

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 6, 2026

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reuniting a Divided Family

A few summers ago, my family had a big reunion. It included my parents, my four siblings, and all their many children. One of my favorite moments was simply watching my parents' contented faces as they took in all of us together, laughing, sharing food, singing, telling stories. They loved seeing their children happily together with each other.

That is something like the heart of God we see in today's Gospel message about Christian reconciliation. These verses come right after Jesus' parable of the lost sheep. He is not giving the disciples a cold formula for dealing with conflict. He is revealing the Father's longing for children who love and reconcile with each other. His heart aches when his children are divided and isolated.

So, when Jesus says, "Go and tell your brother his fault," He is not deputizing us as morality police. He is inviting us into his mission of reconciliation. When he adds, "If he listens to you, you have won over your brother," we glimpse the real goal. Not winning arguments but reuniting a divided family.

These days, we often think religion is just between God and me. But the Father's dream is about a lively family, one in which His children forgive, gather, and rejoice together.

Lord Jesus, give me the courage to seek reconciliation where it is needed. Make my heart resemble the Father's heart, longing and working for unity among His children. Amen.

— Father John Muir

Today's Mass Readings

First Reading

But if you warn the wicked, trying to turn him from his way, and he refuses to turn from his way, he shall die for his guilt, but you shall save yourself. (Ez 33:9)

Psalm

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. (Ps 95)

Second Reading

Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. (Rom 13:8)

Gospel

Amen, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. (Mt 18:18)

Daily Mass Readings For The Week

Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17/ Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24/Lk 6:27-38

Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12/Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22/Ps 116:12-13, 17-18/Lk 6:43-49

Next Sunday: Sir 27:30-28:7/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35

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. 6: Pope Leo XIV

Monday, Sept. 7: Father Godfrey Andoh

Tuesday, Sept. 8: Father Anthony Arguelles (Retired)

Wednesday, Sept. 9: Fathers Charles Arthur & Philip J. Audet

Thursday, Sept. 10: Father David Milton Maria Augustin H.G.N

Friday, Sept. 11: Father Mike Austin

Saturday, Sept. 12: Fathers Sergio Balderas & Greg Barras (Retired)

SPECIAL INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

† ~ The Repose
of the Soul

Saturday, September 5th	5:00 pm	† Cathy Hanson ~ † Tobias Maldonado, Sr. ~ † Tom Matthews Healing for Jimmy Benigno, Sr
Sunday, September 6th	8:30 am	† Ray and Mary Gallagher ~ † Lang Family ~ † Herbert Hanson ~ † Frank and Patricia Schmidt ~ † Justin and Stephanie Herring
	11:00 am	† Bob Chiasson ~ † Eleanor Lipski ~ † Mattie Starita Pavolini ~ † George Bragg, Jr
	5:00 pm	
Monday, September 7th	8:00 am	† Knost Family ~ † Victoria Ashton Healing for Jimmy Benigno, Sr
Tuesday, September 8th	7:00 pm	† Anita Veltman ~ † Victoria Ashton ~ † Jake Erwin
Wednesday, September 9th	8:00 am	† Pam Lawhead ~ † Victoria Ashton Healing for Terrie Valdes
Thursday, September 10th (Chapel)	8:00 am	† Jack Leppert Healing for Jimmy Benigno, Sr Special Intentions for Charlie Whaley
Friday, September 11th	8:30 am	† Ida Vrazel ~ † Anita Veltman Special Intentions for Fr. Jas' Family

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, Kenneth Benitez, Jan Berry, Tracy Biggs, Sandra Bishop, Rusty Bohn, 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, Peter Fenn, Dom Fimiano, Kim Fitzgerald, Linda Frost, Janet Galen, Roy and Betty Gamez, Gerry Gough, Marian Governor, 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, Carl Molesworth, Pat Morley, Dennis Mottola, Cheryl Necaie, Francis Necaie, 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 Swilley, 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 Yeagar, Joseph Yentzen, Angie Parker Yonkin

MONTHLY EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER

MONTH OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS

- **Sunday, September 6th** - Class on Pope Leo XIV's *Magnificat 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 1st** - Ladies Auxiliary Meeting - 6pm
- **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
- **Friday, September 18th** - Knights of Columbus Fish Fry - 5pm



WEEKLY EVENTS

Monday, September 7	• 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 NO REHEARSAL - LABOR DAY • 6:30 pm The Mass class - Conference Center NO CLASS - LABOR DAY
Tuesday, September 8	• 6:30 pm Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help - Chapel • 7:00 pm Mass - Chapel
Wednesday, September 9	• 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 10	• 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 11	• 8:30 am Mass (Children's Mass during the School Year) - Church • 9:30 am - 11:30 am SVDP Society Meeting
Saturday, September 12	• 5:00 pm VIGIL MASS (Reconciliation offered 30 minutes before mass) - Church

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

September 12 th and 13 th	9/12/26 Saturday Vigil - 5:00 pm	9/13/26 Sunday - 8:30 am	9/13/26 Sunday - 11:00 am	9/13/26 Sunday - 5:00 pm
Lectors	Lauri Wood	KOC Corporate Communion	Jean Smith	Olivia Robin
EEMs	Daren Freeman, Don Frilot, and Ursula Frilot		Angele Boudreaux, Alan Dubuisson, Lena Farr, Stuart Farr, and Michael Mayeaux	Rusty Bohn, Michelle Hoskins, and Chantel Normand
Altar Servers	Solomon Molsbee		Ashton Gamoa, Sophia McCartney, and Emily Payment	Archer Kraft, Cohen Kraft, and Ellie Kate Thompson

