

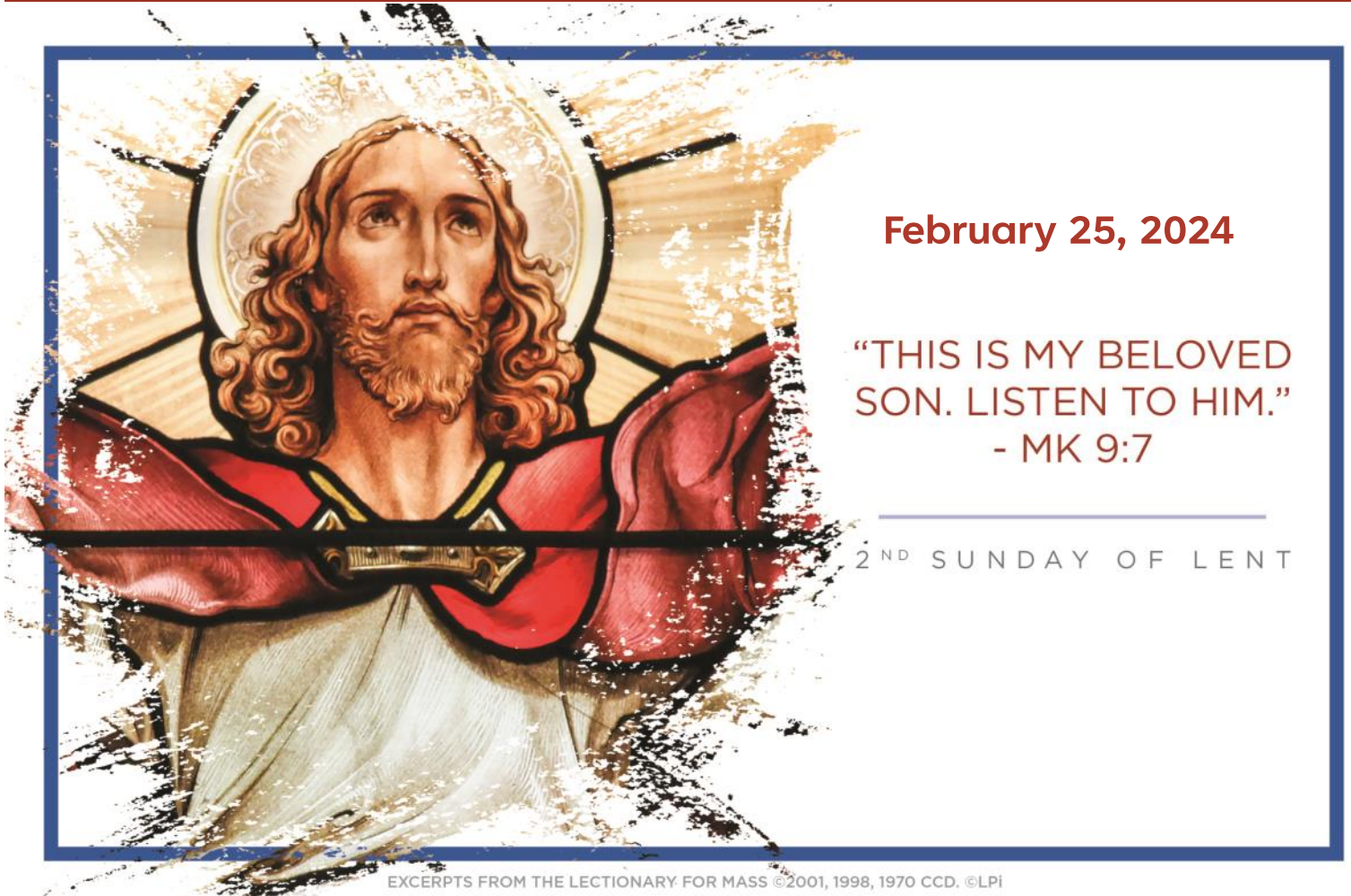


SAINT JAMES

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

366 COWAN RD. | GULFPORT, MS 39507



February 25, 2024

**"THIS IS MY BELOVED
SON. LISTEN TO HIM."
- MK 9:7**

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

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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 - Friday 9:00AM - 4:00PM

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Biloxi, MS 39533

228-702-0500

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



Thanks to a generous parishioner - children's liturgy sheets are available in the back of the church. Please pick one up for your children to follow the readings of the Mass. They can be taken home.

