

St. Joseph's News

SPECIAL COLLECTION at all Masses this weekend will be for the **Church in Latin America and Saltillo Mission**. You will have an option on the envelope to give to the Church in Latin America or to the Saltillo Mission. Envelopes are available in the pews.

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.

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION AND ADORATION

Exposition and Adoration begins in the church following Mass on Tuesday, **January 26**.

BACKPACK BUDDIES

Our parish donations of mac and cheese are still needed weekly to assist this local ministry. You may also make a monetary donation.

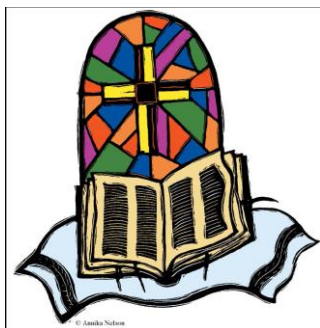
FLOWER DONATIONS

Anyone wishing to place flowers on the altar for a weekend may use the sign-up sheet on the table in the vestibule to schedule a specific weekend.

HEAVENLY HOUSEKEEPERS for Jan. 29 – Team 3

Linda Huy and Judie Sellars

MASSSES AT ST. JOSEPH – Mass will continue to be live-streamed at **10 a. m.** each **Sunday** on the parish Facebook page. Go to **www.stjosephmosspoint.com** for copies of the weekly bulletin.



St. Ann's News

DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturdays – **Vigil Mass – 6 pm** – St. Ann
 Sundays – **Mass – 8 am** – St. Ann (Facebook also)
Feb 6 and 7 – Blessing of the Throats (both Masses)
Feb 7 – SVDP meeting 9 am
Feb 17 – Ash Wednesday 7 pm

Confessions –30 minutes before each Mass

Contribution Envelopes and **Calendars** are in the back of church. Please pick them up today!

Mass Intentions for 2021 are now being reserved. If you would like a Mass offered for your loved one on a certain date, please call or email the office.

Altar Flowers this weekend – Envelopes are available in the vestibule for Flower donation in honor of, in memory of, or in thanksgiving.

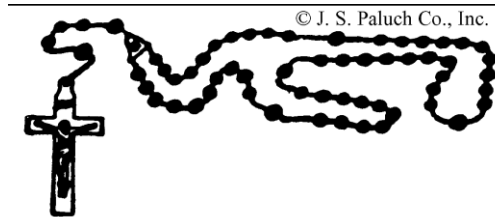
Backpack Buddies of East Central are in need of grits more so than oatmeal at this time. Monetary donations are also welcomed. Box located at church entrance.

9 DAYS FOR LIFE

Join thousands of Catholics nationwide in the annual ***Respect Life Novena, 9 Days for Life***, Jan. 21 – 29. Sign up at **9daysforlife.com** for daily intentions and brief reflections.

ROSARY RALLY and MASS FOR LIFE

TODAY – Nativity BVM Cathedral - 1 pm
 43rd Annual Celebration – Capacity will be limited to 125 (seating in the church). Please join the group “virtually” by praying with your family at home at this time.

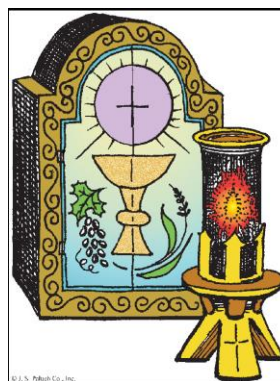


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SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD: A START!

Pope Francis instituted the Sunday of the Word of God to help believers experience the working of the Holy Spirit through Scripture. The occasion, celebrated today this year, provides a starting point. As the Holy Father explains, opening Scripture lets the Lord into our hearts and minds, and that openness has purpose.

When someone in the crowd around Jesus called the womb that bore Him blessed, the Lord declared anyone blessed who hears and observes the Word of God (which Mary did). Pope Francis expressed the importance of homilies inspired by the Holy Spirit as one way to get help in applying the Word in our daily lives. This Sunday was instituted to illuminate the year-round importance of holy Mass, praying with Scripture, reflection, and meeting the challenge of practicing mercy.



