

# Annunciation Catholic Church

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## "Do Whatever He Tells You"

The true test of our Catholic confidence in God's goodness and power is if we can follow Mary's advice to the waiters at the wedding feast in Cana: "Do whatever He tells you" (JN 2:1-11). The waiters probably could not imagine why Jesus told them to fill those huge stone containers with water, when they needed wine. Logically, this was crazy; physically, it was a lot of work. But Mary's confidence in Jesus led them to do whatever Jesus told them to do. As a result, not only was everything "better," but they became part of a miracle that saved the day. This is the transforming power of Jesus. Now, we must realize that we are the ones who should "do whatever He tells us," for we are the water converted into wine for our fellow brothers and sisters. We ourselves are converted into the miracles of Christ so that the world may believe. We are the water that transforms our families to be holy and faithful. We are the water transforming our parish into a church of mercy and care. We are the water that is transformed into the wine that brings people back to the Church. We are the water that is called to reach out to those hungry for God, thirsting for answers, naked with sin, lost their meaning/purpose, ill from mental or physical sickness, captive by addictions and/or mourning those who are lost (Corporal Works of Mercy). Today, our Blessed Mother Mary tells us what she told the waiters, "Do whatever He tells you." As we look to the Lord, what great or small blessings has God placed before you? How are you being called to help transform the blessings into even greater blessings in His Name? Yes, it is about humbly doing "whatever He tells you" to do.

*Christ's Blessings*  
*To Jeffrey Waldrep*

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8:30a.m.-2:30p.m.

Friday

8:30a.m.-12:30p.m.

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January 19, 2025

Second Sunday in

Ordinary Time

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# PARISH NEWS

## WEEKLY ACTIVITIES and MASSES

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>January 21</b>
10:00a.m.	ACT Bible Study
5:30p.m.	Mass(Chapel)
6:30p.m.	(OCIA) RCIA
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>January 22</b>
8:00a.m.	Mass(Chapel)
6:00P.M.	Confirmation
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>January 23</b>
8:30a.m.	Mass(ACS)
10:00a.m.	Thursday Bible Study
<b>Friday</b>	<b>January 24</b>
8:00a.m.	Mass(Chapel)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>January 26</b>
7:15a.m.-7:45 a.m	Confession
8:00a.m.	Mass(Main Church)
9:00a.m.	Pancake Breakfast
10:30a.m.	Mass(Main Church)
1:00p.m.	Altar Server Training
5:00p.m.	CYO

## a look at what's ahead

Religious Education

- January 19** MLK Day Holiday -- No Classes
- January 26** Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast for Catholic Schools Week -- No RE Classes
- February 2** Religious Ed Classes - 9:05-10:10
- February 9** Religious Ed Classes - 9:05-10:10
- February 16** Presidents' Day Holiday -- No Classes
- February 23** Religious Ed Classes - 9:05-10:10

ACCReligiousEd@gmail.com

## Altar Server Training

Sunday, January 26th at 1:00 p.m.  
in the main Church

All students in 3rd through 12th grades are eligible to altar serve  
Altar servers must have received their First Communion

If your child is making their First Communion on April 27, 2025, they are welcome to attend this training session.

Sign up via email to Shannon Clapper at  
ACCReligiousEd@gmail.com



## Order of Christian Initiation of Adults Journey of Faith (formerly RCIA)

- ★ Jan 21st- The Eucharist
- ★ Jan 28th- Reconciliation & Anointing of the sick

## Confirmation



- January 22 Catholic Social Teaching
- January 25-26 Confirmation Retreat
- January 29 Sacraments

Annunciation  
CYO

Join Us For  
FAITH • FUN • FOOD • FELLOWSHIP  
Sunday Gatherings: 5:00-7:00  
Sunday Supper: 5:00-5:30

### January Events

- 19 NO CYO SEARCH Retreat
- 26 CYO @ 5-7 in the Activity Center
- 31 DCYC REGISTRATION DEADLINE

### February Events

- 2 CYO @ 5-7 in the Activity Center
- 9 Super Bowl Party @ 5-7 in the Activity Center

Samantha Edwards, Youth Minister • 662-364-8676 • AnnunciationCYO@gmail.com

## DCYC 2025

HERE I AM LORD WORK IN ME

March 21-23, 2025  
Vicksburg Convention Center  
with Ali Hoffman and Josh Blakesley  
9-12th grades are invited!