WEEKLY FINANCE REPORT ~FROM AUG. 30TH~

Weekly Operating Credits

Offertory/Collection: \$12,899

Masses: \$110

Building Fund: \$245

Youth: \$110

Cemetery: \$15

Memorials: \$5

Pickle Jar: \$65

TOTAL: \$13,449

Misc. Additional

Drawdown: \$1,400

Sea Creatures: \$25

Mass Class Book: \$400

Chalice Fund: \$900

Eggplant: \$265

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



Paypal

Upcoming Special Collection:

September 12 - 13: Center For International Seafarers and Truckers

Misc. Announcements and Reminders

- Children's Choir Rehearsals have resumed in the Church on Thursdays from 3pm - 4pm!
- The new Ministry Schedule for Sept. 5th, 2026 – Dec. 6th, 2026 is ready. Please pick up your schedule in the Church Vestibule ASAP.
- The next Rosary Rally will be next Sunday, on September 13th, in the Church, after 8:30 am mass.
- OCIA is officially starting next Wednesday, on September 9th.
- Youth Group for all Ages pre-k 4 - 12th grade, will begin Sept. 13. See GroupMe for all the fun details.
- Please contact the office at 228-452-4686 if you know of any names that can be removed from the Prayer List.

Thank you for reading
through the new bulletin! :)

Upcoming EVENTS

Diocese
of Biloxi
Events

Youth
Ministry
Events

THE MELCHIZEDEK PROJECT

DIOCESE of BILOXI
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

You are invited to our Annual Women's and Men's Retreat!



WHEN: Women's: Fri., Sept. 18 and Saturday, Sept. 19.

Men's: Fri., September 25 and Sat., Sept. 26. Friday evening session will be 5:30 pm- 8:00 pm. Saturday sessions will begin at 8:00 am. We will conclude with Mass at 4 pm, followed by dinner. Families are invited to Mass and dinner.

WHERE: St. Elizabeth Seton, Ocean Springs

WHAT: This will be an Ignatian-style retreat, so there will be plenty time to spend with Scripture in front of the Blessed Sacrament. The theme for this year is "Choose the Better Part". We will dive deeper into Luke's account of Mary and Martha.

COST: There is no cost to attend the retreat, but donations are accepted. A meal Friday evening and all meals on Saturday will be provided.

Registration is now open using this link: [Evangelization Retreat - St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church - Ocean Springs, MS](#), or call Shellie at 228-875-0654 to register or for more information.

"Mary has chosen the better part, and it will not be taken away from her." -Luke 10:42

**INTERESTED IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH?
LOOKING FOR A CHURCH?
NEED A SPIRITUAL BOOST?**

We Invite You ALL to the next
Co-Ed ARISE Retreat #13
Saturday and Sunday, September 12-13, 2026
Sacred Heart Retreat Center Dedeaux
14595 Vidalia Road, Pass Christian



Sponsored by the Cursillo Movement of South Mississippi of the Diocese of Biloxi, **ARISE** is designed primarily for those who would like to receive additional information about the Catholic faith in one meaningful and information-filled weekend.

It is especially for:

- ✓ Non-Catholic spouses or fiancés of practicing Catholics
- ✓ Non-Catholic Teachers, parents, grandparents affiliated with a Catholic School who want to know more about the Catholic faith
- ✓ Catholics who have been away from the church for a while or those needing a spiritual boost
- ✓ Those without a current church/religious affiliation who are "searching" for a new one or a more meaningful faith experience
- ✓ Those taking/have recently taken instruction (OCIA/RCIA) in the Catholic faith

Applications for the weekend can be found at www.biloxicursillo.org
(copy attached and at [ARISE Application \(Rev 04_2026\).pdf](#))

For more information, please contact
Kim Duffy at (228)623-3331 or David Kopszywa at (228)627-5824.

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

PURSUING 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:



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



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.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Council 4472

SPECIAL EVENT



Holy Family Catholic Church (Main Parking Lot)
Evangeline Road and Menge Ave.
Pass Christian, Ms.

Friday September 18, 2026 (5pm-7pm)

ALL PROCEEDS TO BE DONATED TO
A NUMBER OF OUR HOLY FAMILY MINISTRIES
INCLUDING OUR YOUTH AND TEEN PROGRAMS

\$12.00 a plate

Catfish, Shrimp and Combo Platters

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

DRAW! DOWN!

Saturday, October 3rd

**Tickets are on sale! If you need a ticket during
a weekend when someone isn't selling them
outside after mass, you can get one at
the Parish Office.**

Donation \$100 (Insurance for an additional \$25)



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.

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.

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.

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



Youth Group

All Ages

KICKOFF

September

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HOLY FAMILY PARISH

EIGHTH AND NINTH EDITION ORNAMENT IN A SERIES

\$25.00 EACH OR TWO FOR \$40.00



#8 (St. Anne – Virgin Mary's mother) #9 (The Resurrection)

Name _____

Email address _____

Phone number _____

Quantity #8 _____ Quantity #9 _____ Total \$ _____ Paid _____

Make checks Payable to Holy Family Parish

(ORNAMENTS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP BEGINNING OF NOVEMBER)

**PLEASE TURN IN ORDER FORM TO OFFICE WITH PAYMENT OR
DROP IN COLLECTION BASKET. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS,
PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE AT 228-452-4686.**

Copies of this form are available in the back of the church.