St. Joseph's News

Due to Moss Point Mayor Mario King's executive order dated May 8 which is still in place and limits houses of worship attendance to 10, only **private Masses** will be celebrated at **St. Joseph** on Sunday until further notice. Father Peter will be available to distribute Holy Communion to you in your vehicle in the parking lot after Mass is concluded on Sunday. **Mass** will continue to be live-streamed from St. Joseph at **10** a.m. each Sunday on the St. Joseph Facebook page. You may still go to the parish website **www.stjosephmosspoint.com** for the copies of the weekly bulletin.

<u>DAILY MASS</u> will be celebrated in the church beginning this week (Tuesday – Friday) at 8 a.m. The number in attendance will still have to be limited to a total of 10.

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Cathedral continues to live-stream 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**.

Copies of the missalette and weekly bulletin will continue to be available in the church. You are encouraged to take home a missalette for the daily and Sunday readings.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFT STORE is temporarily **closed due to COVID – 19** and is **not** taking any drop off donations until further notice.

During the month of May, we emphasize our devotion to Mary. Now during this time of the coronavirus pandemic, individuals are encouraged to pray the Rosary for the intercession of Our Lady so that we as a country and a people may be healed and feel God's love in our lives.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Msgr. P.J. Carey Council 1605 is having a membership drive during the month of May. Join now for 50% off your membership fee. Contact William Clark, Grand Knight, for more information at kocbclark@gmail.com or (228) 990-0390. Council 1605 includes Our Lady of Victories, St. Peter, St. Joseph and St. Ann.

2020 Catholic Sharing Appeal

If you have not yet made a pledge, please prayerfully consider making your gift as this Easter season draws to a close next weekend on Pentecost Sunday. In these dark times of uncertainty, we the people of God must continue to lift up the Risen Lord as a beacon of light, hope and charity to those around us in south Mississippi now more than ever as we strive to *Bring Christ to the World*.

Pledge information as of May 13:

St. Joseph –pledged – \$ **15,757** (92.43% of goal)

St. Ann – pledged – \$ **5,948.75** (66% of goal)

St. Ann's News

DATES TO REMEMBER

 $Saturdays-Vigil\ Mass-6\ pm-St.\ Ann$ $Sundays-Mass-8\ am-St.\ Ann$ $Wednesday-Mass-7\ pm-St.\ Ann$

We will have a 6 pm Vigil Mass on Saturday and an 8 am Mass on Sunday. Please remember to observe social distancing and sit together in your family group. Allow 6 feet of distance between your family and others. Every other pew is marked off. Hand sanitizer is available at both entrances. Wearing a face mask is encouraged. The faithful continue to be dispensed from the obligation to participate in Mass. If you are vulnerable, continue to remain at home for as long as you need. If you are sick, please stay home. Your cooperation will help all of us to celebrate together as a faith community. Father will also continue to celebrate Mass each Sunday via Facebook LIVE at St. Ann at 8 am.

St. Ann Church will continue to be open on Sunday morning from 9 - 10 am. Deacon Frank is allowed to distribute the Holy Eucharist to those ready to receive, inside the church or in your vehicle outside.

Follow us on Facebook @StAnnCatholicChurch to get updates and spiritual messages.

WELCOME

We pray for **Lola Kines** from St. Ann who will be welcomed into full communion with the Roman Catholic Church. Today she will receive the sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation, and the Holy Eucharist for the first time.

Next Sunday, **Lilly Brown** from St. Joseph will receive the sacrament of Confirmation at BVM Cathedral at 11 a.m. Mass.

As you continue your faith journey, we challenge each of you to grow spiritually by participating fully in the life of the church.



A PRAYER FOR MEMORIAL DAY

On this Memorial Day, we pray for those who courageously laid down their lives for the cause of freedom. May the examples of their sacrifice inspire in us the selfless love of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Bless the families of our fallen troops, and fill their homes and their lives with Your strength and peace.

They fell, but o'er their glorious grave
Floats free the banner of the cause they died to save.



SHARE THE HOPE

The readings for today's celebration of the Ascension of the Lord once again remind us that as Christians we are people of hope. In the second reading Saint Paul eloquently exhorts the Ephesians to enlighten their hearts so that they will know the hope and glory that come from being people who place their trust in the Lord Jesus. In the story of the Ascension, recounted in the first reading, the Lord Jesus assures the disciples that the Holy Spirit's power will come upon them. Finally, in the Gospel, the Lord lets the disciples know that their mission is to spread the hope of the gospel to all the nations. This wonderful feast keeps our eyes focused on the hope in which we were grounded on the day of our baptism.

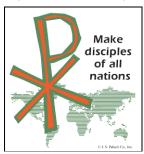
TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Jesus tells the disciples that they will be witnesses to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:1-11).

Psalm — God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord (Psalm 47).

Second Reading — May the Father of glory give you a Spirit of wisdom and revelation (Ephesians 1:17-23).

Gospel — Jesus instructs the Eleven to baptize and teach people of all nations (Matthew 28:16-20).



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7; Jn 16:29-33 Tues: Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a

Wed: Acts 20: 26-38' Ps 68; Jn 17: 11b-19

Thurs: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 7:20-26 Fri: Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 1:15-19

COLLECTIONS for May 17

ST. JOSEPH

Regular Collection—\$ 1,170.00 Building Fund —\$ 35.00

ST. ANN

Regular Collection—\$ 1,657.25 Building Fund—\$ 25.00

Christian Giving





Saturday – Elarry Brumfield, Sr. (RIP) Elarry Brumfield, Jr. (RIP)

Sunday – Jere' Larsen, Sr. (RIP) – St. Joseph

People of the Parish – St. Ann

Tuesday – Gertrude Werlin Cox (RIP)

Wednesday – Peter Phuong Tran (RIP) – St. Joseph – 8 a.m. Kermit Loupe, Sr. (RIP) – St. Ann – 7 p.m.

Thursday – Maria Ngat (RIP)

Friday – Peter Vinh (RIP)

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.



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 Requests

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, Deborah Green, Kenneth Hoskins, Greg Davidson, Barbara Easley, Bruce Merrill, Elma Carter, Karen Zettler, Christi Seely, Betty Bodden, Tony Garriga, Heather Huy, Bill Massey, Doris Batte, Terri Byrd, Lynn Roberts, Roun McNeal, Kitty Griffin, Karen Freeman, James and Kay Gully, Pat McAdams, Norman Jardine, Allen Elmore, Mary McMahan, Gwen Blackledge, all those affected by the coronavirus, all those providing essential services, our faith communities, the unemployed, the unborn, all the faithful departed especially those whose lives were lost in service to our country, the poor souls in purgatory, and all military personnel stationed in harm's way.

