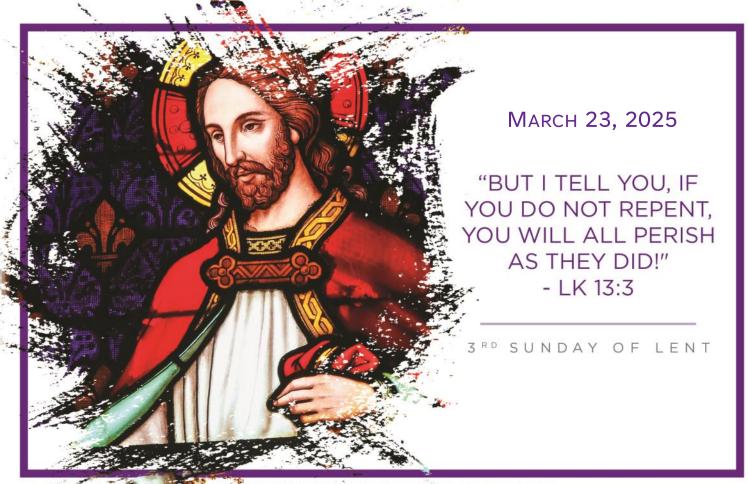


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**PASTOR** - Father Ryan McCoy

**MASS SCHEDULE** 

Saturday: 4:00PM Vigil Mass

**Sunday:** 9:00AM, 11:00AM and 5:30PM

Monday: 7:00AM and 8:30AM

**Tuesday:** 6:00рм, 7:00рм XLT | Adoration

Wednesday: 8:30AM

**Thursday:** 7:00AM and 12:00PM (Noon)

**Friday:** 8:30AM

PERPETUAL ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

In the Convent Chapel

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:00pm - 4:00pm or by appointment

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS** 

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9:00AM - 4:00PM

WEDNESDAY 9:00AM - 2:30PM

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18300 St. Patrick Road Biloxi, MS 39533 228-702-0500

www.stpatrickhighschool.net

#### Welcome to Saint James Catholic Church

Whether you're just visiting for a brief time, looking for a new parish home, returning to the practice of your Catholic faith or interested in finding out more about the Catholic Church, we are happy you're here!

If you are new to the parish, please go to our website and click on the new parishioner link to register.

Registration forms can also be found in the back of the church.

Looking for ways to enhance this holy season of preparation? Check out our Lent Schedule and Activities Listing.





Scan this code

## Easter Flowers

We are now accepting donations for our Easter flowers. Envelopes can be found on the tables in the back of the church.





## Did you know?



Every week Fr. Ryan publishes a Gospel Preview on YouTube, Facebook and email. He encourages you to read the Gospel passage before Sunday Mass to prepare our minds and hearts to receive Our Lord Jesus Christ in Word and the Holy Eucharist.

Keep up with our parish happenings and stay updated on news and announcements:



Text SJCC to 57838

#### **Bulletin Deadline**

All announcements for the bulletin must be submitted to the Parish Office by 4:00PM on Monday.

## Readings for the week of March 23, 2025

#### Sunday:

Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 (8a)/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9 Scrutiny: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/ Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

#### Monday:

2 Kgs 5:1-15b/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4/ Lk 4:24-30

#### Tuesday:

Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/ Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

#### Wednesday:

Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/ Mt 5:17-19

#### Thursday:

Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23

#### Friday:

Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/Mk 12:28-34

#### Saturday:

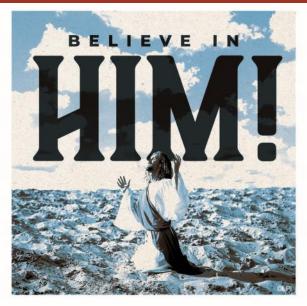
Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/ Lk 18:9-14

#### **Next Sunday:**

Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 (9a)/ 2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 Scrutiny: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/ Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/ Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38



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## Gospel Meditation Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

My childhood best friend was Xander Price. He was the fastest runner in school, an excellent baseball player and Jewish. Though his family wasn't intensely religious, I felt totally at home with them despite our religious differences. Everything about their Judaism seemed to undergird and strengthen my own experience of being a Catholic. I knew they didn't believe in Jesus like my family did, but I intuited somehow that Jesus was "hiding" in their religion. Like a cat moving under a blanket, ready to emerge at any moment, the Lord was hidden there in a special way.

