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February 26
First Sunday of Lent

MAKING BURDENS BEARABLE

Now that we have begun our 40-day penitential walk-through lent, the Lord longs to make our burdens more bearable, as we resist ever-present temptations through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. In Matthew 4: 1-11 we hear, after being baptized, Jesus prepared for his upcoming ministry by living in the desert for forty days. During this time of prayer and fasting, Satan tempted Jesus with three great temptations (be self-serving, test God's love, and thirst for power). Amazing is the fact that the more Jesus resisted temptations, the stronger Jesus became in bearing His burdens and the burdens of others. We are told that "the devil left him [Jesus] and, behold, angels, came and ministered to him." I believe that many times in our lives, we find ourselves in a desert experience where we are tempted to put our ways above God's ways. We are tempted by selfishness and greed. We are tempted to "protect self at all cost." We are tempted to demand from the Lord what we want, how we want it. We are tempted to have power over our and others' lives. Yet, when we resist these temptations, it is my experience that the Lord helps us to be stronger in being able to bear our burdens and the burdens of others. It is in resisting temptations that the grace of the Lord helps us become more patient, kind, understanding, and giving. Sometimes we don't realize it until after the fact. But, no matter how hard resisting temptation seems, the sweetness of the Lord's ever presence and grace is all the greater. Let us be confident that these 40 days through lent are about the Lord helping make our burdens bearable in times of temptation as we work at praying, fasting, and giving alms. Yes, during this season the Lord in a real way makes our burdens bearable.

Christ's Blessings, Fr. Jeffrey Waldrep

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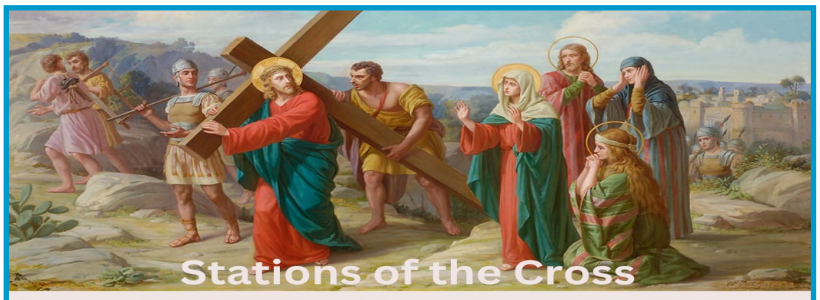
PARISH NEWS

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES and MASSES

Tuesday	**February 28**
10:00a.m.	ATC Womens Bible Study
5:30p.m.	Mass(Chapel)
6:00p.m.	RCIA
Wednesday	**March 1**
8:00a.m.	Mass(Chapel)
Thursday	**March 2**
8:30a.m.	Communion Service (ACS)
10:00a.m.	Thursday Womens Bible Study
Friday	**March 3**
9:30a.m.	First Friday Brunch & CS(AC)
5:30p.m.	Stations of the Cross(Chapel)
Sunday	**March 5**
7:15a.m.-7:45a.m	Confession
8:00 a.m.	Mass(Main Church)
9:00a.m.	Religious Ed
10:30 a.m.	Mass(Main Church)



Join us for
Stations of the Cross
every Friday during Lent
at 5:30p.m. in the Chapel.

Join us Friday's after
Stations of the Cross
for our
Lenten Fish Fry's
in the Activity Center.

Faith, Fun, & Fellowship!

February 26
Confirmation Session 3:45-4:45 p.m
CYO meet @5:00 p.m. in Church
"A Walk Through the Mass" with Fr. Jeffrey
Parents & Sponsors are invited to join us for Mass and Sunday Supper.

March 3-5 - DCYC in Vicksburg
Diocesan Youth Convention for High School
No Confirmation Session or CYO

March 12
Confirmation Session and CYO

March 19: SPRING BREAK!
No Confirmation or CYO

Confirmation Sessions:
Sundays: 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.
CYO Gatherings & Sunday Supper:
Sundays: 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Ginny Clarke,
Youth Minister
annunciationcyo@gmail.com

Please pray for our High School Teens and Chaperones participating in DCYC 2023 this weekend, March 3-5!

