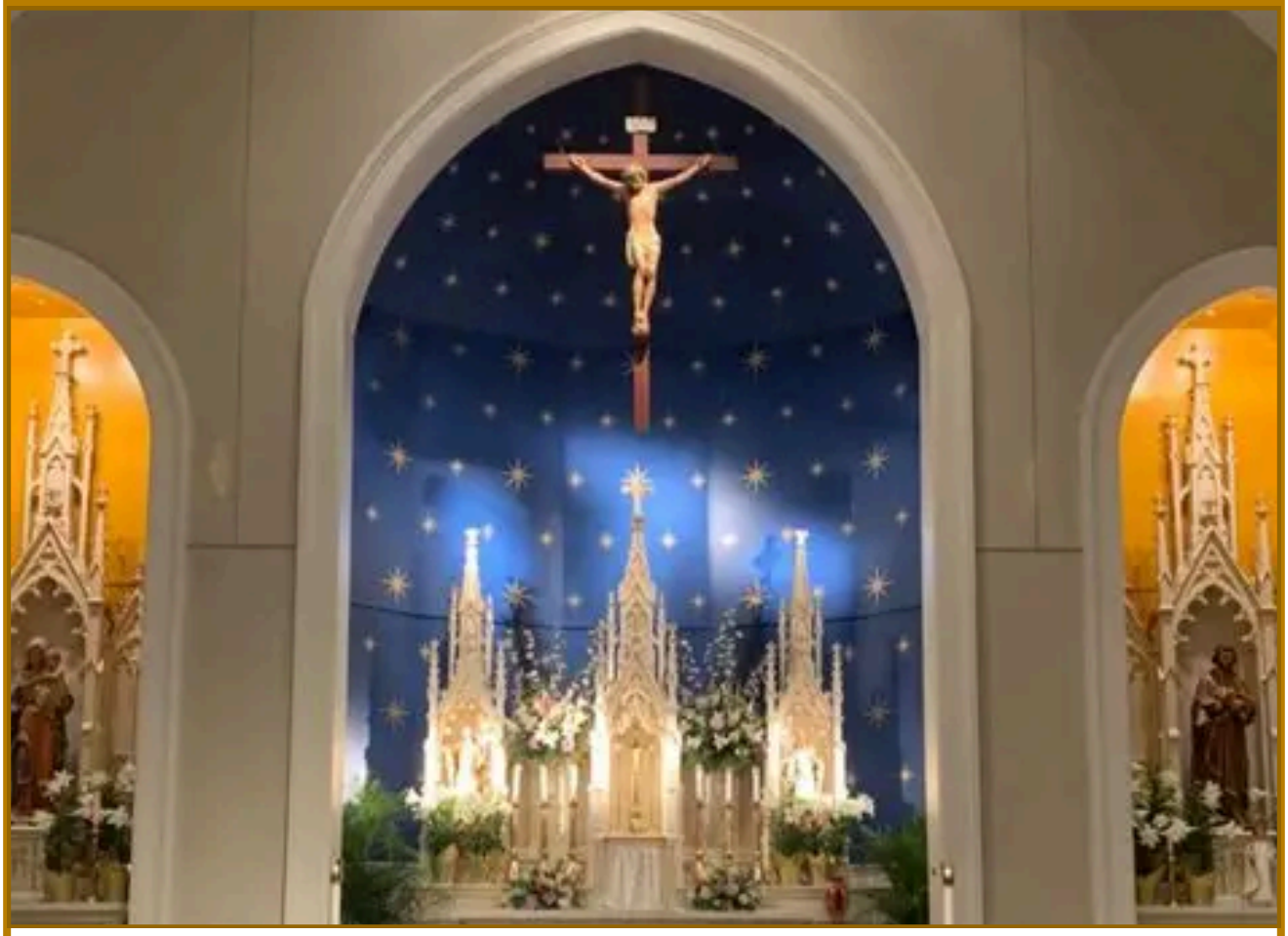
HOLY FAMILY PARISH



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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October 11, 2026
TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Look What You're Missing!

