



# SAINT JAMES

CATHOLIC CHURCH

*"Leading people to heaven with Christian hospitality and fostering Eucharistic Discipleship."*

366 COWAN RD. | GULFPORT, MS 39507



JANUARY 12, 2025

HEAVEN WAS  
OPENED AND THE  
HOLY SPIRIT  
DESCENDED UPON  
HIM. - LK 3:21

THE BAPTISM  
OF THE LORD

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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:** 6:00PM, 7:00PM 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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## Pastoral Staff

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### St. Patrick Catholic High School

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.

## Candlemas on February 2

If you count 40 days after the celebration of Christmas you reach February 2. Early on, the Church marked that day with a special feast and it is the final "baby Jesus" day in the liturgical calendar before the celebration of Lent. The feast has many different names in the Roman Catholic Church. It has been called the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, the Feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary and, more familiarly, Candlemas. Each name highlights a different aspect of the feast that the Church celebrates.

First of all, it is called the Feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary on account of an ancient Mosaic law explained in Leviticus.

***[If a woman conceives, and bears a child she shall be unclean] And when the days of her purifying are completed, whether for a son or for a daughter, she shall bring to the priest at the door of the tent of meeting a lamb a year old for a burnt offering, and a young pigeon or a turtledove for a sin offering, and he shall offer it before the Lord, and make atonement for her; then she shall be clean. (Leviticus 12:6-7)***

Mary, being a faithful Jew, abided by the law and did what was required of her. After 40 days passed, she approached the priest with the proper offering to be declared "clean."

The liturgical celebration is also called the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, and again corresponds to an ancient Jewish practice of presenting the first-born to God.

***Everything that opens the womb of all flesh, whether man or beast, which they offer to the Lord, shall be yours; nevertheless the first-born of man you shall redeem. (Numbers 18:15)***

As a result, Mary and Joseph brought with them Jesus, as St. Luke narrates, "And when the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought [Jesus] up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every male that opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord')" (Luke 2:22-23).

St. Luke narrates how, while at the Temple, the Holy Family encountered an old man named Simeon and what he said next constitutes the basis for why the feast is called Candlemas.

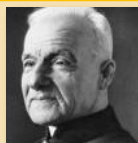
***Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in sight of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel. (Luke 2:29-32)***

Simeon declared that Jesus would be a "light," and the Church developed a custom of lighting and blessing candles on this day. Historically, the priest would bless all the candles used during Mass for the entire year. The congregation also received candles and the words of Simeon were repeated in song. The current Roman Missal has the following prayer that summarizes the symbolism.

***O God, source and origin of all light, who on this day showed to the just man Simeon the light for revelation to the Gentiles, we humbly ask that, in answer to your people's prayers, you may be pleased to sanctify with your blessing these candles, which we are eager to carry in praise of your name, so that, treading the path of virtue, we may reach that light which never fails.***

Though not a holy day of obligation, it is a beautiful day in the Church's calendar. It signals the end of the "Christmas-Cycle" and looks forward to the light that will shatter all darkness at the Easter Vigil — when another candlelight service is performed in recognition that, "the people who sit in darkness have seen a great light, on those dwelling in a land overshadowed by death light has arisen" (Matthew 4:16). *Adapted from: Philip Kosloski - www.aleteia.org*

**On the feast of Candlemas, bring candles that you will use in your homes throughout the year and they will be blessed.**



If you ate only one meal a day would you survive? It is the same for your soul. Nourish it with the Blessed Sacrament.

— St. Andre Bessette

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 January 12, 2025

### Sunday:

Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 (1)/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/  
Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

