

THE BASILICA of SAINT MARY

TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JUNE 9, 2024

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Masses: Sat · 8:00 AM (Mass of the Day)

Sat \cdot 5:00 PM (Anticipated Mass) Sun \cdot 10:00 AM (Solemn Mass)

Mon · 7:00 AM Tue-Fri · 12:05 PM

Confessions: Tue-Fri · 11:30 AM

Sat · 4:30 PM

Adoration: Tue · 12:30-5:30 PM

Benediction: Tue · 5:20 PM

Office Hours

Mon & Fri · 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM Tue-Thu · 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME June 8 AND 9, 2024

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? *The Lord is the stronghold of my life;* whom should I dread? When those who do evil draw near me. they stumble and fall. —Ps 27: 1-2



Anticipated Mass June 15, 2024 5:00 p.m. Saturday St. Mary Basilica

Lectors: Manfred Eidt, Judy Bartley **Eucharistic Ministers:** Charles Garrity, Marty Seibert Jacqueline Eidt, Linda Biglane **Greeters:** Tommy Biglane, Freddie Biglane, Susan Nielsen, Paul Burns **Ushers:**

Altar Servers: Philip Zuccaro, Kot Morris

Sacristan: Charles Garrity

Solemn Mass June 16, 2024 10:00 a.m. Sunday St. Mary Basilica

Lectors: Gina Cauthen, Chandler Brantley **Eucharistic Ministers:** Ginger Cowart, Karen Verucchi Linda Bailey, Paige Iseminger **Greeters:**

Darren Cowart, Barry Iseminger, Kenny Decareaux, Drew David **Ushers:**

Matthew Verucchi, Laura Verucchi, S.K. Cauthen

Sacristan: Ginger Cowart

PASTOR'S CORNER

Altar Servers:

Director of Facilities

I would like to announce that Saint Mary Basilica has hired Darren Cowart as our Director of Facilities. Darren brings a wealth of knowledge to this position, along with his devotion to our parish. In this position, Darren will be responsible for the oversight of maintenance and upkeep to the Basilica campus, as well as oversight of grounds keeping and custodial work, and will serve as liaison for the Rector to the Building and Maintenance Commission.



Darren will join the staff full-time following his retirement in January 2025. Until then, he will serve the parish on a part-time basis working alongside members of the Building and Maintenance Commission and other volunteers. We are very appreciative of Darren's willingness to accept this important role in our parish life.

—Father Aaron Williams

ALTAR WORKERS

FLOWER GUILD Virginia McDaniel June 15: Ginger Cowart **June 14:**

ST. MARY BASILICA

PARISH INCOME June 1/2, 2024 **Weekly Envelopes:**

Weekly amount anticipated to meet budget \$14,521.83

Amount received last weekend \$9,287.00 (109)

SPECIAL COLLECTION:

Loose Contributions:

\$423.08

\$686.213



ASSUMPTION OF THE B.V.M. CATHOLIC CHURCH

Very Rev. Aaron M. Williams

Pastor

Sunday Mass · 8:00 AM 10 Morgantown Road Natchez, Mississippi 39120

Confession · 7:30 AM

Mass June 16, 2024 8:00 a.m. Sunday **Assumption BVM** Lector: **Eucharistic Minister: Head Usher:** Altar Server(s): Sacristan(s) for June:

601.445.5616

Vickie Stowers Carolyn Verucchi **Bobby Smith** Avery Atkins Pat Williams

ASSUMPTION BVM PARISH INCOME LAST WEEKEND

Sunday, June 2, 2024 Contributions

\$1,354.00

Second Collection:

June Money Counters: Freddie Sandel Pat Williams **Buddy Frank**

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK ST. MARY BASILICA / ASSUMPTION BVM