Some friends invited me to one of the most famous and expensive restaurants in the country. I was grateful and eager to go. One invited friend even flew from another state for the experience. Every bite and sip was truly memorable and delicious. But my friends' teenage children spent much of the time on their phones, complained about the food, and generally ignored the once-in-a-lifetime experience. I wanted to yell, "C'mon, you guys! Look what you're missing!"

In today's parable, Jesus describes people invited to an amazing wedding feast who respond with inexplicable indifference. He says, "Some ignored the invitation and went away, one to his farm, another to his business" (Matthew 22:5). The problem is not that they choose evil but that they allow other desires to distract them from an amazing opportunity. The feast is prepared, but their hearts are elsewhere. In Christ Jesus, God offers each of us a wildly extravagant offer: a place at the wedding banquet between heaven and earth.

What are your current excuses for the delay in engaging with Jesus? How are you postponing a deepening of your relationship with him under the guise of responsibility? The good news is that the feast is ready. His invitation remains. Hear the Lord say to us, "C'mon, guys! Look what you're missing!" Then respond with concrete action.

— Father John Muir

Today's Mass Readings

First Reading
The Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from every face. (Is 25:8)

Psalm
I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life. (Ps 23)

Second Reading
I have learned the secret of being well fed and of going hungry, of living in abundance and of being in need. I can do all things in him who strengthens me. (Phil 4:12-13)

Gospel
"Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find." (Mt 22:9)

Daily Mass Readings For The Week

Monday: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7/Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday: Gal 5:1-6/Ps 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48/Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday: Gal 5:18-25/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 11:42-46
Thursday: Eph 1:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Lk 11:47-54
Friday: Eph 1:11-14/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13/Lk 12:1-7
Saturday: Eph 1:15-23/Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 12:8-12
Next Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10/1 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt 22:15-21

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

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...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.

Sunday, Oct. 11: **Fathers Dominic Vu Xuan Pham & Thang John Pham**
Monday, Oct. 12: **Father Tomasz Powroźnik**
Tuesday, Oct. 13: **Fathers Donbosco Puthiyakunnel & J. Maxwell Quaye**
Wednesday, Oct. 14: **Father Ken Ramon- Landry**
Thursday, Oct. 15: **Father Mark Ropel**
Friday, Oct. 16: **Father Alwin Kuzhandai Samy HGN**
Saturday, Oct. 17: **Father James Smith**

SPECIAL INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

† ~ The Repose of the Soul

Saturday, October 10	**5:00 pm**	† Bob Chiasson Special Intentions for Ann Matthews Special Intentions for Phyllis and Tony Compretta
Sunday, October 11	**8:30 am**	† Jerry Matthew Levens ~ † Mattie Starita Pavolini ~ † Keith Lassabe ~ † Frank Schmidt
	11:00 am	Special Intentions for Jim and Lezlee Hardin Special Intentions for Jean Smith
	5:00 pm	† Marge Tucker ~ † John Tucker, Sr.
Monday, October 12	**8:00 am**	† Charles Towns ~ † Warren Moffitt
Tuesday, October 13	**7:00 pm**	† Knost Family ~ † Don Rougon
Wednesday, October 14	**8:00 am**	† Richard Reed ~ † Charles Towns Special Intentions for Ann Matthews
Thursday, October 15 (Chapel)	**8:00 am**	† Charles Logan ~ † Knost Family Special Intentions for Jim and Lezlee Hardin
Friday, October 16	**8:30 am**	† Susan Rafferty Special Intentions for Solomon Molsbee

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, Paige Howard, 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 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 Yaegar, Angie Parker Yonkin

MONTHLY EVENTS FOR OCTOBER

MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

- ~~**Friday, October 2nd** - Chaplet of Divine Mercy - 3:00 pm - Chapel~~
- ~~**Saturday, October 3rd** - Drawdown - 6:30 pm - Conference Center~~
- ~~**Wednesday, October 7th** - Altar Society Meeting - 10 am - Church Multi-Purpose Room~~
- ***Tuesday, October 13th** - Last Rosary Rally - 10am - Chapel
- ***Saturday, October 17th** - Blood Drive - 9am-2pm - Conference Center
- **Sunday, October 25th** - Holy Smokes! Fall Fun BBQ & Fellowship

