

November 12, 2017 Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Save the Date
November 28th is *iGiveCatholic*
Day in our Diocese.

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Call to register. Next class is Nov. 27th at 6:30.
Ultreya: 2nd Wed. of each month @ 6:45 PM.



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Mass Schedule

Confessions: Sat. 4:45 – 5:15 PM or by apt.
Vigil: Sat.–5:30 PM Sunday 8:00, 10:15 AM & 6:00 PM
Weekday Masses:
Mon. – 5:30 PM, Tues. – 8:15 AM, Wed. – 6:00 PM,
Thur. & Fri. – 8:15 AM
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**Sacred Heart Mass Schedule:** Vigil: Sat. – 4:00 PM,  
Sunday 8:00, 10:30 AM & 4:00 PM; 1:30 PM in Spanish  
**St. Fabian Mass Schedule:** Vigil: Sat. – 5:00 PM, Sunday: 10:00 AM  
**Holy Rosary Mass Schedule:** Sunday: 9:00 AM

**Mass Times For USM Games**  
**Nov 18 game @ 2:00 Mass @ 5:30 PM**

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**Last Week's Collection:** \$13,432.00  
**Direct Deposit Weekly:** \$2,235.00  
**The Pickle Jar:** \$34.00  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Coll. Building Fund:** \$2,098.95

**Second Collections**  
Nov 12<sup>th</sup> *St. Vincent de Paul Turkey Box*  
Nov 19<sup>th</sup> *Campaign for Human Development*

**Congratulations to Chris Brown** on receiving the *Lumen Christi* award last Sunday. Only one person at each parish receives this "Light of Christ" honor. Bishop Kihneman makes the presentation to all recipients in the Diocese at the Cathedral in Biloxi. This award is given to a person that goes above and beyond as a volunteer in their church. Thank you Chris for all you do for St. Thomas.



### Monday Adoration

~ We have hours of 2:00 – 9:00 PM with a break for the 5:30 PM Mass. We welcome visitors. We can use help with the 7:00 – 8:00 PM hour. Contacts: Pat 601-549-4620 txt or Beverly 601-408-2853. No Adoration Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> due to Thanksgiving holiday.

### Thursday Adoration

~ begins 9:00 AM and continues through the day and night until Friday at 8:00 AM. Adorers are needed on **Friday for the 2:00 – 3:00 AM** hour. For information call Beverly Frosch 601-408-2853.

### St. Thomas Rosary Prayer Group

meets each Wed. at 5:15 PM in the St. Thomas Room.

Did you know that iGiveCatholic is the first ever day of Catholic giving in our nation? We at St. Thomas are excited to be a part of this new tradition. You may support our parish at [iGiveCatholic.org](http://iGiveCatholic.org). We would like to extend our covered walkway into the courtyard.

### Seder Meal & Family Mercy

Mission ~ We're building a team of parishioners to help envision and plan a special Holy Week. Our parish will host a traditional Passover Seder, a Good Friday cross walk, and opportunities for family mercy missions in the community. Next planning meeting is Wed., Nov. 15th 6:30 (after Mass) in the upstairs CCD classrooms. All are welcome.



### Advent Mission, December 10,11,12, 2017 ~

The Southern Miss Catholic Student Association (CSA) is pleased to announce that Fr. Dan Estes, SOLT, a member of the Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity, will be speaking at a three day Advent Mission

at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church in Hattiesburg on December 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. The theme for this CSA sponsored event is "Becoming a Disciple like Our Lady the Perfect Disciple". The Advent Mission times are: Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 PM.; Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, and Tuesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, Mass at 5:30 PM., followed by Advent Mission Talk at 7:15 PM. There is no cost to attend this event. If you can't come to this event you can watch Fr. Dan Estes via LIVE STREAM on <http://www.stthomas-usm.org>.



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### Congratulations to

Jean Fertitta who won the 2017 Nissan Versa SV!

