



*Two Parishes,  
One Family*



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The Very Rev. Stephen Vrazel

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**RECONCILIATION:**

5:00-6:00pm Tues. and Thurs. or by appt.

**MASS TIMES - HOLY DAYS:**

Vigil-5:30pm; 6:00am, 8:15am (school year) and 5:30pm

**ADORATION:**

6:30am-4:00pm Fridays in the Chapel

**PARISH OFFICE:**

Open M-F 8:00AM-3:00PM  
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Douglas McEnergy

**Organists:**  
Richard Jones,  
MaryAnne Cieutat

**Secretary:**  
Lynn Anderson

**RECONCILIATION:**

3:30-3:55 pm Saturday and by appt.

**PARISH OFFICE:**

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**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

Week of 5/6/24-5/12/24: \$3,560.00



Scan this QR code to give to St. Joan of Arc Parish online!

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

**Week of 5/6/24-5/12/24**  
Sunday 5/12/24: \$2,890.22  
Mailed in: \$1,160.00  
Online: \$5,366.48  
**Total: \$9,416.70**

**SECOND COLLECTIONS**

Catholic Communications Campaign - May 19

May 19, 2024 | Pentecost Sunday  
**MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS**

DAY	DATE	WHERE	WHEN	INTENTIONS
Sat.,	May 19	St. Joan	4:00pm	Gavin Kersten (d)
Sun.,	May 20	St. Mary's	6:00am	Kilday Family (I & d)
		St. Joan	8:30am	Mary McGuinness (I & d)
		St. Mary's	9:30am	Parishioners of St. Mary's
		St. Mary's	11:30am	Elsie Ruth Olewnik (d)
Mon.,	May 21	St. Mary's	NO MASS	
Tues.,	May 22	St. Mary's	6:00am	Douglas Cortright (d)
Wed.,	May 23	St. Mary's	6:00am	Deacon John Cretaro (d)
Thurs.,	May 24	St. Mary's	6:00am	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Fri.,	May 25	St. Mary's	6:00am	Mikey Minto (d)



## PLEASE PRAY FOR the Sick

Christy Blackmon, Hoagy

Kearns, Janet Pierre, Kathy Wall, Ann Schillings, Michael Newburn, Milton Days, Betty Spotswood, Frances Arata, Daniel Lawrence, George Finkbohner, Anne Hall, Laura Cummings, Felice Lomangino, Philip Tapia, Preston Griffith, Karen Johnson, Sandra Edwards, Mary Lou Noletto, Sandi Clark, Guillermo Herrera, Marsena Walsh, Douglas Laird, Bill Klein, Idella Lang, Claire Morrow, Richard Harrington, Carolyn Harrington, Jim Fibbe, Mary Davis Rutledge, Doris Reed, Westey and Kathleen Hurst, Susan Thornton, Angle Nagle, Carolyn Simmons, Virgil Graham, Joe Kenny, Sr. Elizabeth Ann Cannon, Wendy Makiwn, Elizabeth Vannees, John Johnson, Louise McPherson, Jackson Johnson, Carol Rathle, Judy Daly, Geri Barnett, Viola Henderson, Eva Haustein, Coach Phillips Murphy, Nancy Anderson, Jennifer Folman, Joe Byrne, Allison Simons Robinson, Jayee Thomas, William Talbott

## PRAYER GROUP

### WOMEN'S ROSARY GROUP

The WOSM Rosary Group meets each month in the Chapel on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday at 8:30am This group is led by Alexis Talbott. The next meeting is **Sat., May 4.**



### THE SEVEN SISTERS APOSTOLATE

is a call to strengthen the Church by ensuring that a Holy Hour is prayed each day

of the week for the sole intention of a specific priest or bishop—a “holy wasting” (cf. Mt. 26:10) or lavishing of prayer for his deeper conformity to Christ. We are seeking seven women from **St. Joan of Arc or St. Mary's parishes** to commit to spending **an hour a week** (one woman for each day of the week) **praying for our Pastor, Fr. Vrazel**, before the Blessed Sacrament, either at Adoration or in front of a Tabernacle in a chapel or church. A prayer book is provided, to help guide you in your hour of prayer. Please contact Millie Dixon at [mdixon@stmarymobile.org](mailto:mdixon@stmarymobile.org) or call Millie at the church office at 251-432-8678 for more information or to volunteer to pray for our pastor.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** at the 9:30AM Sunday Mass welcomes children ages 3-8. **THIS SUNDAY**, May 19<sup>th</sup>, will be our **last** Sunday this year; After our summer break, we will resume again in September!

