoration until Benediction at 5:00 pm–Chapel</li> </ul>		
	Friday, January 19 —	<ul> <li>8:30 am Mass – Church <i>9 Days for Life Novena</i></li> <li>9:00 am – 12:00 pm St. Vincent de Paul Society – Parish Hall</li> <li>3:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet – Chaplet</li> </ul>		
	Saturday, January 20 —	<ul> <li>- 1:00pm - 2:00pm Youth Ministry Setup - Parish Hall <i>9 Days for Life Novena</i></li> <li>- 4:00 pm Mass — Church <i>Reconciliation offered 30 minutes prior to Mass</i></li> </ul>		

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**ORDINARY TIME** 

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched

Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. - Jn 1:35-37

# Lord, Hear Our Prayer

Louise Altier, Adam Amort, Jerri Anderson, Sandra Angeline, Lois Audley, Andrew B. Barrett, Tammy Bates, Jeff Beaver, Kim Beech, James Bell, Tracy Biggs, Sandra Bishop, Rusty Bohn, Dian Bradley, Mike Brown, John Bull, Josephine C., Martha Burdette, Fr. Ronnie Calkins, Jamie Ann Canton, Patty Caranna, Sarah Carboni, Fr. David Carucci, Bruce Carver, Jerry Casey, Jim Cooke, Mae Mae Cooley, David Corollo, Cecil Creel, Donna Dantin, Lynn Dantin, Danny Davis, Sr., Jim Dean, Megan Delgado, Marvel Desroche, Dawn Domecq, Jeannie and John Dubuisson, Anne Erickson, Peter Fenn, Kim Fitzgerald, Janet Galen, Roy and Betty Gamez, Charles Grey, Hannah Gest, Donnie Haley, Jr., John Hayden, Alan Hoda, Pat Hoda, Fay Hogan, Olivia Hood, Daniel Huck, Butch and Betty Hughes, Paul Hughes, David H. James, Sally James, Janet Jefferson, Sierra Jefferson, Faye Johnson, John Knight, Marcus Kaszabowski, Natalie Koenenn, Jill Ladner, Missy Ladner, Pam Ladner, Griffis Lamar, Dustin Leochner, Debbie Lizana, Charlotte Logan, Mark Logan, Marlene Logan, Michelle Logan, Evelyn Lumpkin, Laura Creel Meadows, Carl Molesworth, Pat Morley, Dennis Mottola, Kevin Niolet, Rita Norman, Joshua Parker, Larry Peterman, Konner Peterson, Michelle Pisciotta, Jane Prescott, Bill Redo, Bryce Riordan, Jacob Rivera, Jaxson Rivera, Bev Rogers, Taige Roof, Tammy Graham Rome, June Rutland, Janet Ryan, Kevin Ryan, Clyde

Schepens, William "Scooter", Leah Scott, James Senac, Rachel Singleton, Melissa Starita, Barbara Swilley, Jim and Michael Trott, Morgan

Ulrich, Pat Vial, Anastasia Virvilis, Jimmy Wetzel, Bragg Williams, Nadia Wil-

liams, Becky Wooley, Angie Parker Yonkin

Lynne Bohn Elizabeth Yoder *Please contact the Parish Office at* 

In Memoriam

Weekly Operating Report January 8, 2024 Weekly Operating Credits Offertory/Collection: \$19717 Building Fund: \$389 Youth Ministry: \$49 Masses: \$280 Cemetery: \$5 Memorials: \$5 Second Collection: \$1,443 Local Charity: \$50

Direct Debit—Electronic Transfers Forms are available in the back of the church or by calling the office at 228-452-4686 Weekly Fixed Expenses

Schools: \$3210 Salaries and Benefits: \$4750 Diocese Support Tax: \$917 Utilities: \$1187.50 Janitorial, Maintenance, Grounds: \$1189.75 Insurance: \$584 TOTAL FIXED WEEKLY EXPENSES:

\$13,075.00 "These are just the fixed expenses.

There are many areas of ministry that require funding throughout the year (Youth Ministry, Religious Education, Adult Education, Liturgy, Office Supplies). I am publishing this as part of our new financial budgeting system. There will also be a general report quarterly. God Bless!" Fr. Mike

### Pray For a Priest Each Day

Lord Jesus, we your people pray to You for our priests. You have given them to us for OUR needs. We pray for them in THEIR needs. We know that You have made them priests in the likeness of your own priesthood. You have consecrated them, set them aside, anointed them, filled them with the Holy Spirit, appointed them to teach, to preach, to minister, to console, to forgive, and to feed us with Your Body and Blood. Indeed, we thank You for choosing them from among us, so that they understand us as we understand them, suffer with us, rejoice with us, worry with us and trust with us, share our beings, our lives, our faith. We ask that You give them this day the gift You gave Your chosen ones on the way to Emmaus: Your presence in their hearts, Your holiness in their souls, Your joy in their spirits. And let them see You face to face in the breaking of the Eucharistic bread. We pray to You, O Lord, through Mary the mother of all priests, for our priests! Amen.