Teens:
Claire, Gabriel, Jose, Elijah, Luke, Patrick, Tony, Stephanie, Isabelle, Nicole, Sakaya, Miguel

Chaperones:
Ginny, Todd, Maria, Jesus

A Walk Through the Mass

All Confirmandi, CYO Teens, parents, and Confirmation sponsors are invited to participate, as Fr. Jeffrey celebrates Mass while explaining the deep meaning behind every moment!

Sunday, February 26 @ 5:00 p.m.
Main Church

After Mass, everyone is invited to join us for Sunday Supper in the Activities Center.
Please bring a dish to share (main dish, appetizer, or dessert).
Drinks will be provided by CYO.
We look forward to this great celebration of faith and family!

This Mass fulfills your Sunday Mass obligation.

PARISH NEWS

STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION
2-26-2023

Weekly Offering	**02-19-2023**	**$**	**6,346.43**
On-Line Giving:	**02-19-2023**	**$**	**3,440.00**
On Line Mass	**02-19-2023**	**$**	**0.00**
SVDP	**02-19-2023**	**$**	**1,003.00**
Chapel Preservation	**02-19-2023**	**$**	**385.00**

"Get away, Satan!
It is written:
The Lord, your God,
shall you worship
and him alone
shall you serve."

Matthew 4:10

STEWARDSHIP

Tempted between the riches and power of this world and service to God, Jesus chose service to His Father. If we wish to truly follow Jesus, we, too, must decide to turn away from worldly power and riches and put God at the center of our lives.

Lent is our time to prune ourselves of earthly things, and develop and nurture heavenly things. Lent is time to repent and let go of the other "gods" we have put before God.

Do you make going to Mass to worship God, and receiving the Eucharist a top priority?

Hope Rising

Our retired priests have served our parishes for many years, and they continue to serve our Diocese even in retirement. Your gift to the Catholic Service Appeal helps to support our 23 retired priests. It also helps to provide financial support to our clergy who may need assistance during the year.

Your gift helps care for these 23 retired priests.

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Please give today!

Scan to give

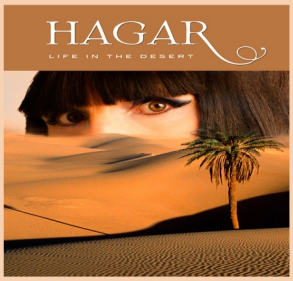
First Friday Brunch and Communion Service
March 3rd at 9:30a.m.

Bring a dish to share.

Loaves & Fishes
2nd Saturday

We need volunteers to help serve meals on the **2nd Saturday** of the month from 9:30a.m. to 1:00p.m.
Contact Steve Greenough for more information.

Lenten Reflection



Enjoy this scripture based monologue as Rita Sweatt portrays the life of Hagar.

Tuesday, March 21st

Dinner at 5:30p.m.
Activity Center(bring a dish to share)

Performance at 6:45p.m.
Annunciation Catholic Church

A Love Colletction will be taken up.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday	02-28–2023	5:30 pm	JoAnn Ferguson	CJ	SI
Wednesday	03-01-2023	8:00 am	Pat Wamble	JR	SI
Thursday	03-02-2023	8:30 am			
Friday	03-03-2023	8:00 am			
Sunday	03-05-2023	8:00a.m	People of the Parish		
Sunday	03-05-2023	10:30am	Eva Corrado	CF	RIP

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

Full-time Cantor is needed for Immaculate Conception
Please contact Lynn Kyles at 662-242-1829

