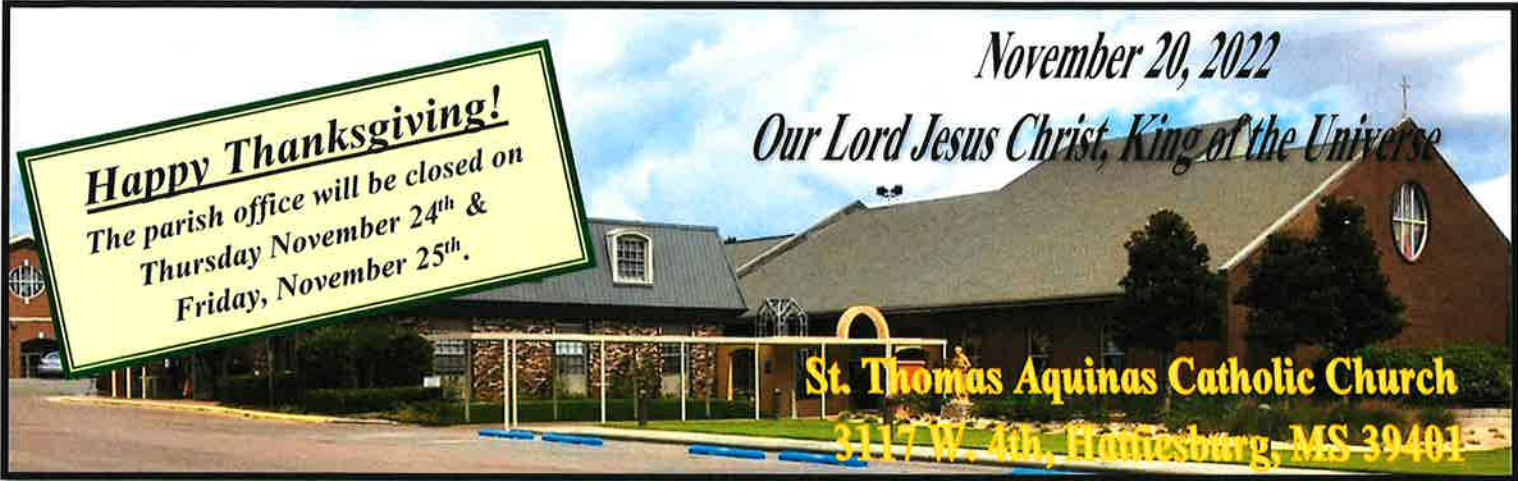


November 20, 2022

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

**Happy Thanksgiving!**  
The parish office will be closed on  
Thursday November 24<sup>th</sup> &  
Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup>.



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Call to register - Last class this year  
Monday December 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm



**November 13<sup>th</sup> Collection:** \$13,235.03  
**Direct Deposit:** \$2,580.00  
**Online Deposit** \$728.75  
**Building Fund** \$2,221.60

**Upcoming Second Collections**  
**November 20<sup>th</sup> Human Development**  
**November 27<sup>th</sup> No Second Collection**  
**December 4<sup>th</sup> St Vincent Pharmacy**  
**December 11<sup>th</sup> Retired Religious**  
**December 18<sup>th</sup> Building Fund**

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



## ***Adoration***

### **Monday Adoration:**

Hours are 2-9PM. Starting at 4:45PM the Patriotic Rosary will be prayed during Adoration led by Noelanne Bennett. After the Rosary, we will pause Adoration to prepare for the 5:30 PM Mass. Adoration will resume when Mass is over and will continue until 9PM. Visitors are more than welcome and can come anytime for whatever amount of time they'd like. For any questions, contact Pat Peterson at 601-549-4620 by phone or text.

### **Tuesday Adoration**

From 9am after daily Mass until 12 noon. Please consider spending an hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament. Please be sure to sign in so we know the hours are covered.

