Mass Schedule:
Sunday—9:00 AM
*Weekdays—**7:00** AM*
*Holy days—**6:00 PM***
Novena—Friday—after 7:00am Mass
Youth—Fourth Sunday

Sacraments:
Reconciliation:
Sunday 8:00—8:45 or by appointment
Infant Baptism/Marriages:
Contact the Parish Office for further instructions

Organizations & Ministries:
Altar Servers: 601.630.0403
Liturgical Committee:
Pastoral Council:
Religious Education: 601.636.0115
Perpetual Help Sodality: 601.529.4787
Men's Club: 601.636.4437
Pastoral Council President:
Mr. James Anderson
Choir Rehearsal—Wednesday- 6:00PM
Choir President: Mrs. Cynthia Sims

Bulletin Deadline:
***NOON Thursday** or*
***48 hours** prior to a Holiday*

Email submissions to:
stmarysvicksburg@gmail.com,
Father Joseph at 601.636.0115

Ministry to the sick: Please contact the Parish Office to be placed on the list or to arrange visits with the pastor

Center Rental: Contact Mr. John Ferguson

Home Ministry: 601.638.7229

Musicians: 601.636.3976

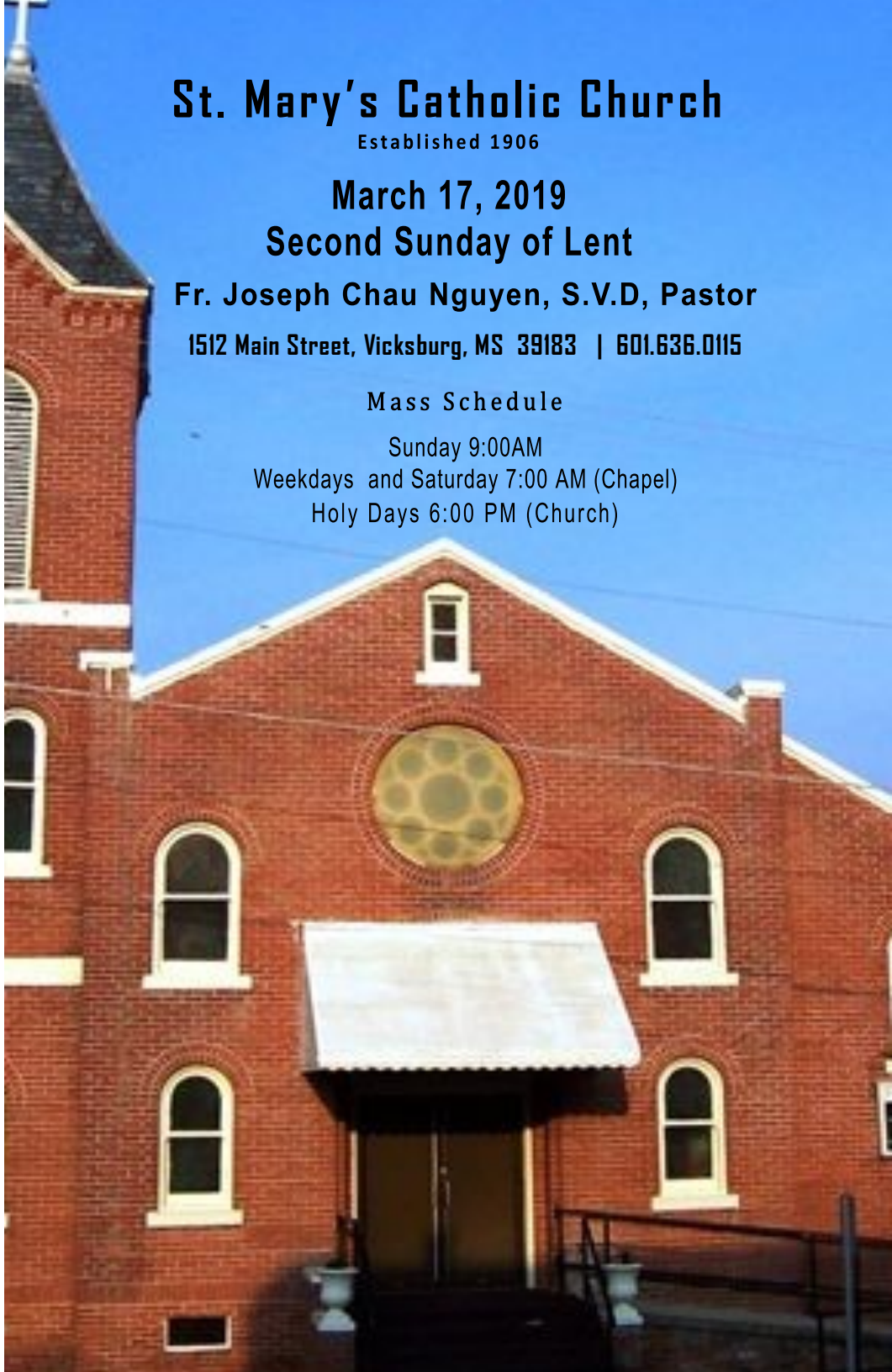
RCIA -Contact Parish Office

Director Religious Education: Dr. Josephine Calloway

Webpage:
www.stmarysvicksburg.org

Organizations & Meetings

***Rosary** — Each Sunday at 8:30 a.m.*
***Ladies Sodality** — First Sunday — following Mass*
***Men's Club —** First Sunday — following Mass*
***Pastoral Council** — Second Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.*
***Young Adults Group—-** Third Sunday—following Mass*



St. Mary's Catholic Church

Established 1906

March 17, 2019
Second Sunday of Lent

Fr. Joseph Chau Nguyen, S.V.D, Pastor

1512 Main Street, Vicksburg, MS 39183 | 601.636.0115

Mass Schedule

Sunday 9:00AM
Weekdays and Saturday 7:00 AM (Chapel)
Holy Days 6:00 PM (Church)

FROM THE PASTOR

Thank you to everyone who participated in my installation as the 18th Pastor of St. Mary's Church. Your participation in this special celebration brought great joy to me and to our Church. I was very happy that the Installation Ceremony, the Mass and reception went so well. The people were filled with the spirit. Bishop Joseph Kopacz, said: An installation ceremony is *"a very special opportunity, because it brings the parish together*." Yes, I can feel a great sense of joy in our parish. We have worked together to build up our church spirit.

It was a delight to sample the favorite dishes from each family that they brought and shared with their parish family. Good things happen when we work together.