In the Gospel for this third Sunday of Lent, Jesus says, "For if you had believed Moses, you would have believed me, for he wrote of me" (John 5:46). Stunning words, those. Moses wrote about Jesus. The way therefore that we come to know and believe in Jesus is to discover him lurking in Moses' writings. The Hebrew Scripture is the wonderful womb in which Jesus gestates within a host of images: Adam, Isaac, David, Melchizedek, the Temple, sacrificed lambs, prophets and so on. Right now, in your parish's OCIA program, soon-to-be baptized people are carefully studying where Jesus is in the writings of Moses, so that they may believe in him. This works for all of us, too, who wish to deepen our knowledge and love of Jesus.

**Lenten challenge:** Take some time to prayerfully study one of the images of Jesus listed above in the Old Testament. Identify which one you find compelling and consider why this is so. If you don't know where to start, begin with the prophet Jeremiah as an image of Jesus.

- Father John Muir

SUNDAY, MARCH 23, 2025 | 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

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#### **SANCTUARY FLOWERS**

During Lent, flowers are not to be used to decorate the sanctuary. However, flowers may still be placed in front of our Blessed Mother and St. Joseph altars. Please contact Linda Hartfield (228-697-3420) to order flowers. Donations must be scheduled at least two weeks in advance.

#### REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

To add or remove a name from the prayer list, please contact the Parish Office

Names will appear on the prayer list for six weeks, but are renewable.

Katherine Adams Susan Cooper Jessi Hebert Paul Corley Sgt. Eric J. Heitkamp Jeanviere Angeron Joe Culpepper Louis Helwick George Barlow Tom Hicks **Terry Barnes** Fr. Joseph Dang **Hoshall Barrett** Mimi Davis Shannon Holliday Nicholas James Davis Erik Hosler Faith Black Thomas Blankenbaker Rose Dellenger William Jordan Elinor Donivan Wendy Kennard Asher Bonura Brenda Dubuisson Elaine Kennedy Jerry Boudreaux Susan Bourgeois Anna Dugas Analyse Khalifeh Debra Boyd Susan Dunne Jan Khalifeh Craig Elliott Vikki Blum Brewton Sheena Khalifeh Hope Broadus Iill Fure Sophia Khalifeh Jennifer Brown W.C. Fore Doug Kirk Teresa Buckman Lisa Glavin Roger Labit Theresa Frontz Jeff Lawson Charlotte Jean Buras Valerie Buras Ashley Hage James Lay Martha Chapin Ouida Mae Hagwood Danny Lechner **Bernard Chevalier** Loretta Hahn Kathy Letaw Dannie Chevalier Denise Hancock Josie Lindsev David Harris **Edward Collins** Clark Lizana. Jr. Rhonda Clark Keleal Hassin Amy Longo **Rose Mary Collins** Jim Haupt Will Major

Gayle Rivet Martinez Carolyn McClellan Tanya McClellan Karen McCoy Beverly Moore Pete Moran Jennifer Morgan Fr. George Murphy Kristina Myers Lois Ann Necaise Butch Oustalet Libby Owen Brian Pellegrin Kage Pickett Jean Piltz Melissa Robbins Steve Rocha Jim Roos Barbara Russo Leo Seicshnaydre Doris Sevmour Kathy Shankweiler Ralph Shankweiler

**SYMPATHY** 

The Saint James community wishes to extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of:



Alice Adams, Isabell Bullard,
George Daum,
Brother Richard Chambers,
Charlie Hewes, Bob Kilroy,
Eddie Ladner, Marian L. O'Connor,
Ryan Plant, Clayton Ramage and
Alton Welch, Jr.

May they and all the souls of the faithful departed now share in Eternal Glory and may their loved ones receive God's consolation and peace.

#### A Prayer for our Military and First Responders

Lord, please hold our military and first responders in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform.

Amen.

please contact the parish office at 228-896-6059. If in the hospital, be sure to notate which hospital and provide a room number.

