

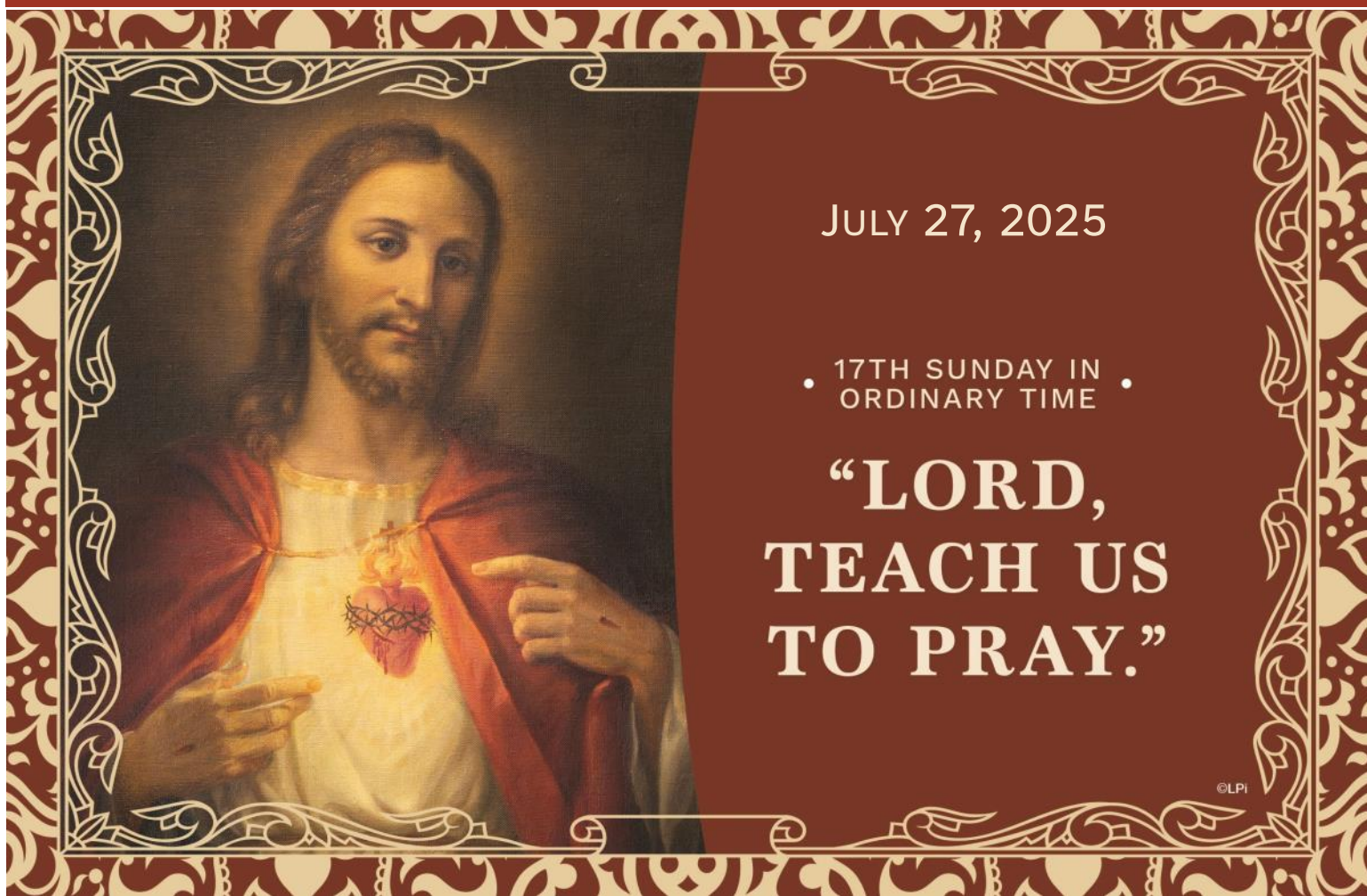


# SAINT JAMES

CATHOLIC CHURCH

*"Leading people to heaven with Christian hospitality and fostering Eucharistic Discipleship."*

