

Annunciation Catholic Church

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DO YOU WANT TO STAY ISOLATED?

There are as many reasons why people isolate parts of their lives as there are stars in the sky. It could be a past hurt, anger, low self-esteem, frustration, pride, ignorance, unforgiveness, and/or a sense of helplessness. This isolation naturally creates a void that yearns to be filled. A perfect storm in which the inertia of evil tricks us into creating idols that cut us off from God, self, and others. The natural result is that those who feel isolated end up squandering the good and blessed parts of their lives with pride, envy, gluttony, lust, anger, greed, and/or sloth. To prevent this destructive behavior, Jesus masterfully gives us the parables of the prodigal son, the lost sheep, and the lost coin (Lk 15: 1-32). These parables teach us not only about the result of isolation, but even more about the generosity of God. The parable of the lost sheep reminds us that, when we are isolated in a desperate world of survival, God is a merciful Shepherd who will leave everything to be there for YOU. The parable of the lost coin reminds us that a coin, as long as it is lost under the couch, serves no purpose, but when used, has much purpose. The parable of the prodigal son reminds us that we can try to run and disentangle ourselves from God and those around us. God is that merciful Father always there waiting to accept and bring us back into harmony with Himself and those around us. The reality is that past hurts, pains, and disappointments can be particularly strong. What is even stronger is that the more focused we are on His mercy and His Will, then we will have no need to be trapped in a feeling of isolation. In Christ Jesus, we can discover meaning, fulfillment, and purpose that is freeing.

Christ Blessings
Fr. Jeffrey Waldrep

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Tuesday-Thursday

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

Friday

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

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September 14, 2025

**Twenty-Fourth Sunday
In Ordinary Time**

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PARISH NEWS

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES and MASSES

Tuesday	September 16
10:00a.m.	ATC Bible Study
5:30p.m.	Mass
6:30p.m.	OCIA(AC)
Wednesday	September 17
8:00a.m.	Mass
Thursday	September 18
8:30a.m.	Mass(ACS)
Friday	September 19
8:00a.m.	Mass
Sunday	September 21
7:15-7:45	Confession
8:00a.m.	Mass
9:05a.m.	Religious ED(AC)
10:30a.m.	Mass
4:00p.m.	CYO Kickoff (ACS)



ANNUNCIATION
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Welcome Party
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
JOIN US

Let's celebrate the start of
a new year of growing in
faith together in
Religious Education!

September 21, 2025
9:05AM - 10:10AM
in the Parish Activity Center

Open to children in grades PK4-5th
Please return completed forms and payments to the Parish office to complete your registration.

STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION

09-14-25

Weekly Offering	09-07-25	\$	9,223.00
On-Line Giving:	09-07-25	\$	8,527.00
SVDP	09-07-25	\$	941.00
On Line Mass	09-07-25	\$	100.00
Chapel Preservation	09-07-25	\$	30.00

CYO All Heart
7TH + 8TH GRADE
\$75

Middle School Fall Retreat 2025

"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart,
with all your soul, and with all your mind." Matthew 22:37

Presented by
Life Teen Missions Outreach Team

October 18-19, 2025
Lake Forest Ranch
Macon, MS

Saturday 2 p.m. thru
Sunday 2 p.m.
7th-8th Grade Youth

Come ready to connect, recharge and
discover how your heart can make a
difference.

Group Games - Worship - Bonfire - Inspiring Talks - Small Groups

CATHOLIC DIOCESE
of JACKSON
Office of Youth Ministry

Registration Deadline:
September 7th

Mass Intentions

Tuesday	09-16-25	5:30 pm Marian Beall	PR	RIP
Wednesday	09-17-25	8:00 am Carl Doumit	KD	RIP
Thursday	09-18-25	8:00am. Marian Beall	PR	RIP
Friday	09-19-25	8:00 am Agnes Adams	CH	RIP
Sunday	09-21-25	8:00am Jack Campbell	PR	RIP
Sunday	09-21-25	10:30am People of the Parish	SI	

OCIA
Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

September 16th
at 6:30p.m.
in the Activity Center

- 9-16 Divine Revelation
- 9-23 The Bible

Coming Soon
FALL FESTIVAL & TRUNK OR TREAT
Time to start thinking
about your
Trunk

CYO Kickoff

IGNITE THE FIRE:
FAITH, FUN,
& FELLOWSHIP
BEGIN HERE!

Sunday, September 21st
ACS GYM - 223 N Browder St.
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
All Teens Grades 6th - 12th

Questions?
Contact Mrs. Samantha - Youth Minister
(662) 364-8676 - AnnunciationCYO@gmail.com

Protection of Children

We will have a
**Protection of Children
Class on September 17 at
6:00 p.m. in the
Activity Center.**

This class is required for anyone working
with our Children's Church,
Religious Education, CYO and
Annunciation Catholic School.

For this session register at virtusonline.org
By September 10

Text Erica Gruseck for more information
at 330-502-6662 or call the Church office.

PARISH NEWS



Join us today for



We will have a Baptism Preparation Sunday,
September 14th at 1:00
in the Main Church.

If you are expecting or have a child that needs to be
baptized please sign up with Maria Dunser
or call the church office.

Maria Dunser accadulthood@gmail.com

Women's Event

Columbus First
Methodist Presents..

Christian Comedy & Worship

An afternoon of laughter and
inspiration for all ages!

with
Kerri
Pomarolli



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Where 602 Main St
Columbus, MS

Date September 14th

Time 2pm - 6pm

Tickets Find them on our
website listed
below

Contact us
for more information

662-328-5252
roz@columbusfirst.org



<https://www.columbusfirst.org/>
www.kerripom.com

WHAT TO EXPECT



Worship

Participate in heartfelt worship
led by Tony Hooper & Team -
Special Guest, Lauren Stewart



Food

Enjoy wonderful food shared
with friends!