Sun., Jan. 14: For Father Martin Gillespie

Mon., Jan 15: For Father Tomasz Golab

Tues., Jan 16: For Father Rufinus Jas SVD

*Wed., Jan. 17*: For Father Ignacio Jimenez-Morales

*Thur., Jan 18:* For Father Jeyanthan Jordan

*Fri., Jan 19:* For Father Fintan Kilmurray

*Sat., Jan 20:* For Fathers Piotr Kmiecik and Bartosz Kunat

<i>January 20, &amp; January 21</i>	4:00 pm - Saturday, 1/20/24	<b>8:30 am - Sunday,</b> 1/21/24	11:00 am - Sun- day, 1/21/24	5:00 pm - Sunday, 1/21/24
Lectors	Ken Austin	Phylis Carlton	Richard Allard	Laurie Huck
EEMs	Donald Frilot, Ursula Frilot and Roger Ridgeway	Ken Braud, Carol Church, Jack Miller, Lorraine Miller and Tracy Patridge	Sharon Lowe, Charles Lowe, Michael Mayeaux, Gayle Parker and Sid Petagna	Richard Bohn, Joy Miller and Joe Spence
Altar Servers	Gage Garriga, Kaleb Garriga and Cooper W. Ferrill	A. Banks Barrett, Zoey Mileham, Olivia A. Robin and Makenna R. Smith	Emily Payment, Archer Kraft and Anna Claire Thomas	Allie Giles, Matthew G. Jenkins and Sophia Gonzalez





Congratulations to

*Luke Patridge*, child of *Kyle and Caitlin Patridge* and

Silas Henderson, child of Aaron and Rachel Henderson

who received the Sacrament of Baptism on Sunday, January 7, 2024

"Let the children come to me; because the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." Mark 10:14

Please join us every FIRST and THIRD FRIDAY of the month for the

### CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY



The next Chaplet is Friday, January 19*th* 3:00 pm St. Paul's Chapel For the sake of His sorrowful passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

> MINISTRY LEADERS AND OFFICE STAFF



# Parish Calendar Meeting

Monday, January 22nd 7:00 pm HFC Conference Center For questions, call the Parish Office at 228-452-4686.

	MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK			
	Saturday, January 13	4:00 pm (Winter months)	<ul> <li>Catherine Wood</li> <li>Googsie Rafferty</li> <li>Special Intentions for</li> <li>Marianne and Karl</li> <li>Koberger</li> <li>Special Intentions for</li> <li>Rechel and Gabe LaSalla</li> </ul>	
	Sunday, January 14	8:30 am	Thomas Tarnacki Special Intentions for Shirley Schmidt	
		11:00 pm		
		5:00 pm	╋ Lynne Bohn	
	Monday, January 15	8:00 am		
	Tuesday, January 16 <b>(Chapel)</b>	7:00 pm	Healing for Pat Taconi † Drew Rabalais	
*	Wednesday, January 17	8:00 am	Mary Beth Dubuisson Special Intentions for Bonnie Talbot and Family	
	Thursday, January 18 ( <b>Chapel)</b>	8:00 am	<b>†</b> Knost Family <b>†</b> Mowetha Williams	
	Friday, January 19	8:30 am * † The Repose of the Soul	Healing for Pat Taconi	



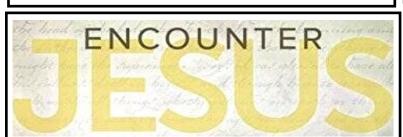
Walking With  $\mathcal{M}ams$  In Need Ministry Meeting

Thursday, January 25th at 1:00 pm in the Parish Hall Special Guest, Margaret Miller, Diocesan Coordinator for Walking With Moms in Need. All are invited.

For questions, please call the Parish Office at 228-452-4686.



The USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities is sponsoring the annual 9 Days for Life Novena January 16–24. Pray with thousands of Catholics for the end to abortion and the protection of human life. Join us January 16–24! For more information, go to www.respectlife.org.



### A Healing Encounter With Jesus in the Eucharist Nativity B.V.M. Cathedral Thursday, February 15th 6:00 pm

In connection with Our Lady of Lourdes, which St. Pope John Paul II designated as World Day of the Sick, and in the Spirit of Eucharistic Revival, we will have

Hour of Grace on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of February. Come, let us pray for healing for the sick from Jesus in the Eucharist.

#### Upcoming 2024 Second Collections

January 27-28Church in Latin America<br/>and Saltillo MissionFebruary 13-14Churches in Eastern<br/>Europe and AfricaFebruary 17-18Black and Indian Missions

Father Jas & SVD Laity Missionary of Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church Invites you to a



## <u>HEALING MASS</u> SERVICE

Friday, January 19th at 5:00 pm 216 Saucier Avenue Pass Christian

Please bring your friends and those who need special prayers in this powerful evening of healing and prayer.









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#### PROPERTY FOR SALE

For questions regarding lot next to St. Paul Chapel, 140 E. Scenic Dr, Pass Christian, please contact Ken Austin at Mississippi Coast Realty at 228-452-2313 (office), 228-493-0052, ken@mscoasthomes.com,

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