

In Loving Memory of
*Lusk, Baker,
 McCaleb, Ryan,
 & Aken Families*

In Memory of
Kathy Theriot
 11/27/45-12/28/20
We love you a bushel and a peck and a hug around the neck. You are ever in our hearts.
Love, Bubba and your family

In loving memory of
Nicolas & Loyce Hire
 Oct 2, 1921-Mar 9, 2021
 Feb 10, 1933-Oct 7, 2022
Together in Heaven

In Loving Memory of
Berniece Louise Garner
 Dec. 8 1932—Dec. 22, 2022
 Truly an example of "Amazing Grace"

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Always in our hearts
Stanley "Rook" Kopszywa Sr,
Lola Broussard Derouen,
Victoria "Tori" Felscher, Rogers
"Poochie" Broussard,
Aldo & Anna Caprari,
Evorise Boudreaux Broussard,
Wayne Kopszywa,
& Cyrus A. Broussard

myParish The App for Catholic Life Every Day™
 Have you downloaded this app yet? It's a one stop shop for real time information about St. Michael via your cell phone. Consider downloading today and select our Parish after opening.

Radio Maria - a Catholic Radio just across the bridge in Ocean Springs! You can listen to it on your radio at FM 88.1; livestream it on your computer at radiomaria.us; download the free app onto your smartphone; or by calling 1-631-359-8743. There are many good programs from inspirational Catholic speakers, programs about history, prayer, care giving, finding a job, Marian apparitions, conversion stories, and many others! Plus there is great music. *Let us be grateful to God for this sublime gift to us, for His mercies endure forever! Rejoice in hope, endure in affliction, persevere in prayer. Romans 12:12*

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 Word on Fire harnesses *beauty, goodness, and truth* to draw people into or back to the Catholic faith.
 www.wordonfire.org

In Memory on Christmas

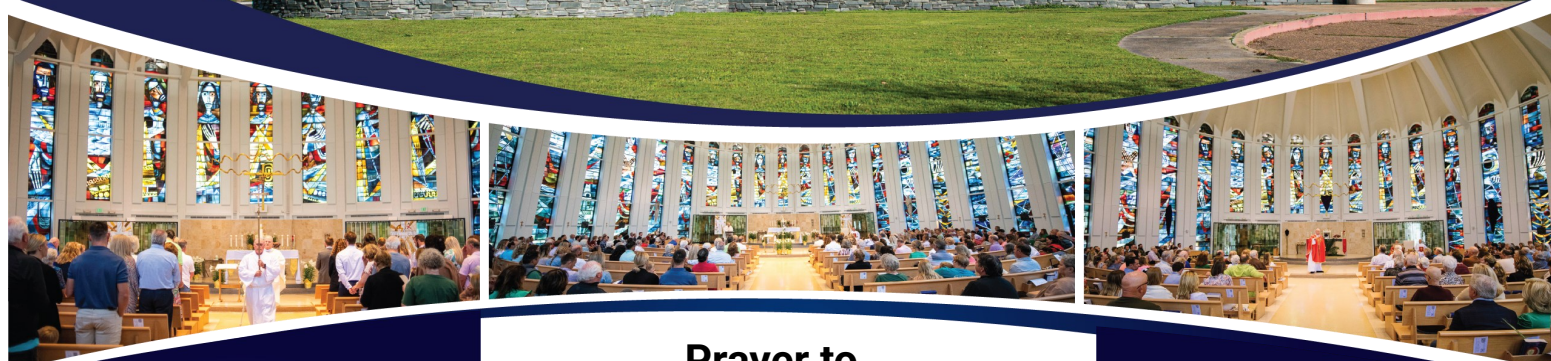
Jordy Butirich	Noah & Zoway Demet	Ray Wescovich	Anthony Rolkosky
Margaret Fielder	Billa Grace Hebert	Gerald Songe	Patrick Quave
Peter Tony Kuljis	Tom & Pat Schellhammer	Stanly "Rook" Kopszywa	Patricia Flynn
Verna Mae Kuljis	Touchet Family	Lola Broussard Derouen	Ronnie Hebert
Nicolas Hire	Margaret E. Smith	Tori Felscher	Keven Barry
Loyce Hire	Helen Ruhl	Poochie Broussard	Gerald & Doris Schreck
Michael Touchet	Evelyn & Bert Bertrand	Aldo & Anna Caprari	Shella Joannette Evangelista
Katie Pizzetta	Norman C. Powell, Sr.	Evorise Boudreaux Broussard	Dick Conant
Mr. & Mrs. Noah Thibodeaux	Diane Powell	Wayne Kopszywa	Mr. & Mrs. Jonny Skrmetta
Mr. & Mrs. Matre' Gospodinovich	Grace, Babe, Shirley, & Barry Broussard	Cyrus A. Broussard	Karen Skrmetta Smith
Mr. & Mrs. Jack Pickich	Matthew Garcia	Frank P Barhonovich Jr.	Stan Smith
Ott & Thian Families	Alton & Martha Miguez	John H Lang Sr, & Families	Elaine Powell Berla
Velma Baker	Louis Miguez Higginbotham	Reaux Family	Elvin & Lurlina Bottaya
Arthur & Eva Baker	Rudy, Arnold, Alton, & Warren Miguez	Evelyn Barry	Dora & Willis Powell
Johnston Family	Bernice & Fletcher Songe, Sr.	Wilfred Barry, Sr.	
Eileen Roll		Rena Rolkosky	