The Little Black Book

The Little Black Book, which contains Lenten reflections, are available on the tables at the entrances of the church.

Please take one per family.

Mass Etiquette Tips

When the Gospel is about to be read, the deacon/priest says: "A reading from the holy Gospel according to _____"; and the faithful respond with "Glory to You, O Lord" making a small cross with their thumb over their forehead, lips and chest. We cross our forehead, so that the Word of God may be in our thoughts and purify our minds. We cross our lips, so that our speech may be holy and incline us to share the Gospel with others. And, we cross our hearts to invite God to strengthen our love for Him and others. So, the next time the Gospel is about to be proclaimed at Mass, as you're crossing yourself, pray, "May the Lord be in my mind, on my lips and in my heart."



ATTENTION -

For the benefit of those who utilize the handicap parking spaces, do NOT park on or block access to the handicap ramp on the north-side entrance to the church.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

During Lent, flowers are not to be used to decorate the altar in the sanctuary. Although not used in the sanctuary, flowers may still be placed in front of our Blessed Mother and St. Joseph altars. Please contact Linda Hartfield (228-697-3420). Due to the rising cost of flowers, donations start at \$50 per altar and must be scheduled at least two weeks in advance.

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 February 25, 2024

Sunday:

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 (116:9)/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

Monday:

Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday:

Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday:

Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/
Mt 20:17-28

Thursday:

Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31

Friday:

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday:

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Next Sunday:

Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25
Scrutiny: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/
Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

As a college student, my prized possession was an after-market car stereo. It was my pride and joy: glorious audio, eye-catching display screen, and multi-disc CD changer. It drained my hard-earned dollars, but it was totally worth it. It drenched me in music everywhere I drove. On Ash Wednesday of my senior year of college, Father Tom, the Jesuit priest at my university said, “Pray for God to tell you what he wants you to sacrifice for Lent.” I did. In my heart, the answer came: “Give up listening to your car stereo for forty days.” I winced. Not possible, I thought. Can’t do it. I made other plans. The next morning, I was stunned to find that my car had been broken into, and my fancy stereo ripped out and stolen.

God’s command to sacrifice what we love is no joke. This week in Genesis 22, God says: **“Abraham!” “Here I am,” he replied. Then God said, “Take your son, your only son, whom you love — Isaac — and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on a mountain I will show you.”** Believe me, I know. We like to be in control. It chafes us that *God sets the terms* of what we must sacrifice, and how. But this is no impersonal, tyrannical process. Remember that God uses their names, Abraham and Isaac. God knows each one of us and the precious gifts He commands us to offer. Finally, our sacrifices are for our own good. Do we trust this enough to do what Father Tom asked me to do?

Lenten challenge: This week, I dare you to ask God: “What do you want me to give up?” He may ask for that which you love most. It will be something precious to you: time, money, a relationship, a dream, an opportunity. What matters is we trust Him and act sacrificially in line with His command. Whatever we sacrifice will of course come back to us as surely as the Risen Jesus — but that doesn’t make it easy.

— *Father John Muir*



“The more often we receive the Eucharist, the more we will become like Jesus, so that on this Earth we will have a foretaste of Heaven.”

- Blessed Carlos Acutis

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

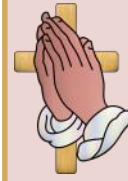
To add or remove a name from the prayer list, please contact the Parish Office.
Names will appear on the prayer list for six weeks, but are renewable.