I would also like to thank each of you for your contributions and the hard work you put into making my official installation ceremony a huge success.

I would like to extend a very special thanks to the members of the Ladies Sodality, Men's Club, Ushers, Extraordinary Eucharistic ministers, musicians and the choir, Altar Servers, Lectors, Commentators, Sacristans, decorators, Knights of Columbus and the many others who worked behind the scene to make our celebration so memorable. Again I thank you each and every one of you, your families and friends for being a part of our joyful celebration. I ask you to continue to support and pray for me as a spiritual leader and I look forward to working with everyone.

Stations of the Cross—Fridays during Lent at 6:00 p.m.

Lenten Suggestion: Engage with your community- If you choose to do so, you may want to teach others the meaning of Lent, why you celebrate it and what it means to you. By learning from each other, we may understand other fruitful ways to celebrate as a community.

DATE CHANGE:

St. Mary's is having a play on **Sunday, April 7,** 2019, following mass. The Easter Story is of unfailing, sacrificial love. The drama will guide parishioners through Jesus' last days on earth. To help tell The Real Reason For Easter, we are asking children of all age groups and a few adults to sign up. We will need actors, stage decoration and costumes. Please call or text Dr. Kenya Gaskin at 601.456.6003 for additional details.

MISSION SERVICE: St. Paul's Parish will sponsor a parish mission on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, March 18, 19 and 20 at 6 p. m. The mission will be presented by Luke Arredondo, son of Elias and Glenda Arredondo. He is the co-author of the book *O MY JESUS, The Meaning of the Fatima Prayer.* Luke will lead us in reflection and prayer centered on the mystery of Fatima. He is currently working on a Doctorate of Theology at Florida State University. He writes for *Aleteia, Ignitum Today and the Catholic Outpost*, as well as his own website, **www.lukearredondo.com.**

AARP Survey: In the past two weeks, I have distributed AARP surveys after Mass concerning Vicksburg as a livable community. Please return them to me when you have them completed They can't have an impact on our community unless you return them. I will continue to distribute them every Sunday after Mass.

