

St. Joseph's News

**Special Offering** will be taken up this weekend for the **Ministry Center for International Seamen and Truckers** (Gulfport) – providing a Christian presence of Mississippi Gulf Coast Churches. *Pray for those who minister and those who are welcomed in the name of Christ.*

**DAILY MASS** is celebrated in the church (Tuesday – Friday) at 8 a. m. **Rosary** is prayed at 7:30 a. m. and the **Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions** is prayed each Thursday immediately following Mass.

**RCIA**

Thursday at 6 p.m. in the parish hall

**EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION AND ADORATION**

Exposition and Adoration begins in the church following Mass on Tuesday, **September 29**, and closes at 3:30 p. m. with Benediction. A sign-up sheet is located in the back of the church.

**CCD**

Registration continues after Mass today.

CCD classes begin next Sunday, September 27, from 9 – 9:45 a.m. in the parish hall.

**PRAYER GROUP**

A prayer meeting is held in the parish hall each **Tuesday** starting at 5:15 p.m. with the Divine Mercy Chaplet, prayer group begins at 5:30 p.m.

**HEAVENLY HOUSEKEEPERS** for **Sept. 26 – Team 1** – Cynthia Grierson and Patty Waters

**MASSES AT ST. JOSEPH**

**Mass** will continue to be live-streamed from St. Joseph at **10 a. m.** each **Sunday** on the St. Joseph Facebook page.

You may go to [www.stjosephmosspoint.com](http://www.stjosephmosspoint.com) to view copies of the weekly bulletin.

**DIACONATE FORMATION CLASS**

The Biloxi Diocese plans to begin a new Formation Class for the diaconate in 2021. Pre-selection information sessions from 8:30-noon on: **Sept 26<sup>th</sup>** at Sacred Heart, Hattiesburg and **Oct 3<sup>rd</sup>** at St. Mary, Gautier. For interested men who think you may have a calling, attendance at one of these sessions is mandatory with your wife. Please see your pastor, or call Deacon Mike Saxer, 228-216-8060, or Deacon Mike Harris, 228- 342-1536.

**2020 WEDDING ANNIVERSARY RECOGNITION**

Couples will not celebrate together at the Cathedral as usual, but we definitely want to remember the special wedding anniversaries being celebrated this year. If you are celebrating a milestone anniversary, please complete a form available in the church and **mail it in by October 23**. Each couple will receive a certificate signed by Bishop Kihneman, a Renewal of Vows Ceremony that can be celebrated with family and friends, and a commemorative program listing all the 2020 couples. Bishop Kihneman will offer a Mass at the Cathedral for all the couples.

St. Ann's News**DATES TO REMEMBER**

Saturdays – **Vigil Mass – 6 pm** – St. Ann

Sundays – **Mass – 8 am** – St. Ann (Facebook also)

**Sept 27** – First CCD class meeting 9 am

**CONFESSIONS** – 30 minutes before each Mass

**CCD Kick-Off** will be Sept 27<sup>th</sup> at 9 am in the Church.

**Backpack Buddies of East Central** has started deliveries again. At this time, we ask that you give a monetary donation in lieu of collecting food items.

**Drive Thru COVID testing** in St. Ann parking lot this **Thursday, Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> (8 am – 12 pm)**. Please bring insurance information if available and stay in your vehicles while you wait.

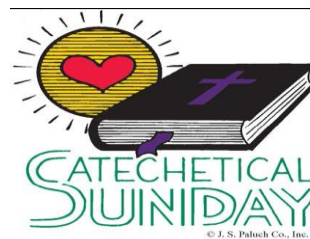
**ROSARY Saturday 5:30 pm & Sunday 7:30 am**

With October being Month of the Rosary and Respect Life Month, we will pray the ROSARY 30 minutes before Mass during the month. If you, your family or group would like to lead the rosary, please use the sign-up sheet or speak to Deacon Frank.

As it has always been, if you are ill, you are not required to come to Mass and during this time should remain home.

Today the Church celebrates **Catechetical Sunday** under the theme taken from St. Paul's first letter to the Corinthians, "*I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you.*" This year's theme focuses on the primary substance of catechesis, which is an invitation to a whole new life given by Christ Himself. It emphasizes that living faith necessitates movement, inspiring all those who hear the Word to share it as witness to the true and living God.

On this Sunday, catechists are formally commissioned for ministry to the community. **Catechetical Sunday** provides a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each baptized person plays in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Today is also an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.



**CALL UPON THE LORD**

The very first line of today’s first reading summons us to seek the Lord and to call upon God. This sentiment is echoed in the refrain for today’s responsorial psalm: “The Lord is near to all who call upon him” (Psalm 145:18a). Saint Paul is the embodiment of someone who constantly sought the Lord. In the excerpt we read today from his letter to the Philippians, we find Saint Paul toward the end of his life, a life he describes as completely consonant with Christ. He writes, “For to me life is Christ” (Philippians 1:21). To find out what it means to live life completely in accord with Christ we need look no further than today’s Gospel. There we find that God’s love and mercy are immeasurable for all those who seek and call upon the Lord.

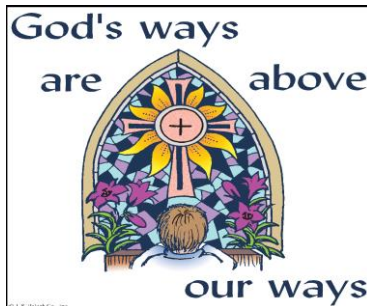
**TODAY’S READINGS**

**First Reading** — Turn to the LORD, who is generous in forgiving.

**Psalm** — The Lord is near to all who call upon him.

**Second Reading** — Live your lives in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ.

**Gospel** — The last will be first, and the first will be last.



**COLLECTIONS for September 12- 13**

**ST. JOSEPH**

- Regular Collection – \$ 2,433.00
- Building Fund – \$ 82.00
- Holy Land – \$ 373.00
- Hurricane Laura Relief – \$ 1,300.00
- Catholic University – \$ 70.00
- Seaman Center – \$ 30.00

**ST. ANN**

- Regular Collection – \$ 2,425.25
- Building Fund – \$ 150.00
- Holy Land – \$ 166.00
- Hurricane Laura Relief – \$ 127.00
- Children’s Offertory – 7.00

Christian Giving



- Saturday – 4 p.m. – Jere’ Larsen, Sr. (RIP)  
6 p.m. – Ruth Petrie (RIP)
- Sunday – 8 a.m. – People of the Parish  
10 a.m. – Georgia Mansfield (RIP)
- Tuesday 8 a.m. –Peter Phuong Tran (RIP)
- Wednesday – 8 a.m. – Maria Ngat Tran (RIP)
- Thursday – 8 a.m. – Peter Vinh Nguyen (RIP)
- Friday – 8 a.m. – Maria Me Nguyen (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. A ten dollar donation is suggested.

*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.*



James 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 and Marilyn 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, Barbara Easley, Bruce Merrill, Elma Carter, Betty Bodden, Tony Garriga, Heather Huy, Doris Batte, Terri Byrd, Lynn Roberts, Roun McNeal, Karen Freeman, Pat McAdams, Norman Jardine, Lance Paul, Allen Elmore, Mary McMahan, Gwen Blackledge, Bill and Jo Powers, Earl Laiche, Caroline O’Banner, Darlene Slater, Sharon Martin, Shirley Spiriti, Sallie Wentworth, Mac McDaniel, all those affected by the pandemic, all those providing essential services, the unemployed, the unborn, an end to violence in our country, the poor souls in purgatory, our teachers and students, all catechists, and all military personnel stationed in harm’s way.

**Online giving for your benefit**

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