

St. Joseph's News

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Feb 11 – **Knights of Columbus** meeting – 6 p.m.
- Feb 13 – **Mass** – 8 a.m. – Fr. Arockia Doss
RCIA – 6 p.m. – chapters 23 and 24
- Feb 15 – **RCS 75th Carnival Ball** – 7 p.m.
- Feb 16 – **CCD** – 9 a.m.
- Feb 17 – **Bingo** at Singing River Rehab – 2 p.m.
- Feb 18 – **Finance Council** – 6 p.m.
- Feb 20 – **RCIA** – 6 p.m. – chapters 25, 26 and 27
- Feb 23 – **Ladies Auxiliary** meeting following Mass
- Feb 25 – **Adoration** – begins following 8 a.m. Mass
- Feb 26 – **Ash Wednesday** – a day of fast and abstinence
(Mass and Distribution of Ashes – 12 noon)
Special Collection – Churches in Eastern Europe and Churches in Africa
- Feb 27 – **RCIA** – 6 p.m. – chapters 28, 29 and 30
- Feb 29 – Mar 1 – *Special collection – Black and Indian Missions*

CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF SOUTH MISSISSIPPI

Food drive and collection of new or gently used children's books – through **March 1**. They are always in need of rice, beans, pasta, pasta sauce, soups, and canned meats for the food pantry. Please bring your donations to the church on any weekend in February.

CYO BINGO – **Sunday, Mar 1** – in the parish hall following Mass - Let's kick off the best Lent ever with a Ham, Cake and Wine Bingo to help our CYO raise money for convention, We will have pulled pork sandwiches, sausage dogs, nachos, coleslaw, chips and dessert available to purchase for lunch. Anyone interested in donating a ham, homemade cake or wine, please contact Becky Fagan @ 228-217-4566.

ST. JOSEPH ALTAR 2020 will be set up in the parish hall the weekend of March 21 – 22. Please mark your calendars for the cookie baking dates: February 29 and March 14 – both Saturdays times are from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Jerry Lee's Receipts Program and **Waynes Lee's Bucks Back to Schools** – RCS is still collecting receipts from these locally owned grocery stores. Please bring in the eligible receipts and place them in the containers in the back of the church. These receipts will be sent to the schools at the end of February. **Box Tops for Education** are also still being collected throughout the school year.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFT STORE – next sale – **February 15** (8 a.m. – noon) – The store is also in need of additional volunteers to help with the sales.

BACKPACK BUDDIES Our parish donations of mac and cheese are needed weekly throughout the school year. You may place a monetary donation in the regular collection and designate "**Backpack Buddies**" on the memo line.

HEAVENLY HOUSEKEEPERS for **Feb 14** – **Team # 1** – Cynthia Grierson, Melissa Miller, and Patty Waters

St. Ann's News

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Sundays – **CCD & RCIA** 9:15 – 10:15 a.m.
RCIA – Chapters 23 & 24
- Feb 12 – Liturgy of the Word with Communion – 7 p.m.
- Feb 9 – **Youth Mass** Pk – 1st
- Feb 19 – **Pastoral Council** mtg. – 5:30 p.m.
- Feb 26 – **Ash Wednesday** – a day of fast and abstinence
Finance Council mtg. – 5:30 p.m.
Mass with Distribution of Ashes – 7 p.m.

FLOWER REQUEST – Anyone wishing to place flowers on the altar for a weekend may use the sign-up sheet in the front of the church to schedule a date.

BACKPACK BUDDIES of East Central are in need of grits more so than oatmeal at this time. Box located at church entrance.

WOMEN'S GIFT will present a silent retreat directed by Fr. Dominic Pham based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola at Kelly Retreat Center the weekend of **February 21 - 23**. Openings are limited and registration deadline is **February 14**. For more information, contact Mildred Bolden at 228-547-0974 or email mil476@yahoo.com

CATHOLIC DAY AT THE CAPITOL 2020

Wednesday, **March 4**, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at St. Peter Cathedral Parish Center, 123 N West St, Jackson, MS. This year's topic is "**Access to Adequate Healthcare for All.**" Speakers will be Timothy Moore, CEO, Mississippi Hospital Association and Sister Dorothea Sondgeroth, O.P., Associate Executive Dir., St. Dominic Foundation. To register, go to catholiccharitiesjackson.org/events/catholic-day-at-the-capitol-2020

SACRED HEART BOYS YOUTH RETREAT

March 13 - 15 at the Dedeaux Hilton. This is open to all boys 9th – 12th grade. For more information, Please Contact Melvin Ray, retreat director, at 228-861-5546. Application forms are available in the church.