### Monday:

Heb 1:1-6/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9/  
Mk 1:14-20

### Tuesday:

Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/  
Mk 1:21-28

### Wednesday:

Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/  
Mk 1:29-39

### Thursday:

Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11/  
Mk 1:40-45

### Friday:

Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8/  
Mk 2:1-12

### Saturday:

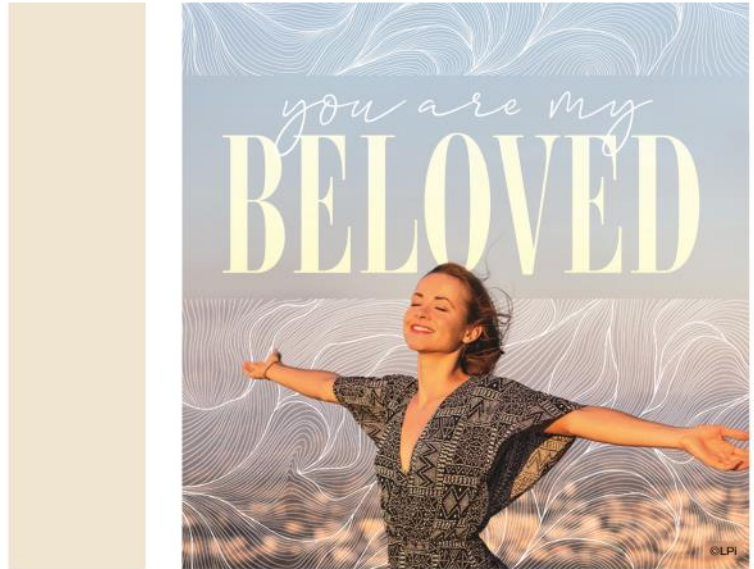
Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mk 2:13-17

### Next Sunday:

Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 (3)/  
1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11



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## Gospel Meditation

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

In my second year of theology studies, I went to confession to a priest visiting the seminary for a three-day retreat. My heart wasn't in it. I was going through the motions. I confessed my sins and waited for his response. The priest said, "For your penance, I'd like you to go into the chapel and repeat the words '**You are my beloved Son, with you I am well pleased**' (Luke 3:22) until they mean something to you." Easy penance, I thought.

But to my surprise, I struggled to say those words. I sensed a strong interior resistance blocking them. How could God be well-pleased with me? He couldn't be, I thought. A battle within me ensued. Two hours later, the resistance vanished, and I found myself able to speak, and claim as my own, those marvelous words. I emerged from the chapel with a new, deep, peaceful conviction that I was indeed God's beloved son.

Those words are a precious gift from heaven to all of us. Jesus' baptism, which we celebrate this week, offers them to us. Are we willing to receive these words anew? Many things can block this deepening of our baptismal identity: failings, sins, disappointments, traumas, problems, and so on. Yet God's love is always greater. This week I challenge you to prayerfully repeat these words over yourself — or perhaps over someone you're struggling to love — until those words find a home in your heart.

— *Father John Muir*

## SANCTUARY FLOWERS

We are accepting donations for sanctuary flowers. If you would like to have flowers placed in front of the altar for a week in honor of a birthday, anniversary or other celebration, or in memory of a deceased loved one, please contact Linda Hartfield (228-697-3420). 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	Jean Crawford	Timmy Holliday	Karen McCoy	Jennifer Stolarski
George Barlow	Fr. Joseph Dang	Erik Hosler	Beverly Moore	April Styczenski
Terry Barnes	Mimi Davis	Terry Joffrion	Pete Moran	Vince Tester
Hoshall Barrett	Nicholas James Davis	William Jordan	Jennifer Morgan	Fr. Doan Tran
Faith Black	Rose Dellenger	Pete Jurich	Fr. George Murphy	Fr. Joseph Trinh
Thomas Blankenbaker	Elinor Donivan	Elaine Kennedy	Kristina Myers	Fr. Joseph Uko
Asher Bonura	Brenda Dubuisson	Analyse Khalifeh	Lois Ann Necaize	Bob Usey
Jerry Boudreaux	Anna Dugas	Sheena Khalifeh	Butch Oustalet	Brittany Varney
Susan Bourgeois	Susan Dunne	Sophia Khalifeh	Libby Owen	Alyssa Vega
Debra Boyd	Craig Elliott	Doug Kirk	Brian Pellegrin	Cathy Crane Vick
Hope Broadus	W.C. Fore	Roger Labit	Kage Pickett	Michael Vu
Jennifer Brown	Theresa Frontz	Jeff Lawson	Jean Piltz	Ferdie Walker
Teresa Buckman	Ashley Hage	James Lay	Melissa Robbins	Kim Casano-Ware
Isabel Bullard	Loretta Hahn	Danny Lechner	Steve Rocha	Kemon Welford
Charlotte Jean Buras	Denise Hancock	Kathy Letaw	Jim Roos	Damon Wesfaul
Valerie Buras	David Harris	Josie Lindsey	Barbara Russo	Teresa Whiteside
Martha Chapin	Keleal Hassin	Clark Lizana, Jr.	Doris Seymour	
Bernard Chevalier	Jim Haupt	Chris Logan	Kathy Shankweiler	
Dannie Chevalier	Jessi Hebert	Melissa Bailey Logan	Ralph Shankweiler	
Rhonda Clark	Sgt. Eric J. Heitkamp	Amy Longo	Jaclyn Simpson	
Rose Mary Collins	Louis Helwick	Gayle Rivet Martinez	Amanda Smith	
Susan Cooper	Tom Hicks	Carolyn McClellan	Josh Sniffen	
Paul Corley	Shannon Holliday	Tanya McClellan	Julia Sterling	