366 COWAN RD. | GULFPORT, MS 39507



**PASTOR** - Father Ryan McCoy

## MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday:** 4:00PM Vigil Mass

**Sunday:** 9:00AM, 11:00AM and 5:30PM

**Monday:** 7:00AM and 8:30AM

**Tuesday:** 6:00PM, 7:00PM XLT | Adoration

**Wednesday:** 8:30AM

**Thursday:** 7:00AM and 12:00PM (Noon)

**Friday:** 8:30AM

## PERPETUAL ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

In the Convent Chapel

## RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:00PM - 4:00PM or by appointment

## CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9:00AM - 4:00PM

WEDNESDAY 9:00AM - 2:30PM

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Welcome to Saint James Catholic Church

Whether you’re just visiting for a brief time, looking for a new parish home, returning to the practice of your Catholic faith or interested in finding out more about the Catholic Church, we are happy you’re here!

If you are new to the parish, please go to our website and click on the new parishioner link to register.

Registration forms can also be found in the back of the church.



The Church dedicates the month of August to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. It is a dogma of the Catholic faith that Mary is the Immaculate Conception; that is, in preparation for the Incarnation of the Second Person of the Holy Trinity in her womb, she was conceived without the corruption of sin through the foreseen and infinite merits of her Son, Jesus Christ. Over the centuries, as saints and theologians reflected on how Mary pondered and treasured the sacred events from the life of Christ in her holy heart, as attested in Scripture, her pure heart was recognized as something to be imitated. Devotion to Our Lady’s purity of heart began to flower—so much so that in the 17th century, St. John Eudes promoted it alongside the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The devotion rose to a new level after the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima, when Mary revealed an image of her Immaculate Heart to Lucia, Jacinta, and Francisco.

Source: [www.morningoffering.com](http://www.morningoffering.com)



“Do not look forward in fear to the changes in life; rather, look to them with full hope that as they arise, God, whose very own you are, will lead you safely through all things; and when you cannot stand it, God will carry you in His arms. Do not fear what may happen tomorrow; the same understanding Father who cares for you today will take care of you then and every day. He will either shield you from suffering or will give you unfailing strength to bear it. Be at peace, and put aside all anxious thoughts and imaginations.

- St. Francis De Sales

**PRAYER FOR HURRICANE SEASON**

O Heavenly Father, all the elements of nature obey your command. Calm the storms that threaten us and turn our fear into praise of your goodness. Protect us from hurricanes and disasters of nature. We pray through Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Keep up with our parish happenings and stay updated on news and announcements:



**Text SJCC to 57838**

**Bulletin Deadline**

All announcements for the bulletin must be submitted to the Parish Office by 4:00PM on Monday.

## Readings for the week of July 27, 2025

### Sunday:

Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 (3a)/  
Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13

### Monday:

Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22,  
23/Mt 13:31-35

### Tuesday:

Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Ps 103:6-7, 8-9,  
10-11, 12-13/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

### Wednesday:

Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9/Mt 13:44-46

### Thursday:

Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and  
8a, 11/Mt 13:47-53

### Friday:

Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Ps 81:3-4,  
5-6, 10-11ab/Mt 13:54-58

### Saturday:

Lv 25:1, 8-17/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8/Mt 14:1-12

### Next Sunday:

Ecc1 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14,  
17 (1)/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21



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## Gospel Meditation

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Once I went to a hospice facility to celebrate Last Rites for an elderly dying man. His family had told me that he had been uncommunicative for days. At the conclusion of the ritual, we began to recite the Our Father prayer. To everyone's surprise, his lips moved, clearly mouthing the words to the Lord's prayer. Stripped of most of his faculties, the man could still pray those precious God-given petitions. A lifetime of prayer had planted the words even deeper than his failing consciousness.

Do we want the Lord's prayer to be as deeply embedded in us? If we want to be people of hope, we should. Recall that our Lord immediately follows the prayer by saying: **"Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you" (Luke 11:9).** We only ask, search and knock because we hope that the request is not in vain. Everything we could possibly hope for is contained in the prayer. Praying the Our Father deepens our hope.