KREWE OF GILLES 2020 ROYALTY

Congratulations to the newly crowned Queen Mary of Burgundy, **Heather Burgett**, and King Maximillian, **Doug Wood**.

WELCOME

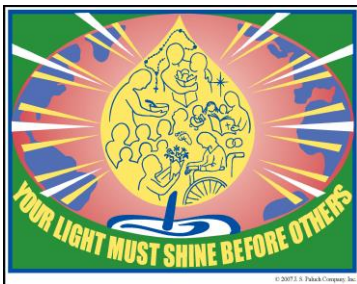
Fr. Arockia Doss will be celebrating the Masses at St. Joseph and St. Ann this weekend. Fr. Doss is Parochial Vicar at Our Lady of Victories in Pascagoula.

THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE

As children we sang the lively song *This Little Light of Mine*. The words, of course, are based on today's Gospel, in which we are called as disciples to be salt and light for the world. Children are uninhibited about sharing their faith. It's only when we grow older that we prefer to hide our light under a bushel basket because our culture tends not to emphasize discipleship. The message in this week's readings is clear: in order to give glory to God through our discipleship, we must show the light of Christ in our words and deeds. Not an easy thing for inhibited adults. Often we may think of salt and light in terms of what we do for others, but it can be just as important not to do something, such as getting angry with the stranger on the road, or telling an offensive joke.

Congratulations and best wishes to the following who are celebrating special anniversaries of priestly ordination this year:

- 55th Rev. Michael Kelleher (June 13)
- 50th Rev. George Kitchin (June 13)
- 20th Rev. Michael Austin (May 20)
- 10th Rev. Joseph Benjamin, SSJ (May 29)
- 5th Rev. James Smith (June 6)
- 5th Rev. Evarado Mora Torres (July 25)



COLLECTIONS – February 1 - 2

ST. JOSEPH

- Regular Collection – \$ 3,329.75
- Building Fund – \$ 328.05
- Children's Collection – \$ 3.00

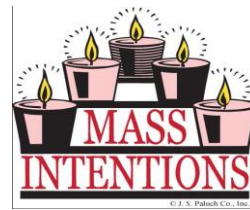
ST. ANN

- Regular Collection – \$ 2,179.25
- Children's Offertory – \$ 13.00
- Building Fund – \$ 233.00

Upcoming Special Collections

February 26 (Ash Wednesday) – Churches in Eastern Europe and Churches in Africa

February 29 – March 1 – Black and Indian Mission



- Sat. 4 pm – Robert Smith (RIP)
- Sun. 8 am – Kermit and Joan Loupe
(40th Wedding Anniversary)
- Sun. 10 am – People of the Parish
- Thurs. 8 am – In thanksgiving for favors received

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.



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, Glenda Jackson, Charles Pinkney, Tom Browning, Judy Smith, Susan George, Jane Norton, Nikki Hans, Gloria Long, Linda Huy, Conner Driscoll, Amsley Goodings, Tenny Henderson, Ellen Scheeler, Lara Lander, Inge Bellone, Nathan Rowe, Anita Matthews, Denny Denmark, Tim and Annette Spiriti, Ron Hudson, Joan and Kermit Loupe, Norman Jardine, Gail Seely, Deborah Green, Kenneth Hoskins, Greg Davidson, Pat McAdams, Barbara Easley, Bruce Merrill, Elma Carter, Kay McBroom, Deacon Emery Elder, Karen Zettler, Kris Allen, Christi Seely, Betty Bodden, Tony Garriga, Heather Huy, Bill Massey, Doris Batte, the unborn, all the faithful departed, peace in our world, the poor souls in purgatory, and all military personnel stationed in harm's way.

CHRISTMAS ON THE DANUBE

December 2020 – Father Mike Austin and Paula Spears offer you an opportunity to travel and experience Christmas Markets on the Danube, featuring a 6-night River Cruise with an optional 2-night post extension in the Magical Christmas Markets of Prague. Dates are December 9 – 17, 2020. The price of the trip is discounted by \$400 if booked before April 1. The discounted price is \$3,999 per person, double occupancy. Round Trip out of New Orleans, LA. For more information call 228-697-7814 or email: Christmasmarkets2020@gmail.com