St. Michael Catholic Church

Weekend of December 28 & 29, 2024

Established 1917



Confessions
 Saturday 4 - 4:30 pm
 or by appointment
Office Hours
 Tuesday—Thursday
 8:30 - 2:30 pm
 or as posted

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel
 St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Mass Schedule
 Weekends
 Saturday 5 pm
 Sunday 10 am
 Weekdays
 Tuesday - Friday 8 am

Monsignor Dominick Fullam, Pastor

Robert Wescovich Jr., Deacon | Jessica Gollott, Administrative Assistant



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MASS INTENTIONS

Sat, Dec 28.....For the people
 Sun, Dec 29+Beatrice Davis Tisdale
 Tue, Dec 31.....+Sharon Girouard
 Wed, Jan 1.....+Carl Kuluz
 Thu, Jan 2.....+Kathy & +Tony Theriot
 Fri, Jan 3.....+Pete & +Harriet Aufdemorte

IN OUR PARISH

OCIA, JAN 7, 7pm: The theme is God Forms: Introduction to Christian Morality.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: 2025 boxes are in the vestibule. Please verify your envelope number on the list and take the box with your number on it.

BULLETIN ADS: If you would like to run a business ad or recognize a special anniversary on the back of our bulletin please contact the church office. Ads can be weekly, monthly, or yearly.

SVDP: The pantry will be closed New Year's Day and will reopen on Wednesday, January 8.

SOLEMNITY OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD, JAN 1: Mass will be celebrated at 9am

PRAY FOR A PRIEST: Pick up a Jan and Feb prayer calendar in the vestibule to pray for our priests.

JANUARY MINISTRY SCHEDULE IS AVAILABLE ONLINE AND IN THE USHERS CLOSET.

WEEKLY OFFERING

Dec 21 & 22.....\$3251.00

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

Dec 28 & 29St. Michael Parish
 Jan 4 & 5.....Aged & Infirm Priests

MINISTRIES: God is calling YOU. Can you answer the call? We are in need of Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Altar Servers, Greeters, and Altar Society members. Prayerfully consider God's calling to serve your St. Michael Family.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY The SVDP provides assistance each Wednesday from 10—11 am. We value your time and your donations! Your continued support helps to ensure SVdP is able to provide support for those in need.

STELLA MARIS EXPLORERS Homeschool group meets most Thursday mornings in the Family Life Center. The Explorers Club is an art, faith, and science enrichment program primarily for PK3-5th graders. Call Ashley Rodriguez at 410.693.8825 for more information.

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE
 ALTAR SERVERS
 EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
 GREETERS
 LECTORS**

Sat, Dec 28
 5 pm
 Jimmy Smith
 Rose Sliman & George Sliman
 Don & Susan Pizzetta
 Darnell Schreck

Sun, Dec 29
 10 am
 Phil Rodrigue
 Noel Aucoin & Mary Rodrigue
 Pete Broussard & Bridgette Whiting
 Kathy Doyle

Sat, Jan 4
 5 pm
 Ira Elijah Jones
 Darnell Schreck & Jimmy Smith
 Don & Susan Pizzetta
 Debbie Smith

Sun, Jan 5
 10 am
 Phil Rodrigue
 Cynthia Powell & Mary Rodrigue
 Jacklyn Cummins & Bridgette Whiting
 Laurri Garcia



THE FLOWER INTENTIONS
 ARE FOR OUR BELOVED PARISHIONERS OF
 ST. MICHAEL.

