

HOLY FAMILY PARISH



Rev. Mike Austin, Pastor
Rev. Godswill Agbagwa, Associate 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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SEPTEMBER 20, 2026

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

A Sober Realization

Every December, the priests of my diocese gather for a Christmas dinner with our bishop. Nearly 200 of us in one room: newly ordained and long retired, pastors of large parishes and quiet confessors, men full of energy and others moving more slowly. Some carry visible success; others bear hidden wounds. It is a tapestry of vocations and lives. When the bishop thanks us, I am always moved. For a moment, none of our differences matter. What matters is that we belong to one another.

I usually leave that evening with a deep sense of peace, but also with a sober realization. Nothing drains joy from the vineyard of the Lord faster than comparison. The quiet habit of measuring, ranking, and resenting can creep in even among those who sincerely serve God.

That is what Jesus exposes in today's parable of the workers in the vineyard. The early laborers are not upset because they were treated unjustly; they are angry because others were treated generously. Their resentment blinds them to the gift already in their hands. When the landowner asks, "Are you envious because I am generous?" he names the real wound.

This tension echoes throughout salvation history: the elder brother resenting the prodigal, the faithful servant scorning the latecomer. Jesus does not deny the labor of those who have borne the heat of the day, but he refuses to let God's mercy become a zero-sum game.

In the end, the vineyard's reward is not about fairness but belonging. The joy offered is communion with a generous Father, who delights in gathering early and late, strong and weak, into one household of grace.

— Father John Muir

Today's Mass Readings

First Reading

Seek the Lord while he may be found, call him while he is near. (Is 55:6)

Psalm

The Lord is near to all who call upon him. (Ps 145)

Second Reading

I am caught between the two. I long to depart this life and be with Christ, for that is far better. (Phil 1:23)

Gospel

"What if I wish to give this last one the same as you?
Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money?
Are you envious because I am generous?" (Mt 20:14-15)

Daily Mass Readings For The Week

Monday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 119:2-3, 4-5/Mt 9:9-13

Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9/Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc/Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Eccl 11:9-12:8/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17/Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sunday: Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

O Holy Mother of God, pray for our priests your Son has chosen to serve the Church. Help them, by intercession, to be holy, zealous, and chaste. Make them models of virtue in the service of God's people. Help them be pious in meditation, efficacious in preaching, and zealous in the daily offering of the Holy Sacrifice of the mass. Help them administer the Sacraments with love and joy.
Amen.

Sunday, Sept. 20: Father Robert Higginbotham (Retired)
Monday, Sept. 21: Fathers Ignacio Jimenez-Morales & Bartosz Kunat
Tuesday, Sept. 22: Father Michael Marascalco
Wednesday, Sept. 23: Father Chinnappa R. Mark, HGN
Thursday, Sept. 24: Fathers Ryan McCoy & Henry McNerney
Friday, Sept. 25: For Our Deceased Popes and Bishops Joseph Howze & Roger Morin
Saturday, Sept. 26: For Retired, Extern & Deceased Priests, Brothers, & Deacons

SPECIAL INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

† ~ The Repose of the Soul

Saturday, September 19	5:00 pm	† Eleanor Lipski ~ † Mattie Pavolini Special Intentions for Fr. Jas' Family
Sunday, September 20	8:30 am	† Germaine Malburg ~ † Frances Carrubba-LeBlanc ~ † Randy Guillot Healing for Mike Hall
	11:00 am	† Beverly Monnin ~ † Yvonne Saux Special Intentions for Brian and Theresa Smith
	5:00 pm	† Anita Veltman
Monday, September 21	8:00 am	† Aaron Vrazel ~ † Joseph Yentzen ~ † Charles Towns
Tuesday, September 22	7:00 pm	† Mary Catherine Ward ~ † Anita Veltman
Wednesday, September 23	8:00 am	† Victoria Ashton ~ † Mary Levens Special Intentions for Ann Alexander
Thursday, September 24 (Chapel)	8:00 am	† Knost Family ~ † Victoria Ashton Healing for Joy Burke
Friday, September 25	8:30 am	† Victoria Ashton Special Intentions for Abby Whaley ~ Special Intentions for Lorraine Miller