5th St. West Point, MS 39773
Phone: (662) 494-3486

Annunciation Catholic School
Parish News Letter

Sunday, February 26, 2023

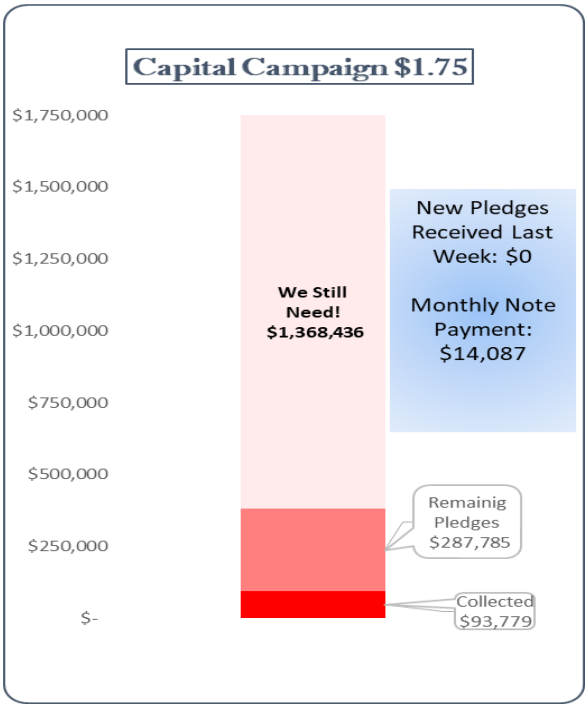
Save the Date!

ACS Draw Down/Silent Auction
Friday, April 14, 2023
Trotter Convention Center
6:30 – 11:00 pm
Adults Only Event (21 and Up)
Dinner & Open Bar

What's Happening at ACS!

ACS is now accepting applications for prek through 8th grades for the 2023—2024 school year. Please visit our website at www.annunciationcatholicschool.org for more enrollment information or scan the QR code to apply.

Annunciation Catholic School
Capital Campaign 1.75



Mark Your Calendar

Mar. 6-10 Scholastic Book Fair
Mar. 10 Grandparents' Day
Mar. 13-17 Spring Break
Mar. 22 Spring Pictures
Apr. 14 ACS Draw Down/Silent Auction
May 12 Field Day
May 23 Awards Day
May 24 Talent Showcase
May 25 8th grade promotion; last day for students

God is in control!

Annunciation Catholic School teaches the whole child in a Christ-centered environment. We encourage all children to reach their full potential by building character, fostering community, and creating life-long learners.

THIS WEEK ON FORMED

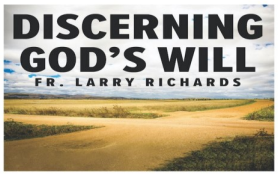
Week of February 26, 2023

Father Michael McGivney: An American Blessed

In May 2020, Pope Francis approved a miracle attributed to the intercession of Fr. Michael McGivney, paving the way for his beatification. This documentary highlights Fr. McGivney's fraternal charity, evangelization, and empowerment of the laity.

Session 1: Jesus: Model and Master of Prayer

In this episode of his course on the Our Father, Dr. Ben Akers teaches us what we can learn from the perfect model and master of prayer: Jesus himself.



Discerning God's Will by Fr. Larry Richards

Discovering the will of God can be an intimidating challenge in the spiritual life. Join Fr. Larry Richards as he guides us in this task through practical advice and personal stories!, Discovering the will of God can be an intimidating challenge in the spiritual life. Join Fr. Larry Richards as he guides us in this task through practical advice and personal stories!

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An offering from the Augustine Institute and ignatius press

Prayer Changes Things

Prayers for Parishioners

Jessica Alexander
Marian Beall
Delores Belhumeur
John Bino
Charles Bridges
Christy Burks
Shirley Butler
Ginny Clarke
Judy Coleman
Bea Covert
Carl Deddo
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Ron Eaves
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Prayers for Families and Friends

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Billy Livingston
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Darryl Lopaka
Patrice Majewski
Rose Maness
Lynn Rosamond
Richard Sertich
Stephanie Welch
Doug Wheeler

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 **Mike Smith** at (662) 855-5035 or email him at smithmichael2192@gmail.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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