Terry Barnes	Jean Crawford	Dianne Hurlbert	Kage Pickett
Hoshall Barrett	Fr. Joseph Dang	William Jordan	Joe Raspberry
Faith Black	Mimi Davis	Analyse Khalifeh	Etaw Robb
Thomas Blankenbaker	Nicholas James Davis	Sheena Khalifeh	Jim Roos
Jerry Boudreaux	Rose Dellenger	Doug Kirk	Barbara Russo
Susan Bourgeois	Elinor Donivan	Fr. George Kitchin	Doris Seymour
Debra Boyd	Jennifer Ellett	Roger Labit	Kathy Shankweiler
Hope Broadus	Spencer Ellett	Danny Lechner	Ralph Shankweiler
Jennifer Brown	Craig Elliott	Kathy Letaw	Jaclyn Simpson
Teresa Buckman	Rhett Fontenelle	Josie Lindsey	Josh Sniffen
Isabel Bullard	W.C. Fore	Carolyn McClellan	Julia Sterling
Charlotte Jean Buras	Ashley Hage	Tanya McClellan	Fr. Joseph Uko
Valerie Buras	Loretta Hahn	Karen McCoy	Bob Usey
Dick Chapin	David Harris	Msr. James McGough	Alyssa Vega
Martha Chapin	Keleal Hassin	Beverly Moore	Cathy Crane Vick
Bernard Chevalier	Jessi Hebert	Pete Moran	Ferdie Walker
Dannie Chevalier	SSG. Eric Heitkamp	Elsa Mrazek	Kim Casano-Ware
Rhonda Clark	Louis Helwick	Lois Ann Necaize	Jimmy Wetzel
Rose Mary Collins	Tom Hicks	Butch Oustalet	Teresa Whiteside
Susan Cooper	Timmy Holliday	Libby Owen	

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:



Gladys Salvador

May she and all the souls of the faithful departed now share in Eternal Glory and may her 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, February 24	
4:00PM	✠Rose Guenard
Sunday, February 25	
9:00AM	✠Michelle Duran Strahan
11:00AM	People of Saint James
5:30PM	✠Alexandra Healy
Monday, February 26	
7:00AM	✠Lucille Collins
8:30AM	✠Kathy Dibble
Tuesday, February 27	
6:00PM	✠Albert Necaize
Wednesday, February 28	
8:30AM	✠George Schloegel
Thursday, February 29	
7:00AM	✠Claude Henderson
12:00PM	✠Father's Intention
Friday, March 1	
7:00AM	✠William James Quinlan
8:30AM	✠Nancy Ferguson Hudgins
Saturday, March 2	
4:00PM	✠Theda Lake
Deceased - ✠	Healing - ♥
	Special Intention - 🙏

TWO WEEKS AT A GLANCE - EVENTS

February 26 - March 02

Monday, February 26

10:00AM	Legion of Mary, Philomena House
1:00PM	Bible Study, Raphael Room
6:00PM	First Reconciliation, Church
6:30PM	Al-Anon, Raphael Room

Tuesday, February 27

9:00AM	H & F Card Game, Philomena House
7:00PM	XLT, Adoration with Confessions, Church
7:00PM	OCIA, Raphael Room

Wednesday, February 28

7:00AM	Men's Bible Study, Raphael Room
3:15PM	Lectio Divina, Raphael Room
5:30PM	First Communion Prep, Raphael Room
6:00PM	Bible Study, Philomena House
6:30PM	Confirmation Prep, Bosco Room

Thursday, March 29

7:00PM	Knights of Columbus, Raphael Room
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March 04 - March 09

Monday, March 04

10:00AM	Legion of Mary, Philomena House
6:30PM	Al-Anon, Raphael Room

Tuesday, March 05

7:00PM	XLT, Adoration with Confessions, Church
7:00PM	OCIA, Raphael Room

Wednesday, March 06

7:00AM	Men's Bible Study, Raphael Room
3:15PM	Lectio Divina, Raphael Room
5:45PM	Family of Faith, Catechetical Session, Raphael Room
6:30PM	Confirmation Prep, Bosco Room

Thursday, March 07

9:15AM	Altar Society, Raphael Room
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Friday, March 8

5:00PM	Fish Fry, Parish Center Gym
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Saturday, March 09

