

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sacrament Emergency Number is 256-735-6858. This number is to be used for sacrament emergencies only and during non-office hours.

Father Patrick is teaching an adult catechesis class on Sundays in the Parish House between the two Masses (around 8:40am). All are welcome!

The parking lot adjacent to the Church is under reconstruction and will be unusable until completed. New asphalt and concrete entries will make the parking more usable on completion. A police officer will help direct/stop traffic during this time during the weekend masses. Please be patient during this time, this project is much needed.

Sympathy is expressed to the Miller family on the passing of George Miller. May his soul rest with Our Risen Lord.

First Sunday Adoration has been moved to next Sunday, September 14th.

Labor Day Picnic - If there are any in-kind donation receipts, invoices, etc please turn them into the Church Office this week. A report will compiled after everything is turned in and inserted into the bulletin. Thank you in advance!

Friday Mass Time has changed from 7:30am to 12pm Noon. Father Patrick will see if this time change works for better attendance.

Ladies Altar Society will meet this Tuesday, September 9th, at 10am in the Church Library. All ladies of the parish are welcome to attend.

Altar Server Ministry - Altar Servers are needed for each Mass. We are seeking girls and boys Grade 3 / age 8+ that have received their First Communion and have an interest in serving. Please contact Karen if your children would like to get involved! 256-412-5793.

FlockNote - Join our parish's text and/or email system! Simply text FAITHHOPELOVE to 84576 to join the list. FlockNote messages will pertain mostly to all liturgical stuff (mass canceled, holy day reminders, adoration, funeral time, etc). Father Patrick may also send info about understanding more about the Catholic faith. The Church office is still going through training to better utilize the system.

Parish Council Minutes are posted are on our website. Minutes will continue to be inserted in the bulletin monthly after approval. You may also stop by the office for a copy.

Ladies in charge of the altar for month of September are Beth Bernauer, Ella Rane, Vicki Farina and Linda Eckl.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study will resume class on next Tuesday, September 16th at 10am in the Church Library. All ladies are welcome.

Knights of Columbus invites all men to rediscover the power of scripture. We will meet this Thursday, September 11th, at 7:00 pm at the KOC Hall on County RD. 30. September session is 'Fallen Through Sin' consist of Genesis 3:1-24 (The Fall). All men are invited to join. Contact Danny Tamayo @ dmtamayo@outlook.com or Deacon Steve Kirkpatrick.

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Eleventh of September
PATRIOT DAY

PSR SCHOOL BUILDING SAFETY

Diocesan Regulation requires all school entrance/exit doors to remain locked at all times for the safety of the children. Times that the school building doors are locked are as follows:

- PSR Elementary Hours 8:45-9:45 am on Sundays
- PSR High School Hours 7:00-8:00 pm on Wednesdays

(If you are not a parent dropping off children, student or teacher please use the restroom in the parish house during this time.) Adult Catechism classes are in the Parish House 8:45-9:45am on Sundays. Classroom doors will remain closed during lesson times.

Thank you for your patience, cooperation and understanding.

ACTIVITY DIRECTOR NOTES

Nursery Available starting this Sunday, Sept. 7 in Parish House during 10 am mass. This service will be available for your little one at any time during this mass.

Sunday, Sept. 7, Grades 7-12, a visit at the creek at Ronald Eckl's. Enjoy beautiful mini waterfalls, lunch and games. Youth may change after the 10 am mass. Bring one bag of chips or cookies per family. All other food and drinks provided. We will leave from gym to Ronald's place.

Sat. Sept. 20: Soup Kitchen. Contact Donna if you would like to help. There is a box near Infant of Prague to collect snacks, socks, shirts, religious items to take to Soup Kitchen.

Sept. 28: St. Michael's Archangel meal and Birthday recognition for Fr. Patrick after 10 am mass, approx. 11:15 am. This meal will include smoked chicken quarters, fixins' and dessert that will be provided.

Baby Shower, Sunday, Sept. 28, 1-3pm in Parish House for Madison Tidwell Phillips. Madison is the daughter of Brian & Amy Tidwell. Baby's gender will be a surprise. All invited.

Sat. Oct. 25: St. Michael's Trunk or Treat, 2-4 pm in Gym parking Lot. Mark your calendar to decorate your trunk and give out candy on this date. CYO will help give out candy.

Sun. Oct. 26: "Sundae Sunday" and Bingo, Oct. 26, 3 pm. Come enjoy a sundae, ice cream scoop, or Coke float, and then play Bingo. Cost is \$15. Proceeds will go to CYO for yearly events. Mark your calendar!

Nov. 2, All Souls service at cemetery, 3pm. Soup and Sandwich meal to follow in gym. Let Donna know if you can make a soup or sandwiches for this meal.

Anyone who would still like to be a greeter or work in Nursery, contact Donna. St. Michael's can always use more people.

Submitted by Donna Peters, contact Donna for more info at 256-577-1607.

OPEN YOUR HEART, OPEN YOUR HOME

Did you know there are 513,000 American children in foster care? Nearly 7,000 children are in Alabama's foster care system; and close to 100 foster children are right here in Lauderdale County. These children and youth need stable, loving care until they can either safely reunite with their families or establish other lifelong relationships with a nurturing adult (through adoption, etc.)

No matter how much time you have to give, you have the power to do something positive that will change the life of a young person in foster care. Perhaps you can open your heart and open your home to a child in need. Or more info, please visit www.dhr.alabama.gov. or locally you can contact Lauderdale County Department of Human Resources at 256-765-4000. Foster and Adoptive Parenting Classes will begin in September at 6pm at Lauderdale County DHR. Call Jennifer Berry at 256-765-4030 or Samantha Credille at 256-765-4023 for more info.

ETIQUETTES FOR ATTENDING HOLY MASS

PREPARATION AND ARRIVAL



Arrive Early

Allow time for prayer and reflection before Mass begins.



Dress Modestly

Choose appropriate attire that reflects the sacredness of the occasion.



Fasting

Catholics are typically required to fast from food and drink (except water) for one hour before receiving Holy Communion.



Silence

Maintain silence in church to allow for prayer and reflection.



Turn off Devices

Ensure all electronic devices are silenced or turned off to avoid distractions.

DURING MASS



Sign of the Cross

Bless yourself with holy water upon entering and leaving the church.



Genuflect

Before sitting in your pew, genuflect (knee) briefly towards the Eucharist (if reserved).



Participate

Engage actively by singing, responding, and praying with the community.



Respectful Silence

Refrain from talking, chewing gum, or engaging in any disruptive behavior.



Receive Holy Communion with Reverence

If receiving, approach with a bow, and consume the host immediately.



Do Not Leave Early

Stay until the Mass concludes with the final blessing and recessional.

SPECIFIC POINTS



Holy Water

Bless yourself with holy water upon entering and leaving the church as a reminder of your faith.



Tabernacle

Genuflect towards tabernacle before sitting and after leaving your pew.



Eucharistic Prayer

Maintain silence and reverence.

AFTER MASS



Consider staying

for a few minutes of quiet prayer and thanksgiving after Mass.



Recessional

Remain in your pew until the priest and ministers have processed out.