We should consciously pour all our hopes into the Lord's prayer; we should allow it to be an expression of hope, not simply rote words. Then, over time, it builds up our hope in God. It sinks deep into our souls and bodies. How blessed we are when these words of hope are on our lips, even when everything else seems to fail.

— Father John Muir

SUNDAY, JULY 27, 2025 | 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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### Flowers

Flowers in front of the altar are donated by  
Jeff and Angela Bruni in loving memory of  
Christopher Bruni.

### SANCTUARY FLOWERS

We are accepting donations for sanctuary flowers. If you would like to have flowers placed in front of the altar for a week in honor of a birthday, anniversary or other celebration, or in memory of a deceased loved one, please contact Linda Hartfield (228-697-3420). Donations must be scheduled at least two weeks in advance.

## REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

To add or remove a name from the prayer list, please contact the Parish Office.  
Names will appear on the prayer list for six weeks, but are renewable.

|                    |                      |                       |                      |                    |
|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| Katherine Adams    | Fr. Joseph Dang      | Sgt. Eric J. Heitkamp | Gayle Rivet Martinez | Amanda Smith       |
| Jeanviere Angeron  | Marilyn Davis        | Tom Hicks             | Samuel McClain       | Josh Sniffen       |
| George Barlow      | Mimi Davis           | Shannon Holliday      | Tanya McClellan      | Julia Sterling     |
| Terry Barnes       | Nicholas James Davis | Erik Hosler           | Dalton McGuire       | Lisa Moran Stevens |
| Hoshall Barrett    | Valerie Dean         | Fr. Jey Jordan        | Karen McCoy          | Jennifer Stolarski |
| Diana Berman       | Elinor Donovan       | William Jordan        | Max Millet           | April Styczenski   |
| Asher Bonura       | Brenda Dubuisson     | Wendy Kennard         | Beverly Moore        | Laurie Sumrall     |
| Jerry Boudreaux    | Anna Dugas           | Elaine Kennedy        | Jennifer Morgan      | Vince Tester       |
| Susan Bourgeois    | Susan Dunne          | Holly Kersten         | John Mozingo, Jr.    | Fr. Doan Tran      |
| Debra Boyd         | Craig Elliott        | Analyse Khalifeh      | Fr. George Murphy    | Fr. Joseph Trinh   |
| Vikki Blum Brewton | Jill Eure            | Jan Khalifeh          | Kristina Myers       | Fr. Joseph Uko     |
| Hope Broadus       | Wendy Figer          | Sheena Khalifeh       | Lois Ann Necaie      | Bob Usey           |
| Teresa Buckman     | W.C. Fore            | Sophia Khalifeh       | Butch Oustalet       | Jim Ussery         |
| Valerie Buras      | Lisa Glavin          | Aaron Kiehl           | Brian Pellegrin      | Donna Valestro     |
| Melissa Byars      | Theresa Frontz       | Bishop Louis Kihneman | Kage Pickett         | Brittany Varney    |
| Martha Chapin      | Msgr. Dominic Fulham | Doug Kirk             | Jean Piltz           | Alyssa Vega        |
| Bernard Chevalier  | Ada Grace Glass      | Roger Labit           | Melissa Robbins      | Ferdie Walker      |
| Dannie Chevalier   | Ashley Hage          | Jeff Lawson           | Steve Rocha          | Kim Casano-Ware    |
| Kevin Chevalier    | Ouida Mae Hagwood    | James Lay             | Jim Roos             | Kemon Welford      |
| Edward Collins     | Loretta Hahn         | Danny Lechner         | Barbara Russo        | Damon Wesfaul      |
| Rose Mary Collins  | Denise Hancock       | Kathy Letaw           | Leo Seicshnaydre     | Teresa Whiteside   |
| Paul Corley        | Jeff Harper          | Josie Lindsey         | Doris Seymour        |                    |
| Debbie Cothern     | Keleal Hassin        | Clark Lizana, Jr.     | Kathy Shankweiler    |                    |
| Joe Culpepper      | Jim Haupt            | Amy Longo             | Ralph Shankweiler    |                    |
| Lisa D'Aunoy       | Jessi Hebert         | Will Major            | Jaclyn Simpson       |                    |

If you or anyone in your family is ill, at home or in the hospital and would like us to visit, please contact the parish office at 228-896-6059. If in the hospital, be sure to notate which hospital and provide a room number.