Thank you—Yolande Robbins

Daily Reading
March 18-23, 2019

Monday, March 18	Daniel 9:4b-10 • R/103:10a; Psalm 79:8, 9, 11 & 12 • Luke 6:36-38 •
Tuesday, March 19	2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 • R/37; Psalm 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 & 29 • Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a •
Wednesday, March 20	Jeremiah 18:18-20• R/17b; Psalm 31:5-6, 14, 15-16 • Matthew 20:17-28 •
Thursday, March 21	Jeremiah 17:5-10 • R/40:5a; Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6 • Luke 16:19-31 •
Friday, March 22	Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a • R/5a; Psalm 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 • Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46 •
Saturday, March 23	Micah 7:14-15, 18-20 • R/8a; Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 • Luke 15:1-3, 11-32 •

Pray for Each Other

Mass Schedule	**March 17**	**March 24**
Commentator	Harrison Havard	Erianna Gibbs
Lector	Joe Zelasko	Jessica Anderson Ke'Asia Slaughter
Ushers	George Haynes Carl Sims, Sr.	Miracle Flowers DeMarques Flowers.
Extraordinary Minister/ Eucharist	Patricia Clyde	Lewis Burke
Extraordinary Ministers	JD Brown Harrison Havard	Virginia Brown Harley Caldwell
Extraordinary Ministers/Choir	Virginia Brown Philomena Zelasko	JD Brown Patricia Clyde
Gift Bearers	Chris Slaughter George Haynes	Jessica Anderson Kaleigh Radar
Altar Servers	Kaleigh Radar Ke'Asia Slaughter Crystal Slaughter De'Marques Flowers Me'Kayla Fowers	Ke'Asia Slaughter Crystal Slaughter De'Marques Flowers Me'Kayla Fowers Jessica Anderson

Collection Totals: March 3**:** $2,475.00
March 10: $2,849.00

Collection Counters for March 10
Carlotta Ferguson, Ruby Hunter, Mary Helen Franklin

Collection Counters for March 17
Chris Slaughter, Patricia Clyde, Edith Ezekwe

We thank you for giving your valuable time as a counter.

March 17	Charlie Bell ✝ Milton J. Grant, II ✝ Liam Ferguson
March 18	Rachel Maxey Denise Epps
March 20	Jeffrey Antwine Minnie Richardson ✝
March 22	Deborah Sanders
March 23	Percy Gooden ✝

Novena for Life -each Sunday— The protection of life is a sustained prayer intention of the Catholic Church and of the Knights of Columbus. A Novena for Life is meant to bring KC and parish families together in a spiritual battle to lead their communities, through both public and private acts of prayer, to ensure a culture of life in our nations. All members of the community are welcome to join us **each Sunday thru April 7th** in a Rosary for Life. Times for each parish are as follows: **08:30A.M. -St. Mary's in the Sanctuary**; 10:00am– St. Paul's in the Chapel and 10:30A.M—St. Michael's in the Chapel.

Pray for Our Sick & Shut In

*Mr. Abron Allen Haymond * *Mrs. Mary Acholonu* *Dr. Patrick Igbokwe* *Mr. Robert Antwine* *Mrs. Veronica Igbokwe* *Mrs. Anna Hearn Barnett* *Mr. Robert Bell* *Mrs. Lillie Minor* *Mr. Joseph Bingham* *Mrs. Debra Patrick* *Mrs. Mary Branciere* *Mrs. Hazel Brown* *Mr. Howard Smith* *Mr. Paul Stewart* *Mrs. Floriece Chambers* *Ms. Debra Straughter* *Mrs. Ola Mae Taylor* *Ms. Katherine Grant* *Mrs. Edna Harrison* *Mr. Harrison Havard* *Mrs. Pinkye Stewart* *Mrs. Geraldine Dickerson* * Mr. Lawrence Minor* * Mrs. Emma Lee Maxwell* *Mrs. Bonnie James* *Mr. Archie Plump* *Fr. Malcolm O'Leary* *Ms. Kymeria Chambers* *Mr. Lonnie Boykins* *Fr. Francis Damoah* *Mrs. Virginia Brown* *Mrs. Christine Phillips* *Mrs. Irene Maxey* *Mrs. Paula Boyd* *Mr. George Haynes* *Infant Jericho Johnson*

Please continue to pray for all the sick and shut-in members of our parish family and our personal families.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

Lenten Fish Fry continues each Friday of Lent from 5:30—6:30 pm at the KC Home. $10 adult—$6 child

March 19: 7:00pm—St. Patrick's Day Dinner– All parishioners invited

March 26: 7:30 pm Rosary 8:00 pm Business Mtg.
Rosary open to the public.

April 7: Priest Ed Spaghetti Dinner **11:30 am—2:00 pm**—
$10 per person—Dine In or Carry Out.

April 11: 6:00 pm—KC Ladies Auxiliary

May 5: Corporate Communion at St. Michael's . Families welcome.
There will be no Corporate Communion in April.

KC Family of the Month for January is the Mike Woodrick family.

KC Knight of the Month is Fr. Robert Dore