If you or anyone in your family is ill, at home or in the hospital and would like us to visit, please contact the parish office at 228-896-6059. If in the hospital, be sure to notate which hospital and provide a room number.

## SYMPATHY

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



Betty Badden,  
David Hathcock,  
Eva Hinkel,  
Fr. John Kelly  
and David McGuffe

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.**

## THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, January 11

4:00PM ☩ Mary Lobring

### Sunday, January 12

9:00AM ☩ Ruby Morton

11:00AM People of Saint James

5:30PM ☩ Oliver A. Latil, III

### Monday, January 13

7:00AM ☩ Jackie Smith

8:30AM 🐶 Emma Allen

### Tuesday, January 14

6:00PM ☩ Fr. John Kelly

### Wednesday, January 15

8:30AM ☩ David E. McGuffee

### Thursday, January 16

7:00AM ☩ Mary Beth Dubuisson

12:00PM ☩ Martha Louise Smith

### Friday, January 17

8:30AM ☩ Carl Ladner

### Saturday, January 18

4:00PM ☩ Tony Strnad

Deceased - ☩ Healing - ♥ Special Intention - 🐶

## TWO WEEKS AT A GLANCE - EVENTS

### January 13 - January 18

#### Monday, January 13

10:00AM Legion of Mary, Philomena House

6:30PM Al-Anon, Raphael Room

#### Tuesday, January 14

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

7:00PM OCIA, Raphael Room

7:00PM XLT Adoration with Confessions, Church

#### Wednesday, January 15

5:30PM Sacramental Prep (First Communion), Raphael Room

#### Thursday, January 16

7:00PM Knights of Columbus, Raphael Room

#### Saturday, January 18

9:30AM Apologetics Reading Group, Philomena House

### January 20 - January 25

#### Monday, January 20

10:00AM Legion of Mary, Philomena House

6:30PM Al-Anon, Raphael Room

#### Tuesday, January 21

7:00PM OCIA, Raphael Room

7:00PM XLT Adoration with Confessions, Church

#### Wednesday, January 22

5:30PM Sacramental Prep (First Communion), Raphael Room

#### Friday, January 24

10:00AM Canticle of Divine Mercy, Raphael Room

## LECTORS SCHEDULE

### Saturday, January 11

4:00PM Holly Dreger

### Sunday, January 12

9:00AM Chris Spear  
11:00AM Matthew Schloegel  
5:30PM Edwina Conason

### Saturday, January 18

4:00PM Chuck Bridley

### Sunday, January 19

9:00AM Meggan Gray Stolarski  
11:00AM Erik Hosler  
5:30PM Debby Weeks

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST SCHEDULE

### Saturday, January 11

4:00PM Debbie Bazzone, June Bounds and Beverly Moore

### Sunday, January 12

9:00AM Jennifer & Steve Broadus and Don & Sherry Alfonso  
11:00AM Roberta Hosler, Becky Graves and Julie & Alan Black  
5:30PM Deanne Goulet, Debby Weeks and Diane Holder

### Saturday, January 18

4:00PM Barbara Levine, Connie O'Neal and Stephen Eckert

### Sunday, January 19

9:00AM Shirley Henderson, Bonnie Jacobs and Gretchen Ellis  
11:00AM Stephanie Guirola, Becky Graves, John Mozingo, III and John Mozingo, IV  
5:30PM Yolanda Edwards, Joseph Herbert and Rachelle Cleveland

## TREASURE

### January 4/5, 2025

First Collection:	\$17,605
ACH:	\$13,471
Online Giving:	\$1,910
Second Collection: Aged and Infirm Priest	\$1,226
Solemnity of Mary:	\$2,738

### SECOND COLLECTION

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

Next weekend's second collection will be for the Altar Society.

