

St. Joseph's News

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- May 5 – **First Holy Communion** – 10 a.m. Mass
Reception to follow in the parish hall
Our Daily Bread – K of C – serving at 2 p.m.
- May 6 – **Ladies Auxiliary** dinner out / meeting – 6 p.m.
- May 8 – **Confirmation** – 7 p.m. – at St. Ann
Reception to follow Mass
- May 12 – **May Crowning** – 10 a.m. Mass
Mother's Day
- May 14 – **Knights of Columbus** meeting – 7 p.m.
- May 19 – **Graduation Mass** – 10 a.m.
Luncheon for graduates and their families in the parish hall following Mass
Morning Star collection of food/books
- May 20 – **Bingo** at 2 p.m. Singing River Rehab
- May 26 – **Morning Star Charities** collection of food/books
- May 28 – **Adoration** 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Knights of Columbus meeting – 7 p.m.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – Please remember in prayer **Cullen Brown and Jenna Duncan**. We invite you to join with them and their families at a reception given in their honor in the parish hall following Mass today.

OUR DAILY BREAD – The Knights of Columbus will be preparing and serving the meal at Our Daily Bread today. Knights should report directly after Mass to begin frying the fish. Those planning to serve should report by 1:30 p.m.

LADIES AUXILIARY – The May meeting will be a Dutch treat dinner out held at Brady's in Pascagoula on **Monday, May 6**, at 6 p.m. Spouses are welcome to attend.

CONFIRMATION – Bishop Roger Morin will celebrate Mass and the sacrament of Confirmation at St. Ann Mission on **Wednesday, May 8**, at 7 p.m. **Jackson Vice** from St. Joseph Parish will be confirmed at this Mass. Please remember him, his sponsor and his parents in prayer.

GRADUATION MASS – Please contact the parish office with the name(s) of those who will be graduating from either high school or college with the class of 2019. Graduation Mass is scheduled for **May 19** with a luncheon honoring the graduates to follow Mass.

PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY – Copies of the names of the priests from the Biloxi diocese for the months of May and June are available in the church.

MORNING STAR CHARITIES food drive and collection of gently-used children's books will be the weekends of **May 19 and 26**. We are again asking for non-perishable food items (rice, beans, pasta, pasta sauce, soups, and canned meats) for the pantry.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL – next sales – **May 11 and 25**
HEAVENLY HOUSEKEEPERS for **May 11** – **Team 1**
Cynthia Grierson, Melissa Miller and Patty Waters

St. Ann's News

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- May 8 – **Confirmation Mass** – 7 p.m. at St. Ann (Wed.)
- May 12 – **Graduation Mass and May Crowning**
- May 26 – **End of the Year Party**

CONFIRMATION MASS will be this Wednesday, May 8, with a reception to follow in the parish center. The Confirmandi are **Alyssa Cade, Gavin Renot, Cole Stewart, and Secora Webb** from St. Ann and **Jackson Vice** from St. Joseph. If you would like to help with the reception, please see Miriam Robinson or Linda Ethridge.

GRADUATION MASS will be May 12 with a reception to follow in the parish center. Please let us know if you are graduating from high school or college this year. We would like to acknowledge all of our graduates. Contact the office or see Mary Guardia. Our graduates this year are **Victoria Scarbrough** and **Jacob Campos**. All are invited to join us for a **BREAKFAST RECEPTION** after the Mass. Sign-up list for food items is in the parish hall or contact Mary Guardia 228-627-0822 to help.

BACKPACK BUDDIES of East Central
Items needed throughout the school year are oatmeal, grits, or cereal in single-serving packs. Box located at church entrance.



“Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches, wisdom and strength, honor and glory and blessing.”



All children of the parish are invited to participate in this procession honoring Mary next Sunday.

LIFELONG SERVICE

“I am going fishing.” What an announcement! If asked who made it, and not told it was a Bible quote, we might guess “Grandpa” or “Uncle Fred,” or admit, “I said that last summer!” But it is a Bible quote, from today’s Gospel. The person who said it also once declared, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” Yes, it’s Peter! So today’s announcement seems quite the comedown. Last Sunday Jesus said, “As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” But Peter seems determined to return to his pre-apostolic occupation, until Jesus intervenes, making Peter’s later announcement deeper, “Lord, you know that I love you,” and Peter’s apostolic calling clearer, “Tend my sheep.” Peter does so. Acts presents the consequences: Peter declares, “We must obey God rather than men.” As Revelation proclaims, “Worthy is the Lamb”—to receive Peter’s lifelong service, and ours.