For additions and deletions ~ 228-452-4686

REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

In Memoriam **Mattie Pavolini**

Corbin Altese, Louise Altier, Adam Amort, Jerri Anderson, Leota Ayuso, Lee Ayuso, Tammy Bates, James Bell, Jimmy Benigno, Kenneth Benitez, Jan Berry, Tracy Biggs, Sandra Bishop, Pat Bishop, Asher Bonura, Dian Bradley, Jim Bradley, Richard Brasard, Mike Brown, John Bull, Josephine C., Martha Burdette, Fr. Ronnie Calkins, Jamie Ann Canton, Sarah Carboni, Phylis Carlton, Jerry Casey, Jim Cooke, Mae Mae Cooley, Tyler Corban, David Corollo, Donna Dantin, Lynn Dantin, Vicki Darlington, Danny Davis, Sr., Jim Dean, Megan Delgado, Marvel Desroche, Dawn Domecq, Brenda Dubuisson, Jan Dubuisson, Jeannie and John Dubuisson, Anne Erickson, Dom Fimiano, Kim Fitzgerald, Linda Frost, Janet Galen, Roy and Betty Gamez, Gerry Gough, Marian Governor, Charles Grey, Caroline Guidry, Donnie Haley, Jr., Eleanor Halstead, John Hayden, Alan Hoda, Pat Hoda, Olivia Hood, Daniel Huck, Betty Hughes, Paul Hughes, David H. James, Janet Jefferson, Sierra Jefferson, Faye Johnson, Phillip Jones, Marcus Kaszabowski, Natalie Koenenn, Thomas Koenem, Barbara Ladner, Jill Ladner, Missy Ladner, Pam Ladner, Griffis Lamar, Anita Lambert, Vickie Landrum, Dustin Leochner, Josua Lewis, Charlotte Logan, John Logan, Mark Logan, Marlene Logan, Michelle Logan, Lynda Lumpkin, Evelyn Lumpkin, Rod Malburg, Stephanie Marvel, Emily McGinnity, Laura Creel Meadows, Lori Miller, Michael Mills, Carl Molesworth, Pat Morley, Dennis Mottola, Cheryl Necaise, Francis Necaise, Kevin Niolet, Rita Norman, Carol O'Brien, Kyle Patridge, Joshua Parker, Larry Peterman, Michelle Pisciotta, Jane Prescott, The Pruett Family, Lynn Rabalais, Emily Reaves, Bill Redo, Bryce Riordan, Jacob Rivera, Jaxson Rivera, Bev Rogers, Tammy Graham Rome, June Rutland, Kevin Ryan, Clyde Schepens, William "Scooter" Leah Scott, Beth Sealy, James Senac, Joe Shaw, Rachel Singleton, Chip Songy, Fred Spence, Melissa Starita, Barbara Swiley, Father Truong Q Trinh, Jim and Michael Trott, Morgan Ulrich, Brittany Varney, Anastasia Virvilis, Bragg Williams, Etta Williams, Nadia Williams, Billy Wood, Becky Wooley, Wayne Wooley, Paul Yaegar, Angie Parker Yonkin

MONTHLY EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER

MONTH OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS

- ~~Sunday, September 6th - Class on Pope Leo XIV's Magnific Humanitas begins - 9:45 am-10:45 am - Office~~
- ~~Monday, September 7th - OFFICE CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY -~~
- ~~Sunday, September 13th - Our Lady of Fatima Rosary Rally - 9:30 am (After 8:30 am mass) - Church~~
- ~~Sunday, September 27th - Theology of the Body - 6:30 pm - Community Center~~
- ~~Sunday, September 27th - PRIEST APPRECIATION DAY!~~
- ~~Wednesday, September 30th - Healing Face of Jesus - 6:30 pm - Church~~

