

St. Joseph's News

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Mar 6 – **K of C Lenten Meal** – 5 – 6:45 p.m.  
    **Stations of the Cross** – 7 p.m.
- Mar 8 – **CCD** – in the parish hall at 9 a.m.
- Mar 10 – **Knights of Columbus** meeting – 6 p.m.
- Mar 12 – **RCIA** – 6 p.m. – ch. 18
- Mar 13 – **K of C Lenten Meal** – 5 – 6:45 p.m.  
    **Stations of the Cross** – 7 p.m.
- Mar 14 – **Cookie baking** – 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.  
    **Confirmation** – 4 p.m. – Reception to follow Mass
- Mar 15 – **CCD** – in the parish hall at 9 a.m.
- Mar 16 – **Bingo** at Singing River Rehab – 2 p.m.
- Mar 19 – **RCIA** – 6 p.m. – ch. 35
- Mar 20 – **K of C Lenten Meal** – 5 – 6:45 p.m.  
    **Stations of the Cross** – 7 p.m.
- Mar 21 – 22 – **St. Joseph Altar**
- Mar 22 – 24 – **Lenten Mission** with Father Dan Good
- Mar – 24 – **Sacrament of Reconciliation** – 6 p.m.
- Mar 26 – **RCIA** – 6 p.m. – ch. 36
- Mar 27 – **K of C Lenten Meal** – 5 – 6:45 p.m.  
    **Stations of the Cross** – 7 p.m.
- Mar 29 – **Ladies Auxiliary** meeting following Mass
- Mar 31 – **Adoration** – begins following 8 a.m. Mass

ST. JOSEPH ALTAR 2020 – March 21 - 22

The blessing of the altar will take place in the parish hall on Sunday after Mass. The meatless pot luck meal and Tupa Tupa program will follow. You may make an offering at this time for flowers to be used on the altar “*in memory of*” or “*in honor of*”. Photos are being collected of deceased loved ones, first responders, and military for the *Memory Table*. Statues and religious articles are also being collected for display on the altar. Items may be brought to the office during regular hours. **Cookie baking – March 14** –from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

**RCS** – Lenten Fish Fry – 5 – 7:30 p.m. – RCES Cafe’

**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.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFT STORE** – next sale – **March 21** (8 a.m. – noon)

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

St. Ann's News

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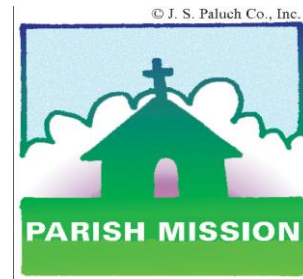
- Sunday – **CCD & RCIA** – 9:15 – 10:15 am  
    **RCIA** – chapter 18
- Mar 14 – **Confirmation** – 4 pm at St.. Joseph (Saturday)
- Mar 20 – 22 – **Diocesan Youth Celebration**
- Mar 22 – 24 – **Lenten Mission** (at St. Joseph) 6 – 7:30 pm
- Mar 25 – **Penance Service** – 7 pm
- Apr 26 – **1st Holy Communion** – 8 am
- May 17 – **Graduation Mass** – 8 am

**St. Vincent de Paul Pantry** is low on dry and canned foods to help feed our community. Any of the following items would be greatly appreciated: canned meats, dry beans, peanut butter & jelly, spaghetti & sauce, mac & cheese, canned vegetables, etc.

If you would like to lead a **Stations of the Cross** on a Friday during Lent, please contact the office or use the sign-up sheet in the back of the church.

If you would like to **Coordinate the Breakfast** for **Graduation** on May 17<sup>th</sup>, please let Tiffany Bosarge know as soon as possible.

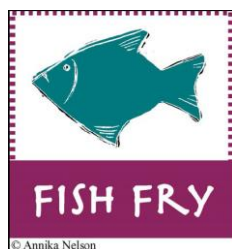
**BACKPACK BUDDIES of East Central** are in need of grits more than oatmeal at this time. Box located at the church entrance.