### **Thursday Adoration**

begins after the 8:15 AM Mass and goes until 9:00 PM in the church. At that time Our Lord is moved into the Adoration Chapel and adoration continues through the night until Friday Mass. **We currently need help with the 10pm & 12am hour.**

To offer your help or for information please contact Patricia Burchell at 601-270-4068.

### **Adoration will NOT be cancelled next Thursday, Thanksgiving Day.**

It will begin after the 10am mass and continue as normal until Friday morning. If you know that you will not be here, please let Patricia Burchell know so that we can find a substitute to cover your hour. Also, if you are available to cover an hour, please sign the sheet at the entrance of church and let us know the hours you are available. Thank you.

## ***Business Sponsor Spotlight***



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### **UPCOMING LIFE TEEN EVENTS:**

#### **Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>**

12:00-5:00 pm God's Plan for Sex and Your Body Workshop for parents, middle school, and high school students.

#### **Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>**

Bonfire 4:30-5:45

#### **Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup>**

Thanksgiving Break

### **SAVE THE DATE:**

St Thomas' Parish **Adult**

Christmas party will be held on **Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup>** following the 5:30PM mass. Please call the office if you will need childcare. The church will provide the main course, and everyone is asked to bring a dish to share. Sign-up sheets are at the entrances of church.

### **Mini-Library:**

New Book: "Walking the Way of the Cross for Caregivers: How to Cope: Practically, Emotionally, and Spirituality: When a Loved One Has a Serious Illness by Michelle Laque Johnson. Using the Way of the Cross as a framework for their love story, Michelle shares her heartbreakingly beautiful eight-year caregiving journey with her husband Stu who suffered 3 bouts of cancer, amputation of his leg up to the hip, and became a quadriplegic. As hard as it was, this journey deepened Michelle and Stu's love for each other, and it can be the same for you. This story shows that you need not be afraid because if you let God in, you will learn that He loves you and will accompany you.

This book is a blessing.  
Pat Peterson, Librarian

## **Mass Intentions**

M-Nov 21<sup>st</sup> Mary Ann Isemann- RIP  
T-Nov 22<sup>nd</sup> Sue Marquardt – RIP  
W-Nov 23<sup>rd</sup> Deacon Ralph & Mary Torrelli – Sp. Int  
T-Nov 24<sup>th</sup> Charles Graves – RIP  
F-Nov 25<sup>th</sup> William Cary Medical Students – Intentions  
Sat-Nov 26<sup>th</sup> Lucille Prestenburg – RIP  
Sun-Nov 27<sup>th</sup>  
8:00am Leslie Diaz – Sp. Int.  
10:15am Parish  
6:00pm Jean Collins – RIP

### **Readings Nov 21<sup>st</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>**

M Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Lk 21:1-4  
T Rv 14:14-19/Lk 21:5-11  
W Rv 15:1-4/Lk 21:12-19  
T Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Lk 21:20-28  
F Rv 20:1-4, 11—21:2/Lk 21:29-33  
Sat Rv 22:1-7/Lk 21:34-36  
Sun Is 2:1-5/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44

### **November Lector Schedule**

**19<sup>th</sup>** 5:30 Liz Yankay  
**20<sup>th</sup>** 8:00 Kathy Schimel  
10:15 Valerie Acocella  
**26<sup>th</sup>** 5:30 Noel Anne Bennett  
**27<sup>th</sup>** 8:00 Rich Mohn  
10:15 Peter Deucher

### **Eucharistic Minister Training**

will be offered on Saturday morning November 19th at 10:30 am. We will meet in church. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please join us. If you have already been trained, but would like to be back on the schedule, you are welcome to attend for a refresher. If you were trained recently with the chalice, you do not need to attend. Any questions, call Kathy in the office.

**Bible Study:** If you have not been able to access the Mary and the Bible study online, the code has expired. The new code is:  
**BVM1022-1130.**





The Knights of Columbus are selling Cursillo T-Shirts to benefit the Cursillo Movement. The cost of the shirt is \$20.00 each and will be on sale after all the masses this weekend.