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

- ~~Tuesday, September 8th - Knights of Columbus Meeting - 7pm~~
- ~~Sunday, September 13th - Knights of Columbus Corporate Communion and Coffee + Donuts - During and After 8:30 am mass~~
- ~~Tuesday, September 15th - Ladies Auxiliary Meeting - 6pm~~
- ~~Friday, September 18th - Knights of Columbus Fish Fry - 5pm~~



WEEKLY EVENTS

Monday, September 21	• 7:25 am Rosary - Church • 8:00 am Mass - Church • 10:00 am - Parish Prayer Group - Chapel • 5:00 - 10:00 pm Adoration until Benediction - Church • 5:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal - Chapel • 6:30 pm <i>The Mass</i> class - Conference Center
Tuesday, September 22	• 6:30 pm Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help - Chapel • 7:00 pm Mass - Chapel
Wednesday, September 23	• 6:30 am Java and Jesus Men's Group - Parish Hall • 7:25 am Rosary - Church • 8:00 am Mass (with Moms) - Church • 9:00 am Bible Study - Parish Office Conf. Room
Thursday, September 24	• 7:25 am Rosary - Church • 8:00 am Mass - Church • 9:00 am Adoration until Benediction at 5:00 pm - Chapel • 3 pm - 4 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal - Church • 6:30 pm <i>The Mass</i> class - Conference Center
Friday, September 25	• 8:30 am Mass (Children's Mass during the School Year) - Church • 9:30 am - 11:30 am SVDP Society Meeting
Saturday, September 26	• 5:00 pm VIGIL MASS (Reconciliation offered 30 minutes before mass) - Church

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

<u>September</u> <u>26th and 27th</u>	<u>9/26/26</u> Saturday Vigil - 5:00 pm	<u>9/27/26</u> Sunday - 8:30 am	<u>9/27/26</u> Sunday - 11:00 am	<u>9/27/26</u> Sunday - 5:00 pm
Lectors	Gayle Parker	Rodney Malburg	Sandra Lobrano	Evelyn Giles
EEMs	Ken Austin, Roger Ridgeway, and Lauri Wood	Fran Braud, Ken Braud, Phylis Carlton, Margaret Koslosky, and Tracy Patridge	Chad Burge, Charles Lowe, Gretchen Mayeaux, Sid Petagna, and Daniel Vignes	Rusty Bohn, Michelle Hoskins, and Chantel Normand
Altar Servers	Solomon Molsbee	Clarence Pace, Finley Pace, and Mary James Puckett	Ashton Gamboa, Emily Payment, and Arwen Stegall	Elleigh James Burge, Allie Giles, and Carleigh Russo

WEEKLY FINANCE REPORT ~FROM SEPT. 13~

Weekly Operating Credits

Offertory/Collection: \$11,359

Second Collection: \$1,041

Masses: \$180

Building Fund: \$309

Youth: \$1,335

Cemetery: \$15

Memorials: \$155

Poor Box & Local Charity: \$50

Pickle Jar: \$52

TOTAL: \$14,496

Misc. Additional

Cemetery Sales: \$1,400

Christmas Ornaments: \$160

Drawdown: \$2,075

Sea Creatures: \$50

Asian Dinners: \$43

Chalice Fund: \$1,610

Eggplant: \$1,110

TOTAL: \$6,448

Fixed Weekly Expenses

Payroll and Benefits: \$4,800

Building Insurance: \$1,800

Repairs/Maintenance: \$1,600

Other Overhead: \$2,300

Debt Service: \$1,000

Youth/Other Ministries: \$1,600

Tuition Assistance/School

Support: \$3,000

Diocesan Support: \$1,500

TOTAL: \$17,600

ONLINE GIVING



Venmo



HFC Web Link



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Upcoming Special Collection:
September 26th and 27th : Fr. Jas' Family

Misc. Announcements and Reminders

- There will be a special collection next weekend for Fr Jas' family, as they were affected by the catastrophic natural disasters in Indonesia.
- ♥ Best Wishes and Congratulations to Holy Family's newest newlyweds, Mr. and Mrs. Guice and Rylee Tripp. Together, may you continue to grow in your faith through Christ's power. ♥
- Please contact the office at 228-452-4686 if you know of any names that can be removed from the Prayer List.