If you or anyone in your family is ill, at home or in the hospital and would like us to visit,

#### THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

#### TWO WEEKS AT A GLANCE - EVENTS

#### Saturday, March 22

Sunday, March 23

Monday, March 24

Tuesday, March 25

Wednesday, March 26

8:30AM Communion Service

Thursday, March 27

Friday, March 28

Saturday, March 29

Deceased - ⊕ Healing - ♥ Special Intention - 🖔

#### Monday, March 24

Jaclyn Simpson

Amanda Smith

Josh Sniffen

Julia Sterling

Vince Tester

Fr. Doan Tran

Fr. Joseph Trinh

Fr. Joseph Uko

Donna Valestro

**Brittany Varney** 

Cathy Crane Vick

Kim Casano-Ware

Kemon Welford

Damon Wesfaul

Teresa Whiteside

Ferdie Walker

Alyssa Vega

**Bob Usey** 

Jennifer Stolarski

April Styczenski

10:00AM Legion of Mary, Philomena House 6:00PM Lenten Study, Philomena House 6:30PM Al-Anon, Raphael Room

Tuesday, March 25

9:00AM H & F Card Game, Philomena House

7:00PM OCIA, Raphael Room

7:00PM XLT Adoration with Confessions, Church

Friday, March 28

10:00AM Cenacle of Divine Mercy, Raphael Room

2:00PM Stations of the Cross, Church

5:00PM Knights of Columbus Fish Fry, Parish Center Gym

#### March 31 - April 5

March 24 - March 29

#### Monday, March 31

10:00AM Legion of Mary, Philomena House

6:30PM Al-Anon, Raphael Room

Tuesday, April 1

7:00PM OCIA, Raphael Room
7:00PM Confirmation Mass, Church

Wednesday, April 2

12:00PM Reconciliation Service, Church

5:30PM Family of Faith (Catechetical Session), Raphael Room

Friday, April 4

2:00PM Stations of the Cross, Church

5:00PM Knights of Columbus Fish Fry, Parish Center Gym

#### **LECTORS SCHEDULE**

Saturday, March 22

4:00PM Jennifer Villarreal

Sunday, March 23

9:00AM Joey Beattie 11:00AM Ron Bruni

5:30PM Michele Pisciotta

Saturday, March 29

4:00PM Holly Dreger

Sunday, March 30

9:00AM Magen Sullivan 11:00AM Arthur Jaramillo 5:30PM Sarah Rhodes

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 22

4:00PM Beverly Moore, Connie O'Neal and

Debbie Bazzone

Sunday, March 23

9:00AM Don & Sherry Alfonso and

Jennifer & Steve Broadus

11:00AM John Mozingo, IV, Roberta Hosler,

Becky Graves and Stephanie Guirola

5:30PM Yolanda Edwards, Butch Plitt and

Joseph Herbert

Saturday, March 29

4:00PM Barbara Levine, Beverly Moore and

**Debbie Weeks** 

Sunday, March 30

9:00AM Bonnie Jacobs, Shirley Henderson and

Gretchen Ellis

11:00AM Julie & Alan Black, Roberta Hosler and

**Becky Graves** 

5:30PM Ashlie Herbert, Deanne Goulet and

Rachelle Cleveland

#### **TREASURE**

#### March 15/16, 2025

First Collection: \$11,301

ACH: \$7,807

Online Giving: \$1,970

Second Collection: \$998

Church Property Insurance

#### SECOND COLLECTION

This weekend's second collection will be for Youth Ministry.

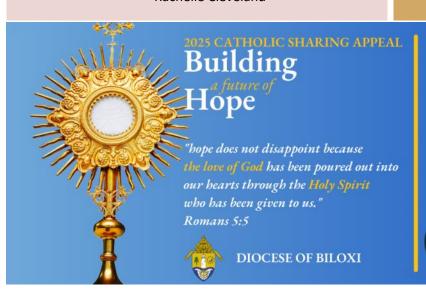
Next weekend's second collection will be for Catholic Relief Services.

#### **ACH & ONLINE GIVING CONTRIBUTIONS**

There are two options for ACH Giving - <u>one</u> draft to be made on the Monday following the first Sunday of the month, or <u>two</u> drafts to be made on the Monday following the first and third Sunday of the month. Please contact the Parish Office for more details.



Venmo donations may be made at @St James GPT.



\$87,997.00 Saint James Goal

Donors -Total Pledges andOne-Time Gifts= \$

QUESTIONS?
Please call the Office of Mission Advancement at 228-702-2113
or email dwyrwich@biloxidiocese.org

#### **FAITH FORMATION**

A FAMILY OF FAITH
GRADES K-5



March Family Gathering
March 23 | 12:00PM - 1:30PM
SJCS Cafeteria

Parents - If you did not attend the Catechetical Session, please stop by the Parish Office and pick up your materials.