MONDAY, June 10

- -7:00 a.m. Mass
- -9:00 a.m. Line Dancing

TUESDAY, June 11

- -8:45 a.m. Archives Meeting, Rectory
- -9:30-10:30 a.m. Tai Chi, Youth Wing FLC
- -11:30 a.m. /12:05 p.m. Confessions / Mass
- -12:00 p.m. Stewpot Board Meeting FLC
- -12:35 a.m.-5:20 p.m. Adoration
- -5:20 p.m. Benediction
- -6:00 p.m. Young Men's Bible Study, Rectory Dining Room

WEDNESDAY, June 12

- -11:30 a.m. Rosary, Basilica
- -11:30 a.m. /12:05 p.m. Confessions / Mass

THURSDAY, June 13

- -11:30 a.m. /12:05 p.m. Confessions / Mass
- -6:00 p.m. Bible Study: The Gospel of Luke and Mysteries of the Rosary

FRIDAY, June 14 Flag Day

-11:30 a.m. /12:05 p.m. Confessions / Mass

SATURDAY, June 15

- -8:00 a.m. Mass
- -4:30 p.m. Confessions
- -5:00 p.m. Anticipated Mass

SUNDAY, June 16 Father's Day

- -7:30 a.m. Rosary, Assumption Church
- -7:30/8:00 a.m. Confessions / Mass, Assumption followed by Father's Day Brunch in Tuite Hall
- -10:00 a.m. Solemn Mass, Basilica
- -10:00 a.m. Assumption Parishioners Work at Stewpot
- -5:00 p.m. Vespers, Basilica



June 9

John Kerwin Elizabeth Turner Katrina Maier Sheridon Green Dotie Gaudet-

Rainer Grayson Tosspon

June 10

Julie Riley Betty Lou Hicks Gabriel Orr Lizzie Martin

Assumption BVM and St. Mary Parishioners, please contact the church office if your birthday is not

<u>June 11</u>

Fisher Iseminger

June 12 None

<u>June 13</u> Faith Ann Brown Tres Atkins Piper Smith

listed. HAPPY BIRTHDAY! June 14

> Ann Watts Liza Walton Tristan Moody

June 15 Allene Butler

Paul Meng Katie Goldman Danny James





LIVING GOSPEL

Seminarian Joe Pearson will be offering a summer Bible study for young men ages 17-25 focusing on the Gospel of John. The Bible study will be held on Tuesday evenings at 6:00 PM in the Rectory Dining Room, beginning Tuesday, June 11, 2024. Snacks will be provided.

The Bible study will be taken from materials used by Focus Missionaries for ministry on college campuses.



The following friends and members of St. Mary and Assumption parishes need our prayers. Please add these names to your prayer list. Contact the church office at 601-445-5616 to have names added to the prayer list. Names will be removed after four weeks.

Suellen Barnett Mary Ruth Maier John Barnett Johnnie and David Galer Ken Beesley, Sr. Margaret Cooley Gayle Anders George and Anita Souderes Charles Garrity Clint and Elizabeth Smith Carolyn Krueger Chip McIntyre Rose Borum Frankie Case Dane Mallette Davin Burns Clark Jackson Lanny Brasher Revnolds and Ella Atkins Janice Coleman Maureen Irby Larry Gardner Pat Lee Father Leopold Keffler Denise Dollar Dorothy Drouillard Mark Glunz Chris Maxwell Jean Smith Justin May Hope Stockard Bobbye Dollar Wendy Freeman Sharon Ogden

****** J. W. Seibert Barron Black Cole Doughty Phillip Mardis Betty White Edna Rose Bellan Ben Sandel Sarah Overby Midge Billingsley Stan Burkley Erin Myers Janet and Ricky Warren Deanie Swain Louverda Langston

Rachel Walker

Charlene Rushing

Dennis McDaniel **Paisley Mardis** Kenneth Langston Nathan Gaudé Colby Verucchi Fr. David O'Connor Jan Wilson Mark McCann Jim Willard Bernita Dunbar Judy Williams Jacque Stahlman Darryl Romero **Davis Smith** Rose Godfrev Nicholas D'Aquilla Michael Puddister Noreen O'Beirne Bozeman

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Williams



Exposition / Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is

held immediately following the 12:05 p.m. Mass every Tuesday at St. Mary Basilica. A doration concludes at 5:20 p.m. with

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Come to a quiet place and spend an hour with Jesus.

