



*Two Parishes,
One Family*



PARISH STAFF

Pastor:
The Very Rev.
Stephen Vrazel

Deacon:
Mark Thompson

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Steve Dolan, Jr.

**Bulletin & Website
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Lindsey Binion

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
106 Providence St. | Mobile, AL 36604
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SCHOOL OFFICE:

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Deacon:
Douglas McEnery

Organists:
Richard Jones,
MaryAnne Cieutat

Secretary:
Lynn Anderson

RECONCILIATION:

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

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STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Week of 12/31/23–1/7/24
Offertory: \$ 2,926.00



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Week of 12/31/23–1/7/24

Sunday 1/7/24: \$4,544.51
Mailed in: \$13,605.45
Online: \$13,912.48
Total: \$33,062.44

SECOND COLLECTIONS

St. Vincent DePaul Society – Dec. 31
\$1,014.57

January 14, 2024 | 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

DAY	DATE	WHERE	WHEN	INTENTIONS
Sat.,	Jan 13	St. Joan	4:00pm	Celima & Gabriel Ferniany (d)
Sun.,	Jan 14	St. Mary's	6:00am	
		St. Joan	8:30am	Roy & Shirley Burns (d)
		St. Mary's	9:30am	Parishioners of St. Mary's
		St. Mary's	11:30am	Dr. James Biebley (d)
Mon.,	Jan 15	St. Mary's	NO MASS	
Tues.,	Jan 16	St. Mary's	6:00am	
Wed.,	Jan 17	St. Mary's	6:00am	Kossik Family (l & d)
Thurs.,	Jan 18	St. Mary's	6:00am	Muriel Blanchette (d)
Fri.,	Jan 19	St. Mary's	6:00am	



PLEASE PRAY FOR the Sick

Christy
Blackmon,
Hoagy

Kearns, Janet Pierre, Kathy Wall, Ann Schillings, Karen Clark Andrews, 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, Sr. Mary Agnes Nagle, Doris Reed, Westey and Kathleen Hurst, Susan Thornton, Carolyn Simmons, Virgil Graham, Joe Kenny, Kate Myers, Sr. Elizabeth Ann Cannon, Wendy Maken, Jean Rathle, Sharon Laird, Elizabeth Vannees, John Johnson, Louise McPherson, Jackson Johnson, Carol Rathle, Angela Nagle, Judy Daly, Denise Smith, Geri Barnett, Adele Kearns, Viola Henderson, Eva Haustein, James LeGrone, Coach Phillips Murphy, Nancy Anderson, Fr. Warren Wall

PRAYER GROUP

WOMEN'S ROSARY GROUP

The WOSM Rosary Group meets twice each month in the Chapel, on the 1st Saturday at 8:30am This group is led by Alexis Talbott. The next meeting is **Sat., February 3.**

WAYS TO SERVE

BE A EUCHARISTIC MINISTER OR LECTOR!

We are always in need of new lectors and Eucharistic ministers to serve on the altar, and if they are interested to contact Laurel Wallace in the parish office at lwallace@stmarymobile.org or 251-432-8678.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

CHILDREN'S LITURGY at the 9:30AM Sunday Mass welcomes children ages 3-8. They'll be led to the chapel for the Liturgy of the Word, to return to their pews after bringing up the gifts at the Offertory.

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 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.

ST. MARY CONFIRMATION CLASS meets next on Wednesday, Jan. 3, at 7:00PM in the Sisters of Mercy Building.

RCIA CLASSES meet on Thursdays from 7PM-8PM in the Sisters of Mercy Building 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.

NOW HIRING

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL EARLY CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER is seeking a full-time caregiver for the children ranging in ages from 6 weeks to 2 years. Please contact our principal, Corinne Cuffle, at ccuffle@stmarymobile.org for more information.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR is looking for dedicated employees to support the Little Sisters' mission of loving service to the elderly poor here at Sacred Heart Residence. Below are the available positions:
Business Office Coordinator – Full Time
Receptionist – Every other Weekend
Our Human Resources Director, Kathleen Nolan, can be reached at hmobile@littlesistersofthepoor.org or by calling the Home at 251-476-633.

EVENTS



Please join us for Marriage Night on January 24th from 6PM-8PM in the Sisters of Mercy Building. \$30 suggested donation, and please bring a bottle of wine to share! Contact Laurel Wallace at lwallace@stmarymobile.org or 251.380.8772 to make your reservation.

