



# Religious Education Newsletter Holy Savior Catholic Church

November 2022



Give thanks to the  
**LORD** for He is  
good, His mercy  
endures forever

November is a time to stop and give thanks for the many blessings in our life God has given us, seen and unseen. As we gather with our families let us remember the abundance of love God has given us and be grateful for our many blessings. Let us also remember to show love, kindness, and mercy to those in need.

Did you know the word Eucharist originates from the Greek word *eucharistia*, meaning thanksgiving. Through the Eucharist we offer praise and thanksgiving to God for His creation. The Eucharist is the source and summit of our Catholic life. At Mass we say "It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks..."

and as St. Paul said in his letter to the Thessalonians, "In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus."

May Thanksgiving remind us to always be thankful, grateful, and blessed.

## Upcoming Events

### NOVEMBER

- 1<sup>st</sup> All Saints Day (Holy Day of Obligation)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> All Souls Day Mass 8:30 a.m.  
Adoration, Benediction, Confession 6-7:00p.m.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Sacred Heart of Jesus Mass 8:30 a.m.  
1st Friday Breakfast McGing Hall
- 5<sup>th</sup> Confirmation Retreat
- 6<sup>th</sup> CCD and Adult Education
- 11<sup>th</sup> Anointing Mass 8:30 a.m.
- 13<sup>th</sup> CCD and Adult Education  
Youth Mass  
Newcomers Lunch
- 20<sup>th</sup> No CCD or Adult Education
- 24<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving Day Mass 9:00 a.m.
- 27<sup>th</sup> No CCD or Adult Education  
1st Sunday of Advent
- 29<sup>th</sup> #iGiveCatholic on Giving Tuesday



### All Saints Day

#### *Holy Day of Obligation*

November 1, 8:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

**ALL SAINTS DAY** remembers all martyrs and saints whose lives and strong faith gave them a special relationship with God and it also remembers all who have died and gone to heaven.

**ALL SOULS DAY** we pray for all holy souls in purgatory to help them complete their preparation for heaven.

# CCD November Newsletter

## Adult Education

Adult Education is every Sunday during CCD in McGing Hall at the same time as CCD: 9:00-10:10 a.m. Advent will be the topic in November and December.

Advent

## MS Catholic

Printing of the Mississippi Catholic Newspaper has changed to once per month Feb.-Nov. with two editions Dec. and Jan. A digital second edition is produced Feb.- May and Sept.- Nov. Visit this link for [Digital Edition](#). Text MSCATHOLIC to 84576 to receive a copy to your email.



## #iGiveCatholic

Save the Date! #iGive Catholic will be November 29th, Giving Tuesday with advanced giving November 14-28th. Holy Savior will participate in giving Tuesday this year. More info to come.



## Thea Bowman

A new documentary from NewGroup Media and the Diocese of Jackson = "*Going Home Like a Shooting Star: Thea Bowman's Journey to Sainthood*," presents the riveting life of Sister Thea Bowman, an African American Catholic Franciscan Sister who used her powerful gifts to educate and challenge the church and society to grow in racial inclusivity.

The film features interviews and commentary from her family, Sisters in community, colleagues, friends, and former students. Input from African-American scholars, clerics and bishops will speak to the ongoing issue of systemic racism in the church and country. Extensive use is made of archival media that portrays Thea in action-photographs, film, video and audio recordings recorded in locations of significance to her life.

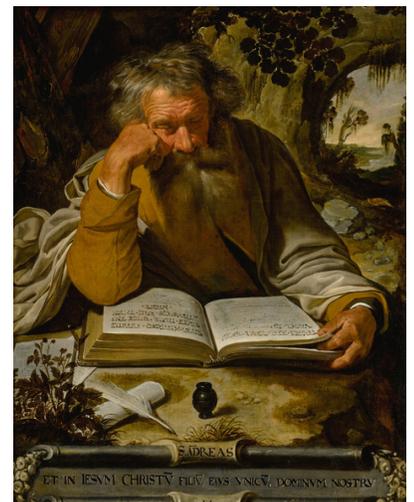
The film can be found on the diocese's YouTube page at this link: [Thea Bowman](#)



## St. Andrew

St. Andrew the Apostle's feast day is Nov. 30th, and is known as the first to be called as a disciple. In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus was walking along the shore of the Sea of Galilee and saw Andrew and Simon Peter fishing. Jesus asked the two to become disciples and "fishers of men." The Gospel of John states that Andrew was a disciple of

John the Baptist, and when Jesus walked by one day, John the Baptist said, "Behold, the Lamb of God!" It is then that Andrew made the decision to follow Jesus. In both stories, Saint Andrew answered the call to follow Jesus.