Other winners were:

\$ 400.00 ---- John Curley

\$ 700.00 ---- (three winners)

Adrian Boyd Holmes

Joe Parker

Chuck & Cynthia Junek

**Congratulations to all of you!**

**It was a great party!!**

### Theology On Tap

~ Please join Hattiesburg's Young Adult Group for an informational presentation on Natural Family Planning (NFP) and Q and A. The event will be held at Mugshots on Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.

The Knights of Columbus will be taking orders for fully cooked smoked turkeys averaging 15 pounds pre-cooked weight. The cost of the turkeys will be \$30 each and the Knights will be taking orders from now until Monday, November 20th. The turkeys will be available to pick up on Tuesday, Nov. 21 at the Parish Center. To place an order you can call Frank Holifield at 601-297-6670 or Mike Villarreal at 601-467-2148, or you can email your order to [knightsforcolumbus15382@gmail.com](mailto:knightsforcolumbus15382@gmail.com)

### Mass Intentions

M-Nov 13 Jose Fernandez, Sr. – RIP  
T-Nov 14 Keith Kersten – Sp. Int.  
W-Nov 15 Robbins Family – Birthdays  
T-Nov 16 Bianca Fernandez – Birthday  
Alfonso Soriano – Birthday  
F-Nov 17 Hal Parlor – RIP  
S-Nov 18 Gustavo Otalvaro – Birthday  
S-Nov 19 8:00 Parish  
10:15 Sp. Int – Irene Enger  
6:00 Delaney McAleer – Sp. Int.

### Readings Nov 13<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>

M Wis 1:1–7 Lk 17:1–6  
T Wis 2:23–3:9 Lk 17:7–10  
W Wis 6:1–11 Lk 17:11–19  
T Wis 7:22b–8:1 Lk 17:20–25  
F Wis 13:1–9 Lk 17:26–37  
S Wis 18:14–16; 19:6–9 Lk 18:1–8  
S Prv 31:10–13, 19–20, 30–31  
1 Thes 5:1–6 Mt 25:14–30

### High School CYO

All 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> Graders are invited to register for the SEARCH Retreat, Jan. 12-14<sup>th</sup> or Mar. 2-4<sup>th</sup>! See Megan or Mary Lou for more info!

Lectors ~ Your lector books for next year are here. They are on the table across from the sacristy. The cost is \$10. Please remember to pick yours up.

In Our Church Library ~ Now that we have celebrated All Saints Day, November is a great time to learn about the saints! We have lots of resources for all ages! Books, DVDs, movies, and some audio Cds. Some of our new items include a childrens' DVD from the cartoon series Brother Frances; "The Saints: Our Heavenly Friends" and for adults, the movie "Ignatius of Loyola; Soldier, Sinner, Saint". Among other materials are movies on: Saints Anthony, Bernadette, Father Damian, Faustina, Francis, Maria Goretti; Padre Pio, Pope John Paul II, Mother Terese; St Rita, a program on blessed Georgio Frassati, and more! For information contact Pat [601-549-4620](tel:601-549-4620) txt.

**Knights of Columbus Holiday Drawing** ~ Weekly drawings have started and go thru Sun., Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>. A \$50.00 drawing every Sunday, and Grand Prize Winnings are - \$500, \$200 & \$100. Thank you in advance for your support of your local Knights of Columbus Council #15382. Weekly winners:

3<sup>rd</sup> Week was Jackie Melancon  
 4<sup>th</sup> Week was Bobby Tonore  
 5<sup>th</sup> Week was Frances Pineda  
 Congratulations to all of you!

**Dear Padre** November 12, 2017  
*How will it happen that Jesus will come again and lead us "through the gates"? Do you think that this will happen any time soon?* We have it from the best of authorities that the date of the world's end is hidden. Jesus said: "But of that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father alone" (Matthew 24:36).