## SYMPATHY

The Saint James community wishes to extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of:



Wayne Gatlin,  
Charlotte Lindsey,  
Cathy Oser,  
Mary Jean Ropel and  
Michael Holley Smith

May they and all the souls of the faithful departed now share in Eternal Glory and may their loved ones receive God's consolation and peace.

### A Prayer for our Military and First Responders

Lord, please hold our military and first responders in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform.

**Amen.**

## THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, July 26

4:00PM ✠ Albert Styczenski, Sr.

### Sunday, July 27

9:00AM ✠ Gene Jacobs

11:00AM People of Saint James

5:30PM ✠ Charley Hewes

### Monday, July 28

7:00AM ✠ Holy Souls in Purgatory

8:30AM ✠ Molly Lee

### Tuesday, July 29

6:00PM ✠ Patrick Evans

### Wednesday, July 30

6:00AM ✠ Jackie Rhodes

8:30AM 🕯 Gloria Newman

### Thursday, July 31

7:00AM ✠ Christopher Bruni

12:00PM 🕯 Charles Williams

### Friday, August 1

8:30AM 🕯 Christina Blosser

### Saturday, August 2

4:00PM ✠ Troy Fleming

Deceased - ✠    Healing - ♥    Special Intention - 🕯

## TWO WEEKS AT A GLANCE - EVENTS

### July 28- August 2

#### Monday, July 28

10:00AM Legion of Mary, Philomena House

6:30PM Al-Anon, Raphael Room

#### Tuesday, July 29

7:00PM XLT with Confessions, Church

#### Wednesday, July 30

6:00PM Historical & Spiritual Reflection, Raphael Room

### August 4 - August 9

#### Monday, August 4

10:00AM Legion of Mary, Philomena House

6:30PM Al-Anon, Raphael Room

#### Tuesday, August 5

7:00PM XLT with Confessions, Church

#### Thursday, August 7

7:00PM Knights of Columbus, Raphael Room

#### Saturday, August 9

9:00AM Secular Carmelites, Raphael Room

10:00AM Baptism Prep Class (RSVP only)

## LECTORS SCHEDULE

### Saturday, July 26

4:00PM Carol Cottone

### Sunday, July 27

9:00AM Chris Spear

11:00AM Ron Bruni

5:30PM Edwina Conason

### Saturday, August 2

4:00PM Maia Dooley

### Sunday, August 3

9:00AM Meggan Gray Stolarski

11:00AM Erik Hosler

5:30PM Debby Weeks

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST SCHEDULE

### Saturday, July 26

4:00PM Debbie Bazzone, Connie O'Neal and Debby Weeks

### Sunday, July 27

9:00AM Jennifer & Steve Broadus and Don & Sherry Alfonso

11:00AM John Mozingo, IV, Mike Craft and Julie & Allen Black

5:30PM Yolanda Edwards, Butch Plitt and Diane Holder

### Saturday, August 2

4:00PM Debby Weeks, Connie O'Neal and Josie Six

### Sunday, August 3

9:00AM Gretchen Ellis, Bonnie Jacobs and Shirley Henderson

11:00AM Becky Graves, Stephanie Guirola, Roberta Hosler and John Mozingo, IV

5:30PM Diana Holder, Paul Carrero and Deanne Goulet

## TREASURE

### July 19/20, 2025

First Collection: \$8,359

ACH: \$7,407

Online Giving: \$1,135

Second Collection: \$1,386

St. Vincent de Paul, Saint James Conference

### SECOND COLLECTION

This weekend's second collection will be for our Family Life Ministry.

Next weekend's second collection will be for the Catholic Extension Society.

### ACH & ONLINE GIVING CONTRIBUTIONS

There are two options for ACH Giving - one draft to be made on the Monday following the first Sunday of the month, or two drafts to be made on the Monday following the first and third Sunday of the month. Please contact the Parish Office for more details.



Venmo donations may be made at @St\_James\_GPT.

