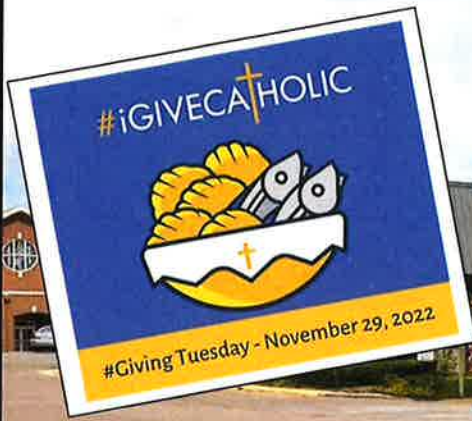


October 30, 2022
The Thirty-First Sunday in
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Mass Schedule

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

October 23rd Collection: \$8,156.35

Direct Deposit: \$2,712.50

Online Deposit \$362.00

World Mission Sunday \$1,153.00

Upcoming Second Collections

October 30th St. Vincent DePaul

November 6th Military Services

November 13th Building Fund

November 20th Human Development

For the Son of man is come

to **SEEK**

and to **SAVE**

that which was **LOST.**

Luke 19:10



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 12am hour.** To offer your help or for information please contact Patricia Burchell at 601-270-4068.

The Cursillo Movement of South MS will have the next Women's Cursillo #291 weekend on Dec 8-11, 2022, at the Sacred Heart Dedeaux Retreat Center in Pass Christian, MS. Applications are currently being accepted. Applications can be found online at www.biloxicursillo.org. For questions and/or more information, feel free to contact Gay Camagong at (228)424-7722 or Marcia Hebert at (413)433-3903.

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LIFE TEEN

Life Nights for ages 13-18 will be held in the Parish center from 4:40-5:45 every Sunday in October.

Life Teen (St Thomas teens)

will be collecting items for USM's Eagle's Nest Food Pantry during the month of October. The most requested items are food and hygiene items, but we will take monetary donations as well. Items can be given to one of the teens after the weekend masses or placed in the donation box in the foyer.

Mini-Library:

Help for those loved ones who have left the church. "The Saint Monica Club: How to Wait, Hope, and Pray for Your Fallen-Away Loved Ones by Maggie Green. St. Monica wept daily with the pain of having a loved one – Augustine-leave the faith. Her prayers, sacrifices, and pain finally won the two of them the crown of sanctity. Author Maggie, being a member of the Saint Monica Club, points out pages in this book which demonstrate that with the souls of our loved ones at stake it is worth our effort and our wait and to finally have the joy of seeing them fall into the arms of Jesus again. Librarian, Pat Peterson

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.**

Mass Intentions

M-Oct 31st All Souls Novena
T-Nov 1st All Souls Novena
W-Nov 2nd All Souls Novena
T-Nov 3rd Jude Moreland – Sp. Int.
F-Nov 4th Merrill & Rogene Molaison – RIP
Sat-Nov 5th Eddie Cross – RIP
Sun-Nov 6th
8:00am Richard J. Chrosniak – RIP
10:15am Parish
6:00pm Amanda Burgos – RIP

Readings Oct. 31st – Nov 6th

M Phil 2:1-4/Lk 14:12-14
T Rv 7:2-4,9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a
W Wis 3:1-9, Rom 5:5-11/John 6:37-40
T Phil 3:3-8a/Lk 15:1-10
F Phil 3:17–4:1/Lk 16:1-8
Sat Phil 4:10-19/Lk 16:9-15
Sun 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14/2 Thes 2:16–3:5/Lk 20:27-38

October Lector Schedule

29th 5:30 Carmen Robinson
30th 8:00 Malia Lewis
10:15 Shirley Hendricks

November Lector Schedule

5th 5:30 Roger Smith
6th 8:00 Hannah Myers
10:15 Valerie Acocella
12th 5:30 Jon Brooks
13th 8:00 Reggie Blackledge
10:15 Italo Subarrao
19th 5:30 Liz Yankay
20th 8:00 Kathy Schimel
10:15 Peter Deucher
26th 5:30 Noel Anne Bennett
27th 8:00 Rich Mohn
10:15 Silvia Preston



We extend our deepest sympathy to the Hicks family on the death of Nora Baylot. May God's loving presence strengthen them during this time of sorrow, and may they be consoled knowing that their loved one is at peace.

All Souls Day Remembrance:

St. Thomas will have an All-Souls Day remembrance mass on Wednesday November 2nd at 11am. Everyone is invited to attend the mass and lunch in the Parish Center following the mass. Please notify the office if you will attend the lunch so we can plan accordingly.

National Vocation Awareness Week

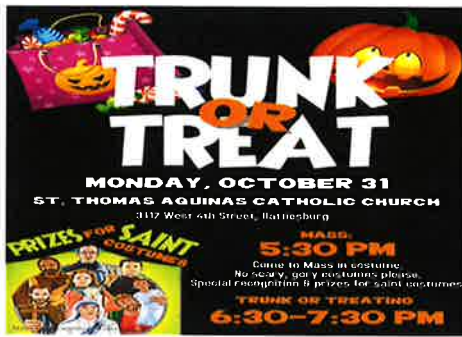
will be celebrated in our country November 6-12, 2022. Please ask Our Lord for more dedicated, holy priests, deacons, and consecrated men and women. May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community, and respond generously to God's gift of vocation.