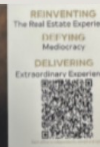


Fellowship

Fellowship with ladies in our
community! Bring a Friend!

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ATRIUM SEATING

**PLEASE RESERVE THE ATRIUM
SEATING FOR PARENTS WITH
SMALL CHILDREN.**



**Even in the atrium,
Mass remains a sacred experience.**



**Remember the
Eucharist Fast before
and during Mass.**



**Remember the Mass
is a time of prayer
and reflection.**

+ Prayer List

If you know of anyone on
the prayer list who
should be removed,
kindly contact the church
office through phone or
email.



September 14, 2025

ACS Students Love Animal Visits!

We love when our friends bring in their special pets! At ACS, we are always searching for ways for our students to get hands on experiences. Recently, our youngest eagles learned about hermit crabs, bearded dragons and the special K-9 Unit at the Sheriff's Department.



Worship Together at ACS


Each week, our students come together with Father Jeffrey to worship at school. This last week, Father talked at mass about how miracles still happen!



Our PreK class enjoyed special visits from hermit crabs and a bearded dragon!



Kindergarten had a special visitor, "Scorpion", come by. Scorpion is part of the Sheriff's Dept. K-9 unit.

	<p>Est. 1963 Grades: Pre K-8th Joni House, Principal 223 N. Browder St Columbus, MS 39702 annunciationcatholicschool.org</p>
<p>662-328-4479</p>	

Prayers for Parishioners

Bonnie Adair	Greg Jones
Delores Belhumeur	Ginny Konieczki
John Bino	Nell Labella
Charles Bridges	Diane Loftis
Christy Burks	John Love
Rosemary Ciolino	Elaina Maykowski
Ginny Clarke	Anne Mitchell
Judy Coleman	Raymond Overstreet
Karen Doumit	Sam Phillips
Larry Feeney	Cindy Putman
Joan Fleming	John Purtell
JoAnn Ferguson	Ron Shepperd
Haley Graham	Shelby Stafford
Gwen Gouveia	Stewart Stafford
John Hamner	Roger Studdard
Marga Hamner	Steve Wells
Dr. Sharon Harbin	Wink Wright
Thomas Heath	
Clara Hicks	
Mary Hydrick	

Prayers for Families & Friends

Katie Atkinson	Ean Laitinen
Rufus Beason	Michelle Lawton
Gary Belhumeur	Donna Loftis
Amanda Burell	Darryl Lopaka
Michael Boland	Bentley Luker
Luke Brown	Patrice Majewski
Judy Berg	Rose Maness
Joel Carrigan	Jamie Manning
Claude Carter	Marion McEwen
John Michael Crimm	Diane Nelson
Marc Ciolino	Lynn Rosamond
Angie Corona	JoAnn Ruff
Walton Cunningham	Faye Russell
Linda Dillard	Alan Sansing
Linda Etter	Lauri Sansing
George Ferguson	Richard Sertic
Jacob Fine	Anna Sibley
Kathy Forrester	Karen Shelton
Sue Gentry	Harry Smith
Gus Gianini	Bryan Spencer
Jonathan Giles	Jake Sudduth
Ellen Gore	Jett Sudduth
Patti Guerri	Kathy Corcoran-
Scott Hankins	Sutter
Chad Hill	Judy Therrel
Billy Hendricks	Tom Walk
Dylan Hicks	Doug Wheeler
Marie Hillhouse	Bree Wood
Dee Dee Hindman	
Thomas Jones	
Pam Jordan	
Doreen Kahaulelio	

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Forming Catholics for *Life*.

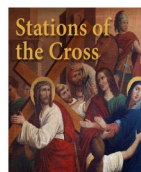
This Week on Formed

Week of September 14, 2025



The Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Seven Sorrows of Mary is a traditional Catholic devotion featuring meditations on sorrowful episodes in the life of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Join us in prayer as we celebrate the feast of Our Lady of Sorrows.



Stations of the Cross by Saint Alphonsus Liguori

The Augustine Institute presents a beautiful meditation on the Stations of the Cross by Saint Alphonsus Liguori, narrated by Dr. Christopher Blum. This prayerful reflection is accompanied by the Schola Cantorum, chanting the traditional Catholic hymn Stabat Mater to aid your prayer.



The Seven Sorrows of Mary | Brother Francis

Join Brother Francis as he prays and explores the Seven Sorrows of Mary Devotion!

Bulletin Advertisements

<p>ANNUNCIATION CATHOLIC SCHOOL</p> <p>662-328-4479</p>	<p>Est. 1963</p> <p>Grades: Pre K-8th</p>
	<p>Joni House, Principal 223 N. Browder St Columbus, MS 39702</p> <p>annunciationcatholicschool.org</p>

<p>MINDFUL PERFORMANCE CONSULTING</p> <p>MATTHEW HOOD, ED.D., CMPC MENTAL PERFORMANCE CONSULTANT MHOOD@MINDFULPERFORMANCECONSULTING.COM 484-423-4838</p>	<p>SERVICE LIST</p> <p>First Steps in Mindfulness Elite Mindfulness 1 on 1 Consultation Team or Group Education Workshops</p>
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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

Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary



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

For more information contact Rhonda Hicks 662-364-0054(cell)

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Monday 4:00-9:00 at 246 Hillcrest Rd.
 Tuesday Closed
 Wednesday 4:00-9:00 at 246 Hillcrest Rd.
 Thursday 4:00-9:00 at 246 Hillcrest Rd.
 Friday 10:30-9:00 at Allegro on Bluecut Rd
 Saturday & Sunday 10:30-9:00 @ Marvin's Hwy 82
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