

St. Joseph's News

Effective March 18, 2020 and for the next thirty days, in the Diocese of Biloxi all daily and Sunday public Masses will not be celebrated.

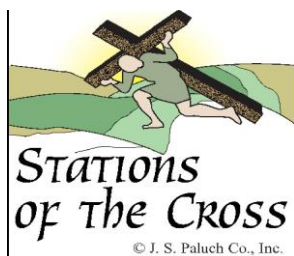
All Catholics are dispensed from the obligation of attending Mass. However all churches will remain open with limited hours for parishioners and others who wish to pray and seek spiritual assistance. **St. Joseph Church will be open for private prayer from 9:30 a.m. – 12 noon on Sunday.**

You may go to the parish website ([www.stjosephmosspoint.com](http://www.stjosephmosspoint.com)) for the weekly bulletin and specific parish information as it becomes available.

You may go to the Diocese of Biloxi website ([www.biloxidiocese.org](http://www.biloxidiocese.org)) for the most complete information addressing changes in place addressing the outbreak of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19).

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Cathedral will livestream daily Mass Monday through Saturday at 8 a.m. and on Sunday at 11 a.m. To view the Masses, visit the Diocese of Biloxi's **YouTube Page**.

You can also view Mass from St. Louis Cathedral (New Orleans) Monday – Friday at 12:05 p.m. by visiting [www.thedailymass.com](http://www.thedailymass.com)



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

While the Friday evening parish stations have been cancelled at this time, parishioners are still encouraged to pray the Stations as private devotions each Friday for the remainder of Lent.



*Can you spend just 30 minutes with me?*

**ADORATION** – St. Joseph Church on **Tuesday, March 31**, beginning at 8:30 a.m. and closing with Benediction at 3:30 p.m.

St. Ann's News

Sunday – **NO CCD & RCIA** until further notice

**St. Ann Church will be open for private prayer from 7:30 – 10 a.m. on Sunday.**

**Follow us on Facebook @StAnnCatholicChurch** to get updates and spiritual messages. God bless us all as we yearn for the Eucharist.

During this time of uncertainty, we would like to do something fun. If you could email us a picture of you and your family to [hurleystann@gamil.com](mailto:hurleystann@gamil.com). We will be collecting the pictures to make a scrap book and to put your pictures in the pews as if you are still right here.

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — As the prophet Samuel anointed David with oil, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David and remained with him from that day forward (1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a).

**Psalm** — The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want (Psalm 23).

**Second Reading** — You who were once darkness are now light in the Lord. Live as children of light (Ephesians 5:8-14).

**Gospel** — The man who was blind from birth proclaimed: The one called Jesus made clay with his saliva, anointed my eyes with it, and told me to wash. When I washed, I was able to see!

(John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38])

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53

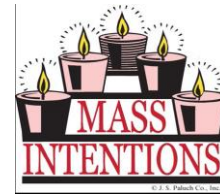


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**CHILDREN OF THE LIGHT**

The future king, David, in today’s first reading, is an example of a type of character present throughout the Hebrew scriptures. He is the child born out of place (not the eldest or most favored) who ends up receiving the promise of the covenant. The spirit of God’s anointing rushes upon him. In this way, he is similar to the man born blind from today’s Gospel. David’s family and the blind man’s community did not expect the miraculous grace of God’s love to work through them. Perhaps they, too, were “blinded” by the expectations and assumptions of those around them. Yet, after being touched by God, they both came to “see” the presence of God’s will for them. Both became messengers of God’s will. That same Spirit of God’s anointing rushed upon us at our baptism; we were given a candle as a sign of our membership in the Body of Christ, the Light from Light. Our vocation, then, is to fulfill that enlightenment, that anointing, as Ephesians tells us, by living as “children of the light.”



**Public Mass will not be celebrated, but Father Peter will continue to pray for these intentions in his private Masses.**

Saturday 4 p.m. – Elarry Brumfield, Sr. (RIP)  
Elarry Brumfield, Jr. (RIP)

Sunday 8 a.m. – People of the Parish  
Sunday 10 a.m. – Bill Watkins (RIP)  
Ron Bacak (RIP)

Tuesday 8 a.m. – In thanksgiving for favors received

Wednesday 8 a.m. – Peter Phuong Tran (RIP)

Wednesday 7 p.m. – Kermit Loupe Sr. (RIP)

Thursday 8 a.m. – Maria Ngat (RIP)

Friday 8 a.m. – Peter Vinh (RIP)



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.*

The Diocese of Biloxi is blessed to have 8 men in formation for the priesthood for our diocese. We are also blessed to have 17 retired priests that continue to help minister to the 56,000 Catholics in South Mississippi. Your gift to the 2020 **Catholic Sharing Appeal** directly aids in the formation, education, and care of all of these men. Will you please consider a generous gift in support of our future and retired priests? Your generous gift of prayers and financial resources ensures that we will continue to help “**Bring Christ to the World.**” Pledge envelopes are available in the back of the church. Thank You!

Pledge information as of March 11:

St. Joseph – total pledged – \$ 11,250 (67% of goal)

St. Ann – total pledged – \$ 1,715 (19% of goal)



**COLLECTIONS – March 14 - 15**

**ST. JOSEPH**

Regular Collection – \$ 1,844.00

Building Fund – \$ 119.00

Children’s Collection – \$ 10.00

Easter Flower Donations – \$ 110.00

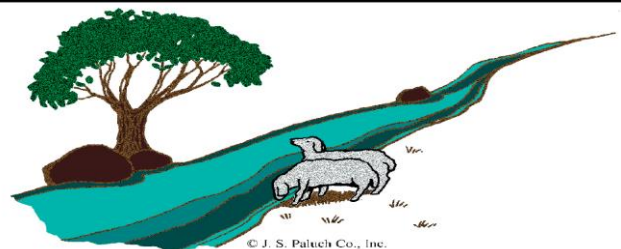
**ST. ANN**

Regular Collection – \$ 2,176.25

Children’s Offertory – \$ 2.00

Building Fund – \$ 300.00

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, Karen Freeman, the family of Anton Kihyet, all those affected by the coronavirus, our faith community, the unborn, all the faithful departed, peace in our world, the poor souls in purgatory, and all military personnel stationed in harm’s way.



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