

**Mass Intentions ~ August 20-26, 2018**

Monday @ 7:30 am — Communion Service  
Tuesday @ 7:30 am — Communion Service  
Wednesday @ 6:00 pm — Communion Service  
Thursday @ 7:30 am — Communion Service  
Friday @ 7:30 am — Communion Service  
Saturday @ 5:30 pm — Jeffrey Simon (RIP)  
Sunday @ 8:00 am — People of the Parish  
Sunday @ 10:30 am — Francine & Bubba Gilmer (RIP)

**New Prayer Requests**

**Special Intentions:**  
Barbara Thornton  
Matt Matrick, friend of Cathy Mansell

**Repose of the Soul:**  
Merlin Crawford  
Becky Allen-Bruder, friend of Patty Donovan

see complete prayer list on our website & Chapel prayer board  
submit prayer requests to the Church office

Adoration this week: Mon—Fri 8am-12noon    Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat 4:30-5:00 pm

Altar Flowers & Blessed Mother Flowers this week are donated by Jo Anne Braswell, in memory of Clois R. Braswell.

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**The St. Paul Praise Choir** is seeking individuals to join our music ministry sharing their God-given talents either vocally or playing an instrument. The choir will begin its season with rehearsal on Wednesday, August 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the church. Please contact Joseph Sabatini at 601-940-2812 music@saintpaulcatholicchurch.com

**Accompanist needed for our Music Ministry** — If you or someone you know has musical talent to play the piano and/or organ, we need you! This is a part-time paid position that requires Wednesday night rehearsals and Sunday 10:30 am Mass, plus special services. Contact Joseph Sabatini at music@saintpaulcatholicchurch.com or at 601-940-2812.

**The Women's Guild will host Bingo Night Friday, August 24th @ 7:00 pm** — Snacks & drinks will be provided in the Family Life Center. All over the age of 18 are welcome! Please donate to the Charity Box for the Opportunity Center. Needed items are coffee, creamer, sugar, laundry detergent and dryer sheets.

**St. Dominic Ministry August 28** — Please sign up to donate lunch items for families of I.C.U. patients. We are in need of sandwiches, cookies, and fruit.

**Religious Education Classes — Register Online Now!!! ages 3 years ~ 12th grade Classes begin the week of Sept 9**  
Ages 3 years ~ 6th grade meet Sundays @ 9:15 am. 7th ~ 12th grades meet Wednesdays @ 6 pm. Students must be registered. Registration Forms & the new schedule are posted on our website for new & returning students. An adult class meets Sundays @ 9:15 am. Registration is not required for the Adult Class.

**Parent & Student Orientation and Open House on Sunday, Sept. 9th @ 9:15 am & Wednesday, Sept. 12th @ 6 pm.**  
This is the first day of class. We must have at least one parent attend with your child. Orientation will begin in the gym. We will discuss an overview of our program, then students and parents will visit their classrooms and meet the teachers.

**Back to School Family Picnic on Sunday, Sept. 9th after 10:30 am Mass** in the parking lot by the hill. Please come and enjoy hamburgers, hot dogs, and a cool refreshing treat. There will be new bicycles and a wooden New Orleans Saints cooler raffled. Proceeds go to school supplies for needy children in our area. Bring a blanket or lawn chair.

**Baptism Preparation Class Sept 9th at 2:00 pm** in the Family Life Center for all parents wanting to have a child baptized in the next few months. This class is a requirement for Baptism at St. Paul. Classes are held quarterly. Call the office to register.

**The Food Pantry Ministry** is in need of non-perishable food in family-size packages, as well as checks or gift cards which we will use to purchase food. Your donations support the Stewpot Food Pantry in Jackson, the Center for Violence Prevention Abuse Shelters in Pearl, as well as individuals who request food assistance directly from the Parish. Please place your contributions in the baskets at the Church doors.

**Early Learning Center Annual Golf Tournament — Save the Date** — Friday, September 14th, at Bay Pointe Golf Club. Please call the Early Learning Center at 601-992-2876 if you have any questions or email stpaullearningcenter@gmail.com.

**ChristLife Sessions** — Registration opens in September. Contact Rodney Hipp at adult.edu@saintpaulcatholicchurch.com. *Sharing Christ* begins October 4; *Discovering Christ & RCIA* begins October 23; *Following Christ* begins April 23.

**August 18/19, 2018  
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Religious Education  
Faith Formation**

**GROW IN RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS CHRIST  
FOR ALL AGES**



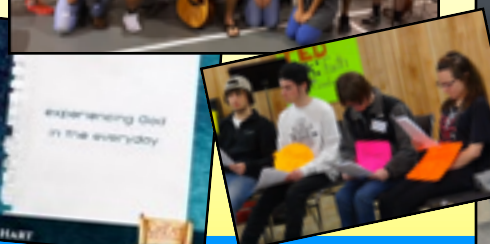
Catechesis of the  
**GOOD SHEPHERD**



**Saint Paul  
Catholic Church**



**ALPHA  
YOUTH  
Series**



**Church website: [www.saintpaulcatholicchurch.com](http://www.saintpaulcatholicchurch.com) Office phone: 601-992-9547**

**Catechesis of the Good Shepherd**

**REGISTER NOW !!!**

**We offer classes for children ages 3 years through 12th grade. Every year is important to our children learning and growing in faith, and in relationship with Jesus Christ.**

Read below to see some details of the wonderful opportunities at St. Paul. There is so much more happening than students making their Sacraments. We want everyone to be involved! We will soon feature the many opportunities of growth and learning for adults as well!