THERE WILL BE NO HEALING SERVICE IN OCTOBER.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

- ~~**Thursday, October 8th** - Silver Rose - 6 pm - Church~~
- ***Tuesday, October 13th** - KOC Council Meeting - 7pm - Parish Hall
- ***Sunday, October 18th** - Knights of Columbus Corporate Communion followed by Coffee + Donuts - During and After 8:30 am mass
- ***Sunday, October 18th** - BBQ Chicken Dinner - After 8:30 am and 11:00 am masses - Conference Center

WEEKLY EVENTS

Monday, October 12	• **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** *The Mass* class - Conference Center
Tuesday, October 13	• **6:30 pm** Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help - Chapel • **7:00 pm** Mass - Chapel • **7:00 pm** KOC Council Meeting
Wednesday, October 14	• **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, October 15	• **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** *The Mass* class - Conference Center
Friday, October 16	• **8:30 am** Mass (Children's Mass during the School Year) - Church • **9:30 am - 11:30 am** SVDP Society Meeting
Saturday, October 17	• **9am - 2pm** Blood Drive - Conference Center • **5:00 pm** VIGIL MASS (Reconciliation offered 30 minutes before mass) - Church

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

October 17th and 18th	10/17/26/ Saturday Vigil - 5:00 pm	10/18/26 Sunday - 8:30 am	10/18/26 Sunday - 11:00 am	10/18/26 Sunday - 5:00 pm
Lectors	Richard Allard	KOC CORPORATE COMMUNION	Carl Mayeaux	Olivia Robin
EEMs	Ken Austin, Roger Ridgeway, and Lauri Wood		Chad Burge, Charles Lowe, Gretchen Mayeaux, Sid Petagna, and David Spence	Rusty Bohn, Michelle Hoskins, and Aimee Tramontana
Altar Servers	Solomon Molsbee		Emily Payment, Arwen Stegall, and Anna Clare Thomas	Carleigh Russo, Ellie Kate Thompson, and Maci Thompson

WEEKLY FINANCE REPORT ~FROM OCTOBER 4~

Weekly Operating Credits

Offertory/Collection: $18,286
2nd Collection (Fr. Jas): $1,000
2nd Collection (Cemetery): $1402
Masses: $80
Building Fund: $302
Pickle Jar: $249
TOTAL: $21,319

Misc. Additional

Christmas Ornaments: $200
Asian Dinners: $240
Drawdown: $2,740
Sea Creatures: $15
Chalice Fund: $50
Eggplant: $2,700
All Souls:25
Choir Grant: $1,000
OCIA Donations: $157
TOTAL: $7,127

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:
October 17th and 18th - World Mission Sunday

Misc. Announcements and Reminders

- **the SVDP sock drive for the homeless will begin the weekend of 10/17-18 and the weekend of 10/24-25. There will be a box for sock collection in the back of the church.**

- ***IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PARENTS:***

Sunday, October 18th is our annual Safe Environment training for all children under the ages of 9 (4th grade). Sunday, Nov. 1st is the Safe Environment training for Rise group and tentatively for Life Teen. You may "opt out" of this training for your child(ren) by completing a form provided on Oct. 11th, which must be returned to the office that week. As a parent who "opts out" you must complete the training with your child at home. The materials will be provided for you. This training is required by the Diocese of Biloxi. Thanks.

HOLY FAMILY
YOUTH MINISTRY

LOAVES & LAUGHS

OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

To know Him, to love Him, to share Him

SEEDLINGS

PK - 1ST GRADE



October is here and our Seedlings will be doing a lot of growing!

We'll learn how the Holy Mass is like a beautiful wedding feast, the importance of our church family, a bit about the New Testament, and how much God cares for us in Creation (with a fun nature hunt!), The Great Commandment, the Rosary, and a little Halloween fun — Catholic style!

In September...

We visited the Our Lady of Lourdes shrine, learned about St. Bernadette, Mary and her Holy Name, and searched for angels in the church with our checklist and clipboards!

RISE GROUP

3RD - 4TH GRADE

OUR SCRIPTURE DETECTIVES ARE ON THE CASE!



Each Sunday, our detectives investigate the Gospel for the following Sunday, searching for clues and virtues to help them live God's Word throughout the week.



In September we learned about St. Philip Neri, the Apostle of Joy, and in October, **St. Kateri Tekakwitha** will be our Saint of the Month!

