

Rosary Chapel Catholic Church

Mar 23, 2025

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The Third Sunday
of Lent

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Prayer Fasting Works of Love
40 Days



Our parish seeks to build and maintain our family through the sharing of the Good News to all people, in order to leave our world more beautiful and faith filled than when we inherited it.



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Office Hours
Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday,
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.



Liturgy
Schedule

Mass

Sunday: 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday: 4:00 p.m.

Reconciliation

Tuesday: 3:00 p.m.
or by Appointment

Eucharistic Adoration:

1st Tuesday of the month
3-4 p.m.



Pastor
Fr. Jude Okeoma
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Staff

Bookkeeper:
 Carol Baker

Pianist/Music:
 Deidra Chandler

Parish Center Coordinator:
 Charles Davis

Baptism, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick:
 Contact:
 Fr. Jude Okeoma

First Reconciliation and First Communion or OCIA:
 Call the Parish Office

Finance Committee

President:
 Kelley Piercefield

Members
 Alisha Bobo
 Lonnie Crowdus
 David Roberts
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Liturgy

Mary Ann Bell

Outreach Ministry
 Rose Lowery

Parish Council

President & Maintenance:
 Charles Davis

VP/Secretary & Mt. Carmel Cemetery:
 David Gavin

Education/Faith Formation:
 Celeste Harned

Social Concerns:
 Felix Akojie

Worship & Spiritual Life:
 Melissa Reed

Family Life:
 Sheila Matchem

Hospitality & Outreach:
 Patricia Fouse

MASS INTENTIONS

Mar 23
 Vincente Pastor

Mar 30
 Linda Stiles

Apr 6
 Angie Grief †

Apr 13
 Robert Naas

Apr 20
 Angie Grief †

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR MAR 2025

Date	Lectors	Altar Server	Gift Bearer	Ushers	Eucharistic Minsters
Mar 2	Patricia Fouse English & Spanish	Tristan Moss-Menser Faith Moss-Menser	Matchem Family	Don Poat and Charles Davis	Kathy Roberts, Felix Akojie, Howard Grief
Mar 9	David Gavin	Alexander Gavin Oliver Otu	Moss-Menser Family	Don Poat and Charles Davis	Kelly Piercefield, Rachel Gavin, Charles Davis
Mar 16	Patricia Fouse English & Spanish	Levi Harned Faith Moss-Menser	Harned Family	Don Poat and Charles Davis	Howard Grief, Felix Akojie, Kathy Roberts
Mar 23	Rachel Gavin	Kingsley Otu Alexander Gavin	Pastor Family	Don Poat and Charles Davis	Kelly Piercefield, Rachel Gavin, Charles Davis
Mar 30	Patricia Fouse English & Spanish	Oliver Otu Tristan Moss-Menser	Reed Family	Don Poat and Charles Davis	Kathy Roberts, Howard Grief, Felix Akojie

Mary Queen of the Rosary, Pray for us.

Report from Sunday

Mar 16, 2025

Sunday Mass Attendance: 75

Sunday Collection: \$4793.00

Special Collections

Diocese of Mandeville, Jamaica: \$10.00

St Vincent de Paul: \$199.00

Monthly ACH:



Sanctuary Light for JT Piercefield

Each Sanctuary Light burns for 14 days. For a \$10 donation, a Sanctuary Light may be sponsored in memory of or in honor of a loved one.

Reminder

Hospital visits

Fr. Jude would like to remind everyone that if you or a loved one is hospitalized, please call the office at 270-444-6383 to inform us, as we cannot obtain information from the hospital directly.

Homebound, Nursing Care Center, Hospitalized

- Chen Matchen-HB**
- Clora Hixon-HB**
- Gary Hudson-Parkview Rm 410**
- Ruby Gibson-HB**
- Barbara Naas—HB**

From Brescia to the Heart of Italy with Fr Larry Hostetter Sept 19-30, 2025

Brescia University invites you to join "From Brescia To The Heart of Italy With Fr. Larry Hostetter," a Catholic pilgrimage through Italy from September 19 to 30, 2025. This spiritual journey begins in Rome, where pilgrims will visit significant basilicas such as Santa Cecilia and Santa Maria in Aracoeli and explore the Vatican Museum. The tour continues to Assisi, birthplace of St. Francis, and Gubbio, where St. Francis tamed the wolf. Travelers will then venture north to Verona, followed by Desenzano, the birthplace of St. Angela Merici, and the picturesque town of Sirmione. The pilgrimage culminates in Brescia, the namesake of Brescia University, offering participants a unique opportunity to experience Brescia's Italian roots. This faith-filled journey promises to be a deeply meaningful exploration that combines Catholic heritage and Italian culture. Visit <https://tri.ps/MxKqp> for full details and to register. Questions? Email:info@faithintravel.com or alumni@brescia.edu.