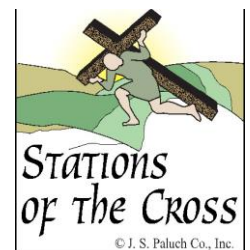
LENTEN MISSION

Preached by Fr. Dan Good from the Archdiocese of Mobile will be at St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church on March 22 – 24 (Sun, Mon, Tues) from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. This will be a Lenten retreat combined for both St. Joseph and St. Ann. The Lenten Mission will be a good opportunity for the renewal of life and a good preparation for the paschal festivities.

**Knights of Columbus Lenten meals** will be offered each Friday during Lent beginning at 5 p.m. Dine-in and take-out orders will be available.



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**  
Each Friday  
7 p.m.  
St. Joseph Church  
St. Ann Mission



**THE JOURNEY OF TRANSFIGURATION**

“We used to be such good friends. How is it that you’ve moved so far away?” one man asked another.

“Perhaps,” the other replied, “you have moved away. By standing still.”

This exchange very well could have happened between Peter and Jesus, had Peter been allowed to erect tents to stay on the mount of the Transfiguration. He nearly succumbed to the temptation to stay in a place of wonder and light. But Jesus knew the hard truth: we are on a continual journey when we are walking the paths of God’s will. It is not good for us to stay in one place on our faith journey. Equally unhealthy is staying put in times of joy and wonder to avoid life’s difficulties, or to wallow in our trials and temptations and fail to be companions for our sisters and brothers who are also suffering—or celebrating! The pilgrim Church is required to do one thing on its Lenten journey: to walk continually with Christ as his Body born of water and the Spirit, seeking God’s will, helping the reign of God to be known on earth, being led to the end of our journey, transfigured for all time into the company of heaven.

In today’s Scripture we hear of God’s call to “bear our share of hardships for the gospel with the strength that comes from God.” Many of our brothers and sisters in the Diocese of Biloxi suffer the hardships of homelessness, hunger, depression, and despair. Although we cannot always be there to minister to them directly, we can help them by supporting the programs and offices that minister to them through the **2020 Catholic Sharing Appeal**. Please consider helping “*Bring Christ to the World*” by giving a generous gift to this year’s appeal. Pledge envelopes are available in the back of the church.

**COLLECTIONS – Ash Wednesday**

**February 29 – March 1**

**ST. JOSEPH**

- Regular Collection – \$ 4,197.00
- Building Fund – \$ 307.00
- Children’s Collection – \$ 5.00
- Easter Flower Donations – \$ 230.00
- Black and Indian Missions – \$ 334.00
- Churches in Eastern Europe – \$ 174.50
- Churches in Africa – \$ 215.50

**ST. ANN**

- Regular Collection – \$ 2,194.75
- Children’s Offertory – \$ 11.27
- Building Fund – \$ 16.00
- Easter Flower Donations – \$ 50.00
- I Give Catholic – \$ 50.00
- Black and Indian Missions – \$ 256.00
- Churches in Eastern Europe – \$ 163.00
- Churches in Africa – \$ 173.28

**Mass Intentions**



- Saturday 4 p.m. – Frances Kaiser (RIP)
- Sunday 8 a.m. – People of the Parish
- Sunday 10 a.m. – Mary Jo Garrett (RIP)
- Tuesday 8 a.m. – All broken families
- Wednesday 8 a.m. – The living and deceased members of the Cox and Blackledge families
- 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.

*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, Terri Byrd, Lynn Roberts, Roun McNeal, Kitty Griffin, the family of Norma Welch, those preparing for Confirmation and their sponsors, the unborn, all the faithful departed, peace in our world, the poor souls in purgatory, and all military personnel stationed in harm’s way.

**EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS**

The bulletins for Easter weekend will include a list of those loved ones that we want to remember or honor with flowers. You may indicate on the envelope which names are “*In Memory of*” or “*In Honor of*”. Please turn in your envelope with these names on or before **Palm Sunday, April 5.**