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH
 Background on Gospel Reading

**Luke 2:41-52
 The boy Jesus is found in the Temple.**

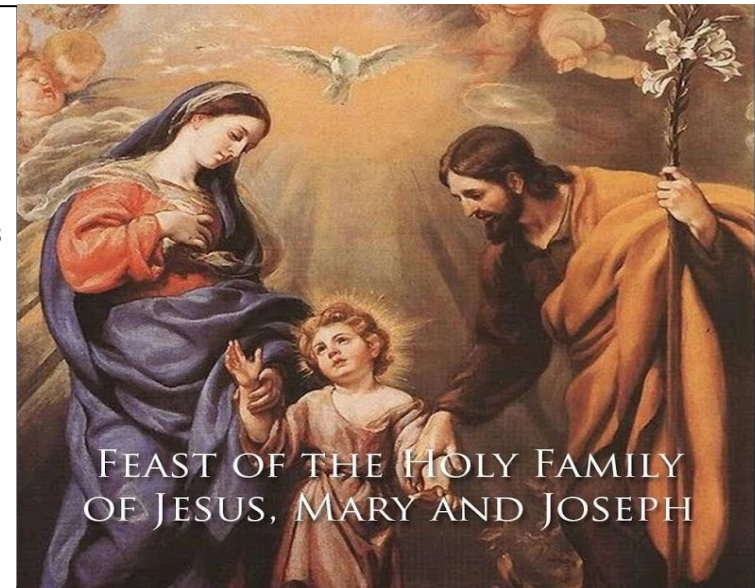
Today we celebrate the feast of the Holy Family. This feast is part of the Christmas season, and we should place today's Gospel in the context of what Luke's Gospel tells us about the birth of Jesus. Luke has been answering the question "Who is Jesus?" through his stories of the births of John the Baptist and Jesus. Today's Gospel reading continues this theme. It has no parallel in the other Gospels and is the conclusion of Luke's Infancy Narrative.

Mary, Joseph, and Jesus are presented in this Gospel as a faithful Jewish family. They are participating in the annual pilgrimage to Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, an event shared each year with family and friends. When Jesus is found, Luke describes him as seated in the Temple in the midst of the Jewish teachers. Although he is young, Jesus seems not to need teaching about his Jewish tradition. In his dialogue with these learned teachers, Jesus astounds them with his insight and understanding. Jesus is a child of Israel. His Father is God.

The dialogue between Mary and Jesus contains many references to family relationships. In fact, in this Gospel reading Mary and Joseph are never identified by name. Instead they are referred to by their relationship to Jesus. Ultimately, this emphasizes Luke's point about the identity of Jesus. When Mary and Joseph find Jesus in the Temple, they question Jesus and express their anxiety. Jesus replies in words that many have thought to be disrespectful. Jesus says that he was never lost; he was at home. Jesus is God's Son, and he is in his Father's house. Luke will continue to suggest that faith in Jesus establishes new family relationships as he describes Jesus' public ministry.

In Luke's Gospel, Mary's importance is even greater than her role as Jesus' mother. Mary is the first disciple and will be present with Jesus' disciples after his Resurrection at Pentecost.

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, Cycle C | Loyola Press



FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

IN OUR DIOCESE

CHARITY BINGO/SILENT AUCTION, JAN 12, 1 pm: Our Lady of Fatima invites you to a benefit for Danny Lechner. Doors open at 11am.

HEALING MASS, JAN 17, 5:00pm: Join us at Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church in Pass Christian for a night of Healing with Adoration, Prayers of Deliverance, Sacrament of

A Prayer for 2025

*As we begin a new year, remind us of our truest values and our deepest desires. Help us to live in the goodness that comes from doing what you want us to do. Help us to put aside anxiety about the future and the past, so that we might live in peace with you now, one day at a time.
 Amen*

Special Mass Schedules



**New Year's Day
 Wednesday, January 1
 9am**