**Big Deal Youth Group**

**3 YEARS ~ 6TH GRADE: CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD (Sundays @ 9:15 am)**

Hands On Learning— Enjoyment of God — Scripture, Prayer, Song — Quiet Contemplation

We are proud to offer all 3 Levels of this program to the children in our parish! CGS nurtures the relationship between two mysteries: God and the Child. The CGS program was developed by two Roman Catholic laywomen in Rome, and is not a traditional style classroom. The program includes time in the "Atrium," which is a quiet environment. This Montessori-style classroom is prepared for the children to move about, touch materials, discover and develop a relationship with Jesus, the Good Shepherd. They understand this as a special place, preparing them to respect the Sanctuary as a sacred space. Consistent attendance is important so that there aren't any gaps in a child's learning process. Just like school, each year and level are a continuation from the year before.



Catechesis of the GOOD SHEPHERD

*In Level 1, the child discovers a relationship with the Good Shepherd, coming to know Jesus as their guide, protector, and personal friend.*

*In Level 2, the child learns their place in creation and that they participate in God's plan. They role play the Mass and understand the meaning of the elements and movements of Mass, thus preparing the children for First Communion. This Sacrament has deep meaning to them having experienced the program.*

*In Level 3, the child discovers that their life is a blank page to be written with God's guidance. This deepens the child's personal relationship with Christ. They explore how Old Testament prophecies were fulfilled in the life of Jesus.*

*The catechists you see at our Atria are all volunteers who have received or are working toward 90 hours of training per level, and have committed themselves to prayerfully prepare and present to children the specialized CGS materials, and then step back and let the Lord work in their hearts! Perhaps you are being called to assist in our CGS program. Let us know and we will find a space to use your gifts to help grow our children with God.*

**Register by September 1st — Go to [www.saintpaulcatholicchurch.com](http://www.saintpaulcatholicchurch.com)**

**See "Religious Ed & Youth" box or "Registrations Forms" tab.**

**Questions? Contact Renee Borne = [rel.edu@saintpaulcatholicchurch.com](mailto:rel.edu@saintpaulcatholicchurch.com) or 601-292-6096**

**7-12TH GRADES: THE BIG DEAL YOUTH GROUP (Wednesdays @ 6:00 pm)**

Prayer — **FELLOWSHIP** — Praise & Worship — **Fun & Games** — *Encounters with God*  
**Field Trips** — **Decision Making** — *Questions & Answers* — **Spiritual Small Groups**

We are excited about the new things happening in our Youth Program! Typical Wednesday evenings begin with a meal and fellowship with their peers and adult volunteers. The evening continues with inspirational talks by our Youth Director, Cory Head, and other leaders and students, Praise and Worship music with our Youth Band, and fun & games. We then have classroom instruction by grade with small group discussions.

The Big Deal also offers opportunities for our youth to be involved in other activities outside of Wednesday nights, including concerts, Braves baseball games, kayaking, Geyser Falls, Mississippi State Fair, area retreats, service projects, lock-ins, and more! The Big Deal Curriculum varies by year and builds on developing each student's spiritual maturity.



*Our 7th & 8th grade students follow a Middle School program from Loyola Press titled, "Finding God." This year we are adding the **Encounter series - Experiencing God in the Everyday**. This DVD program speaks directly to the hearts and minds of middle school aged kids. Students will see God, not as a distant doctrinal concept, but as a loving Father who desires a meaningful and lasting encounter with them.*

*Our 9th-12th grades receive instruction through various programs that include materials from **Loyola Press, Youth Access, Decision Point, Chosen, and Theology of the Body**. This year, our high schoolers will also experience a new program called **Alpha Youth**. These talks tackle core questions about life and faith from a Catholic perspective. Throughout each episode, there are three discussion breaks to allow everyone a chance to share thoughts and ideas in small groups without fear of being corrected or judged. Small groups are led by trained youth group teens.*

Each adult teacher is committed to the personal growth of every child and their walk with Christ. Our Youth leaders are a diverse group of college students, young professionals, and parents with children in our program. But, we also have dedicated volunteers who continue to serve after their children have completed the program. They have answered the call, and are investing in the lives of our youth! We can always use more leaders and helpers, so prayerfully consider joining our team!

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**Questions? Contact Cory Head = [youth@saintpaulcatholicchurch.com](mailto:youth@saintpaulcatholicchurch.com)**