9:15AM	Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites, Raphael Room
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LECTORS SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 24

4:00PM Gaines Cleveland

Sunday, February 25

9:00AM Joey Beattie

11:00AM Ed Farrell

5:30PM Yolanda Edwards

Saturday, March 2

4:00PM Macky Dominguez

Sunday, March 3

9:00AM Tom Collins

11:00AM Doug Hill

5:30PM Michele Pisciotta

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 24

4:00PM Debbie Bazzone, Barbara Levine, Mary Pecoul and Josie Six

Sunday, February 25

9:00AM Carsen Centanni, Shirley Henderson, Bonnie Jacobs and Kate Spear

11:00AM Alex & Cara Karetas, Mary Ann Oberlies and Darlene & E. G. Warren

5:30PM Rachelle Cleveland, Deanne Goulet, Diana Holder and Butch Plitt

Saturday, March 2

4:00PM Beverly Moore, Connie Pucheu, Linda Randolph and Debby Weeks

Sunday, March 3

9:00AM Don Alfonso, Susanne Chandler, Shirley Henderson and Kate Spear

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

5:30PM Steven Eckert, Yolanda Edwards, Deanne Goulet and Ashlie Herbert

TREASURE

February 17/18, 2024

Weekly Offertory via mail/collection basket	\$10,319
Weekly Offertory via ACH/on-line giving	\$9,452
Weekly Total	\$19,771
Weekly Budget (amount needed)	\$18,808
YTD Actual-Week #34	\$595,402
YTD Budget-Week #34	\$639,472
YTD % of Budget	93%
Second Collection - Black & Indian Missions	\$1,153
Ash Wednesday - Churches in Eastern Europe and Churches in Africa	\$2,161

SECOND COLLECTION

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

Next weekend's second collection will be for Faith Formation.

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.

2024 Catholic Sharing Appeal

Our 2024 CSA Goal - \$96,039.00

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MISSIONARY DISCIPLESHIP

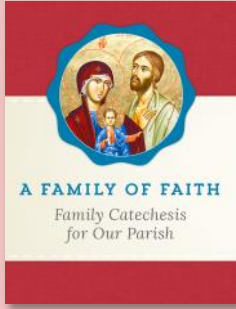


Diocese of Biloxi



The CSA has begun in the Diocese of Biloxi. As in the past, each of us will be asked to join together in the spirit of stewardship by making a financial commitment to the Church in the Diocese of Biloxi. Our Catholic Sharing Appeal provides essential operating support for those offices that provide direct services to both this parish and thousands of people throughout the seventeen counties that comprise this diocese.

FAITH FORMATION



A FAMILY OF FAITH GRADES K-5

March Catechetical Session
Wednesday - March 6
5:45 - 7:15PM
Raphael Room

For more information, please contact Linda Hebert at
lindahebert@saintjamescc.com



SAINT J YOUTH GROUP GRADES 6-12

Sundays 6:30-8:00PM

Edge & LifeTeen Painless

Teens - Your \$30 Food Fee is due for the Spring semester.

For more information, please contact
Bridgett Bermond & Sarah Rhodes
youthminister@saintjamescc.com

First Reconciliation 6:00PM on February 26

CONFIRMATION PREP

February 28 | 6:30 - 8:00PM

Bosco Room

Rite of Enrollment

The Rite of Enrollment, celebrated on the First Sunday of Lent, recognizes those who are preparing to receive Sacraments of Initiation. Please pray for these children who will be receiving their First Holy Communion in April:

Marc Alvarado, Greyson Berry, Christina Blosser, Olivia Bradford, Oliver Brewer, Jay Buchignani, Aria Bui, Cristiano Camarena, Corban Carter, Bronx Coleman, Hannah Cothorn, Bennett Courtenay, Marley Duprey, Ronnie Fontenot, Lucy Grill, Abigail Hessell, Corinne Hester, Marguerite Holder, Sumner Holland, Aspen King, Samuel Kirby, Reese Lacy, Riley Lacy, Finley LaFleur, Rozlyn Lancaster, Briggs Martin, Roman Mattina, Joseph McGuire, Charles Middleton, Maddison Miguez, David Moses, Lucy Pearce, Adelaide Mae Rehmann, Eli Rester, Sienna Rhodes, James Sharp, Louisa Spear, Aiden Stolarski, Sophia Strahan, Briella Surginer and Elijah Webb.