TREASURES FROM OUR CATHOLIC TRADITION

The Gospel today sees Peter and his colleagues after the Resurrection, returning to Galilee and resuming the family business. They are fishing by night. Although it is true that fish feed by night, the mention of darkness here is more about the human spirit than it is about fishing advice. Modern life keeps darkness effectively under control; much of the world has been glowing radiantly through the night for a century. Yet just as surely as the Risen Christ breaks into Peter’s fishing, so does he break into the usual patterns of our own darkness, electric lights notwithstanding. It is Easter, and we are the people of the light.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
 Tues: Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd- 4-8, 17, 21; Jn 6:30-35
 Wed: Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40
 Thurs: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
 Fri: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59

COLLECTIONS APRIL 27 - 28

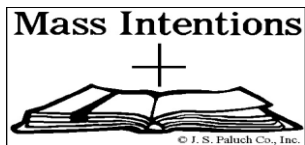
ST. JOSEPH

Regular Collection – \$ 2,740.00
 Building Fund – \$ 15.00
 Catholic Home Missions Appeal – \$ 299.00
 Children’s Offertory – \$ 2.00

ST. ANN

Regular Collection – \$ 1,301.21
 Building Fund – \$ 10.00
 Catholic Home Missions Appeal – \$ 243.70
 Children’s Offertory – \$ 8.86

Thank you for your generous support.



Saturday 4 p.m. – Leo French (RIP)
 Sunday 8 a.m. – People of the Parish
 Sunday 10 a.m. – Lee Batte (RIP)
 Tuesday 8 a.m. – Joseph Linh (RIP)
 Wednesday 8 a.m. – Peter Mui (RIP)
 Thursday 8 a.m. – Maria Ngat (RIP)
 Friday 8 a.m. – Peter Vinh (RIP)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday – 3:10 p.m.

MASS REQUESTS – If you would like to have a Mass celebrated for the intention of a loved one, a special occasion, or a deceased friend or family member, envelopes are available in the vestibule or you may call or mail your request to the parish office. A ten dollar donation is suggested for each intention.



Prayer Requests

Lord Jesus, who went about doing good and healing, bless our family and friends who are sick. Give them strength in body, courage in spirit, and patience in pain. If you would like to add someone to this list, please call the parish office.

PRAYER LIST: Arthur Trochesset, Barbara N. Thomas, Audria Viers, the Holt family, Janet Wells, Nicole Mary Green, Effie Williams, Gary Brown, Kelly Chamberlain, George Hinkel, Eva Hinkel, Wanda St. Andrie, Laurie Laffery, Steve Martinez, Jane Ivey, Glenda Jackson, Charles Pinkney, Elma Carter, Cecelia Durr, the Stallworth family, Tom Browning, Greg Davidson, Judy Smith, Susan George, Jane Norton, Nikki Hans, Grace French, Gloria Long, Burton Roton, Linda Huy, Conner Driscoll, Amsley Goodings, Betty Bodden, Tenny Henderson, Ellen Scheeler, Lara Lander, Mary Jo Garrett, Dixie McCormack, Inge Bellone, Linda Greer, Nathan Rowe, Anita Matthews, Elizabeth and Jerry Brister, Denny Denmark, Tim and Annette Spiriti, Barbara Easley, Bill Dart, Ron Hudson, Jimmy McCarty, Mary Veara, Joanie and Kermit Loupe, Norman Jardine, Gail Seely, Deborah Green, Kenneth Hoskins, Krista Toehay, the souls in purgatory, those working and making the men’s Cursillo, and all military personnel stationed in harm’s way.

2019 CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL

St. Joseph – goal \$ 18,595; pledged – \$ 15,207
 81.78% goal
 St. Ann – goal \$ 8,882; pledged – \$ 7,585
 85.4% goal

If you have not made a one-time donation or pledge, please consider doing so at this time.