**CCD CLASSES** meet on Sundays from 10:30-11:20 in the St. Mary's School building. Please contact Steve Dolan at [sdolan@stmarymobile.org](mailto:sdolan@stmarymobile.org) for inquiries.

### HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

meets in the Youth Building at 111 N. Lafayette St. at 12:30 to play games and eat pizza together. At 1:30, the girls and boys separate for their own focus groups, led by Elizabeth Rafferty and Fr. Vrazel.

**RCIA CLASSES** meet on Thursdays from 7PM-8PM in the church for any adults interested in learning more about or joining the Catholic faith. Please contact the parish office at (251) 432-8678 for more information.

### 2024 CONFIRMATION CLASS

Congratulations to our students who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on May 9<sup>th</sup>!

James Charles Andrews, St. James  
Michael James Blanchette, St. John  
Grayson Anthony Brower, St. Anthony  
Cecelia Frances Dean, St. Pequetua  
Sarah Elizabeth Dudley, St. Kateri Tekakwitha  
Addisyn Renee Dussouy, St. Anne  
Leah Grace Feirman, St. John Paul II  
Corrine Rose Fleming, St. Rose of Lima  
Olivia Claire Gaudet, St. Dymphna  
Mary Caroline Giardina, St. Agatha  
Mary Caroline Harrison, St. Dymphna  
Natalie Grace Hewitt, St. Gianna Beretta Molla  
Eva Simone Heyer, St. Faustina  
William Everett Husting, St. Francis of Assisi  
Alexandria Carter Hyland, St. Peregrine  
Emily Eileen Imperato, St. Anthony  
Janea Antoinette Jackson, St. Cecelia  
Alexandria Jonee Jones, St. Catherine  
Mallory Elise Jones, St. Francis of Assisi  
Kate Frances Kilpatrick, St. Maria Goretti  
Miley Claire Lott, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton  
Anne Louise Martorana, St. Philomena  
Anna Louise McAleer, St. Mary Magdalene  
Joseph Cress McCarron, St. Nicholas  
William Christopher McDonough, IV, St. Francis of Assisi  
Megan Elizabeth McDonough, St. Maria Goretti  
Miles Gannon McLendon, St. Maximillian Kolbe  
Finn Joseph Montague, St. Joseph  
Camryn Alise Moore, St. Camilla Battista da Varano

## ST. MARY PARISH ALTAR SERVER TRAINING 2024

**ALTER SERVER TRAINING** will be on **July 29<sup>th</sup>, 9AM-Noon, for returning servers.** **New Servers** (rising 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> and high school) will train from July 30<sup>th</sup> through **August 1st, 9AM-Noon daily.** **Attendance is mandatory!** on Friday August 2nd, there will be a Fun Day for all servers, new and returning!

Camp is led by Fr. Vrazel. Snack is provided each day. There is no registration fee. Please fill out the registration form found by scanning the QR code and return to the parish office by July 15<sup>th</sup>.



Volunteers are needed to help with camp. Adults are needed for supervision and to provide a daily snack for the kids. Please call the parish office if you can help. Must be child protection trained.



### PREGNANCY AND PARENTING SUPPORT

Call us at 251-343-4636 for assistance.

Pregnant? Parenting?

2B Choices for Women in Mobile can help! We are building a culture of encounter and accompaniment as we walk with moms and parents in need.

2B Choices for Women in Mobile provides free pregnancy testing, prenatal/parental education, and baby essentials.

To learn more about our ministry please visit [catholicsocialservices.org/2b-choices-for-women](http://catholicsocialservices.org/2b-choices-for-women) or follow us at [facebook.com/2BChoices](https://facebook.com/2BChoices)

Owen Miguel Norwood, St. Michael  
Mary Margaret O'Donnell, St. Sebastian  
Wadsworth Bryan Pape, St. Anthony of Padua  
Chloe Elizabeth Reece, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Veronica Ofelia Rodriguez, St. Faustina  
Emily Elise Sansbury, St. Catherine of Siena  
Michael Thomas Talbott, St. John of the Cross  
Anna Catherine Thompson, St. Joan of Arc  
Bryson James Tolbert, St. Michael  
Anne Bradley Vereen, St. Anne  
Jacob Hays Waller, St. Michael  
Austin Lee Wilson, St. Dominic  
Wayne Weaver Wilson, IV, St. Lawrence