We also ask you to pray for those that will be fully initiated into our Catholic Faith at the Easter Vigil:

Jeanviere Angeron, Danny Borges, Lori Borges, Jen Brown, Chadler Dedeaux, Brad Forrest, Logan Kotsakos, Sutton McConnell, J.P. Pruitt, Krissy Simmerman, Shelly Williams and Ev Wright.

SAINT J YOUTH

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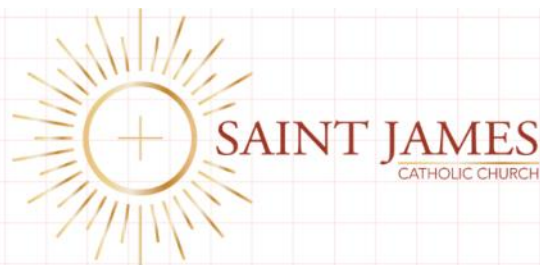
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DRAWING
EASTER
SUNDAY
After 9:00 Mass

ALL PROCEEDS WILL HELP
OUR TEENS PAY FOR
CONFERENCES



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



CATHOLIC SCHOOL SUBSIDY

To obtain the Catholic rate at St. James Catholic School and/or St. Patrick Catholic High School, one must be a registered and participating family who regularly contributes to Saint James Parish (using checks, parish envelopes or electronic giving). Each school year, parents must bring a subsidy form from the school to the parish office for the pastor to sign in order to receive the subsidized tuition rate.

TUITION ASSISTANCE

Parents are responsible before God to choose appropriate schooling for each of their children. Our task, as a parish community, is to assist parents as best we can with the tools they need to raise their children as good Catholics. Each year, our parish is assessed a certain percentage of our Sunday collection to be allocated to our local Catholic schools, St. James Catholic School and St. Patrick Catholic High School. As such, Saint James Parish has money set aside in the 2024/2025 budget for our registered contributing families to help with Catholic elementary and high school tuition costs.

At Saint James, our policy is also to set aside a proportional amount to support our faith formation programs for parents who choose public schools or home schooling for their children.

We follow a "needs based" policy. Both schools utilize FACTS, an organization that specializes in determining the financial need of each family. The Tuition Assistance application process is now open. There is a processing fee.

ST. JAMES CATHOLIC SCHOOL & ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Applications for aid can be found on the **FACTS** website.

April 15, 2024 - SPCHS deadline for applications.

April 26, 2024 - SJCS deadline for applications.

www.factsmgmt.com

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

ADORERS NEEDED!

Tuesday 9:00PM - 10:00PM;

Friday 3:00AM - 4:00AM; and Saturday 8:00PM - 9:00PM

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!

Lectio Divina

The Sound of His Voice

Everyday Principles for Listening to God.

Have you ever wondered if God speaks to ordinary people? And, if so, how? This book outlines in simple language what everyone should know about hearing God's voice in the midst of everyday Christian living. This will be a small group study and meditation on scripture lead by Susan Dane.

For anyone who is interested, Lectio Divina is now meeting on Wednesdays from 3:15PM - 4:30PM in the Raphael Room.

ENJOY SINGING?

We need new choir members for our 11:00AM Sunday Mass. There is no commitment...just show up when you can! We practice at 10:30AM in the Parish Center's Raphael Room before Mass. It is not necessary to read music. We welcome 9th graders and up. Come help us spread God's love through the gift of song!



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" at 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

If you would like an annual SVDP Contribution Statement, please contact the Parish Office.



HELP WANTED - WE NEED USHERS!



If you are looking for an easy way to participate more in the Mass, please consider becoming an Usher. There is a need for this important ministry at all weekend Masses. For more information, please scan this QR code or complete the contact form online @ www.saintjamescc.com/ushers or talk to an Usher today!