In spite of Christ's admonition that the day of his Second Coming is known but to God, there have been countless false prophets who have confidently but incorrectly predicted a date for the end of the world. Most of these foolish forecasters based their claims on their misinterpretation of the Book of Revelation.2

Throughout history, many have attempted to use the Book of Revelation as a timetable. They misinterpreted symbols and numbers as a forecast of what would happen in their own century. Over and over again, such people have used Revelation to predict the end of the world.

The world might end tomorrow, in five billion years, or somewhere in between. Jesus tells us we can't know for sure. We are sure, however, that this world will pass away. And for each one of us the world will end at the moment of death. What matters is that we should always be ready to meet Christ, our Judge. And we shall be ready if we follow Christ, our Shepherd. Jesus leads us safely through this life by his teaching, his example, and his grace.

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**LOOKING AHEAD**

Nov 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> SVdP Thanksgiving Boxes  
 Nov 28<sup>th</sup> iGiveCatholic  
 Nov 23<sup>rd</sup> Thanksgiving – Mass 10:00 AM  
 Office Closed Thurs & Fri.  
 Nov 30<sup>th</sup> – Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> Women's Cursillo

**Many Hands** make light work!!  
 Please consider helping SVDP next Saturday 11/18 at 9:00 AM to put the 150 Thanksgiving Boxes together or Sunday 11/19 at 12 noon to pass them out. All this is happening at SVDP 114 Broadway Dr. Thank you and Happy Thanksgiving!!

**Domestic Violence Awareness Night at the Parish Center** ~ Tues., Nov.

14: The Southern Miss Catholic Student Association (CSA) in collaboration with the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority-Lambda Kappa Zeta Chapter is hosting a Domestic Violence Awareness Night at the Parish Center on Tuesday, November 14 at 6:30 p.m. Keynote speakers are Attorney **Aletha Shaw-Milt** (Shaw-Milton Law Office), Atty. **Vicki Legget** (Northcutt Legal Clinic), and Survivor Testimony by **Tori Zuniga-Brown Janicke** (USM Outreach, Fundraising and Resource Specialist, Eagle's Nest Coordinator, MSW Intern, Catholic Student Association Associate Member). The event which includes a "Question and Answer" session, is free and open to students, parishioners, and friends of St. Thomas Aquinas. We will have a baked potato bar, and refreshments will be served. We kindly ask parishioners/attendees to bring a dessert to share. For questions please contact Daphne Creel, Campus Minister at 601-470-4202.

**Natural Family Planning** ~ An introductory session for the Creighton Model FertilityCare NPF method will be held on Wed., Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM in the Parish Hall. For more information call Rebecca at 601-297-6858

**Adoration Holy Hour Cards** ~ We now have cards available for you to send someone after you have prayed for them in Adoration. They are located on the table outside of the Adoration Chapel.

**Next Week**

**LECTORS & COMMENTATOR**

Nov. 18<sup>h</sup> ~ 5:30 Michael Kincade  
 Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> ~ 8:00 Chris Brown  
 10:15 Kim Busche

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

**SATURDAY 5:30 P.M.**

November 4 Bob McCarthy  
 11 Judi Williams  
 18 NoelAnne Bennett  
 25 Carolyn Nation  
 \*\* Pat Snead  
 \*\* Susan Arrington  
 Alt: Beverly Frosch

**SUNDAY 8:00 A.M.**

November 5 John Curley  
 12 Italo Subarao  
 19 Richard Mohn  
 26 Ondine Rudolph  
 \*\* Teresa Curley  
 \*\* Deborah Barrett  
 Alt: Esbelia Perez

**SUNDAY 10:15 A.M.**

November 5 Pat Peterson  
 12 Jimmy OR Ginny Kendrick  
 19 Hal Odom  
 26 David Gibbs  
 \*\* Michelle Gibbs  
 \*\* Brad OR Lisa Diaz  
 \*\* Lynn Ory  
 \*\* Ronnie Parker  
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 \*\* Robbie OR Charlene Robbins  
 Alt: Kim Rutland

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