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF JACKSON  
Faith - Fellowship - Fun - Register Today!



## UNCF: United Negro College Fund

The UNCF is the nation's largest and most effective minority education organization. It provides scholarships, internships and operating funds for 39 historically black colleges and universities. Our church has generously donated to this organization throughout the years. Greg Jones is our liaison to the UNCF. Contributions may be made payable to the Golden Triangle UNCF  
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# PARISH NEWS

## STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION

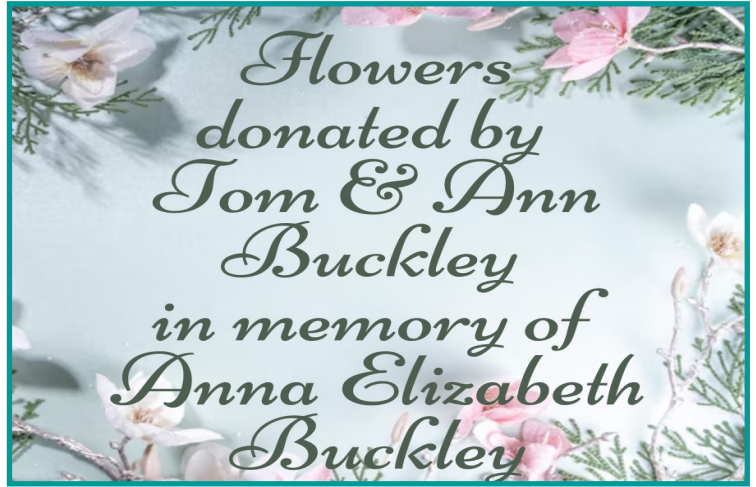
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Weekly Offering	01-12-25	\$ 10,262.00
On-Line Giving:	01-12-25	\$ 5,640.00
SVDP	01-12-25	\$ 610.00
On Line Mass	01-12-25	\$ 0.00
Chapel Preservation	01-12-25	\$ 1,155.00



Prayer: Lord Jesus, just as your Mother did at Cana, you ask us to have the same eye for detail as we seek to charitably look after the needs of others. Help me to forget about myself, so that I can quickly and efficiently do whatever you ask of me. Help me to trust in your guidance and love. Mother Mary, teach me to welcome sacrifice as you did, so I too

can be faithful and follow Jesus to the cross and be a coworker in the redemption.



Annunciation Catholic School Presents  
**In Our Nation**  
 To honor our Military

**TUESDAY**

January 28th at 8:30AM  
 in ACS Gym

Kindergarten and 2nd grade will perform at the assembly.

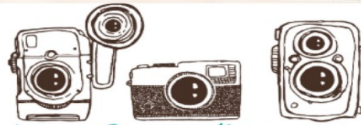
This year, in lieu of a parade we are doing a HERO RUN obstacle course! Schedule to come!

You are welcome to come run along with them.



For more information, contact Jacque Hince at 662-328-4479 or [marketing@annunciationcatholic.org](mailto:marketing@annunciationcatholic.org)

New Church Directory



Katie Studdard Photography

Katie Studdard Photography will take pictures for our new directory on these days. No appointment needed.

- February 8- 9:00a.m. -5:00p.m
- February 9- 10:30a.m. -4:30p.m.
- February 15- 9:00a.m. -5:00p.m
- February 16-10:30a.m. -4:30p.m.