Our detectives solve secret messages, complete Secret Family Missions, and watch the Gospel come alive at Mass!

Please keep our RISE Scripture Detectives in your prayers!

UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER 6	OCTOBER 8	OCTOBER 18	OCTOBER 24
Feed My Sheep	Silver Rose Mass	Revival Night Our Lady of the Gulf	Diocese EDGE Retreat

OCTOBER 25

FALL FEST, BBQ & FELLOWSHIP

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH | PASS CHRISTIAN, MS

ASK A PRIEST...

Q: Father Mike, Is your collar itchy?

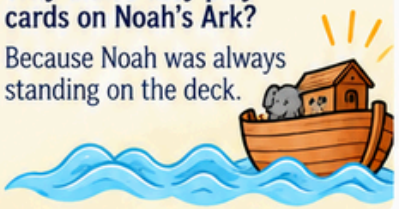
A. No, my white collar doesn't actually touch my skin. It might keep me from itching!



A LITTLE FAITH & LAUGHS

Why didn't they play cards on Noah's Ark?

Because Noah was always standing on the deck.



THE PICKLE JAR



The pickle jar on the altar is for all youth programs!

Drop in your spare change or a few dollars—every little bit helps support our youth programs, activities, and faith-filled fun!

Upcoming EVENTS

Diocese of Biloxi Events

Youth Ministry Events

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF BILOXI
CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL OF SOUTH MISSISSIPPI

Jericho Mass
WITH PROCESSIONAL
Adoration

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
WEDNESDAY NIGHTS
OCTOBER 7, 14, 21, 28
NOVEMBER 4, 11, AND 18
CONFESSION AND INDIVIDUAL PRAYER FROM 5PM-6PM
MASS BEGINS AT 6PM

THE UPCOMING JERICHO MASSES ARE 7 WEEKS DEDICATED TO "BREAKING DOWN THE WALLS OF JERICHO."

Those are the walls that stand between us and God, the walls that exist in our daily lives and in the lives of those we love — walls of hatred, pride, selfishness, indifference, drugs, addiction, and more.

DELIVERANCE AND HEALING
EVERY FIRST WEDNESDAY
INCLUDES ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Discover the power to tear down these walls and rediscover your true identity as a beloved son or daughter of our King, Jesus Christ.

PRIESTS/CONCELEBRANTS
FR. MAXWELL QUAYE
FR. SATISH ADHAV

Inspired by the Book of Joshua
FOR SEVEN DAYS, ISRAEL PRAYED AND CIRCLED JERICHO. ON THE SEVENTH DAY, AFTER SEVEN ROUNDS AND THE SOUND OF TRUMPETS, THE WALLS FELL — NOT BY HUMAN STRENGTH, BUT BY THE MIGHTY POWER OF GOD.

What walls might God be calling you to tear down?

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH
720 East Beach Boulevard, Long Beach, MS

Retreater Form Open!

College students and young adults are invited to Eagle Awakening XIV! The retreat is Friday, October 30-Sunday, November 1. The cost is $50 which includes meals, retreat center, and t-shirt. The retreat is at Sacred Heart Dedeaux and transportation is available if coming from Hattiesburg. This is a beautiful retreat, and you do not have to attend USM to go!



Want to encounter Jesus? Come to Eagle Awakening! Sign Up Info in the Flare!

International FESTIVAL

3 G's Band; Olli Ukulele Group; Children's activities; folk dancing; bilingual mass at 10 am

Sunday, Oct. 18
8am - 7pm
Saint John / San Juan the Evangelist

2414 17th st. Gulfport, MS 39501

real life CATHOLIC

REGISTER NOW!

Wednesday, March 17, 2027
7:00–9:30 PM
Biloxi Saenger Theatre
170 Reynoir Street, Biloxi, MS
Hosted by Nativity BVM Cathedral

REBOOT
A LIFE-CHANGING EVENT

This high-energy, 2-hour event with internationally acclaimed speaker **Chris Stefanick** will awaken your faith, reignite your joy, and equip you with tools to live the life God created you for: A life of JOY!

It will help you rediscover the JOY you were created for, and is perfect for everyone...even friends, family, and children (12+) who may not be actively practicing their faith.