The Pray for a Priest Calendars (March/April 2024) are available in the back of the church.



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MARCH 8, 15, & 22


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5:00 - 6:30 PM

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Dr. Brant Pitre

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Reflect with Dr. Brant Pitre on the temptations of Jesus in the desert as he gets to the heart of the meaning of Lent.

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An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and graces press

LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Journey on the sorrowful Way of the Cross each week.

Fridays @ 2:00PM

PARISH RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Come and receive healing grace in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Monday, March 11 @ 6:00PM

LIVE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Saint J Youth will present Live Stations of the Cross in the Saint James Parish Center Gymnasium.

Good Friday, March 29 @ 3:00PM

FAMILY LIFE NEWS

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 or 228-896-6059.

BAPTISM



Baptism Preparation classes are held on the third Saturday of the month. The next class will be March 16.

For more information and to register, please contact Mara Russo at FLC@saintjamescc.com or 228-896-6059.

DID YOU KNOW?

When properly practiced, NFP (Natural Family Planning) can be up to 99% effective in postponing or avoiding pregnancy.

If you have questions or need further information about NFP, please contact Mara Russo at FLC@saintjamescc.com or 228-896-6059.



If you or a loved one are homebound, or are hospitalized locally and would like to schedule a visit from Fr. Ryan, please contact Mara Russo at FLC@saintjamescc.com or 228-896-6059.

NATIVITY BVM
CATHEDRAL PRESENTS

LENTEN LESSONS & REFLECTIONS

FEATURING JOHN STAINER'S
"CRUCIFIXION"

MARCH 9, 2024 - 3 PM

870 HOWARD AVENUE - BILOXI, MS
FOR MORE INFO -
terrydalemaddox@gmail.com

This is a powerful, deeply moving, spiritual program that will prepare the listener for the events and celebrations of Holy Week. The presentation will be given by a massed choir comprised of the Choral Societies of "Mobile Vocal Arts" of Mobile, Alabama and "Gloria In Excelsis" of Biloxi, Mississippi with soloists and a small chamber orchestral ensemble.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

For those Hurting from
Abortion or Miscarriage

There is forgiveness, hope and peace after abortion. If you or someone you love is hurting from abortion or miscarriage, we can help. Please consider attending this faith-based, healing retreat. All faiths are welcome - Open to women and men.

Healing the pain of abortion,
one weekend at a time.

Date: April 5-7, 2024

Price: \$195/person (Financial Assistance Available)


Facilitators: Pam Richard and Donna Scheuermann

Priest Facilitator: Fr. Robert Cavalier

To register or for more information, contact the
retreat facilitators:

Pam Richard - (504) 460-9360 or richj504@bellsouth.net

Donna Scheuermann - (504) 258-9183 or donnas@1791.com

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SCHOOL NEWS

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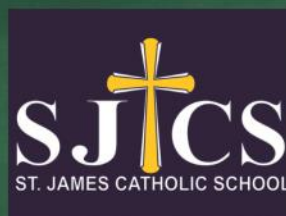
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Support Us With Your Shoes!

Help us raise funds by donating your gently
worn used, and new shoes!

By donating your used shoes, you'll be supporting
micro-enterprises in developing nations as well as
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Registration for the 2024-2025
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REVIVAL Happens Here

JULY 17-21, 2024 INDIANAPOLIS, IN

To view this week's Eucharistic Miracle please go to our website (www.saintjamescc.com) or scan the QR code below:



In Alatri's Cathedral of Saint Paul the Apostle is kept even today the reliquary of the Eucharistic miracle that occurred in 1228 and consisted in a fragment of the Host turning into flesh. A young woman, in an effort to regain the love of her sweetheart, considered a sorceress who ordered her to steal a consecrated Host to make a love potion. During Mass, the young woman hid a Host in a cloth. But when she got home, she realized that the Host had been transformed into bleeding flesh. This miracle has extensive documentation, including from Pope Gregory IX.

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