

MASS INTENTIONS	
Sat, Nov 22.....	+Freddie & +Vera Lusk
Sun, Nov 23.....	For the people
Tue, Nov 25.....	All Souls Novena Mass 5
Wed, Nov 26.....	All Souls Novena Mass 6
Thu, Nov 27.....	All Souls Novena Mass 7
Fri, Nov 28.....	All Souls Novena Mass 8

IN OUR PARISH

OCIA will not meet Nov. 25. Happy Thanksgiving!
ALL SOULS NOVENA MASSES SCHEDULE

-11/2	-11/21	-11/27
-11/4	-11/25	-11/28
-11/20	-11/26	-11/29

2025 CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS SOLD OUT! A huge "Thank You" to everyone who purchased this year's Limited Edition St. Michael Christmas ornaments! We sold out in record time!
THANKSGIVING DAY Nov 27, Mass time will be 9am in lieu of morning Mass.
CHRISTMAS PLAY The annual Christmas play will begin practices December 1. Pick up a registration form and schedules in the vestibule for all the details and dates of practices.
USM CIVIC CORRAL HOLIDAY CONCERT—Nov 23 at 2:30 pm in the church.
ADVENT 2025, Year A Begins Sunday, November 29!
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 the list next to the box number you grab. Any that are not claimed will be up available for redistribution the first week of January.
CHRISTMAS FLOWER ENVELOPES: Please put your “Christmas Flower” envelopes in the collection with your loved ones names on them. We appreciate your contribution toward the flowers for our church at Christmas. Envelopes can be picked up in the back.
EAST BILOXI YOUTH:
-Life Teen—Sun, Nov 30 at 6:40-8:00pm.
-Service Saturday—Dec 6 at the Greenbriar Nursing Center from 9:00-11:00am.
-Christmas Caroling—date and location TBA
-Youth Mass 5:30pm followed by Christmas Party Pot luck, 6:40-8:00pm.

THE FLOWER INTENTIONS ARE IN MEMORY OF THE LUSK, BAKER, MCCAULEB, RYAN, & AKEN FAMILIES

PREVIOUS WEEK’S COLLECTION BASKETS	
Nov 15 & 16	\$3421.80
UPCOMING 2ND COLLECTIONS	
Nov 22 & 23.....	SVDP

MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK	
Mon Nov 24	Dn 1:1-6, 8-20, Dn 3:52-56, Lk 21:1-4
Tue Nov 25	Dn 2:31-45, Dn 3:57-61, Lk 21:5-11
Wed Nov 26	Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28, Dn 3:62-67, Lk 21:12-19
Thu Nov 27	Dn 6:12-28, Dn 3:68-74, Lk 21:20-28
Fri Nov 28	Dn 7:2-14, Dn 3:75—81, Lk 21:29-33
Sat Nov 29	Dn 7:15-17, Dn 3:82-87, Lk 21:34-36
Sun Nov 30	Is 2:1-5, Rom 13:11-14, Mt 24:37-44

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 perishable donations.

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

STELLA MARIS EXPLORERS homeschool ministry serving catholic children grades PK3-12th with a Thursday morning program in the FLC. If you're interested in dropping in for a club meeting or to get more information, 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 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. We will begin OCIA classes again in the Fall. Participants will meet weekly for nine months in the Family Life Center. Questions, contact Deacon Wescovich at 228-860-1575.

- DATES TO REMEMBER**
- **Nov 27—Thanksgiving Day - Mass at 9am**
 - **Dec 3—Adoration and Penance, 7pm**
 - **Dec 8—Holy Day: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mother—Mass at 12 noon**
 - **Dec 22—Christmas Play 6pm**
 - **Dec 24—Christmas Eve—Masses at 4pm and 6pm**
 - **Dec 24—SVDP food panty will be closed**
 - **Dec 25—Christmas Day—Mass at 10am**
 - **Jan 1—Holy Day— The Solemnity of Mary Mother of God—Mass at 9am**

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

First Reading
2 Samuel 5:1-3
David is anointed king.
Responso-rial Psalm
Psalm 122:1-2,3-4,4-5
Enter the house of the Lord rejoicing.
Second Reading
Colossians 1:12-20
Hymn to Jesus as the first-born of all creation.

Gospel Reading
Luke 23:35-43
Jesus is crucified under the title King of the Jews.

Background on the Gospel Reading
Today as a Church, we conclude our liturgical year and celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. The Gospel we proclaim shows the great mystery of our faith: In the moment of his crucifixion, Jesus is shown to be King and Savior of all.

Luke's Gospel has been loaded with surprises: the poor are rich, sinners find salvation, the Kingdom of God is found in our midst. Here we see the greatest surprise of all. We are confronted with the crucified Jesus, whom faith tells us is King and Savior of all. The irony is that the inscription placed on the cross, perhaps in mockery, contains the profoundest of truth. As the leaders jeer, the thief crucified by his side recognizes Jesus as Messiah and King, and finds salvation.

Jesus is King, but not the kind of king we might have imagined or expected. His kingship was hidden from many of his contemporaries, but those who had the eyes of faith were able to see. As modern disciples of Jesus, we, too, struggle at times to recognize Jesus as King. Today's Gospel invites us to make our own judgment. With eyes of faith, we, too, recognize that Jesus, the crucified One, is indeed King and Savior of all.

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Father in Heaven,
Creator of all and source of all goodness and love, please look kindly upon us and receive our heartfelt gratitude in this time of giving thanks.

Thank you for all the graces and blessings. You have bestowed upon us, spiritual and temporal: our faith and religious heritage. Our food and shelter, our health, the loves we have for one another, our family and friends.

Dear Father, in Your infinite generosity, please grant us continued graces and blessing throughout the coming year.

This we ask in the Name of Jesus, Your Son and our Brother.
Amen.

WE ARE CALLED TO PERSEVERE IN FAITH UNTIL THE DAY CHRIST RETURNS As we approach the end of the liturgical year, our readings turn toward the end of time. The Church in her wisdom reminds us that this earth is not our final home. We are destined to be with God in heaven. The day is coming when Christ will return to judge the world with justice. If we persevere in faith, we can anticipate this coming with joy.