St. Mary School System has current and future job opportunities available.

To learn more or to apply:

www.smss.org/about/employment-opportunities/



Join our Team!

Immediate Openings:

Custodian

Elementary Aide

2025-26 School Year:

Middle/High School Principal

Elementary Teacher

Elementary Cafeteria Manager



Please Remember in your Prayers

- Mike Mayes
- Rose Lowery
- Mary Piercefield
- Jaxon Jones
- Aaron Burns
- Clora Hixon
- Chen Matchem
- Rose Wurth
- Linda Stiles
- Russell Davis
- Matt Evans
- Michael Nicholas
- Ruby Gibson
- Thomas Rawlins
- Darlene Shelton
- Joseph Maxwell
- Gary Hudson
- Nancy Bass
- Andrea Emilia Bernabey
- Michael Menser
- Thomas (Homeless)
- Mark & Janice Higdon
- James Rister
- Erin Brumley
- Ashley Hayden
- Kenny Reising
- Lynne Clark
- Blake Champion
- Robert & Barbara Naas
- Mike Burns
- Jack Pullen
- Godwin Okeoma
- Russell Tomlinson

MEN'S MINISTRY

Meetings will be held on the Third Saturday of each month.

Please join us!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Weekly Schedule: Tuesday, Mar 25, Reconciliation at 3:00 p.m., Stations of the Cross at 3:30 p.m., and Mass 4:00 p.m.

Your tax-deductible donations and gifts to Mt. Carmel Cemetery are used for general operations, ground maintenance and special projects like the Garden of Angels. For more information visit mtcarmelcemeterypaducah.org. You may purchase as many plots as you need at Mt. Carmel Cemetery. All of God's children are welcome. Contact John Bufford for assistance at 270-331-1006

The Special Collection for Sunday, March 23 will be: Care of the Sick and Infirm Priests.

The Special Collection for Sunday, March 30 will be: Catholic Relief Services. Next week our parish will take up the Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and reveal Christ's love to those most in need. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church is having their annual Quilt Show and Luncheon Thursday, April 24th and Friday, April 25th from 10:30 am – 1:30 pm. Come enjoy a delicious meal, browse our Quilt display, and take a chance to win a beautiful hand-made quilt!

Lent is a call not just to “give up something” but more important to “give something for the poor.” Wherever you live in the parish, there are poor families within walking distance of your home. When in need, they ring the rectory bell. They are, in effect, ringing your doorbell. Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (270-575-1008) so that together we can help the suffering and poor. Mailing Address: PO Box 8433, Paducah, KY 42002

GOD'S SECOND CHANCE

Two Friday's ago, I had a long night. I guess, most people living in my area did the same. I went to bed with my TV on, and the weather channel showing. That was because the weather forecast that night was not favorable. The alert started coming on my phone after midnight, followed by the blaring city alarm. Weather authorities extended the warnings every hour until around 4 am. The house I live in has no basement, so I was scared to death. My parishioners from the distant, St Mary's Church told me how the church basement sheltered between 65 -75 people that early morning. Thankfully, we saw and felt the heavy wind, but it had zero or very little impact in our area. Yet, by dawn, news started making the rounds regarding places where the natural disaster touched down, and the devastations it caused.

Human and natural disasters are part of our unwanted everyday stories in life. We can name the hurricanes, the tornadoes, the earthquakes, wars, shootings etc. as examples of tragedies that befall the world from time to time. We generally do not want them, but they do happen. The fact that these tragedies are, sometimes brought upon us by human beings in their right senses makes it worse.

In this weekend's gospel, Jesus uses the example of two ancient incidents, “*the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with the blood of their sacrifices, and those eighteen people who were killed when the tower at Siloam fell on them*” to drive home the message that disasters often don't respect the wishes of their victims. They come, and they lead to untimely loss of lives. However, repentance and forgiveness would save one from being eternally separated from God which is the ultimate tragedy. Tragedies kill good and bad people alike, but the greatest tragedy is to be denied the eternal presence of God hereafter.

Repentance is a fruit of God's enduring patience. The parable of the Prodigal Son (Merciful Father) presents the image of God as a forgiving father who is patiently awaiting the return of every repentant sinner. Day after day, he presents us with chance after chance to make this return. Like trees that do not bear fruit, he gives us countless opportunities to dig around and manure ourselves, in order to bear fruit. The sacrament of reconciliation is one sure way to do this and take advantage of God's second chance during this Lenten season. Blessings.

Fr Jude Okeoma.



Lenten Penance Services:

Sunday, Mar 30,	St Thomas More @ 4.30 pm.
Tuesday, Apr 1,	St Francis de Sales @ 6.00 pm.
Tuesday, Apr 8,	Rosary Chapel @ 4.30 pm
	St John the Evangelist @ 6 pm.
Wednesday, Apr 9,	La Center @ 5.30 pm.