For more information, please contact Linda Hebert at lindahebert@saintjamescc.com



SAINT J YOUTH GROUP GRADES 6-12

Sunday 6:30-8:00PM

## Edge & LifeTeen On Cloud Nine!

For more information, please contact Bridgett Bermond youthminister@saintjamescc.com

## Save the Date

First Holy Communion Morning of Reflection March 29 - 9:00 - 10:30AM



More info: Contact Linda Hebert @ 228-297-5126





## Saint James Youth Steubenville Florida Trip

Total Cost: \$695.00
(includes hotel, transportation, conference ticket, some meals, and tickets to Disney World)

Fundraising Opportunities Will Be Available
Limited spots available.

Diocesan Paperwork & \$100 nonrefundable deposit due by March 21st to hold your spot.

For more information, please contact Ms. Bridgett @ 228-209-9281.









OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) classes will be offered for those interested in learning about the Catholic Faith, for those who seek entry into the Catholic Church or for those Adult Catholics who have never been confirmed.

Classes are held on Tuesday at 7:00PM in the Raphael Room.

For information, contact Deacon Henderson 228-209-6960.

# OBYC 2025 MAPE NEW

We congratulate Saint J Youth Ministry on winning several awards at DBYC last weekend. In addition to winning a spirit stick, our high school youth also won awards for best banner, t-shirt and table top design. Our middle school youth won a spirit stick at their Sunday afternoon rally.



We also congratulate three of our high school teens on winning special awards.

John Paul Mattina was the recipient of the Bragg Moore Award, which is presented to a male youth for being a backbone in his parish and youth group; and Casimir Goulet and Alden Morris were awarded the St. Timothy Award for their commitment to youth ministry in the parish and/or the diocese.











SAINT J YOUTH

50/50 RAFFLE

\$10/TICKET

POT STARTS AT \$2000 DRAWING EASTER SUNDAY After 9:00AM

ALL PROCEEDS WILL HELP OUR TEENS PAY FOR CONFERENCES

## **2025 LENTEN STUDY**

March 24 | 6:00PM - 7:30PM | Philomena House

March 24 will be on purgatory and why we need it.

A study guide will be provided.

Please RSVP through the QR Code below or email Chris Molino at evangelization@saintjamescc.com



#### PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

"Time spent in prayer is never wasted, however urgent the duties that press upon us from every side."

#### ADORERS NEEDED!

Sunday 8:00AM - 9:00AM; Monday 12:00AM - 1:00AM, 1:00AM - 2:00AM;

Tuesday 7:00AM - 8:00AM; Wednesday 12:00AM - 1:00AM, 4:00AM - 5:00AM;

and Saturday 12:00AM - 1:00AM, 1:00 AM - 2:00AM, 9:00AM - 10:00AM , 5:00PM - 6:00PM

Second or Third Adorers are always needed in each hour for a substitute system.

If you can help or substitute with any hours, please call Ralph at 228-539-2434 or contact the Parish Office.

# We Ad- re Him

Saint James Perpetual Adoration Chapel is now offering enhanced adorer scheduling, substitute requests and more with this user-friendly program!

You can sign in or create your account using this easy QR onboarding code.

Just use your cell phone's camera app to scan the QR Code, then tap the yellow box that appears and follow the prompts!





MEN ON A MISSION
A Catholic brotherhood

Catholic brotherhood changing the world

#11541 Facebook page

Meetings: 7:00PM | Parish Center | Raphael Room

- General Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the Month
- Planning Meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the Month

#### **Upcoming Events**

- Lenten Fish Fries
- March 29: Knights of Columbus Founder's Day
- March 30: Corporate Communion and our Council's 30th Anniversary Celebration
- April 25-27: KC State Convention

www.kofc.org www.kofc-ms.org

www.saintjamescc.com/kc11541

Gospel Readers and Proclaimers of the Word available in the Sacristy.

Attention Lectors - There are limited

copies of the 2025 Workbook for Lectors,



#### HELP OUR ST. VINCENT DEPAUL CONFERENCE



We challenge each family to bring at least one non-perishable item to Mass every week, and to place it in the "Food Drop Box" located in the back of the church. When you are shopping and select your item for the poor, thank God for the ability to adequately provide for your own family; and pray for those less fortunate.

#### **MOST NEEDED ITEMS**

Peanut butter, jelly, cereal, rice, spaghetti sauce, spaghetti noodles, baked/pork 'n' beans, Vienna sausages, canned fruit, bottled water, protein bars, crackers, dried beans, canned vegetables, rice and feminine items.