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 Emiliosbornerhodes@gmail.com or leave a message at the St. Thomas parish office, (601) 264-5192.

Students for Life of America

is one of the largest and most active pro-life organizations and is active on high school and college campuses throughout the nation. Their "Standing With You" initiative supports pregnant women and those who have had abortions. This initiative offers many sources including help during pregnancy and counseling for those who have had abortions. Go to StandingWithYou.Org for more information.



Our Trunk or Treat is this Monday. We still need decorated cars and donated candy. Please see the display in the foyer for details.

TRUNK OR TREAT

Saint Thomas will hold its annual All Saints Day Vigil Mass & Trunk or Treat on Monday, October 31st. Mass begins at 5:30pm. Families are encouraged to dress in saint costumes (prizes for that!) or in a wholesome (not scary) costume. Trunk or Treat immediately follows Mass in the church parking lot and ends at 7:30pm.

TRUNKS & CANDY NEEDED

We need your help to make our Trunk or Treat memorable for our little ones. Please consider decorating your car with a wholesome or saintly theme OR donate some candy (or both!). Bags of candy can be dropped by our Trunk or Treat display in the church foyer. You can reserve a space for your car by signing up at the display or on our parish website.



A costumed-themed 5k and 1-mile run or walking event at Pearl River Community College in Hattiesburg. All entry fees go straight into a new scholarship for foster care youth to break down financial barriers when attending higher education. This is part of a platform for the Miss PRCC competition to spread resources and awareness in the need to support our local foster care system.

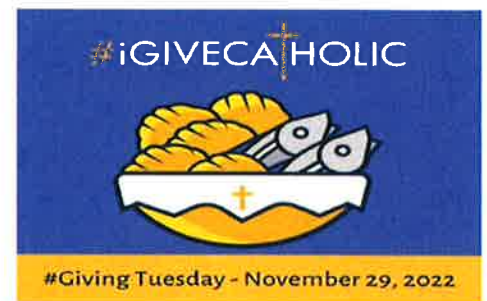
Eagle Catholic Drawdown

Friday, November 18th

Please help support our Eagle Catholic students by purchasing a drawdown ticket. Each \$100 ticket admits 2 to the drawdown on Friday, November 18th, 6-9pm. Tickets are available after mass and in the office.

Holy Hall - Wax Museum of Saints

Wednesday, November 2nd
Sacred Heart Elementary Gym
8:30-9:30am and 9:45-10:45am
You are invited to join the Sacred Heart Elementary Students and learn about vocations and saints.



iGiveCatholic will be held this year on Tuesday, November 29th. This is your opportunity to give back to the church, and this year the money will be used to purchase new sound equipment in the Parish Center, as well as a new processional cross and altar cross in the church. The link to donate online will be in the bulletin beginning November 13th. If you are unable to donate online, you can drop off your contribution to the office, and note in the memo it is for iGiveCatholic. Watch the bulletin for updates.

This Sunday, October 30th, is

Priesthood Sunday. Join us in praying for our priests, and praising God for their courage and generosity. Please take a moment to write a note of appreciation to Fr. Mark and Fr. Braxton to let them know how special they are to you. Sheets are provided for you, and you can place them in the envelopes provided. Papers and envelopes are located at both entrances. Thank you, and God Bless our Priests!

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PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY NOVEMBER 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>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. You have consecrated them, set them aside, anointed them, filled them with the Holy Spirit, appointed them to teach, to preach, to minister, to console, to forgive, and to feed us with Your Body and Blood. Indeed, 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.</p>						
		1 Father Satish Adhav	2 Father Vincent O. Ajayi	3 Father Godfrey Andoh	4 Most Reverend (Bishop) Louis F. Kihneman III	5 Please Pray For An Increase In Vocations
6 Pope Francis	7 Father Charles Arthur	8 Fathers Philip J. Audet & Mike Austin	9 Fathers Sergio Balderas & Joseph Benjamin S.S.J	10 Fathers Hyginus Boboh SSJ & Tommy Conway	11 Fathers Ruben Covos & Arockia Doss, I.V.D.	12 Msgr. Dominick Fullam
13 Fathers Martin Gillespie & Tomaz Golab	14 Father Rofinus Jas S.V.D.	15 Father Ignacio Jimenez- Morales	16 Father Jeyanthan Jordan	17 Father Fintan Kilmurray	18 Father George Kitchin	19 Fathers Piotr Kmiciek & Bartosz Kunat
20 Fathers Richard LaCorte & George Manchapilly CMI	21 Fathers Michael Marascalco &Chinnappa R. Mark H.G.N.	22 Fathers David Milton H.G.N & Ryan McCoy	23 Fathers Henry McInerney & Paddy Mockler	24 For Our Deceased Bishops Joseph Howze & Roger Morin	25 For Our Deacons & Deacon Candidates & Those Discerning	26 For Priest & Brothers @ St.Augustine Seminary & St. Stanislaus High School
27 For Retired, Extern & Deceased Priests, Brothers, & Deacons	28 For ALL Our Biloxi Bishop, Priests &Deacons	29 For Our Seminarians	30 For Your Parish Priest(s)	<p>*** Please Keep <u>Father S. Kennedy Soosai</u> in your prayers. He is due to arrive to the Biloxi Diocese in November...for his safe arrival! ***</p> <p>**Pray for vocations the week of November 6-12, 2022...National Vocation Awareness Week!</p>		

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