### 2025 CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL

## Building a future of Hope

*"hope does not disappoint because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us."*

Romans 5:5



DIocese of BILOXI



\$87,997.00 Saint James Goal

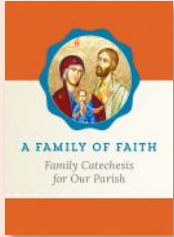
- 139 Donors -  
Total Pledges and  
One-Time Gifts= \$77,115

#### QUESTIONS?

Please call the Office of Mission Advancement at 228-702-2113 or email [dwyrwich@biloxidiocese.org](mailto:dwyrwich@biloxidiocese.org)

## FAITH FORMATION

### A FAMILY OF FAITH GRADES K-5



This fall, all families (those in Catholic school, public school and home school) are encouraged to join A Family of Faith. We're getting ready to help the whole family learn more about our Catholic faith; and this year, we will focus on Christian prayer, the fourth pillar of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, and why it is so essential for growing in relationship with God. After exploring the covenant drama of prayer in Scripture, we'll learn the richness of the Our Father, the major expressions of prayer, and the example of the Virgin Mary in conversations with God.

For more information, please contact Linda Hebert at [lindahebert@saintjamescc.com](mailto:lindahebert@saintjamescc.com)



### SAINT J YOUTH GROUP GRADES 6-12

Sunday 6:30-8:00PM

### PARENT MEETING WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27 7:00PM IN THE PARISH CENTER GYM

For more information, please contact  
Bridgett Bermond  
[youthminister@saintjamescc.com](mailto:youthminister@saintjamescc.com)

## Thank You!

With grateful appreciation, Saint J Youth wishes to thank all who made our summer experiences possible. Because of your generosity in our fundraising efforts and in your donations, eight middle-schoolers attended Camp Hidden Lake in Dahlenega, GA; thirty high-schoolers spent a week at Camp Covecrest in Tiger, GA; and twenty-eight high school youth attended the Steubenville FLA Conference in Orlando, FL. We also wish to thank all our adult chaperones who gave of their time and journeyed with our youth. We are truly thankful for the time the youth got to spend with one another this summer and, most importantly, with God.

## CONGRATULATIONS

We congratulate our Saint J LifeTeen Youth, who are members of the 2025-2026 Diocesan Spirit Movers:

Ella Adams  
Lydia Alexander  
Peyton Bermond  
Sam Goulet  
Reed Koenenn  
Addy Ladner

Caleb Lord  
Hope McLoughlin  
Madelynn Moran  
Elizabeth Richardson  
Lola Saucier  
Abby Warburton

## IT'S A BIBLE BONANZA!

The Life Teen Catholic Youth Bible is the New American Bible Revised Edition NABRE with additional content for bible study for teens. This Catholic youth bible for teens has captivating artwork, relevant insights, practical tips, and words of encouragement that will both inspire you to make a habit of reading Scripture and to allow the eternal voice of truth to guide you above all others.



Saint J needs new Bibles; and we'd like to provide them with the *LifeTeen Catholic Teen Bible, New Edition*. A donation of \$27 will provide one Bible and will give our teens the gift of God's word - made just for them. The donor's name will be notated on the inside cover of the Bible.

Donor slips may be found in the back of the church and on the side tables. Please fill out a slip and return it with cash/check to the church office or place it in the weekend collection. You may also Venmo the payment and notate Bible Bonanza.



OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) classes are offered for those interested, baptized and unbaptized, in learning about the Catholic Faith and/or those cradle Catholics who have never been confirmed.

Classes will begin in September.

OCIA meets on Tuesdays at 7:00PM in the Raphael Room. For information, contact Deacon Henderson 228-209-6960.

# K-12 FAITH FORMATION

2025 /2026 Registration is now open - Faith Formation activities will begin in September.



## A Family of Faith

**Starts Sept. 3**

Parent sessions are the first Wednesday of the month from 5:45 - 7:15PM. Family events will usually be held on the third Sunday of the month.

**K - 5**



## Saint J Youth

**Kickoff Sept. 7**

Saint J Youth will meet on Sundays from 6:30 - 8:00PM. Bible study and Lead Team info will be announced soon.

**6 - 12**



## First Holy Communion

**Starts Sept. 10**

Classes will meet Wednesday nights from 5:30 - 6:30PM (except for the first Wednesday of the month).