During Eucharistic Adoration hours, someone must be in the church at all times. The Blessed Sacrament can never be left unattended!

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE



We pray for those men and women who serve in the military or law enforcement or who serve as firefighters, especially those listed below at this time. Contact the church office to have names removed or added.

Tyler Wheeler Andrell Hardy Delayne Bush Lee Best Lance Adams Josh Jackson Carey Jackson Casev Snvder Ben Long Martin Latimer Fr. Anthony Okwum Brandan Bordelon Christopher Shaidnagle Marcus Estes Aaron Moore

Andrew Geoghegan

Matthew Henderson Matthew Voss Xander Miller Nathan Latimer Mark Stein Mike Chapman Travis Patten Josh Gamberi Conner Burns Luke Eidt Brian Hughes Albert J. Hughes, Sr.

Frank Smith Priester Byrne **Buddy Frank** John Hudson Tiffany Ratcliff Michael Ratcliff Slick Frank Amanda

Richardson Shelby Case Shawn Parker Steve Waldrop Andrew Kellogg Russ Williams Mark Verucchi Shane

McDonald J D Frasier

TAI CHI CLASS

*QiGONG / TAI-CHI CAO for seniors or anyone will be offered every Tuesday from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

in the O'Connor Family Life Center Youth Wing. Everyone is welcome!

Chairs are available for those who need them.



LINE DANCING AT ST. MARY FLC



Line dancing is offered in the Youth Wing at the Family Life Center from 9:00-10:00 a.m. every Monday. Please enter through the door by the green

space. Join the fun and get a little exercise, too. Everyone is welcome!

SECOND COLLECTION June 29/30 PETER'S PENCE

Peter's Pence Collection is a worldwide collection that supports the charitable works of Pope Francis. Funds from this collection help victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters.



Please give generously on June 29-30, 2024, to this collection at both Assumption Catholic Church and St. Mary Basilica. Envelopes are in your June contribution packets and will be in the pews.

Grief and Loss Support Group

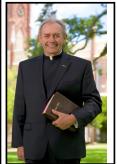
WHEN: Second Monday of each month 5:30 pm **WHERE:** Grace Methodist Church



2 Fatherland Rd, Natchez, MS

NEXT MEETING: Monday, June 10, 2024 5:30 p.m. For more info call: 210-737-4759

Happy 60th Ordination Anniversary, **Father David O'Connor**



We wish our retired pastor, Father David O'Connor, a very happy 60th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood on June 14, 2024. Father O'Connor was ordained at the Cathedral of the Assumption in Tipperary, Ireland on June 14, 1964.

St. Mary Basilica, Assumption Catholic Church, and Cathedral Catholic School thank you, Father O'Connor, for your many years of dedicated service. May your retirement continue to be filled with good health and the love of family and friends. God bless you always!

Father O'Connor is currently in Ireland. We hope he returns to Natchez following his upcoming June tour of Scotland and Northern Ireland.

CYO NEEDS YOUR HELP!

In preparation for the upcoming 2024-2025 academic year, I wanted to share an exciting project for our CYO program and ask for your assistance. For the past year, St. Ann Hall (the former Catholic Charities Building) has sat dormant. The plan is to repurpose the first floor of this building as a new 'hang-out' space for our youth. The "Frassati House" will give our CYO a relaxed place to share time together and build Christian friendships which are so necessary to help young people remain dedicated to the faith. While the CYO will still continue to utilize spaces in the FLC for certain events, the weekly gatherings of our CYO program will relocate to the Frassati House where they can pray together, hear talks, play games, watch movies and enjoy time together.

