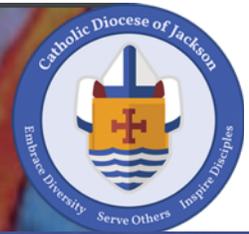


# OUR SACRED MISSION



## *Mission:*

The Mission of the Catholic Diocese of Jackson is to proclaim Jesus as Savior by living the Gospel, so that all may experience the crucified and risen Lord.

## Consecration of Our Diocese

As we celebrate the Centenary of Our Lady's appearance in Fatima, we renew and rededicate ourselves to the special message of Fatima.

*October 13, 2017 marked the 100th anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun, the closing event in a series of apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary to three poor shepherd children in Portugal that began on May 13, 1917. Our Lady said her Immaculate Heart will triumph. She asked that people pray the rosary and make sacrifices for sinners.*

Our diocese has gone through a rather extensive process of envisioning a Pastoral Priority Plan for our future. Many meetings (Listening Sessions) were held throughout the diocese with the Bishop and members of the envisioning team participating in all of them. The Plan was born out of those Listening Sessions. The results and the Envisioning Plan were communicated to the people of the diocese through similar regional meetings.

The essence of the Diocesan Plan is kept simple, and has an invitation to each Parish to work on the following three ways:

- a) Serve Others
- b) Inspire Disciples
- c) Embrace Diversity

Now, the diocese has decided to celebrate the Centenary by consecrating the diocese to the patronage of Mary for her intercession and maternal care, and as our model for life-long intentional discipleship. In this dedication the Bishop prays for the fruitful and successful execution of the Envisioning Plan in every parish throughout the Diocese of Jackson.

*Let us pray:*

*O Queen of Heaven and Earth,  
we consecrate ourselves to you,  
for you do not abandon any person who loves your Son, Jesus,  
but instead accompany the Christian people in true discipleship.  
Amen.*

**October 15, 2017**

**28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Mass Intentions — October 16th ~ 22nd**

Monday @ 7:30 am — Kathleen Ziemanski (RIP)

Tuesday @ 7:30 am — Henry Ziemanski (RIP)

Wednesday @ 6:00 pm — Ross Wiggers (RIP)

Thursday @ 7:30 am — Fr. Richard Somers (RIP)

Friday @ 7:30 am — Rollo Longsword (RIP)

Saturday @ 5:30 pm — Deryl Guillory (RIP)

Sunday @ 8:00 am — Ed Shaw (RIP)

Sunday @ 10:30 am — Celia Purser (RIP)

**Prayer Requests**

**Special Intentions:**

Sarah Claire Sweeney

Jim Mathews

Bud Lowe, brother of Joyce Franco

Denise Reaves, sister of Sue Smith

Mildred Johnson, mother of Sherry Pitts

**Repose of the Soul:**

Eileen Bossen

Mark Buechler, cousin of Janie Romero

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**Altar Flowers this week**

In memory of Patty Butz & John Lewis III

Donated by: Ray & Marcia Butz

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**Altar Flowers this week**

In Memory of Kenneth Mitchell

Donated by: Alice Mitchell

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*Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is offered Monday — Friday, 8 am to 12 noon, in the Chapel*

*Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered Saturday, 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm in the room next to the Chapel, or by appointment*

*Religious Ed is offered Sundays, 9:15-10:15 am & Wednesdays, 6-8:30 pm, in the Family Life Center*

*RCIA/Discovering Christ is offered Tuesdays, 6:30-9 pm in the Family Life Center*

## *Calendar of Events*

**OCTOBER — Respect Life Month** (visit [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org) for prayers, activities, and resources)

**15/16th — Young Adult Ministry Sign-up, Ages 21-35** Be a part of forming this Ministry & connect with each other.

— **Second Collection for Hurricane Irma Relief**

— **Check List of Deceased Family Members** for the November 16th Mass of Remembrance.

Fill out a card if your loved one passed within the last year and they are NOT listed on the board.

**16th — First Communion Parent Meeting**, 9:30am, in the Family Life Center Gym

**21st — Sharing Christ Retreat**, 9 am to 4 pm, in the Family Life Center

**21st — Craft Meeting**, 10 am, in Room 112 of the Family Life Center

**21st/22nd — Second Collection for World Missions**

**22nd — Protection of Children** As required by the Diocese of Jackson, all children are offered the Protecting God's Children lessons as part of our Faith Formation program. The lessons will be included in our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd programs. If you would like to preview your child's lesson, you may contact Renee Borne at [rel.edu@saintpaulcatholicchurch.com](mailto:rel.edu@saintpaulcatholicchurch.com).

**24th — St. Dominic Ministry**, 10 am - Sign up today to donate lunch items for families of ICU patients

**25th — Protection of Children** As required by the Diocese of Jackson, all children are offered the Protecting God's Children lessons as part of our Faith Formation program. The lessons will be included in our Big Deal small groups. If you would like to preview your child's lesson, you may contact Renee Borne at [rel.edu@saintpaulcatholicchurch.com](mailto:rel.edu@saintpaulcatholicchurch.com).

**28th — Discovering Christ Retreat**, 9:00 am to 4 pm, in the Family Life Center

**28th — Trunk or Treat**, 7 pm - Sign up today to decorate your trunk & hand out candy. All are welcome to the event!

check our Website often for events & announcements

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