## UPCOMING EVENTS

<b>May 22</b> 6:00pm	<b>St. Mary's 8th Grade</b> Completion Mass
<b>May 24</b> 11:30am	<b>Last day of School!</b> Dismissal
<b>June 15</b>	<b>Eucharistic Procession</b> from The Cathedral of The Immaculate Conception to St. Mary's Church, Details TBA
<b>June 24- June 28</b>	<b>Vacation Bible School</b> 9AM-Noon, Details TBA
<b>July 29- Aug 2</b>	<b>Altar Server Training</b> See Details to the left
<b>Aug 12</b>	<b>First Day of School!</b>
<b>Oct 24</b> TBA	<b>St. Mary's Trivia Night!</b> Details coming soon This year's theme: "Songs We Know By Heart"

## ST. MARY' VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 24-28, 9 a.m. to 12 Noon  
Details TBA, For students in Pre4 through 5th grade. Adult volunteers needed to make this week possible! Please contact VBS Chair, Elizabeth Blanchette at (251) 508-2796 if your are interested in volunteering!

## PLEDGE A MILE

### ST. MARY'S YOUTH GROUP

St. Mary's Parish is taking two groups of youth to CAMP HIDDEN LAKE in Dahlonga, GA for LifeTeen-sponsored weeks of camp June 3-8th and July 8-13th.

### WE NEED YOUR HELP AND SUPPORT!

Please consider pledging a mile or more to help us get there. Suggested donation \$25/mile. For more information, contact Laurel Wallace at 251-432-8678 or lwallace@stmarymobile.org. Donations can be made payable to St. Mary's Youth Group and sent to the parish office at 106 Providence St., Mobile, AL 36604. All donations are tax deductible. THANK YOU for your generosity!



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## May 19, 2024 | Pentecost Sunday

### GOSPEL MEDITATION (©LPI)

When I was twenty-two years of age in August of 2000, I experienced World Youth Day in Rome. As for many of my generation, the event was life-changing for me. Surrounded by joyful, hope-filled young people from seemingly every nation and tongue, we were gathered around the Pope, sharing a common Faith and love. The Pope spoke to us of our shared family bond in the Church and invited us to give our lives in service to others. Now twenty-four years later, my life as a priest, like that of so many others from those special days, continues on that same path of love and unity – despite my many weaknesses. What makes that continuation possible?

This week's feast gives the answer: the Holy Spirit. The gift of God – His very life – the third person of the Trinity, is the

Spirit who animates the entire Church and each member of it. He makes us one-in-love in a way that utterly exceeds human capacity. For example, he makes the apostles speak with tongues of fire, and everyone hears them in his own native tongue. The Holy Spirit is the means by which Jesus establishes a new family, one that crosses all possible boundaries of time, space, and culture. The Holy Spirit never tires in enthusing us for mission.

Aren't we longing to experience the Holy Spirit in a fresh way? Today we celebrate this untiring flame, once ignited on earth and burning still. So, we humbly cry out: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and enkindle in us the fire of your love!

– *Father John Muir*



### SUNDAY BRUNCH SOCIAL

Everyone is welcome to join us for food and fellowship following most Sunday morning Masses. Thank you to all who prepare this wonderful social. Please contact the office or Helena Smith if you would like to be put on a brunch team.

#### Schedule:

5/19: Gayle Conner, Ann Olsen, Cynthia Parham, Michele Otto  
5/26: Memorial Day Weekend -

#### No Brunch

### THE SEVEN SISTERS APOSTALATE

Please see the article to the far left about a new initiative among both parishes to pray for our pastor, Fr. Vrazel, with the Seven sisters Apostolate, as seen recently in the Catholic Weekly.

### PURGATORIAL SOCIETY

To sign up or add names of deceased loved ones to the book: catholicinmobile@gmail.com.

### MAY BIRTHDAYS

Whishing a joyous birthday to our parishioners born in May:  
May 5 -Abby Hunter  
May 12 -Lorenzo Gaupud  
May 21 -Elizabeth Hughes  
May 22 - Brian Blanchette  
May 29 -Bill Healy

### SPECIAL SECOND COLLECTION

Today we take up the collection for the Catholic Communications Campaign (CCC). Your support helps the CCC connect Catholics with Christ in the United States and around the world using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half the funds we collect will remain here in the Mobile Archdiocese to support local efforts. Be a part of this campaign to spread the Gospel message. Please leave your offering in the vestibule. Thank you for your generosity.

### CIRCLE OF PRAYER

To sign up please email mjbsjacop@gmail.com