



Saint Richard Catholic Church

MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 P.M.

Sunday:
8:00 A.M., 10:30 A.M., 5:00 P.M.

Monday - Friday: 7:00 A.M.

Saturday: 8:00 A.M.

School Masses:
As Announced in Bulletin

Holy Days:
As Announced in Bulletin

NURSERY

AT ALL SUNDAY MASSES

CRY ROOM

In Church for all Masses

RECONCILIATION

Saturday, 4:00-4:45 P.M.
or By Appointment

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sunday: 9:15 - 10:15 A.M.
Wednesday: 6:00 - 7:00 P.M.
Adults & Ages 3 - Grade 9

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FROM FATHER JOHN

In Isaiah 61 and Luke 4, we hear mentioned 'A Year of Favor From the Lord.' In ancient Israel, the practice of celebrating a Jubilee year was very important. Every 50 years the Israelites would celebrate this Jubilee by letting the land rest, letting slaves go free and returning land to its rightful owner. It was a way in which Israel attempted to keep themselves free of slavery and free of debt. More importantly, it was a way in which they recognized God's sovereignty and benevolence toward them.

In light of this, I think we Americans need a special year for ourselves. Not necessarily a year of favor from the Lord, but a year free of electronic media. Over the course of my life, I have witnessed the ever-coarsening effect that electronic media is having on us. It is my belief that the more time we spend in front of our televisions, our phones and our computers, the narrower and more corrupted our thinking gets, and the less able we are to simply get along with other people, especially those different from us.

The great promise of the internet and portable communication was 'connectedness.' Proponents of electronic media told us over and over again that these devices and the information/resources they conveyed would 'bring us together' and 'keep us in touch' and 'expand our knowledge of the world around us.' And in some ways, they have. For example, just the other night I chatted on Facebook with several old Army friends that I had not heard from in over 30 years. It was great!

However, it is becoming clear to me that electronic media is doing us more harm than good. Increasingly we are living isolated lives, just us and our devices, devoid of the real face-to-face human contact that God designed us for. Increasingly we are living in 'echo-chambers' where that only information we absorb is information we already agree with. This isn't good. It's not good at all.

On Mondays, I'm usually on the water fishing. However, it's not the fishing that makes that one day most enjoyable. What makes that one day special is that I get away from my TV, my computer and my phone. And life becomes livable again. You all should try it!

SUPPER AND SUBSTANCE- FEBRUARY 11, 2017

Call or email now to make your reservation for "Supper & Substance". This is a wonderful evening where we celebrate the sacrament of marriage. We begin with a social at 6 P.M. and follow with the most incredible meal prepared by Mike Prince and his staff. This year, we are fortunate to have John and Carolyn Harris to share their sacrament with us! The cost of the evening is \$40 per couple. Reservations are required. Mark your calendar for Saturday, February 11 in Foley Hall. Babysitting will be provided. Let us know the number of children and their ages that will be using the nursery. Please make checks payable to St. Richard Church and mark "Supper & Substance" in the memo line. Send them to the attention of Debbie Tubertini! For additional information call 601.366.2335 ext. 107 or email tubertini@saintrichard.com. **RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED. Make your reservations now- space is limited.**

TAKE TEN WITH FAMILY OR FRIENDS

Spend 10 minutes reflecting on God's Word

NEXT Sunday's Scripture: Zephaniah 2:3, 3:12-13

1 Corinthians 1:26-31

Matthew 5:1-12a

Saint Paul reminds us that we disciples are summoned to live the Beatitudes that Jesus proclaims in the gospel. Let us reflect what it might mean for us to "boast in the Lord" in our lives.

YOUTH WORLD

FAITH LIFE

Grades 10, 11 and 12

This Sunday, January 22– Faith Life meets from 6 P.M. until 7:30 P.M. **Confirmation meets from 6 P.M. until 8 P.M.** All bring \$3 for pizza and drink.

Wednesday, January 25– Religious Education meets from 6:30 P.M. until 7:30 P.M. Join us at 6 P.M. in Foley for the parish dinner! Bring \$5 for dinner.

Next Sunday, January 29– Faith Life meets from 6 P.M. until 7:30 P.M. Bring \$3 for pizza and drink. **Registration for Alive In You Atlanta Summer Trip (June 6-11) is due January 29. Bring \$80 and Form E.**

ALIVE

Grades 7, 8, and 9

This Sunday, January 22– “Sunday Night Live” meets on Sunday evenings from 6 P.M. until 7:30 P.M. in the Youth Center. **Bring \$3 for pizza and drink.**

Wednesday, January 25– Religious Education meets on Wednesday evenings from 6 P.M. until 7:30 P.M. in the Youth Center. **The Game Room will open at 6 P.M.**

Juice and Jesus meets every Tuesday (7th and 8th grades) and Wednesday (9th grade) from 7:25 A.M. until 7:45 P.M. in the **St. Joe Conference Room**. (We will return to the St. Joe Field House after the St. Joe “Jeans, Jazz, and Bruin Blues” Draw Down.)