**SACRAMENTAL  
PREP**



## Confirmation

**T.B.D.**

Parent Meeting on Sept. 24; classes will be held on Wednesday nights in the spring session.

**SACRAMENTAL  
PREP**



## OCIC

**T.B.D.**

**CHRISTIAN INITIATION**

The Order of Christian Initiation for Children (OCIC) is for children (aged 7-17) who are unbaptized, children who have been baptized in a non-Catholic faith or children who did not receive the sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist during their second-grade year. Through the OCIC process, children prepare to receive the sacraments of initiation and enter the Catholic Church.

## REGISTER TODAY

Each child must be individually registered.



*Questions? Contact:*

Linda Hebert, Director of Religious Education  
228-896-6059/228-297-5126  
lindahebert@saintjamescc.com

IS GOD CALLING YOU,  
BECAUSE WE SURE ARE!



SAINT JAMES  
CATHOLIC CHURCH



We need:

- Catechists
- Saint J Lead Team Members
- Saint J Core Team Members

LET'S MAKE HEAVEN CROWDED —

## ARE YOU UP FOR THE MISSION?

For the upcoming school year, we are looking for catechists to teach our sacramental prep class for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion and for our Order of Christian Initiation of Children (OCIC) Program. Requirements are that you must be at least 18 years of age, a practicing confirmed Catholic, and in good standing with the Church (i.e., must be able to receive the sacraments). Most importantly, you must have a desire to share our faith with our children.



If you or someone you know may be interested, please contact Linda Hebert via email at [lindahebert@saintjamescc.com](mailto:lindahebert@saintjamescc.com) or by phone at 228-896-6059 (office)/228-297-5126 (cell).

Our Safe Environment policy requires all adults who work with our children to have a background check and undergo safe environment training.

## Saint J Youth Core Team

Are you passionate about  
your faith?

Love working with teens?

Ready to make a real  
impact while growing as a  
disciple yourself?

Then YOU belong on our  
Adult Core Team!



### What We Do:

- Help plan and run youth nights
- Organize group events and retreats
- Walk with teens on their journey to become Eucharistic disciples

This is relational ministry  
— building authentic,  
Christ-centered  
connections through  
laughter, prayer, and  
real-life conversations.

Experienced or brand  
new to ministry — if you  
feel the call, this is your  
moment to answer.

### Join Us Today!

Contact Bridgett:

228-209-9281

[youthminister@saintjamescc.com](mailto:youthminister@saintjamescc.com)

Our safe environment policy requires all adults who work with our teens to have a background check and undergo safe environment training.

## SAINT J LEAD TEAM

SIGN UP TODAY!

Attention High School Teens: Are you ready to  
make a difference? Do you want to grow in your  
faith while helping others? God may be calling  
YOU to be a leader among your peers!



The Saint J Lead Team is a  
team of passionate teens who  
help bring their friends and  
community closer to Christ  
through fun, faith-filled  
activities and real connection.

### WHAT YOU'LL GET TO DO:

- ✦ PLAN EPIC LIFE NIGHTS AND FAMILY NIGHTS
- ✦ DESIGN AWESOME DBYC BANNERS AND DISPLAYS
- ✦ LEARN HOW TO SHARE YOUR OWN FAITH STORY
- ✦ LEAD SMALL GROUPS AND GAMES
- ✦ DIVE DEEP INTO BIBLE STUDIES
- ✦ BE PART OF SOMETHING BIGGER THAN YOURSELF!



WHETHER BOLD OR QUIET IN FAITH,  
YOU BELONG HERE!



## MINISTRY NEWS

### PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

*"Time spent in prayer is never wasted, however urgent the duties that press upon us from every side."*

### ADORERS NEEDED!

**Sunday 3:00PM - 4:00PM; Monday 12:00AM - 1:00AM, 1:00AM - 2:00AM, 12:00PM - 1:00PM;**

**Wednesday 12:00AM - 1:00AM, 1:00AM - 2:00AM;**

**and Saturday 5:00AM - 6:00AM, 1:00PM - 2:00PM, 5:00PM - 6:00PM**

Second or Third Adorers are always needed in each hour for a substitute system.