Mary's Shelter
Gulf Coast
Be My Valentine TV **\$10,000 Draw Down**
Last ticket pulled wins \$10,000!
KISSES *Silent/Live Auction*
Get your tickets today
Only 500 tickets for sale!

Our Lady of the Gulf
308 E. 22nd Avenue, Gulf Shores
Sunday, February 18, 2024
12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.
Special guest appearance and performance by "Elvis!"

\$100 per ticket
Need not to be present to win

Scan the QR code to purchase tickets online or call 251-986-6351




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 or follow us at facebook.com/2BChoices

UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan. 24 6:00pm	Marriage Night SOM Building
Feb. 3 8:30am	WOSM Rosary Group Chapel
Feb. 7 12:00pm	50+ Valentine's Luncheon SOM Building
Feb. 13 6:00am, 8:10am 5:30pm	Ash Wednesday Ashes distributed at: 8:10am Mass (Vespers—not a Mass)
Mar. 18 6:00pm	Marriage Night SOM Building
Mar. 19 5:30pm	St. Joseph's Altar & Pasta Dinner, school gym
Sun. Mar 24 6:00am, 9:30am, 11:30am	Palm Sunday Masses
Thurs. Mar 28 7:00pm	Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper
Fri. Mar 29 3:00pm 3:00pm 7:00pm	Good Friday Passion Liturgy Stations of the Cross Tenebrae
Sat. Mar 30 9:00am 3:00pm 8:00pm	Holy Saturday Tenebrae Confessions Easter Vigil
Sun. Mar 31 6:00am, 9:30am, 11:30am 10:30am	Easter Sunday! Masses Easter Egg Hunt
April 21–27 Apr. 21 April 25 April 27 April 27 April 27	Steak Out Weekend! Spring Swing, 12:00pm Mix & Mingle, 6:30pm Love Like Lillis Walk, 8:00am Kids' PlayDay, 9:00am Steak Out, 6:00pm
May 1 6:00pm	Marriage Night SOM Building

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GOSPEL MEDITATION ^(eLPi)

As a priest, I'm amazed how happily married couples remember the tiniest details of their earliest encounters. They effortlessly report things like: "he wore a blue shirt," "we ordered brussels sprouts," "her hair was up in a bun," and "he spilled shrimp cocktail sauce at my family's open front door when it was ten degrees below zero," (that one's courtesy of my mom). We delight in remembering and speaking of when our new life of love began. The little details are glorious reminders that it's all real.

It's similar for John the Apostle. He tells us of the two disciples who followed Jesus into his house, "...they stayed with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon." Why does that tiny detail matter? Because that's the time of day when they encountered the love of Jesus the Messiah in their lives. Our religion is not primarily about abstract truths about

God, no matter how true or sublime. It is about God meeting and saving us in our human nature. It's about a human relationship.

What was the time of day when you first recall encountering Christ and his Church? Who was there? What did you feel? How did things look and smell? What happened? Take some time to recall it in detail. For me, it was inside an old, rickety church on a hillside in Jerome, Arizona. It was about 9 p. m. on a Saturday evening. I was with my friends Jenny, Brad, and Laura. We were praying, singing, and laughing. When was it for you? Remembering the details isn't empty nostalgia. It reminds us now that God's love for us in our humanity is real.

— *Father John Muir*



SUNDAY BRUNCH SOCIAL

Everyone is welcome to join us for brunch following the Sunday morning Mass. 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:

1/14/24: Melanie Winter, Caroline Hassell, Jenna Strickland, Lauren Dempsey
1/21/24: Betty Gonzales, Paula Stadther, Maureen Shirah, Jane Radka

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to our parishioners celebrating in January. May God smile down on you each day and may faith & hope lift you up always.

Jan 4 – Paula Stadther
Jan 6 – Mary Caroline Dennis
Jan 7 – Bob Overmeyer
Jan 9 – Jim Robertson
Jan 15 – BJ Robertson
Jan 15 – Kathleen Gerard
Jan 18 – Sophia Rucker
Jan 21 – Stan Anderson
Jan 24 – Becky Sims
Jan 25 – Violet Smith
Jan 26 – Michele Otto
Jan 27 – Elizabeth Blanchette