SACRAMENTS

- » The First Reconciliation Service is this Tuesday, January 24, 2017 at 6 P.M.
- » First Holy Communion will take place on Sunday, April 30 at 2 P.M.
- » Confirmation has been scheduled for Sunday, May 7 during the 5 P.M. Mass.



ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration is every Wednesday from 9 A.M. until 9 P.M. To make a commitment for an hour each week, or to become a substitute, contact Suzan Cox at 601.366.2335 or email cox@saintrichard.com. Substitutes are needed for all hours.

“Each time we look upon Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, He raises us up into deeper union with Himself, opens up the floodgates of His Merciful love to the whole world, and brings us closer to the day of His final victory...”
(Mother Teresa of Calcutta)

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

Flowers this weekend are in loving memory of Callaghan Byrd Byers from his mommy and daddy, and from Chelsea, Courtney, and Christopher.



WINTER YOGA

Come learn to develop or strengthen a home practice. Gentle, basic poses that focus on proper body alignment and build strength, flexibility and relaxation. These classes are for anyone who wants to learn yoga or people who have taken classes before. Classes are from 9 A.M. until 10:15 A.M. in the Chichester Room on the following Fridays: January 27, February 3, February 17, February 24, March 3, and March 17.

If you have questions, or if you would like to register, contact Claudia Addison at 601.594.3937 or email claudiaaddison@mac.com. Cost for the full session is \$50, or \$8 per class. All proceeds go to the St. Richard Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

CATHOLIC BUILD 2016 DEDICATION

The Catholic Build 2016 dedication will be held Wednesday, January 25 at 12 P.M. (noon). Please make plans to join the Jones family at 2822 Greenview Drive as they receive the keys to their new home!



SAINT RICHARD CATHOLIC SCHOOL CORNER



- St. Richard School Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, January 25 at 8:15 A.M. in memory of Father Richard Somers at the request of Arthur and Mary Louise Jones.*
- » Catholic Schools Week is January 29-February 3. The Catholic Schools Week Kick-off Mass is at 10:30 A.M. Sunday, January 29.
 - » St. Richard School will be hosting an open house every day during Catholic Schools Week, starting Monday, January 30 through Friday, February 3 from 8 A.M. until 3 P.M. Call Chris Lombard at the school office– 601.366.1157.
 - » St. Blaise Blessing of the Throats and Mass with Bishop Kopacz is Friday, February 3 at 8:15 A.M.
 - » **Amazon Smile**– St. Richard School is a participating charity for Amazon Smile (www.smile.amazon.com). If you have an Amazon account, log in and under “Account & Lists” there will be a drop-down menu for “Your Amazon Smile”. Click and search for *St. Richard Catholic School– Jackson, MS*. The Amazon Smile Foundation will donate .5% of the purchase price of from eligible Amazon Smile purchases to St. Richard School. **You must use smile.amazon.com to receive the percentage for St. Richard School.**
 - » *St. Richard Catholic School is currently accepting applications for a half-day Pre-K 4 Program for the 2017-2018 school year. The school is also putting together a waiting list for those interested in a half-day Pre-K 3 Program. Please contact Chris Lombard for more information. Call 601.366.1157, or email clombard@saintrichardschool.org.*

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP – JANUARY 28

All boys and girls ages 9 to 18 are invited to participate in the local/regional competition for the 2017 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship. (The age limit has extended to include teens up to the age of 18.) The competition will be held January 28, 2017 from 10 A.M. until 12 P.M. in the gym. Registration will begin at 9 A.M. **There is no charge for this event.** All contestants on the local level are recognized for their participation in the event. Age group winners will be recognized with a plaque. Depending on how well our winners do, they could qualify for the state contest. Participants are required to furnish proof of age and written parental consent. For entry forms or additional information, contact Rusty Haydel at 601.953.9711. There will be refreshments for the kids.



HOSPICE MINISTRIES VOLUNTEER TRAINING – FEBRUARY 3-5

Hospice Ministries, a community based, not-for profit organization is in need of volunteers to answer the call of helping others during one of life's most trying experiences, terminal illness. They are offering a free volunteer training program on February 3-5. The training class will start on Friday, February 3 from 5:30 P.M. until 8:30 P.M., continues on Saturday, February 4 from 9 A.M. until 5:30 P.M., with a provided lunch, and concludes on Sunday, February 5 from 1 P.M. until 5:30 P.M. Contact *Volunteer Services* to register at 601.898.1053 ext. 258 or go to hospiceministries.org.