If you can help or substitute with any hours, please call Ralph at 228-539-2434 or contact the Parish Office.

## We Adore Him

Saint James Perpetual Adoration Chapel is now offering enhanced adorer scheduling, substitute requests and more with this user-friendly program!

You can sign in or create your account using this easy QR onboarding code.

Just use your cell phone's camera app to scan the QR Code, then tap the yellow box that appears and follow the prompts!



**Knights of Columbus**  
Saint James Council # 11541

**MEN ON A MISSION**  
A Catholic brotherhood  
changing the world

Meetings: 7:00PM | Parish Center | Raphael Room

- General Meeting - 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the Month
- Planning Meeting - 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the Month

**Want to learn more about the Knights of Columbus?**  
Email us at [saintjameskoc11541@gmail.com](mailto:saintjameskoc11541@gmail.com)

[www.saintjamescc.com/kc11541](http://www.saintjamescc.com/kc11541)

[www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org)

### HELP OUR ST. VINCENT DEPAUL CONFERENCE



We challenge each family to bring at least one non-perishable item to Mass every week, and to place it in the **"Food Drop Box"** located in the back of the church. When you are shopping and select your item for the poor, thank God for the ability to adequately provide for your own family; and pray for those less fortunate.

### MOST NEEDED ITEMS

Peanut butter, jelly, cereal, rice, spaghetti sauce, spaghetti noodles, baked/pork 'n' beans, Vienna sausages, canned fruit, bottled water, protein bars, crackers, dried beans, canned vegetables, rice and feminine items.

**Open: Tuesdays 9:00AM - 11:45AM,  
Food & Financial Assistance**

**Thursdays 10:00AM - 11:30AM, Food Assistance ONLY**



**The Pray for a Priest  
Calendar (July 2025)  
is available on our website.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**back to school BLESSINGS**

**THIS SUNDAY NIGHT**

**FOLLOWING THE 5:30PM MASS**

**PRE-K THRU COLLEGE  
ALL ARE WELCOME!**

**PUBLIC SCHOOL, PRIVATE SCHOOL & HOME SCHOOL**

Join Us for a

### NIGHT WITH OUR SEMINARIANS

Monday, July 28, at 6:00PM in the Bosco Room



We will have food and a Q&A Session.  
All 6<sup>th</sup> grade thru college-aged men are welcome!

### MARRIAGE

**Please note:** The Diocese of Biloxi requires that engaged couples should begin the Marriage Preparation process no fewer than six months prior to the anticipated wedding date. Wedding dates CANNOT BE SCHEDULED until the engaged couple contacts and meets with the Family Life Coordinator.

To begin the process, please contact Mara Russo at [FLC@saintjamescc.com](mailto:FLC@saintjamescc.com) or 228-896-6059.

### BAPTISM



Baptism Preparation classes are held once a month. The next class will be August 9.

For more information and to register, please contact Mara Russo at [FLC@saintjamescc.com](mailto:FLC@saintjamescc.com) or 228-896-6059.

### BAPTISMS

We joyfully welcome the newest members of our faith family:

Phoebe McCoy, daughter of  
Colin & Erin McCoy

Peter Strickland, son of  
Christian & Emily Strickland

# Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to our new parishioners:

Chad & Theresa Case and children

Steven & Crystal Gilbert and daughter

Joyce Haskett

Blake & Hillarie Singleton and children

John Tancredi

Christopher Vlahos and daughters

### Clearing the Confusion: Common Misconceptions About Annulments

Many Catholics have questions regarding annulments.

Here's the truth:

**"If we get an annulment,  
our children will be illegitimate."**

➔ False. Children from an annulled marriage remain completely legitimate in both civil and Church law. Annulments never "erase" a family or deny what was shared.

Have questions or need support? Please contact Mara Russo at [FLC@saintjamescc.com](mailto:FLC@saintjamescc.com) or by calling the parish office at 228-896-6059.

### Mississippi's Bishops: A Historical & Spiritual Reflection

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Catholic Charities of South Mississippi is proud to team up with CASA of South Mississippi to help recruit dedicated volunteers who can make a real difference in the lives of children throughout our community.

