



# St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

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**Pastor:** Reverend Richard Smith  
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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*

## 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 25, 2010

*"Lord, teach us to pray just as John taught his disciples."  
Luke 11:1-13*



Do you pray with joy and confidence? The Jews were noted for their devotion to prayer. Formal prayer was prescribed for three set times a day. And the rabbis had a prayer for every occasion. It was also a custom for rabbis to teach their disciples a simple prayer they might use on a regular basis. Jesus' disciples ask him for such a prayer. When Jesus taught his disciples to pray he gave them the disciple's prayer, what we call the *Our Father* or *Lord's Prayer*. What does Jesus' prayer tell us about God and about ourselves? First, it tells us that God is both Father in being the Creator and Author of all that he has made, the first origin of everything and transcendent authority, and he is eternally Father by his relationship to his only Son who, reciprocally is Son only in relation to his Father (Matthew 11:27). All fatherhood and motherhood is derived from him (Ephesians 3:14-15). In Christ we are reborn and become the adopted children of God (John 1:12-13; 3:3). *Used with permission, Copyright © 2010, Don Schwager, for full text go to <http://www.dailyscripture.net/>*

**Many thanks** go out to Jude McGrath for the new, simpler thermostat in the Parish hall and for the work he's doing to move the Tabernacle so we can all see it!

**Martha Louise Jackson**, Janice Jackson's mother-in-law, passed away on July 16, 2010. Please keep Janice and her family in your prayers.

**Please take a few moments** and read this week's bulletin insert "*When They Know One Parent Will Say Yes*" by Linda Madison, Ph.D.

**Recycling:** Thank you to everyone that brought in cans for recycling. The church received **\$13.20** from the cans! Anyone still wanting to donate aluminum cans can do so by leaving them outside the kitchen door. We are also still collecting inkjet cartridges and old cell phones or cell phone batteries which can be placed in the recycling box next to the food pantry box.

**Eucharistic Ministers** will have a meeting after Mass on Sunday, August 1. If you are currently a Eucharistic Minister or are interested in becoming one, please join us. Please mark your calendars!

**On Sunday, August 8<sup>th</sup>**, Father Rich will give a blessing to all returning students and teachers. If you are a student or a teacher (including homeschoolers), we invite you to come forward for the blessing.

**Consulate Information:** The **Mexican Consulate** will be at St. James in Tupelo on Saturday August 14th. Appointments need to be made two weeks in advance (**by July 31<sup>st</sup>**) through Mexitel at 1-877-639-4835 (toll-free). The **Guatemalan Consulate** will be at St. James in Tupelo on Saturday & Sunday, October 16-17 and see people on a first-come, first-served basis.

**Choose Life:** "In 1857, the U.S. Supreme Court looked at the slave, Dred Scott, and came up with the wrong decision, declaring the slave as "property" and not a "citizen"... The slave's life was still protected. In 1973, the U.S. Supreme Court got it wrong again and handed down decisions on abortion which declared "open season" on unborn children throughout the full nine months of pregnancy... Most people have not noticed that the population descended from U.S. African slaves, comprising around 12% of the population, make up about 35% of the abortion population. [Since 1973, more than 14 million unborn black children have died from abortion.] *Dr. Mildred Jefferson, M.D.*

**Religious Education Registration:** This is the **last week** to register your child for Religious Education for the 2010-2011 academic year. Forms (*in both English & Spanish*) are located on the table in the narthex. **Deadline for registration is July 31, 2010.** Classes will begin after Mass on Catechetical Sunday, September 19, 2010.

**In July we pray for...** Richard H. McIntosh, Blakely family, CJ & Mark McCoy, Olga Green, Dunn Family, Ed Porter, Helen Breuckner, Helen's granddaughter Amanda, Brenda Hastings, Nate Causey family, Juan Marquez, Louise Jackson+, Familia León, Familia Alvarez, Mary Ayala, and Margie Escobar.

**Birthday wishes** go out this week to Marla Kastens on the 27<sup>th</sup> and Lindon Ratliff, Jr., also on the 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Lawn Mowing:** There is a signup sheet on the table in the narthex for anyone that would like to mow the church lawn. That would save the church approximately \$70 every two weeks!

**Parish Ecology Action:** "...An education in ecological responsibility is urgent: responsibility for oneself, for others, and for the earth. This education cannot be rooted in mere sentiment or empty wishes. Its purpose cannot be ideological or political. It must not be based on a rejection of the modern world or a vague desire to return to some "paradise lost". Instead, a true education in responsibility entails a genuine conversion in ways of thought and behaviour. Churches and religious bodies, non-governmental and governmental organizations, indeed all members of society, have a precise role to play in such education. The first educator, however, is the family, where the child learns to respect his neighbour and to love nature." *Pope John Paul II, 1990 World Day of Peace Message*

### COLLECTION

16 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time		
Sunday, July 18, 2010	Actual	Needed
Envelopes	690.00	\$1279.00
Loose	16.00	29.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$706.00</b>	<b>\$1308.00</b>
Candles	13.00	10.00
Building Fund	0.00	39.00
MS Catholic	0.00	13.46

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE

18 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Sunday, August 1, 2010	
Lector 1	Mary Frelichowski
Lector 2	Trish Blakely
Euch. Ministers	Marla & Cindy
Intercessory Prayers	Mary Williams
Gift Bearers	Magaña family