2017 CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL – FEBRUARY 4 & 5

A letter from Bishop Joseph Kopacz was sent out asking for your pledge to support the ministries of the Diocese of Jackson. This letter was sent to all parishioners of our diocese. Please give prayerful consideration to your level of support to help fund the essential ministries and services supported by the appeal. To learn more, please visit www.jacksondiocese.org

BOY SCOUT TROOP 30 ANNUAL SUPER BOWL SUNDAY PULLED PORK DINNER – FEBRUARY 5

St. Richard Boy Scout Troop 30 will be selling tickets to their Annual Super Bowl Sunday Pulled Pork Dinner. Tickets will be on sale the weekend of January 28 and January 29 after all Masses. Tickets are \$8 each and the funds raised help support boy scout activities throughout the year. The dinner itself will be Super Bowl Sunday – February 5! Dinners will be available for pick up from 11 A.M. until 1 P.M. outside of Foley Hall. Homemade desserts and dutch-oven cobblers will also be for sale. If you have any questions, send an email to the troop at troop30str@gmail.com. Thank you for your continued support.

PREPARING FOR LENT – FEBRUARY 6-9

Join St. Richard Church for a “mini parish mission” on February 7, 8 and 9. Fr. Stephen Ellis and Fr. Gregory Heslip will be here to provide us a “jump-start” for Lent. Fr. Stephen and Fr. Gregory are priests from the Legion of Christ in New Orleans. It is good to ask ourselves a few questions when we are preparing for Lent: *How am I growing in my prayer life? How can I advance in holiness if I am confessing the same sins? Why do I find it so difficult to forgive if I have been forgiven?*

Join us for guided prayer, formation talk on the spiritual life, time for personal prayer, and Holy Hour with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. There will be opportunities for confession and consultation with these priests. Each day we will offer a morning and an evening session. The morning sessions will be from 9 A.M. until 10 A.M. in Foley Hall, and the evening sessions will be from 6:30 P.M. until 7:30 P.M. in the church. **Mark your calendars now for February 7, 8, and 9.**

SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL “JAZZ, JEANS, AND BRUIN BLUES” – FEBRUARY 18

Jeans, Jazz and Bruin Blues, Saint Joseph Catholic School's 24th Annual Draw Down, is February 18, 2017, from 6:30 P.M. until 9:30 P.M. Sponsorship opportunities are still available and tickets are on sale now. To sponsor, or to purchase tickets, visit the school's website at www.stjoebruins.com or call the school office at 601.898.4800. Tickets are \$130 and admit two adults; second chance insurance may be added for \$20. Each ticket includes a chance to win \$10,000.

ST. RICHARD SCHOOL KREWE DE CARDINAL – FEBRUARY 24

The 4th Annual Krewe de Cardinal Ball fundraiser for St. Richard Catholic School will be held at the Old Capitol Inn in downtown Jackson on February 24, 2017. This event will feature both a silent and live auction along with New Orleans-style cocktails and cuisine and the Southern Komfort Brass Band. The Grand Marshall for 2017 is Mr. Rusty Haydel, St. Richard Church parishioner. We offer a host couple sponsorship starting at \$250. This includes an event ticket for two, event t-shirt, and special recognition. Our host couples will also receive an invitation to join us for our pre-event VIP reception. If you wish to contribute in a more substantial way, we are pleased to present our Event Sponsorships starting at \$500 and up, which are tax deductible. These levels entitle sponsors to the above host couple amenities and reserved seating. Your generous gift will help us raise the necessary resources to fund the St. Richard Outdoor Classroom, our Educational Endowment, and facility improvements. To become a sponsor, or for more information, contact Chris Lombard, 601.366.1157 or clombard@strichardschool.org.