Over the summer, the CYO will make a project out of cleaning, painting, and renovating this space. But, we need to furnish it to make it comfortable for our youth. We are really in need of couches and comfortable chairs. A large television and a Nintendo Switch gaming system would be great. If you are interested in contributing something toward this project, please contact the office (601-445-5616) to discuss. (Please do not bring items to the church before showing them to Jacob Ali and determining if they can be utilized in this space).



We decided to name this new space in honor of soon-to-be Saint Pier Giorgio Frassati — a young Italian man who, through the witness of his life, encourages us to climb "to the heights" of holiness.

Father Aaron Williams

SPECIAL ADDRESS REQUEST

If you have your St. Mary or Assumption Church contribution checks mailed to the church office or if you have your bank mail us your contribution checks, please make sure that the address used for mailing the checks is 613 Main Street, Natchez, MS 39120 (not 107 South Union Street). Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Vacation Bible School At St. Mary Basilica July 15-19, 2024



Save the date for your children to participate in VBS.

It will be held during the evening hours at

the FLC. More info coming soon!

ASSUMPTION SUNDAY INVITATION TO ROSARY AND COFFEE/DONUTS

Everyone is invited to pray the **Rosary** at Assumption Catholic Church at 7:30 a.m. every Sunday before the 8:00 morning Mass.

Also, following the Sunday Mass, everyone is invited to Tuite Hall behind the church to enjoy **coffee and donuts**. We hope to see you soon!



Join Our Summer Scripture Study



This study is exploring the Scriptural basis of the Mysteries of the Rosary as they appear in the Gospels of Luke and John.

Join us every Thursday at 6:00 p.m. in the Youth Wing of the Family Life Center.

Ruth Powers is the facilitator. Please email Ruth at <u>parishprograms@stmarybasilica.org</u> if you are interested so we will be sure to have materials for you.

FATHER'S DAY BRUNCH AT ASSUMPTION JUNE 16, 2024



Everyone is invited to Tuite Hall following the 8:00 a.m. Sunday Mass on June 16, 2024 for the parish's annual Father's Day Brunch. Come

enjoy a delicious breakfast and visit with your friends and fellow parishioners.

We hope to see you there on Father's Day!



ALTAR FLOWERS

The beautiful flowers on the altar of St. Mary Basilica this weekend, June 8 and 9, 2024, are donated in loving memory of *Arthur Eidt* by his family.



DEVOTION TO SACRED HEART

During the month of June, St. Mary Basilica promotes special devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

The devotion to the Sacred Heart calls for reparation of sin, and the devotion should lead us to a deeper understanding of His infinite love and mercy for us. Our Lord told St. Faustina, "My daughter, know that My Heart is mercy itself. From this sea of mercy, graces flow out upon the whole world. No soul that has

approached Me has ever gone away unconsoled' Diary, 1777).

The statue of the Sacred Heart (pictured above) is displayed on the communion rail in the Basilica throughout the month, and we encourage everyone to try and make special visits to church to pray one of the many prayers of the Sacred Heart.

PRAY THE ROSARY

The rosary is prayed every Wednesday morning at 11:30 a.m. in the Basilica before the 12:05 p.m. daily Mass. Please join us.





WHERE'S THE HOLY WATER!?

Please remember that Holy Water is available in our silver dispenser that can be found in the Basilica by the elevator.

Bring your own small container to fill with holy water to use at home!

FREE WILL TOOL

A Will is often the simplest and most straightforward way to establish a planned gift and leave a legacy to our parish. We have partnered with the Diocesan Stewardship and Development Office, to offer a FREE Will tool to parishioners, making it easier than ever to take this important step. You can complete your Will in less than 20 minutes, ensuring that your wishes are clearly documented, and your legacy is preserved. This service is completely free to you.

Your legacy matters. By considering a gift through your Will, you have the opportunity to make a lasting impact at St. Paul ensuring that your commitment to our Catholic faith extends far beyond your lifetime. Together, let us embrace the opportunity to leave a lasting legacy of faith, generosity, and service for generations to come.