## Mass Intentions

Tuesday	01-21-25	5:30 pm		
Wednesday	01-22-25	8:00 am		
Thursday	01-23-25	8:30 am	Milton Sunbeck	SI
Friday	01-24-25	8:00 am	Gayle Keefe	WH RIP
Sunday	01-26-25	8:00am	Bea Covert	CM RIP
Sunday	01-26-25	10:30am	People of the Parish	SI



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

MEN OF OUR PARISH, 18 YEARS OR OLDER, ARE INVITED TO BECOME MEMBERS OF THE W. H. JOLLY K OF C COUNCIL. AS MEMBERS, YOU WILL JOIN WITH YOUR BROTHER KNIGHTS, PUTTING YOUR FAITH IN ACTION IN SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH AND COMMUNITY. FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER CONTACT **DEACON DAVE GRUSECK @ (412) 559-8514** OR EMAIL HIM AT [GRUSEDJG@HOTMAIL.COM](mailto:GRUSEDJG@HOTMAIL.COM)



# VFW Teacher of the Year in the State of Mississippi



*Lauren Young  
1st Grade*



January 19, 2025



## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2025 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

We are so proud of 1st grade teacher, Lauren Young, who is the VFW Teacher of the year for grades K-5. Mrs. Young will now compete for VFW National Teacher of the year in Washington, D.C. We are lucky to have you, Mrs. Young!

**Sunday, January 19th - Celebrating at Saint Joseph Catholic Church in Starkville** - Students can attend 9:00 or 10:30 a.m. Mass in uniform to receive a nonuniform pass for Tuesday Jan. 21st.

**Sunday, January 26th – Celebrating Our Parish**

- 9:00 a.m. - Pancake Breakfast at the Annunciation Catholic Church Activities Center - Breakfast tickets can be purchased from our Eagle's Essential Spirit Shop or at the event. See flyer.
- Mass at ACC - We encourage students to attend in uniform to show support and appreciation for our parish. Students can attend the 8:00 or 10:30 a.m. Mass in uniform to receive non-uniform passes for Feb. 3rd

**Monday, January 27th – Celebrating Our Community**

- School – wide service project water bottles for Loaves and Fishes
- 1:00 p.m. Kick off Assembly with special guest speakers

**Tuesday, January 28th – Celebrating Our Nation**

This is a non-uniform day but students must wear patriotic colors!

- 8:30 In our Nation Program with special guest speakers
- This year in lieu of a parade, students will participate in a "Hero Run Obstacle Course". Parents are welcome to join in! Schedule to come. Remember to invite your military family!

**Wednesday, January 29th – Celebrating Our Parents, Volunteers and Donors**

We will show appreciation to parents, donors, and volunteers who support our school with time, talent, and/or financial gifts. We are so thankful for all the generous support we receive.

- 7:00 - 8:00 Come & Go "Muffins with Mom" in ACS cafeteria

**Thursday, January 30th – Celebrating Vocations**

- 7:00 - 8:00 Come & Go "Donuts with Dad" in ACS cafeteria
- 8:30 Mass - your pastor or church leaders are invited to attend to worship together!
- 12:30 – 2:00 Career Expo in Gym. See flyer, need volunteers.

**Friday, January 31st – Celebrating Our Students**

This is a non-uniform day! (no school lunches)

- ACS Mini Carnival in gym (schedule to come so you can join your students for the fun!)
- Volunteers needed.

**Pancake Breakfast**  
Benefiting Annunciation Catholic School  
Hosted by the Knights of Columbus

*Buy tickets online now and show at door*

ACC Activities Building  
January 26th  
9:00 - 10:00

**\$5**  
Children Under 12  
**\$3**

scan here to purchase tickets

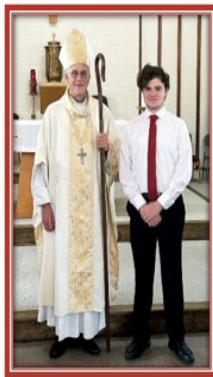


# HOPE RISING

Through Our

Religious Education and Faith Formation

Our Faith Formation and Religious Education programs aim to bring us all into a closer relationship with God by providing opportunities for encounter and accompaniment. Built on love and understanding, we provide formational training, professional development, and retreats.



