

Maintenance...to...Mission

As our Parish moves from Maintenance to Mission, growth and change are inevitable. Through the gifts of the Holy Spirit, our generous God is growing our Parish community in Faith and relationship with Him and with one another. We are called to be better stewards of our physical space and better stewards of the gifts and talent of our people. Naturally, we will have some changes in staffing and responsibilities to help us be more fruitful and thrive as a Parish.

Please help me in welcoming our new Parish Receptionist Michelle Lalo! Michelle and her late husband Michael have been members of St. Paul since 2001. They moved from Virginia to Mississippi and raised four boys, Christopher, Jonathan, Nicholas, and Thomas. Nicholas and Thomas currently attend Mississippi State University. The two older sons reside out of state, one in Washington and one in Alabama. Michelle has been an active & dedicated volunteer over the years helping with our First Friday Senior Brunches, sending get well and bereavement cards to parishioners, various capacities of office work, teaching religious ed, and more. Michelle says she is most grateful for the opportunity to serve on the St. Paul staff. She invites you to stop by the office and say hello!



Renee Borne, who was our most recent St. Paul receptionist, will now be working in our Religious Education program with Sarah O'Donnell and Cory Head. Renee is a perfect fit with her skills and gifts in this area as a school teacher for 12 years, and Religious Ed coordinator at Holy Savior Catholic Church in Clinton. Renee is excited to return to a Parish program of instructing and leading children in the Catholic Faith. Renee and her husband Eddie have been St. Paul parishioners for 11 years. They have three daughters, Hannah, Hailey and Haidyn. The eldest, Hannah, is a student at Mississippi State.

We are also pleased to have Cecilia Carlton on staff as our new Family Life Center coordinator. Cecilia is also very active in the leadership teams of the RCIA program, ChristLife Series, Liturgy Committee, and the First Friday Senior Brunches. Cecilia moved to this area from Hattiesburg in 2013 with her daughter, Casey, and grandchildren, Clayton and Audrey.

We appreciate your continued support and participation in the various liturgies, programs, and activities at St. Paul! We are all on this journey of discipleship together, and each person is valuable and necessary!



September 10, 2017

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Week of September 11-17, 2017

7:30 am Mon: Communion Service
7:30 am Tues: Sisters in Faith (Sp Int)
6:00 pm Wed: Kathleen Ziemanski (RIP)
7:30 am Thurs: William Christopher (RIP)
7:30 am Fri: Terry Kent (RIP)
5:30 pm Sat: Fr. Patrick Noonan (RIP)
8:00 am Sun: Celia Purser (RIP)
10:30 am Sun: Fr. Patrick Noonan (RIP)

Prayer Requests — Special Intentions

Lindsey Lemon, granddaughter of Jesse & Teresa Spain
Darrell Roe, friend of Ro Agosta
Tami May, friend of Ro Agosta

Prayer Requests — Repose of the Soul

Betty Toten, mother of Donna Morris
Bro. Michel Bettigole, brother of Mary Trepanier

Submit prayer requests to: liturgy@saintpaulcatholicchurch.com

Adoration This Week: Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 12:00 pm (No Wednesday evening adoration during the summer months)

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat 4:30-5:00pm or by appt.

★ **Welcome home, Fr. Gerry!** ★

New Announcements — Visit our website for more details.

- * **St. Paul Youth Band begins rehearsals this Sunday, September 10th @ 5:00 pm** — all students in 7th–12th grades who play an instrument or enjoy singing are invited to join us. No formal training or previous experience needed. It's all good!
- * **Silver Rose Service on Wednesday, September 20th after 6:00 pm Mass** — all are invited to pray the Rosary led by the Knights and honor Our Lady of Guadalupe.
- * **Altar Server Training on Sunday, September 24th @ 2:00 pm** — everyone who has made their First Holy Communion is invited to serve in this Ministry. We need more Altar Servers at all the Masses — boys and girls in grades 3-12 are welcome. After training, all new servers will be scheduled with an experienced server for their first months.

Reminders

- * **Extension Society 2nd Collection** — This weekend — supports and strengthens poor mission dioceses across the U.S.
- * **Hurricane Harvey Relief 2nd Collection** — Next weekend — Please make checks payable to St. Paul Catholic Church and we will forward the collection to the Diocese of Jackson.
- * **Regional “Faith in Action” Workshop** — September 16th at St. Therese Catholic Church in Jackson, 8:30-11:30 am. Topics include Catholic Social Teaching, Parish Social Ministry, and Advocacy. Contact Sue Allen @ 601-383-3849 or by email sue.allen@catholiccharitiesjackson.org
- * **Religious Ed classes begin this Sunday, Sept 10th @ 9:15 am** — Ages 3yrs-6th grade meet in the Atriums. Adults meet in the Front Lounge — Adults are invited to join us and study C.S. Lewis' book, *Mere Christianity*.
- * **Big Deal Youth Group begins this Wednesday, Sept 13th** — Ages 7th–12th grades meet every Wednesday @ 6:00-8:30 pm
- * **RCIA/Discovering Christ begins this Tuesday, Sept 12th @ 6:30 pm** — First two weeks are introductions and tour of the church, Discovering Christ begins Sept 26th for seven Tuesdays, plus a Saturday Retreat on October 28th. Dinner & childcare included! (No child care for the Retreat Day) Register online today! All are welcome.

Altar Flowers / Blessed Mother Flowers & Financial Report

Altar Flowers

In honor of our St. Paul religious education & youth ministry volunteers. Donated by: Blake & Ann Wilson

Blessed Mother Flowers

In honor of Our Lady of Sorrows. Donated by: Tim & Margaret Corbitt

(Altar Flowers may be reserved on our website under Registration Forms)

Weekend Collection

Weekly offering for September 2/3 was \$27,771

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