Open: Tuesdays 9:00AM - 11:45AM, Food & Financial Assistance

Thursdays 10:00AM - 11:30AM, Food Assistance ONLY

If you would like a 2024 contribution statement from St. Vincent de Paul, please call the office or contact Gretchen Ellis at 228-265-1336 and leave your name and phone number.

If you are interested in being an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, please contact Rachelle Cleveland at 228-731-0085.



The Pray for a Priest Calendars (March & April 2025) is available on our website.

#### **MARRIAGE**

<u>Please note:</u> The Diocese of Biloxi requires that engaged couples should begin the Marriage Preparation process no fewer than six months prior to the anticipated wedding date. Wedding dates CANNOT BE SCHEDULED until the engaged couple contacts and meets with the Family Life Coordinator.

To begin the process, please contact Mara Russo at <a href="https://example.com">FLC@saintjamescc.com</a> or 228-896-6059.

#### DID YOU KNOW?

When properly practiced, NFP (Natural Family Planning) can be up to 99% effective in postponing or avoiding pregnancy.

If you have questions or need further information about NFP, please contact Mara Russo at FLC@saintjamescc.com or 228-896-6059.

#### **BAPTISM**



Baptism Preparation classes are held once a month. The next class will be April 12.

For more information and to register, please contact Mara Russo at <u>FLC@saintjamescc.com</u> or 228-896-6059.



If you or a loved one are homebound, or are hospitalized locally and would like to schedule a visit from Fr. Ryan, please contact Mara Russo at FLC@saintjamescc.com or 228-896-6059.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



This week's fish fry proceeds help to support our Bereavement Ministry.

## Meet Jesus in the Confessional where you can be forgiven and healed!



"Confession is the soul's bath. Even a clean and unoccupied room gathers dust; return after a week and you will see that it needs dusting again."

- St. Padre Pio

Lenten Reconciliation Services

April 2 | 12:00PM | Saint James

April 7 | 6:00PM | St. Joseph

April 8 | 6:00PM | St. John the Evangelist

April 9 | 6:30PM | St. Thomas



Camino Pilgrimage
The Camino de Santiago
(The "Way of St. James")

Join Fr. Ian Bordenave, O.P., of Tulane Catholic in New Orleans and pilgrims from across the United States as they go on the Camino in Spain October 3-14, 2025. Starting in Sarria, they will hike to Santiago de Compostela, following in the footsteps of centuries of devoted pilgrims. Experience the beauty of Spain's cities and magnificent churches, all while deepening your faith through prayer and fellowship.

The cost is \$4,000 per person, which includes all travel, lodging, and meals. For more information, go to followmycamino.com/sign-up. The deadline to register is June 1.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONTINUED)**

For more information, please visit https://olgchurchevents.com/lentenmission/

# Our Lady of the Gulf Lenten Mission

Dr. Brant Pitre

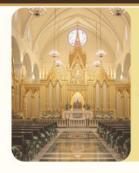
The Jewish Roots of the Mass March 28th & 29th

Join us for a profound and enriching Lenten Mission as Dr. Brant Pitre, renowned biblical scholar and author, unveils the **Jewish Roots of the Mass**.

This two-day event will deepen your understanding of the Eucharist and its biblical foundations, illuminating how the Last Supper and the Mass are rooted in ancient Jewish worship.

#### **Reserve Your Spot Today!**

Registration is \$30 for the two days. Seating is limited so secure your place now!



Overnight Pilgrimage to the

SHRINE of the MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

HANCEVILLE, ALABAMA MAY 23-24, 2025

#### ITINERARY

\*Depart Friday, May 23, 2025 at 5:00 AM from the north end of Our Lady of the Gulf Community Center parking lot.

#### Shrine Schedule: Friday May 23rd

1:00 pm - 1:45pm Gift Shop

2:00pm - 3:00pm Eucharistic Healing Service

(Lower Church)

3:00pm-4:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet/Confessions

4:15pm Depart Shrine

Free Time, Dinner, Prayer & Sharing

#### Shrine Schedule: Saturday May 24th

6:45am arrive @ Shrine

7:00am-8:00am Monastery Mass in main church con celebrated by Fr. James Smith & Fr. R. Jas 8:15am - 9:15am John Paul II Eucharistic Tour (John Paul II Eucharistic Center)

9:30am - 10:15am Spiritual Talk (St. Gabriel Hall)

10:30am - 11:30am Shrine Tour (Castle + Shrine)

11:30am - 12:00pm Rosary w/ Nuns (Main Church)

12:00pm - 12:45pm Lunch (RDH-A or B Castle)

1:00pm - depart

\*Return - Saturday, May 24, 2025 ~ 9:00 PM

#### PRICING:

Final cost will be determined by the number of participants and the exact mode of transportation.