### ACH & ONLINE GIVING CONTRIBUTIONS

There are two options for ACH Giving - one draft to be made on the Monday following the first Sunday of the month, or two 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.

### Annual Contribution Statement



If you'd like to receive an annual contribution statement, please contact the Parish Office.

### Please Help Us (Help You)

For record-keeping purposes, please consider the following when making monetary contributions to Saint James Catholic Church:

If using Venmo, please specify what the payment is for and notate whose name the contribution should be credited to in our records. Please ensure that you use the name under which you are registered in the parish. An envelope number can also be referenced.

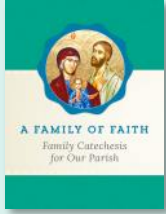
If writing a check on a business account, please notate on the memo line the name under which you are registered or use your envelope number.

Following these requests will make certain that all contributions are captured and allocated to the proper account for accurate contribution statements.



## FAITH FORMATION

A FAMILY OF FAITH  
GRADES K-5



**Family Gathering**  
January 19 | 2:00PM - 5:00PM  
**Diocesan Rosary Rally &  
Walk for Life**

Parents - If you were unable to 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](mailto:lindahebert@saintjamescc.com)



SAINT J YOUTH GROUP  
GRADES 6-12

Sunday 6:30-8:00PM

**You Are What You Eat**  
Parish Center Gym

For more information, please contact  
Bridgett Bermond  
[youthminister@saintjamescc.com](mailto:youthminister@saintjamescc.com)

## Come to the Table

A Sacramental Overview with  
Linda Hebert, Director of Religious Education

Parents of all children who are being prepared to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist are required to attend a one-on-one, conversation with Linda.

To schedule your session, please contact Linda at [lindahebert@saintjamescc.com](mailto:lindahebert@saintjamescc.com) or 228-297-5126

## Please Help

Every Sunday night, we end our evening with a meal and fellowship. If you or your business is interested in helping feed our teens, please scan the QR Code to sign up for a night.

If you have any questions, please reach out to our Hospitality Lead Parent: Morgan McCabe  
@ 228-669-4540



## CONFIRMATION 2025

11th and 12th Graders to be confirmed this year - Stepping away from the world and giving time to God enriches our faith lives. In this time of sacramental prep, attending an overnight retreat is a requirement for Confirmation. There are just a few opportunities left:

SEARCH Retreat - January 31-February 2  
*Waiting List Only*

Saint J LifeTeen Retreat - February 21-23

Questions, regarding Confirmation, should be directed to Linda Hebert.

## SUMMER

### Camp 2025

Hidden Lake: June 9th-14th, 2025  
Current 6th & 7th Graders | Dahlongega, GA  
\$625.00 plus transportation and food cost, while traveling TBD

Covecrest: July 6th-12th, 2025  
Current 8th - 12th Graders | Tiger, GA  
\$825.00\* plus transportation and food cost while traveling TBD

\*does include an extra night & white water rafting



**Only a few spots available!**

Notarized Forms & \$100 Nonrefundable Deposit  
(Cash & Check Only) due to reserve spot.

Need More Information? Email: [youthminister@saintjamescc.com](mailto:youthminister@saintjamescc.com)



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.**



## Saint J Blessing Bags

On January 26, Saint J's Life Night is entitled "My Brother's Keeper" and presents a comprehensive understanding of pro-life that extends beyond the abortion debate. That evening, our teens will assemble care bags for those in need. Please prayerfully consider donating the following items that will be included in the bags:

- socks
- peanut butter/cheese cracker packs
- wipes\*
- individually wrapped granola bars
- comb
- bottled water
- chapstick
- shampoo\*
- hot hands
- dry shampoo\*
- deodorant\*
- toothpaste\*
- toothbrush

\*travel size



Donations may be dropped off in the church or the parish office.



