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

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 601.638.6647

Home Ministry: 601.638.7229

Musicians: 601.636.3976

RCIA -Contact Parish Office

Director Religious Education: Dr. Josephine Calloway

Webpage:
www.stmarysvicksburg.org

Sanctuary Maintenance - the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the months. We encourage all church members who are able to come and assist us. POC: Dr. Josephine Callaway.

Organizations & Meetings

***Rosary** — Each Sunday at 8:30 a.m.*
***Ladies Sodality** — First Sunday — following Mass*
***Men's Club** — Second 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

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

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December 8, 2019

Mass Schedule

Sunday 9:00AM
Tue-Sat: 7:00 AM (Chapel)
Holy Days 6:00 PM (Church)

FROM THE PASTOR

Advent Penance Service—
Friday December 13 at 6:00pm

Save The Date: The Annual Parish Christmas party is **December 15** (third Sunday). The church will supply the meat and the Men's Club will supply the paper products and drinks. Team Leaders will contact parishioners to request certain dishes to complete the meal; (for example Mrs. McClelland has salads, Mrs. Bingham has desserts, Mrs. Caldwell has vegetables and Ms. Debbie Havard has starches).)

Holiday Mass Schedule: Christmas Mass— December 24 at 6:00pm; Christmas carols start at 5:30pm. **New Years Day** mass, January 1st at 9:00am. All masses are in the church.

Birthday/Anniversary List: The list is available in the basement for review. Please make any additions or deletions needed; limit the list to immediate family only. The list will be available until December 15. Please add a **+** to any member who is deceased.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

KCs will **extend the Substance Abuse Awareness poster contest to Dec 15.** Entry Forms can be found on the KC website www.ms-kofc.com/898 under the Activities tab.

KC Little Blue Advent Books will be available after all masses while supplies last. Net proceeds from donations go to the Vicksburg Catholic School Tuition Assistance Fund.

December 10: 6:30 PM Rosary 7:00 Business Meeting—Rosary open to the public.

December 12: 6:00 PM KC Ladies Auxiliary will meet this Thursday at Cocktails 101 on Washington Street. All ladies of the parish are invited to join them.

January 05: 9:00 AM Corporate Communion @ St. Mary's. KC Families are welcome.

January 25: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM KC Food Drive @ Wal Mart for the Food Pantry.

The Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest is open to all children ages 5 -14. Rules and entry form can be found on website: http://ms-kofc.com/898/Christmas-contest.html . Deadline for this contest is Dec. 15.

Reading the Word of GOD

Daily Readings
December 9-14, 2019

Monday, December 9	Gn 3:9-15, 20 & Eph 1:3-6 • R/1; Psalm 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 • Luke 1:26-38 •
Tuesday, December 10	Isaiah 40:1-11 • R/Is 40:10ab; Psalm 96:1-2, 3 & 10, 11-12, 13 • Matthew 18:12-14 •
Wednesday, December 11	Isaiah 40:25-31 • R/1; Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 & 10 • Matthew 11:28-30 •
Thursday, December 12	Zec 2:14-17 or Rev 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab • R/15:9d; Judith 13:18bcdde, 19 • Luke 1:26-38 or Luke 1:39-47 •
Friday, December 13	Isaiah 48:17-19 • R/John 8:12; Psalm 1:2-2, 3, 4 & 6 • Matthew 11:16-19 •
Saturday, December 14	Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11 • R/4; Psalm 80:2ac & 3b, 15-16, 18-19 • Matthew 17:9a, 10-13 •

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES:

Monday: Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary

Thursday: Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Friday: Memorial of St. Luck, Virgin & Martyr

Saturday: Memorial of St. John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church

Mass Schedule	December 8	December 15
Commentator	Chris Slaughter	Virginia Brown
Lector 1 *Lector 2*	Benny Terrell	Janice Carstafhnur
Ushers	JD Brown George Haynes	Archie Plump James Anderson
Extraordinary Minister/ Eucharist	Harley Caldwell	Carlotta Ferguson
Extraordinary Ministers	Patricia Clyde Virginia Brown	JD Brown Harrison Havard
Extraordinary Ministers/Choir	Ruthe McCoy Philomena Zelasko	Harley Caldwell Stephanie Stirgus
Gift Bearers	Erianna Gibbs Kaleigh Radar	Watson Family
Altar Servers	Group 1	Group 2

Advent Prayer

Dear Lord God,
Awaken us, that we may be ready when your dear Son comes,
that we may receive him with joy and serve you with pure hearts;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.....Amen.

HOPE ◦ PEACE ◦ JOY ◦ LOVE

December 8	Ashley Nash Chandra Cole Winters Cynthia Maxey Jones
December 11	John † & Vicki Barnes (A) Stephanie Anderson
December 3	Jessie Willis †
December 15	Joyce Gordon Muriel Holmes M/M Brazil Fitzpatrick, III (A).

Collection Totals:

December 1: $2,626.05

Collection Counters for December 8
Carlotta Ferguson, Ruby Hunter, Mary Franklin

Collection Counters for December 15
Chris Slaughter, Patricia Clyde, Edith Ezekwe

We thank you for giving your valuable time as a counter.
Please switch with someone if you are unable to serve

Envelopes for tithes/donations are available. If you have any questions please see Mrs. Ferguson.

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 Burnett* *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* *Mr. Joe Zelasko* *Mrs. Agnes Slaughter West* *Mrs. Della Savage* *Mr. Carl Sims, Sr.* *Mrs. Doretha Antwine* *Mr. Darryl Antwine*

Please continue to pray for our sick and shut-in parishioners and our family members. Please contact the church office to have a name added to the list.

New Members: The choir is seeking new members. No auditions required. Please see the choir president (Mrs. Cynthia Sims) or the musician (Mrs. Harris) for additional information. Members should be at least 13 years old. All voices (soprano, alto, tenor, bass) are welcomed.