Quality Inn Hotel quoted \$85.00 for one night stau

Dinner will be at a local restaurant. Each person will cover the cost for their own meal/meals

#### FOR DETAILS:

Call , Text , or Email Donna Bodin Ircee57@yahoo.com 504-812-5135

PASTORAL GUIDES Fr. James Smith & Fr. R Jas



SHRINE of the MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT 3224 County Road 548 Hanceville, AL 35077





## 2025 - 2026 REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

New families apply through this QR Code or at https://sjc-ms.client.renweb.com/oa/login.cfm?memberid=15547



Returning families enroll through their family portal.



## 2025 - 2026 REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Returning families enroll through their Family Portal.

New families/ New students apply at stpatrickhighschool.net/apply.







## **CATHOLIC SCHOOL SUBSIDY**

To obtain the Catholic rate at St. James Catholic School and/or St. Patrick Catholic High School, one must be a registered and participating family who regularly contributes to Saint James Parish (using checks, parish envelopes or electronic giving). Each school year, parents must bring a subsidy form from the school to the parish office for the pastor to sign in order to receive the subsidized tuition rate.

## **TUITION ASSISTANCE**

Parents are responsible before God to choose appropriate schooling for each of their children. Our task, as a parish community, is to assist parents as best we can with the tools they need to raise their children as good Catholics. Each year, our parish is assessed a certain percentage of our Sunday collection to be allocated to our local Catholic schools, St. James Catholic School and St. Patrick Catholic High School. As such, Saint James Parish has money set aside in the 2025/2026 budget for our registered contributing families to help with Catholic elementary and high school tuition costs.

At Saint James, our policy is also to set aside a proportional amount to support our faith formation programs for parents who choose public schools or home schooling for their children.

We follow a "needs based" policy. Both schools utilize FACTS, an organization that specializes in determining the financial need of each family. The Tuition Assistance application process is now open. There is a processing fee.

## ST. JAMES CATHOLIC SCHOOL & ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Applications for aid can be found on the FACTS website.

April 15, 2025 - SPCHS deadline for applications.

April 17, 2025 - SJCS deadline for applications.

www.factsmgt.com









#### VOCATION PRAYER

Loving Father, Your Son, Jesus Christ the High Priest, has told us that the harvest is great but the laborers are few. We ask you now to send more laborers into your vineyard. Please touch with your Holy Spirit the hearts of all those you are calling to live a life of service in your Church as Priests, Deacons, Consecrated men and women, Dedicated Married couples and Committed Single persons. Help us to follow Christ faithfully and to answer the call to holiness and discipleship. We ask this prayer through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. AMEN

MOST REVEREND LOUIS F. KIHNEMAN, III BISHOP OF BILOXI

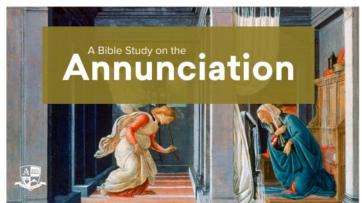
#### **EUCHARISTIC MIRACLE**

To view this week's Eucharistic Miracle please go to our website (www.saintjamescc.com) or scan the QR code below:



#### **FORMED**





#### A Bible Study on the Annunciation

In this video, Dr. Ben Akers leads us through a brief study of Luke 1:26-38, highlighting some of the key Old Testament passages evoked by Gabriel's words. The reflection concludes with some thoughts on how we can imitate Mary's Yes in our own life, especially in this time of suffering

Our parish has a Formed subscription. Visit formed.org/signup and select our parish. Scan the QR code to download the Formed app to your phone.







## **BULLETIN ADVERTISERS**

Letters, regarding ad renewals, were sent out Friday, February 14, to all current advertisers. Ad renewal payments can be turned in to the parish office.

For info, call the parish office - 228-896-6059.

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#### A Prayer for the **Unborn Children**

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, we love you so very much. We beg you to spare the lives of the unborn children whom we have spiritually adopted, who are in danger of abortion. Please help Mom & Dad choose life, Amen.

Fulton J. Sheen

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