Join us on August 13<sup>th</sup> at 6 P.M. to learn more about what CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) does and discover how you can help advocate for children in South Mississippi who need your voice. Whether you're curious about becoming a CASA volunteer or simply want to learn more about this vital program, all are welcome to attend this informational session.

RSVP: Michelle Eleuterius: [meleuterius@biloxidiocese.org](mailto:meleuterius@biloxidiocese.org) or 228-219-5995



Gloria in Excelsis, a community wide Chorale Society open to all, will begin their Eighth Season on Tuesday, August 12, at 6:45PM. The hour-and-a-half, weekly rehearsals are held in the Sacred Heart Academy (SHA) Center on the campus of Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Cathedral – 870 Howard Avenue in Biloxi. Rehearsals are in the Youth Assembly Hall on the East side of the SHA Center. No membership fee is required. The Chorale presents annually an All-Souls, an Advent, a Christmas, a Holy Week and a Patriotic Concert – all at times outside of the normal Sunday morning worship frame. We also share in additional community events/programs as requested.

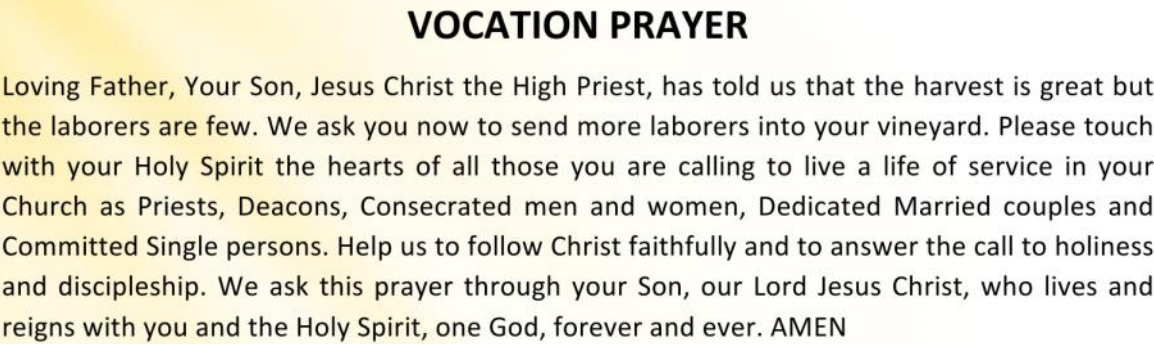
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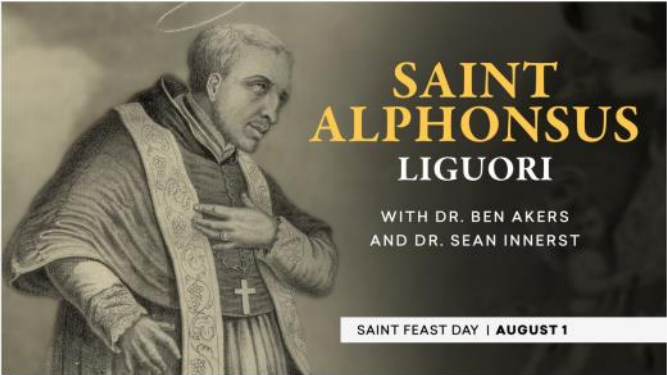
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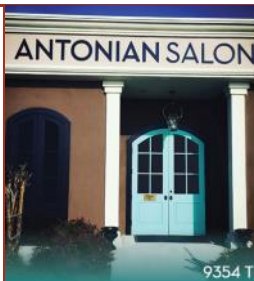
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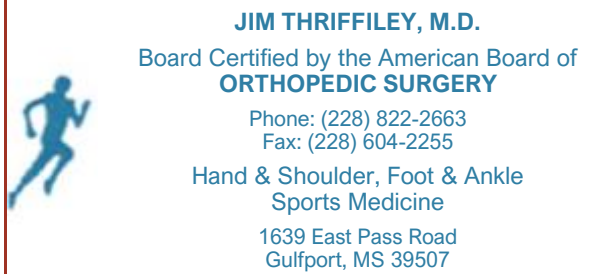


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