SCAN QR CODE TO SECURE YOUR SPOT OR GO TO:
https://buytickets.at/reallifecatholic/2315048

SAINT STANISLAUS 2026 OPEN HOUSE

Founded in 1854 by the Brothers of the Sacred Heart, Saint Stanislaus is a Catholic boarding and day school serving young men, grades 7–12. Join us for Open House on Tuesday, October 27, 2026, from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM and discover what makes the Saint Stanislaus experience unique! Enjoy a customizable, guided tour of our beautiful 42-acre campus, highlighting academics, extracurricular activities, and athletic opportunities for students.

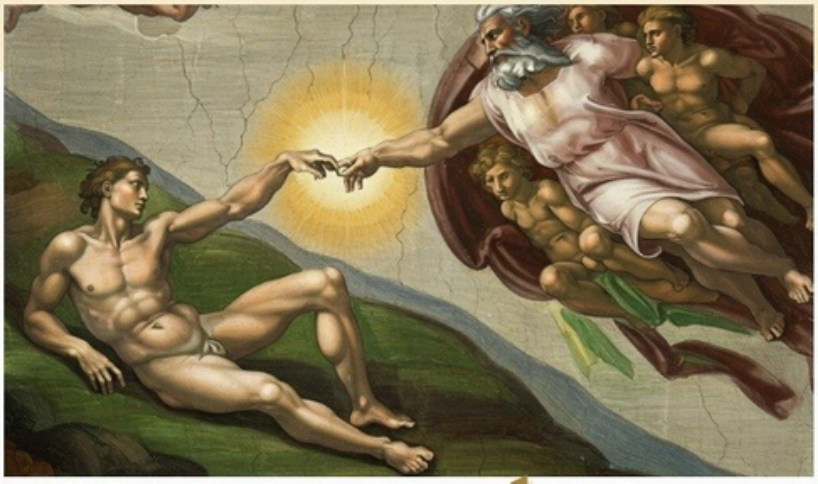
For registration and additional information, visit ststan.com/open-house/.

HOLY FAMILY YOUTH MINISTRY

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



Sept. 27
Oct. 11
Oct. 25

Nov. 1
Nov. 8
Nov. 15
Nov. 29

Sept.–Dec. Sundays 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

Save the Date

OUR LADY OF FATIMA ROSARY RALLY

OUR NEXT ROSARY RALLY IS

TUES. OCT. 13, 2026

10:00 AM - CHAPEL

OUTSIDE WEATHER PERMITTING

PRAY THE ROSARY WITH US ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE APPARITION OF OUR LADY TO THE THREE SHEPHERD CHILDREN THAT OCCURED IN 1917 IN THE SMALL VILLAGE OF FATIMA, PORTUGAL.

American Red Cross

HOLY FAMILY PARISH BLOOD DRIVE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2026

9:00 - 2:00 PM

PARISH CONFERENCE CENTER
22342 EVANGELINE RD
PASS CHRISTIAN, MS 39571

AS A THANK YOU ALL DONORS WILL RECEIVE A $15 GIFT CARD TO THE MERCHANT OF CHOICE!!

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AND USE SPONSOR CODE: HOLYFAMILYPC

MISSISSIPPI SOCIETY OF ITALIAN-AMERICANS
MS SOFIA

Mafia Murder Mystery Dinner Coming to SVDP School... you'll die laughing!



Father Michael Austin stars as the Godfather as the Mississippi Society of Italian Americans (MS SOFIA) presents its "Mafia Murder Mystery Dinner" at St. Vincent de Paul Elementary School Friday-Saturday-Sunday, November 6-7-8. The comedy drama will also feature a full Italian dinner with beverages. Show times: Friday/Saturday - dinner 6 pm, show 7 pm; Sunday - dinner 1 pm, show 2 pm. A gift basket will be awarded to one correct sleuth per show.

Two secondary character roles (one male, one female) with minimal memorization are available to Holy Family parishioners. Rehearsals begin October 7 at Holy Family.

Tickets: $40 per person; $75 per couple; limited seating. Reservations: call David Biagini, 228-324-5041. Payment options available. Proceeds benefit a MS SOFIA scholarship at SVDP School.

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
Brings back by Popular Demand



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:

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

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_____

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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.