Also, the Knights will NOT be selling turkeys this year for Thanksgiving due to availability issues.

**St. Vincent de Paul** will supply Thanksgiving turkeys and gift cards to 130 needy families in Hattiesburg. Your generosity is much needed. **Turkey boxes** are at both entrances of the church. Please help St. Vincent de Paul provide for families in need this year with your monetary contribution.

**Thanksgiving Mass & Dinner:**

We will have a Thanksgiving dinner on Thursday, November 24th. **Mass will be at 10:00am and dinner will be at 11:00.**

The main course will be provided, and we ask that everyone bring a side dish to share. There are sign-up sheets at both entrances. In order to properly plan the meal, we ask that you register in advance and let us know what dish you will provide. Thank you, and Happy Thanksgiving.

Midshipman Copeland Nowell will hold a presentation/information meeting for students interested in attending the **United States Naval Academy**. The meeting will be held on November 21st and November 22nd at 10:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart Parish Life Center, 306 Walnut Street, Hattiesburg. For more information, contact Copeland at [m254758@usna.edu](mailto:m254758@usna.edu).

It is piously believed that whoever recites the St. Andrew Christmas novena prayer 15 times each day from the feast of St. Andrew (November 30<sup>th</sup>) until Christmas Eve will obtain the favor requested.

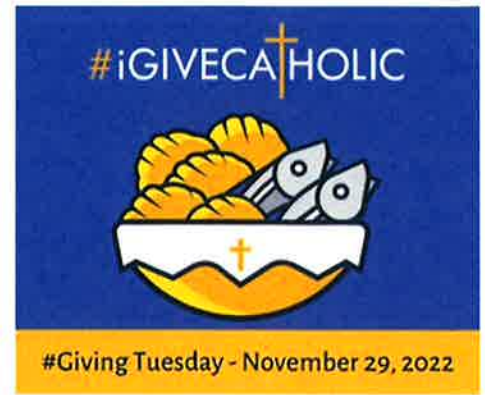


***St. Andrew Christmas Novena***

*Hail and blessed be the hour and moment in which the Son of God was born Of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight, in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold. In that hour vouchsafe, I beseech Thee, O my God, to hear my prayer and grant my desires through the merits of Our Savior Jesus Christ, and of His blessed Mother.*

*Amen*

**Prayer cards are available at the entrances of the church**



iGiveCatholic: takes place on #GivingTuesday, November 29th, from 12:00 AM to 11:59 PM for gifts given online or offline through a donation of cash or check directly to the church. There is an Advanced Giving Day phase for both online and offline “pre-Giving Day” gifts running from 12:00 AM on Monday, November 14th through 11:59 PM on Monday, November 28th. Please consider giving back to St. Thomas Aquinas church to help defray the cost of upgrading our computer system in the Parish Center, and also purchasing a new Processional Crucifix and matching Altar Crucifix for the church. We are doing all we can to enhance your experience in church and at any events held in the Parish Center.

Link: <https://tinyurl.com/4ytwa48h>

**Catholic in Recovery**

Catholic in Recovery is a ministry that provides healing for those seeking recovery from addictions, compulsions, and unhealthy attachments. Meetings combine the spiritual principles of 12-step recovery with the sacraments of the Catholic Church. Join us as we overlap scripture from Sunday's mass, liturgical themes, and recovery topics with honest discussion and prayer. Confidentiality is protected. We meet every Monday night at 6:30 in the parish hall. For more information, please contact Emily at [Emilyosbornerhodes@gmail.com](mailto:Emilyosbornerhodes@gmail.com) or leave a message at the St. Thomas parish office, (601) 264-5192.



The last **Baptism class** for this year is scheduled for Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM. Please call Candi Goff at 601-467-0914 or the church office if you have questions or would like to register.



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