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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Can you spend an hour with the Lord?
 Exposition and Adoration begins Tuesday **January 26** after 8 am Mass
 Benediction at 3:30 pm
 A sign-up sheet is available in the vestibule.

THE DEMANDS OF DISCIPLESHIP

Today we encounter readings that already have a Lenten feel about them. Nineveh undergoes a forty-day fast, the psalmist reminds us that God alone can show sinners the way, Paul shows us how fleeting the things and events of this world are, and Jesus cries out “Repent!” before he calls his new followers. “Come after me,” Jesus says, but if we are to truly live out the commands and demands of our discipleship through baptism, we must first know our need for conversion, our repentance, our need to believe in the gospel fully. The Gospel opens with the stark reminder of what befell John the Baptist for completely living out his vocation as the herald of Christ and the gospel: he was arrested, imprisoned, and martyred. Though few of us will experience consequences that extreme, we must all be ready to risk some sort of rejection as, heeding the call of Jesus, we live out the kingdom of God at hand, repent of our sins, and believe in the good news of salvation.

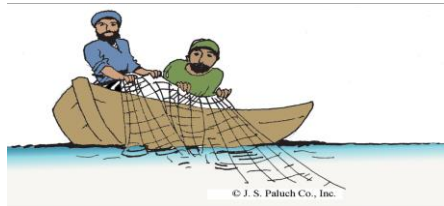
TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — The people of Nineveh believed God and turned from their evil ways.

Psalm — Teach me your ways, O Lord.

Second Reading — The world in its present form is passing away.

Gospel — This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent and believe in the gospel.



COLLECTIONS for January 16 - 17

ST. JOSEPH

- Regular Collection – \$ 2,210.00
- Building Fund – \$ 378.00
- Churches in Latin America/Salttillo – \$ 30.00
- Online Giving – Offertory – \$ 912; Building – \$ 74

ST. ANN

- Regular Collection – \$ 1,444.25
- Building Fund – \$ 451.00
- Children’s Offertory – \$ 22.00

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

- February 17 – Churches in Eastern Europe and Churches in Africa**
- February 20 – 21 – Black and Indian Missions**

Remember if you are still unable to attend Mass in person, there is a drop box located at the entrance to the parish office for you to leave your church offering or you may mail your offering to St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church, P.O. Box 8549, Moss Point, MS 39562 or to St. Ann Mission, P.O. Box 244, Hurley, MS 39555.



- Saturday – 4 p.m. – Robert Smith (RIP)
- 6 p.m. – Mark Blackledge (RIP)
- Sunday – 8 a.m. – People of the Parish
- 10 a.m. – Elmer and Bernice Watjus (RIP)
- Hubert and Sally Hernandez (RIP)
- Tuesday – 8 a.m. – Luke Blackledge (RIP)
- Wednesday – 8 a.m. – Peter Phoung Tran (RIP)
- Thursday – 8 a.m. – Maria Me (RIP)
- Friday – 8 a.m. – David Huy Sr. (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.

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, Barbara Easley, Bruce Merrill, Elma Carter, Tony Garriga, Heather Huy, Doris Batte, Lynn Roberts, Roun McNeal, Karen Freeman, Pat McAdams, Lance Paul, Allen Elmore, Mary McMahan, Gwen Blackledge, Earl Laiche, Caroline O’Banner, Darlene Slater, Frank and Sharon Martin, Shirley Spiriti, Sallie Wentworth, Mac McDaniel, Bernard Grant, Cooper Peacock, Norman Jardine, Freddie Walker, John Grunigen, Polly Grubbs, Emery Elder, Betty Bodden, Juanelle Goff, all affected by the pandemic, all providing essential services, the unemployed, the unborn, the poor souls in purgatory, those who have no one to pray for them, and all military personnel stationed in harm’s way.