Upcoming EVENTS



Diocese
of Biloxi
Events



Youth
Ministry
Events



THE MELCHIZEDEK PROJECT

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VOCATIONS



Is Jesus
calling
me to the
priesthood?

For more info visit:
biloxivocations.org



September 14, 21, 28
October 5, 12, 19, & 26
6:00 pm via Zoom



ST. JOHN ELEMENTARY *Final Farewell Mass*

*With grateful hearts, we gather as a school family
to celebrate the memories, friendships, faith, and legacy
of St. John Elementary.*

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2026

2414 17th Street
Gulfport, Mississippi



9:30 AM
ROSARY

10:00 AM
FINAL FAREWELL
MASS

11:30 AM
RECEPTION &
FINAL WALK-THROUGH

*Please join us as we come together one final time to pray,
celebrate, remember, and walk through the halls that have meant
so much to generations of students, families, teachers and friends.*

*Come share the memories.
Come celebrate the legacy.
Come say farewell.*



MEN'S *Cursillo* WEEKEND

OCTOBER 8TH TO 11TH, 2026

SACRED HEART RETREAT CENTER IN DEDEAUX



APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE AT
www.biloxicursillo.org



CONTACT MATT GERALD, RECTOR OR
LEE BOYETTE CO-RECTOR

EMAIL AT:
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*Make a Friend, Be a Friend,
Bring a Friend to Christ.*



COME ENCOUNTER CHRIST, DEEPEN YOUR FAITH,
AND BUILD LASTING FRIENDSHIPS.



Charismatic Healing Mass and
Prayer Meeting at Christ the King
in Latimer,

10 min north of I-10.

Every second Saturday-

12 Sept.

10 Oct.

14 Nov.

12 Dec.

Music starts at at 8:45am
and mass at 9am.



OUR MOTHER OF MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH

A ONE-DAY MEN'S RETREAT

CHISELED, Sculpted

FOR GOD'S KINGDOM

PURSUE EXCELLENCE IN
FAITH | FAMILY | FINANCES | FITNESS



FAITH

Strengthen your
relationship with God
and live your calling.



FAMILY

Lead with love.
Build stronger
homes and legacies.



FINANCES

Steward well.
Build wealth.
Leave a legacy.



FITNESS

Honor your body.
Build strength.
Live with purpose.

BECOME THE MAN
GOD CREATED
YOU TO BE.



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2026
8:00 AM - 2:00 PM



OUR MOTHER OF MERCY
PARISH HALL
216 Saucier Avenue
Pass Christian, MS 39571

WHAT TO EXPECT

- ✓ Inspirational talks from dynamic speakers
- ✓ Practical tools for everyday life
- ✓ Fellowship with other men
- ✓ Great food and door prizes
- ✓ Mass and time for prayer

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Men of all ages—fathers,
husbands, single men,
professionals, and
students—seeking to
grow in faith and become
the men God created
them to be.

REGISTER TODAY!

SCAN THE QR CODE
TO REGISTER

or visit our Google Form:



Catholic Charities of South Mississippi will be hosting the 5th Annual Bishop's Gala on October 17, 2026 at the beautiful Beau Rivage. Tickets to the event are \$100 per person and include a delicious buffet meal, live entertainment by the Sugar Shaker Band from New Orleans, and chances to win money or prizes throughout the night! To purchase a ticket to the event or one of our split the pot raffle tickets, please visit <https://5thannualgala.givesmart.com> or scan the qr code below. We hope you will join us as we celebrate the many "Sounds of Hope" spread throughout our community from the ministries of Catholic Charities of South Mississippi. All proceeds directly benefit our ministries.



DIOCESE OF BILOXI ANNUAL

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you and your spouse celebrating
a big anniversary this year?

25 | 30 | 35 | 40 | 45 | 50 | 55 | 60+

Let us celebrate you with the Diocese of
Biloxi Annual Anniversary Mass, Reception,
and Blessing from the Bishop.