Faith Formation is at the core of how we prepare our parish volunteers to become effective lay leaders.

The Catholic Service Appeal provides critical funding to help facilitate these trainings, hold retreats and certifications for parish lay ministries involved in multiple capacities including youth catechesis, OCIA, adult faith formation, and much more.

*"The Diocesan Confirmation Retreat was a great way to strengthen my faith and connect with others. I had time to pray, reflect, and bond with other confirmation participants. It seemed to be much easier to make new friends as we all share similar values. I left feeling more prepared and excited about my journey of faith."*

-Joey Azar, St. Mary Batesville

## Please give today!



# THIS WEEK ON FORMED

## Week of January 19, 2025



### Paul the Apostle | The Bible Collection

The church's greatest enemy became Christ's most prolific messenger. Beautifully shot in the Moroccan desert, Paul the Apostle is a sweeping saga of the man who brought the Gospel to the Western world.



### Mass

There is infinite grace available in every Mass and confession, but our subjective experience may not reflect this objective reality. We need to switch on. The focus of this episode is unlocking more grace from Mass and confession.



### Saint Francis de Sales and the Character of a Christian: Devotion (Part 1 of 4)

In this four-part series, Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Christopher O. Blum sit down to discuss St. Francis de Sales, his best known work 'The Introduction to the Devout Life', and the character of a Christian.

### Prayers for Parishioners

Bonnie Adair  
Marian Beall  
Delores Belhumeur  
John Bino  
Charles Bridges  
Christy Burks  
Rosemary Ciolino  
Ginny Clarke  
Judy Coleman  
Carl Doumit  
Karen Doumit  
Tom Ebner  
Larry Feeny  
JoAnn Ferguson  
Ruby Forrester  
Tom Griffin  
Gwen Gouveia  
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Dr. Ralph Johnson  
Susie Johnson  
Greg Jones  
Ginny Konieczki  
Nell Labella  
Diane Loftis  
John Love  
Anne Mitchell  
Raymond Overstreet  
Sam Phillips  
Cindy Putman  
John Purtell  
Ron Shepperd  
Shelby Stafford  
Stewart Stafford  
Steve Wells  
Scott Weseli  
Wink Wright

### Prayer Changes Things

Katie Atkinson  
Melissa Baur  
Rufus Beason  
Gary Belhumeur  
Amanda Burell  
Michael Boland  
Ashley Britt  
Luke Brown  
Judy Berg  
Jack Campbell  
Joel Carrigan  
Claude Carter  
John Michael Crimm  
Marc Ciolino  
Angie Corona  
Linda Etter  
George Ferguson  
Jacob Fine  
Kathy Forrester  
Sue Gentry  
Gus Gianini  
Jonathan Giles  
Ellen Gore  
Ray Gore  
Patti Guerry  
Scott Hankins

### Prayers for Families and Friends

Chad Hill  
Natalie Hardy  
Billy Hendricks  
Dylan Hicks  
Dee Dee Hindman  
Beth Huffer  
Thomas Jones  
Doreen Kahaulelio  
Ean Laitinen  
Michelle Lawton  
Donna Loftis  
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Lauri Sansing  
Richard Sertich

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Jake Sudduth  
Jett Sudduth  
Kathy Corcoran-Sutter  
Judy Therrel  
Tom Walk  
Doug Wheeler  
Bree Wood





### KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS

Men of our parish, 18 years or older, are invited to become members of the

**W. H. Jolly K of C Council.**

As members, you will join with your brother Knights, putting your faith in action in support of our parish and community.

For more information on how to become a member contact *Dave Gruseck (412) 559-8514* or email him at

[grusedjg@hotmail.com](mailto:grusedjg@hotmail.com)



### Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary

Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary is extending an open invitation to women of our parish 18 yrs. and older to become members and share in our mission of spiritual and charitable growth.

For more information contact *Pat Jones 662-364-3108(cell) or ljones8873@aol.com*

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