To create your free legal Catholic Will in three easy steps please go to www.mycatholicwill.com/jacksondiocese.org or scan the QR code.



If you have any questions, Rebecca Harris at the Diocesan Office (601-960-8477) is available to address any questions or concerns you may have regarding planned giving.

Tuition Assistance at Cathedral



Each year, Cathedral Catholic School is able to award tuition assistance to families on a needbasis and also encourages families to apply for grants to assist them in the cost of a Catholic education. In addition, through the generosity of

St. Mary and Assumption parishioners, the parish is sometimes able to further assist Catholic families in order to enable their children to receive a Catholic education. It is encouraging that parishioners are generous in this way so that all Catholic children have the availability of a Catholic education here in Natchez.

If you are interested in supporting the parish to provide this assistance to our families, please contact the parish office by email.



Altar Flower Donors

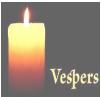
We are in need of parishioners / friends who would like to donate altar flowers for our weekend Masses at St. Mary Basilica on

July 14, 21 and 28, August 4 and 18, September 1, 15, 22 and 29, and October 6 and 13, 2024.

If you would like to place flowers on the altar in honor of or in memory of a loved one on any of the open dates, please contact Regina in the church office or contact Marty Seibert.

ASSUMPTION STEWPOT SERVICE JUNE 9, 2024

Assumption parishioners are reminded that the parish serves / works at the Stewpot this Sunday, June 9, 2024. Please be at the Stewpot on East Franklin Street at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday morning. Your help is needed and greatly appreciated.



VESPERS CONTINUE

You are invited to Vespers (Evening Prayer) at St. Mary Basilica on most Sunday evenings at 5:00 p.m.

The Divine Office (Liturgy of the Hours) is the prayer of the Church used to mark the hours of the day. By entering into this prayer, we consecrate the ordinary parts of our day to God. Join us at 5:00 p.m. in the Basilica on most Sundays.

BE SURE YOU ARE REGISTERED

Please remember that children are considered members of St. Mary Basilica and Assumption BVM parishes with their parents until they turn 21 years old. Once they are 21, it is their responsibility to register themselves as members of St. Mary Basilica Parish and provide their own contact information; otherwise, these young adults are not registered with any parish.

It is very important for all young adults to register with the parish, especially if they may want to participate in a sacrament, such as Matrimony or Baptism of children, in the future.

You are not alone!!!

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP!

Saturday June 15 10 am

At Shareevolution 107 N MLK Natchez, MS





NOTICE TO ALL BLOOD DONORS:



St. Mary and Assumption will have its next Parish Blood Drive on **Tuesday, August 20, 2024 from 12:45-5:45 p.m.** at the Family Life Center. The drive will be conducted by Vitalant. Information will be in the bulletin closer to this date.

If anyone gets a text or an email about our parish blood drive being held in June or July before the August 20 date, please contact Susan Nielsen or the church office.



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Masses for the Week	INTENTION	DONOR	INTENTION	DONOR
	12:05 p.m. Daily Mass Tuesday-Friday			
June Monday, 10	7:00 a.m. Daily Mass Terry Dever (D)	Paul and Susan Meng		
Tuesday, 11	Fr. Leopold Keffler (L)	Freddie, Mary Ruth Maier and Family		
Wednesday, 12	Grace Elizabeth Lambert (D)	Family		
Thursday, 13	Grace Wells Lambert (D)	Family		
Friday, 14	Libby Voss (D)	Family		
Saturday, 15	8:00 a.m. Daily Mass Kelly Graning (D)	Family	5:00 p.m. Anticipated Mass John Tuggle (L)	Mike and Patricia Murphy
Sunday, 16	8:00 a.m. Mass Assumption People of the Parish	10:00 a.m. Solemn Mass People of the Parish		



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