OCT | 4 | 2 PM

Nativity Cathedral, Biloxi

Register now at biloxidiocese.org/annual-mass-of-wedding-anniversaries or email
Deacon Justin Mitchell at
jmitchell@biloxidiocese.org



**If you cannot attend your blessing
certificate will be mailed to you



New Members for

Society of St Vincent de Paul!

The Society of St Vincent de Paul is a wonderful way to practice intentional discipleship. We work closely with our Friends in Need in our community who are in acute need and have no place else to turn.

Our core mission is to spiritually lift up our Friends in Need through prayer as we lend them a helping hand during their difficult time. Please prayerfully consider if you are called to become a member of our organization assisting those in need in our community, your neighbors.

If you believe this prayer and work may be for you, please contact the parish office at 228-452-4686.

We also thank Holy Family Parish for your Continued generous support of this mission.

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CELEBRATING
 THE \$10,000 WINNER OF THE
HFC DRAWDOWN AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE
CONFERENCE CENTER
ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3RD
 AND BRING YOUR FAVORITE DISH TO
 SHARE!

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★ ★ ★ GET YOUR TICKETS IN NOW! ★ ★ ★



Sea Creatures



Check out the *Sea Creatures* on the Church bulletin board! Take a *Sea Creature* and return it with your payment to the Parish Office or in the collection baskets. *Sea Creatures* support Holy Family's food drives. Make your check payable to "Holy Family Parish".

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

Man and Woman, He Created Them

" *SUBMIT* to one another out of reverence for Christ. *HUSBANDS*, love your *WIVES*, just as Christ *LOVED* the church and gave himself up for her..."

EPHESIANS 5:21-33



September 27 6:30pm

* *Hot Topics from one of the most controversial verses in the Bible.*

T.O.B.
(Theology Of the Body)
 For PARENTS & TEENS.
 Presented like you have never heard before.....

* *Join as you please.*
 Mass 5pm
 Dinner 6pm
 Community Center
 6:30

EGGPLANT LAROSA



Deacon Chef Vrazel and the Eggplant LaRosa Team have made up his famous Eggplant LaRosa and would be a great addition to your Thanksgiving and Christmas meal or anytime. Large size pan \$125.00; Medium size pan \$60.00; individual size pan \$20.00. Don't wait long for they will soon be gone! So get yours while they last.

Make your check out to Holy Family Parish.



Monsignor Leech Council 4472, Pass Christian
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BARBECUE CHICKEN DINNER

-\$12.00 –

SMOKER HALF CHICKEN, POTATO SALAD,
BAKED BEANS AND DINNER ROLL

SUNDAY OCTOBER 18, 2026

Dinner Pickups after 8:30am and 11:00am Masses
at the Holy Family Conference Center

No reservations needed, First come first serve!

Asian Food Fundraiser order forms are available
at the back of the church, at the office, and on
the website.

Options:

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| -Fried Rice (L-\$10, S-\$7) | -Fried Eggrolls x12 (\$15) |
| -Shrimp Kabob (\$3) | -Frozen Eggrolls x12 (\$12) |
| -Chicken Kabob (\$3) | -Combo Plate of 2 |
| -Pork Kabob (\$3) | eggrolls, fried rice, and |
| -Spring Rolls x2 (\$6) | kabob (\$12) |

Please submit form and payment (either in
collection or to office) by Wednesday,
November 4th, 2026.

Pick up will be Nov. 7th and 8th.

For questions, contact Lien Hoang Tran
at (228) - 547 - 5249

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HEALING MINISTRY OF THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF BILOXI

*A night of Healing with Adoration,
Prayers of Deliverance, Sacrament of Reconciliation,
Anointing of the Sick and
One-on-One Pastoral Counseling.*

***Wednesday, September 30th
6:30 p.m.***

***Holy Family Parish
22342 Evangeline Road
Pass Christian, MS 39571***

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PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE AT 228-452-4686.**

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