## Food Drive

In Matthew 25:40, Jesus calls out the works of mercy, saying whenever we care for people who are in most need, we care for Him. Jesus specifically names feeding the hungry as one of these corporal works of mercy.

We will collect non perishable food items for the 4Cs for our November service project. Please considering donating to help those in need in our community. Collection will be each Sunday in November, ending on Nov. 13. You may bring items to CCD.

## Confirmation Retreat

Confirmation retreat for 9th and 10th graders will be Saturday, November 5th in the RE building and McGing Hall, 10:00 - 6:00. Lunch will be served and we will attend the Saturday vigil Mass at 5:00 as a group. Pickup will be after Mass. This retreat is mandatory.



## PreK - 6th Grade

PreK through 6th grade will meet in McGing Hall for a group Thanksgiving activity November 6. Donuts and juice will be served. Please drop off and pickup at the parish hall for our normal class time: 9:00-10:10.

## 7th - 12th Grade Potluck

We will celebrate a Thanksgiving potluck dinner with our 7th-12th grade youth and parents during part of our CCD time in McGing Hall November 13th. Please bring a food dish to share. More info to come.



## Welcome to the Parish

Before Covid, we would welcome our new parishioners with a "welcome to the parish lunch" where you could meet the church staff (and we could meet you) and hear about the various organizations and volunteer opportunities Holy Savior offers. Now that our parish hall was completed this summer, we will have our first newcomers lunch since Covid. If you are new to the parish since 2020, please join us for a luncheon to formally welcome you to the parish. Sign-up sheets will be in the church.



## HOPE



## 1st Sunday of Advent

The last Sunday in November brings us the 1st Sunday of Advent: **Hope**. We are reminded Jesus is coming. Romans 15:12-13 tells us:

And again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, raised up to rule the Gentiles; in him shall the Gentiles hope." May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the holy Spirit.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Thanksgiving

**Thanksgiving Break**  
We will not meet November 20 or November 27 due to Thanksgiving Holidays.



**Angel Tree**  
Confirmation class will do the 4Cs Angel Tree which benefits children in our community.



**Save the Date**  
Breakfast with Santa will be December 10 in McGing Hall.



## Blessing of the Pets

We celebrated the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi with a blessing of pets.

## 7th & 8th Grade Retreat

The middle school went to Lake Forest Ranch in Macon for a retreat hosted by NET Ministries. Prayer, fellowship, and community building were some of their activities.



## Purple Dress Run

Students had a great time participating in the 5K run. We had both runners and walkers while supporting Catholic Charities Battered Family Shelter.

## Liturgy of the Hours

Fr. Nick Adams of our diocese and Sister Karolyn Nunes of the Franciscan Sisters of the Martyr St. George spoke to 7th-12th grades about the Liturgy of the Hours.





## Fr. Lincoln

Fr. Lincoln was officially installed as our pastor by Bishop Kopacz while Hunter had the honor of altar serving for the Bishop.

## PreK 3 & 4

PreK took a field trip to the church to learn about holy water and its importance while practicing.



## UPCOMING

### FALL BACK

One Hour  
Nov. 6



SEARCH is a unique retreat experience designed for youth in grades 11th & 12th who have a strong desire to deepen their faith and relationship with Christ. A retreat “for teens, led by teens.” Dec. 13 is the deadline to sign up at this link: [Search Registration](#) Cost is \$125.

**Search**  
A RETREAT  
FOR TEENS; BY TEENS

**SAVE THE DATE**  
January 13-15, 2023  
Camp Wesley Pines  
Gallman, MS

**EXPLORE THE CALL**  
FOR I KNOW WELL THE PLANS I  
HAVE FOR YOU....

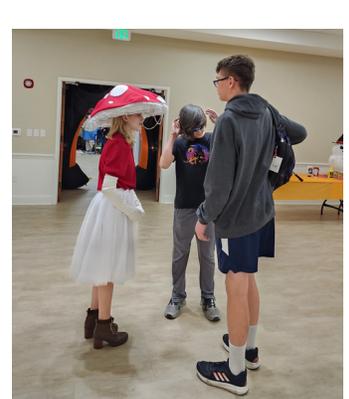
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# Trunk or Treat and Halloween Carnival

2022

Fun was had by all at the Halloween Carnival. Special thanks to our cooks and those who helped set up and clean up, and extra thanks to the parents and children who came out and help make this a great event.



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