

MASS INTENTIONS
Sat, Jan 10.....For the people
Sun, Jan 11.....+Peter Roy Elder
Tue, Jan 13.....+Ursula Skrmetti
Wed, Jan 14.....Special Intention
Thu, Jan 15Special Intention
Fri, Jan 16.....Special Intention

IN OUR PARISH

OCIA JAN 13, 7pm: The topic this week is “God *saves*: Soteriology—Faith and Works, How Are Per- sons Saved?”

ENVELOPES: 2026 Collection envelopes will be in the vestibule. Please find your name on the list and the coordinating box from your previous year and initial that you have picked them up. If you want to get a box for the first time, please print neatly on the blank line of t he list next to the box number you grab.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION is March 7, 2026 at 5pm here at St. Michael’s Church along with Candidates from Nativity BVM Cathedral, Our Mother of Sorrows, and Blessed Seelos Parishes. Please remember these candidates in your prayers.

IN OUR DIOCESE

DIOCESE OF BILOXI ROSARY RALLY, MASS FOR LIFE, AND WALK FOR LIFE SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2026 The Diocese Office of Youth Ministry in- vites all parishioners and families to join us for the Rosary Rally, beginning at 2:00 p.m. in Nativity B.V.M. Cathedral. Bishop Kihneman will pray a Mass for Life following the Rosary, walk with eve- ryone to Lighthouse Park, and lead Adoration. Guest speakers will be present. Buses will be avail- able to transport everyone back to their vehicles at the conclusion of this time together.

FAMILY NIGHT AT ST PATRICK HIGH SCHOOL Join St. Patrick High School for a very special night of faith and fellowship with special guest speakers, Dr. Andrew and Sarah Swafford, Wed, Jan 28, from 6-8 p.m. in St. Patrick’s gym .

PREVIOUS WEEK’S COLLECTION BASKETS
Jan 3 & 4.....\$4339.50
UPCOMING 2ND COLLECTIONS
Jan 10 & 11.....St. Michael Parish
Jan 18 & 19.....Catholic School Subsidy

MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK	
Mon Jan 12	1 Sm 1:1-8, Mk 1:14-20
Tue Jan 13	1 Sm 1:9-20, 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8d, Mk 1:21-28
Wed Jan 14	1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20, Mk 1:29-39
Thu Jan 15	1 Sm 4:1-11, Mk 1:40-45
Fri Jan 16	1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a, Mk 2:1-12

MINISTRIES: God is calling YOU. Can you answer the call? We are in need of Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Altar Servers, Greeters! Prayerfully consider God’s calling to serve your St. Michael Family. Call 228.435.5578 or email stmichaelccbiloxi@gmail.com

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY The SVDP provides a food pantry 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. There is a basket in the vestibule for non parish- able donations.

CARD MINISTRY Sends out inspirational cards monthly to homebound parishioners and friends. Stamps are al- ways needed. Drop off in the church office or contact Cynthia Powell.

STELLA MARIS EXPLORERS homeschool ministry serving catholic children grades PK3-12th with a Thurs- day morning program in the FLC. If you're interested in dropping in for a club meeting or to get more infor- mation, please visit our website (StellaMarisExplorers.com).

OCIA The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is an invitation for adults to explore their interests, or to en- hance their knowledge in the Roman Catholic Church. The O.C.I.A. lays out a process in which men and women are guided and cared for as they awaken in faith and are gradually introduced to the Catholic way of life. Please remember to keep our Inquirers, Sponsors, and Team in your prayers as they continue their faith journey of spir- itual growth and integration into our Parish community. The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is an invita- tion for adults to explore their interests, or to enhance their knowledge, in the Roman Catholic Church. The O.C.I.A. lays out a process in which men and women are guided and cared for as they awaken in faith and are gradually introduced to the Catholic way of life. For more information, contact Deacon Wescovich at 228- 860-1575.

The Baptism of the Lord, Cycle A

First Reading
Isaiah 42:1-4,6-7
The servant of the Lord shall bring justice to all.
Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 29:1-2,3-4,9-10
The Lord will give peace to the people.
Second Reading
Acts of the Apostles 10:34-38
God anointed Jesus with the Holy Spirit.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 3:13-17

The Spirit of God comes upon Jesus as he is baptized by John.

Background on the Gospel Reading

The baptism of Jesus is attested to in the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke. The account that ap- pears in Matthew is the only one to include the dia- logue between Jesus and John, however. Another difference in Matthew’s presentation of this event is the announcement made by the voice from heav- en, which says, “This is my beloved son . . .” In Mark and Luke, this voice addresses itself to Jesus: “You are my beloved son . . .”

The baptisms that John performs prefigure Chris- tian Baptism. John baptizes for repentance from sin. In accepting this baptism, Jesus unites himself with all sinners even though he is sinless. In Mat- thew’s Gospel, John the Baptist distinguishes his practice of baptism from the Baptism that the Mes- siah brings: “I am baptizing you with water . . . He will baptize you with the holy Spirit and fire” (Matthew 3:11).

The baptism of Jesus is another manifestation of Christ, another epiphany. Christ’s baptism inaugu- rates his mission. In an analogous way, our Baptism inaugurates our mission as Christians.

This Sunday marks a transition from the Christmas season to Ordinary Time. In a way, today’s feast is the high point of the Christmas season. Before Je- sus’ birth, angels announced to Mary and to Joseph who Jesus would be. At his birth, the shepherds and the Magi recognize Jesus as the Messiah. At his bap- tism, Jesus accepts that he is God’s son and inaugu- rates that mission.

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Christmas Flowers
Remembering & Honoring

Eileen Roll

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Margaret E Smith

Peter & Verna Mae Kuljis

+ John Regalski

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Henry Pelous

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Phil Jankel

Chuck Jankel

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Smith Families

Kopszywa Families

Tresclair Families

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John Ruscio

Frank P Barhenevich Jr. Family

John H. Lang Sr. Family

Kathy B. Lang

Harry & Helena Pelous

Randall Pelous

Thelma Regalski

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