THIS WEEK AT ST. RICHARD

SUN	<p>Third Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>January 22</i> Special Collection for Mississippi Catholic 9:15 A.M. Timely Topics– Roe v. Wade 44th Anniversary– Barbara Beaves, Center for Pregnancy Choices 9:15 A.M. Coffee & Creed– Divine Mercy 9:15 A.M. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd 6:30 P.M. Confirmation class– Chichester Room</p>
MON	<p><i>January 23</i> 8:00 A.M. Rosary at the Jackson Women’s Health Organization (2903 N. State Street) <i>All Welcome</i> 6:00 P.M. Centering Prayer– Library 6:30 P.M. St. Vincent de Paul Meeting</p>
TUE	<p><i>January 24</i> 6:00 P.M. First Reconciliation Service– in the church 7:00 P.M. Young Adults– Mercy Room</p>
WED	<p><i>January 25</i> 8:15 A.M. St. Richard School Mass 9:00 A.M. Adoration until 9 P.M. 5:00 P.M. Parish Dinner 6:00 P.M. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd 6:30 P.M. R.C.I.A.– Chichester Room</p>
THU	<p><i>January 26</i> 6:30 A.M. Men of St. Joseph– Foley Hall 12:00 P.M. Centering Prayer– Chatham Room 6:30 P.M. Knights of Columbus Open House– Foley Hall</p>
FRI	<p><i>January 27</i> 9:00 A.M. Winter Yoga– Chichester Room (third session) 12:15 P.M. Rosary with Father John– in the church</p>



The Rosary is prayed in the church every day after the daily Mass



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 The Crisis Line Listens 601-713-4357

Please pray for the ladies participating in the St. Richard Ladies Retreat St. Mary of the Pines • Chatawa, MS January 20-22

Knights of Columbus Open House
Thursday, January 26 at 6:30 P.M. in Foley Hall
All men of St. Richard Parish are invited to attend. For more information, call Gary Owchar (601.842.1930) or Grand Knight Robert Munroe (601.487.6995).

Mass of Anointing (Time change)
 Mass of Anointing on Tuesday, February 7 will be at 10 A.M. with lunch at 11 A.M. You are invited to attend the mini parish mission Morning Session in Foley Hall from 9 A.M. until 10 A.M.

Our prayers are with all of those called to defend our country, especially those who are members of our St. Richard family.

Congratulations to Sarah Haggerty on the birth of her grand-son **Maximillian John Spears.** (Son of Kelly and Michael Spears.)

PASTORAL CARE

PLEASE PRAY FOR HEALING

At Home: Laquita Koenig (N), Joe Lemoine (B), Avery Nejam (J), Edna Dollar (O), Carrie Maniscalco (D), Benny Dykes (H), Al Nuzzo (C), Betty Sauer (R), Ken Kestenbaum, Mike Harrison (R), Mike Jabaley (M)
Friends and Family: Cheryl Hodges- daughter of Agnes Morgan (O) J. D. Robertson– father of Daphne Logan (O), Thelma Williams– friend of Caroline Gaudet (L), Barbara Beasley– mother of Patricia Walden (D), Beth Justus Warga– sister of Caroline Gaudet (L), Martha Joseph (G), and Denise Wissel (D), Townes Querin– grandson of Linda Querin (M), Marianne Blair – mother of Michael Pawlik (M), Tommy LeTard– brother-in-law of Mary Conn (R), Lundyn Smith– friend of Mary Lea Hagan, Kirk Ladner– brother of Mark Ladner (C), son of Jane Ladner (E), Anita Bittner– sister of Judy Frascogna (H)

Batson Children’s Hospital: Millicent Painter (student in the parish Special Kids class)

St. Dominic: Maria Harvey (F)
Baptist: Neil Rhodes (R)

Please Pray for our Nursing Home Parishioners & Friends

The Orchard: Kay McDonald, Mildred Wilkinson, Billie Tonos
Manhattan Nursing and Rehabilitation Center: Janis Franklin, Bill Minor

The Blake: Posey Albriton

Highland Home: Peter Daschbach, Betty McAndrew, Adelle Rice

St. Catherine’s Village: Norma Blossman, Avenelle Allison, Carol Ann Koby, Ann Fournet, Jeanne Michel, Fr. Brian Carroll, Fr. Gallagher

Chateau Ridgeland: Carol Weimar

The Waterford: Jim Willis

Lakeland Nursing & Rehabilitation: Marguerite Andrews

Chadwick Nursing & Rehabilitation: Joyce Williams

PASTORAL CARE

Please notify the church office of births, deaths and hospital stays. Call 601.366.2335.

Saint Richard Parish Finance Update

2017 Weekly Budget \$37,500.00
Contributions for 1/15/17 \$33,202.70

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday:	People of the Parish
Monday:	7:00 A.M. For families of those with addictions
Tuesday:	7:00 A.M. Vic & Peggy Duvic
Wednesday:	7:00 A.M. Ron Borne req. by the Gray-Lewis family School Mass 8:15 A.M. Fr. Richard Somers req. by Arthur & Mary Louise Jones
Thursday:	7:00 A.M. Bobby McWilliams req. by Helen Opiela
Friday:	7:00 A.M. Ethel & Mac Jones req. by Mr. & Mrs. Ed Jones
Saturday:	8:00 A.M. Mr. & Mrs. William S. Thomas req. by their family