## Parents Meeting

for students preparing to receive their First Holy Eucharist

(Faith Formation students and SJCS students)

Monday - February 11, 2025

6:00PM @ Saint James Catholic Church

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



## SAINT J YOUTH PRESENTS

# Fulfilled

A LIFE TEEN RETREAT ON SEARCHING FOR MEANING

February 21st - 23rd

Gulf Shores Retreat Center

\$150.00

(includes boarding, food at retreat, supplies, and transportation)



# DIOCESE OF BILOXI

## Rosary Rally & Walk for Life

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, 2025

2:00 PM

NATIVITY B.V.M. CATHEDRAL

ROSARY

MASS FOR LIFE

EUCCHARISTIC PROCESSION

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

SPEAKERS



Scan the QR Code for details and to complete the application. \$50 non-refundable deposit due with application. Permission forms will be sent at a later date.

**DON'T LET THE COST BE A DECIDING FACTOR-ASSISTANCE IS AVAILABLE!**

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

ADORERS NEEDED!

Monday 12:00AM - 1:00AM, 1:00AM - 2:00AM; Tuesday 12:00AM - 1:00AM; Wednesday 12:00AM - 1:00AM, 4:00AM - 5:00AM; Thursday 7:00AM - 8:00AM, 3:00PM - 4:00PM; and Saturday 9:00AM - 10:00AM

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 Adore 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!



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

St. Vincent de Paul would like to thank our generous parishioners for supporting out ministry through our second collection.

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.



Knights of Columbus Saint James Council # 11541

MEN ON A MISSION A Catholic brotherhood changing the world

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

- General Meeting - 1st Thursday of the Month
• Planning Meeting - 3rd Thursday of the Month

Upcoming Events

- TBD - Red Cross Blood Drive
• Lenten Fish Fries

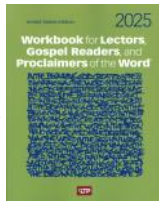
#11541 Facebook page



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

www.saintjamescc.com/kc11541

Attention Lectors - There are limited copies of the 2025 Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers and Proclaimers of the Word available in the Sacristy.



The Pray for a Priest Calendars (January/February 2025) are available on our website.



## FAMILY LIFE NEWS

### MARRIAGE

**Please note:** 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 [FLC@saintjamescc.com](mailto:FLC@saintjamescc.com) 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](mailto:FLC@saintjamescc.com) or 228-896-6059.



2025 Couples Date Nights (CDN)  
Thursdays | 6PM-8PM

February 27  
April 24  
July 24  
October 23

Couple Prayer Series (CPS)  
Thursdays of Lent | 6PM-8PM

March 6  
March 13  
March 20  
March 27  
April 3  
April 10

### BAPTISM



Baptism Preparation classes are held once a month. The next class will be January 18.

For more information and to register, please contact Mara Russo at [FLC@saintjamescc.com](mailto:FLC@saintjamescc.com) or 228-896-6059.



**Faith and Marriage**  
an Apostolate of the Willwoods Community

Please pray for our married couples who are on retreat this weekend.

## EVANGELIZATION NEWS



Saint James' Women's Group  
WOMEN OF ALL AGES, PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR  
QUARTERLY WOMEN'S NIGHT!

JANUARY 16TH AT 6:00 PM  
AT SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH

WE WILL HEAR ABOUT EMBRACING OUR  
INDIVIDUAL CALLINGS AND HOW AS  
WOMEN OF GOD, WE ARE

*Made for More*

WE'LL ALSO ENJOY TIME IN ADORATION,  
SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION, AND END  
THE EVENING WITH A DELICIOUS  
WINE AND CHEESE.

Please sign up using the QR code.



SAVE THE DATES OF OUR  
FUTURE EVENTS:

6:00 PM April 10th  
6:00 PM July 10th  
6:00 PM October 16th

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**

EUCCHARISTIC MIRACLE

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



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