



St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

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Holy Days: please call for Mass times

St. Francis Mass: Sundays at 11:00 a.m.
Confessions: By appointment
Weekday Mass: Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m.

All times subject to change

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – January 17, 2010



Scripture Meditation: In the Old Testament wine is seen as both a gift and blessing of God (Deuteronomy 7:13; Proverbs 3:10, Psalm 105:). That Jesus would miraculously produce 120 gallons of the best wine (many times more than needed) shows the superabundance of the blessings which he came to offer. This miracle signifies the "new rich wine" of the Gospel and it points to the "wine of the new covenant" and the "bread of life" which Jesus provides for his disciples in the Lord's Supper or Eucharist. It also points to the Messianic banquet which Jesus will provide at the end of the age when he comes again in glory. The miracles of Jesus demonstrate the power of God's love and mercy for his people. God's kindness knows no limits. And the ultimate expression of his love is revealed in the person of his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. He became flesh for our sake, and he died for our redemption, and he rose for our glorification. Do you thirst for God and for the life of holiness he offers?

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Day of Prayer and Penance: In all the dioceses of the United States of America, January 22 (or January 23, when January 22 falls on a Sunday) shall be observed as a particular day of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of

COLLECTION

Baptism of the Lord
Saturday, January 9, 2010

Envelopes	\$422.00
Loose	64.00
Total	\$486.00
Candles	1.00

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, January 24, 2010

Lector 1	Carolyn Lenske
Lector 2	Jim Goo
Euch. Min.	Cindy Horn
Intercessory Prayers	Ashley Green
Gift Bearers	Magana family

abortion, and of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life.
General Instruction of the Roman Missal, no. 373

A request has been made for a free or low-cost sofa from a family that has just recently moved to this area. If you can help, please let Sr. Colette know.

50/50: The winning ticket for December's 50/50 is **286516**. If you have this ticket, please let Sr. Colette or the office know.

Special Haiti Collection: Bishop Latino has authorized a special collection to be taken up today for the people of Haiti. The recent earthquake has inflicted death, destruction and increased suffering on this impoverished neighbor to our south. The need for food, medicine, shelter and improved sanitation is critical for thousands. Thank you for whatever amount you can give to alleviate the suffering of the people of Haiti.

REMINDER:

The following schedule has begun this weekend and should help me better provide for Eucharist in our three counties. If it does not work well, we can go back to the drawing board. Also, if one time does not work, then another may, regardless of language. –Fr. Rich

NEW MASS SCHEDULE:

- † St. Mary, luka, Saturdays, 5:00 p.m.
- † St. James, Corinth, Saturdays, 6:45 p.m. [Español]
- † St. James, Corinth, Sundays, 9:00 a.m. English
- † **St. Francis, Booneville, Sundays, 11:00 a.m.**
- † Belmont, Sundays, 12:45 p.m. [Español]

YOU ARE INVITED to an evening of reflection. Pray, learn and explore further:

- What are the ways Christ makes Himself present to us at Mass:
- How does the Eucharist help us to understand the pain and joy of everyday life:
- How does celebrating the Eucharist strengthen our Catholic identity?

Please join us on Sat. Jan. 30th at St. James, Tupelo from 2:00 – 4:00PM.

Finance Committee meeting is rescheduled for Tuesday, January 19th, 6:00 p.m. at the church.

Parish Council meeting is rescheduled for Thursday, January 21st, 6:30 p.m., at the church.



Spaghetti Dinner tickets go on sale starting today. Everyone is asked to help sell tickets to this event. This has to be a **parish-wide** effort to succeed. Tickets are \$8.00 each. Unsold tickets and/or the money for sold tickets are to be turned in on Sunday, January 31st to Sr. Colette. Besides being a fundraiser, this dinner is an effort to evangelize (spread the "Good News"), so invite your non-Catholic friends! Many thanks to everyone for your dedication and support of St. Francis of Assisi parish!

Observe an Eco-Sabbath: For one day or afternoon or even one hour a week, don't buy anything, don't use any machines, don't switch on anything electric, don't cook, don't answer your phone, and, in general, don't use any resources. In other words, for this regular period, give yourself and the planet a break. Every hour per week that you live no impact cuts your carbon emissions by 0.6 percent annually. Commit to four hours per week, that's 2.4 percent; do it for a whole day each week to cut your impact by 14.4 percent a year.

Taken from Yes! magazine, winter 2010, "10 WAYS TO CHANGE YOUR LIFE (not just your light bulbs)" by Colin Beavan