

St. Joseph's News

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- 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.
- May 20 – **Bingo** at 2 p.m. Singing River Rehab
- May 28 – **Adoration** 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.  
**Knights of Columbus** meeting – 7 p.m.

**FLOWERS** under the statue of Mary are in memory of all deceased mothers of the parish and were given by the members of the Ladies Auxiliary.

**FLOWERS** on the altar this weekend are in memory of **Earline Williamson and Kelly Rowe** and were given by Donna Cox.

Members of the **Knights of Columbus** will present roses to the mothers at all Masses this weekend in honor of **Mother's Day**.

**GRADUATION MASS** – Mass and luncheon honoring the graduates and their families on **May 19**. Congratulations to **Ally Massey** and **Lane Wieniewitz** (both graduating from Resurrection CHS), **Natalie Hudson** (a graduate of East Central HS), and **Christina Stachowski**, (a graduate of Mississippi State University).

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

**RELIGIOUS ARTICLES** - Need a gift for that special occasion: Baptism, Mother's Day, or graduation? Please check the religious cabinet in the vestibule.

**HEAVENLY HOUSEKEEPERS** for **May 18 – Team 2**  
Lynn Denmark and Cathye Frederic



**Good Shepherd Sunday**

"Pray to the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest." Luke 10:2

Holy Spirit, stir within us the passion to promote vocations to the consecrated life, diocesan priesthood, and permanent diaconate. Inspire parents and families to begin a conversation with young Catholics to consider how they will live lives of holiness and sacred service. Nudge inquirers and motivate discerners to learn more about monastic life, apostolic life, and missionaries. Ignite our Church with the confident humility that there is an urgent need for religious sisters, brothers, deacons and priests to live in solidarity with those who are poor, neglected and marginalized.

St. Ann's News

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- May 15 – **Mass** – 7 p.m.
- May 26 – **End of the Year Party**
- July 30 – St. Vincent de Paul – **Bunco**

CCD TEACHERS NEEDED

Have you been wanting to get more involved in the church but aren't quite sure how? We are seeking CCD teachers and volunteers for the upcoming CCD year. If you feel called to help out, please talk to **Jenny Moseley**.

**CYO** is selling **Raffle Tickets** for an awesome **Corn-hole game \$2.00 each**. Proceeds are for the **Notre Dame Vision Leadership** and **National Catholic Youth Conference**. Please see any **CYO member** or **Jenny Moseley**.

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.

25<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION

All are invited to join in a special night celebrating the priestly ordination of **Monsignor Dominick Fullam**. A Mass of Thanksgiving will be offered on Saturday, **May 18**, at 5 p.m. at St. Mary Catholic Church Woolmarket Road in Biloxi.



*Prayer for Mothers*

God of Love, we pray in thanksgiving for the tremendous blessing of mothers. We celebrate their dedication and the love that they have for their families. May mothers who have lost a child, those who are estranged from their children, and those who never knew their mothers know the love of our Blessed Mother even more intimately. *Amen*

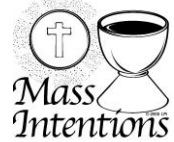
**MOTHERHOOD** - Mothers hold their children's hands for a short while, but their hearts forever.

**SHEPHERDS LIKE JESUS**

Each year this Fourth Sunday of Easter celebrates Jesus the Good Shepherd. Today's Gospel seems especially timely, for as Christians worldwide suffer persecution like Paul and Barnabas, Jesus promises his sheep enduring, invincible safety: "They shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand." But we who are free to live our faith peacefully sometimes take our membership in Jesus' flock for granted, wandering astray to seek our own pleasure and prosperity. The simple cross that Pope Francis always wears seems to show us how Jesus responds to that. Francis's cross features an image of Jesus, who has sought and found a lost sheep, then joyfully set it on his shoulders to carry it gently home. May Good Shepherd Sunday inspire us, so often lost and found ourselves, to assist Jesus in seeking, finding, and gently carrying home our fellow precious lambs.



**May 11 - 17**



Saturday 4 p.m. – Leo French (RIP)  
 Sunday 8 a.m. – People of the Parish  
 Sunday 10 a.m. – Earline Williamson (RIP)  
 Kelly Rowe (RIP)  
 Tuesday 8 a.m. – Special Intention  
 Wednesday 8 a.m. – Special Intention  
 Thursday 8 a.m. – Special Intention  
 Friday 8 a.m. – Special Intention

**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.

*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.*



**COLLECTIONS – MAY 4 - 5**

**ST. JOSEPH**

Regular Collection – \$ 3,496.00  
 Building Fund – \$ 419.00  
 St. Vincent de Paul – \$ 20.00  
 Flower Donations - \$50.00

**ST. ANN**

Regular Collection – \$ 1,852.95  
 Building Fund – \$ 269.32  
 Children's Offertory – \$ 1.55

*Thank you for your generous support.*

**PARISH WORK DAY – ST. JOSEPH**

Please mark your calendars and plan to come and help on **Saturday, June 22**, from 8 a.m. until noon here at St. Joseph. There are many small projects that need our attention in the church, in the parish hall, and on the grounds. Bring your tools (power washers) and supplies (paint brushes) and a willing spirit. In the event of rain, the day will be re-scheduled for Saturday, June 29.

**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, Jaina Snyder, all mothers, the souls in purgatory, and all military personnel stationed in harm's way.

**2019 CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL – May 1**

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.