

St. Joseph's News

**DAILY MASS** is celebrated in the church (Tuesday – Friday) at 8 a. m. **Rosary** is prayed at 7:30 a. m.

**RCS 2021 FISH FRY**

Pre-Paid to go plates will be available for pick up outside the elementary café and local delivery to the Pascagoula area after 5 pm. Orders must be turned in to the school and paid for by 3 pm on the Wednesday prior to that week's dinner. Please call or text your order to Lauren O'Brien (228-218-0228). The weekly menu includes fish and shrimp plates, shrimp spaghetti, gumbo or a slice of pizza.

**RCS** is still collecting receipts from these **Jerry Lee's** and **Wayne Lee's** grocery stores. Please save and bring in the eligible receipts and place them in the containers in the back of the church.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

Next scheduled sales will be on Saturday, **March 6 and 20**, from 8 a. m – 12 p. m.

**HEAVENLY HOUSEKEEPERS** for **March 6 – Team 4**

Linda Clark and Donna Dart

**MASSES AT ST. JOSEPH**

Mass is live-streamed at **10 a. m.** each **Sunday** on the parish Facebook page. Go to [www.stjosephmosspoint.com](http://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)  
**Mar 14 – SVDP mtg. 9 am**

**Confessions** – 30 minutes before each Mass

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

**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.

**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.

The St. James Pro-Life Initiative has now expanded diocesan wide. Our name is now **Diocese of Biloxi Pro-Life**. You can still use St. James Pro-Life Billboard on our Facebook page for news and updates. If you would like to support and continue to keep this ministry alive, please donate directly to Venmo @ [dioceseofbiloxiprolife](https://www.venmo.com/dioceseofbiloxiprolife) or mail checks directly to: Diocese of Biloxi Pro-Life, 1790 Popp's Ferry Road, Biloxi, MS 39532, and mark "**ProLife**" on memo line of check. Thank you all for your support and please continue to pray for the unborn.

**VOLUNTEER NEEDED** – With spring rapidly approaching, we are in need of a dedicated volunteer with a bush hog to help with cutting the field at St. Joseph on a regular basis. If you are available, please call the parish office for more details.

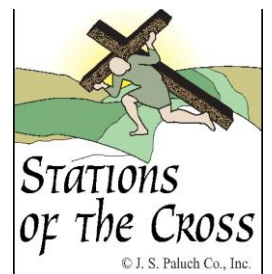
**Knights of Columbus – Council 1605**



**Lenten Fish Fry Dinners**  
Fridays during Lent  
\$10 per plate **TO GO ONLY**  
Fish with assorted sides  
St. Joseph Parish Hall  
5 – 6:45 p.m.  
Purchase tickets from a Knight

In today's Scripture, the Lord tests Abraham's faith by asking a great sacrifice from him. Abraham prepares to offer his son to God out of complete love and faith. For his faith, he is rewarded as the father of a great nation, being blessed and protected, becoming a blessing to others with great kings among his descendants. Many of our brothers and sisters in our diocese suffer the hardships of homelessness, hunger, depression, and despair. Although we cannot always minister to them directly, we can, in faith, be a blessing to them by supporting the programs that minister to them through the **2021 Catholic Sharing Appeal**. Please consider helping us "**Witness the Eucharist within Us**" by giving a generous gift to this year's CSA. Pledge envelopes are available in the pews or in the back of the church. Thank You!

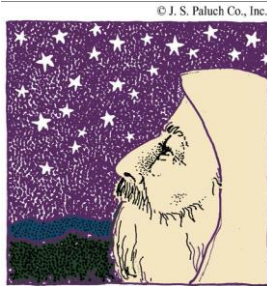
**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**  
**Friday**  
**7 p.m.**  
**St. Joseph Church**  
**St. Ann Mission**



Please **do not respond** to any text messages that claim to be sent from Father Peter Varghese asking you for a favor/donation. These appear to be scam messages and were **not** sent from him or the parish.

**THE OBEDIENCE OF ABRAHAM AND JESUS**

God tested Abraham by asking not for an ordinary sacrifice, which would have been a partial burning with the meat divided between God and the people and eaten by those who sacrificed, but for a holocaust, a total burning of the sacrificial animal. This type of sacrifice consecrated the entire offering to God alone. This is what God was asking of Abraham in offering his only son, Isaac. When Abraham demonstrated his obedience, that was enough. This story from today's scriptures foretells the completion of the blood sacrifices of the old covenant in the new covenant: the blood of God's own Son, offered to us on the cross and in the Eucharist. Abraham's obedience foreshadows the obedience of Jesus to God's promise of salvation. The obedience of Abraham is rewarded in the birth to him, through Isaac, of many nations. The obedience of Jesus is rewarded in the salvation of all people for all time.



I will make your descendants as countless as the stars of the sky



- Saturday – 4 p.m. – Leo and Grace French (RIP)  
6 p.m. – Kermit Loupe, Sr. (RIP)
- Sunday – 8 a.m. – People of the Parish  
10 a.m. – Cathy Seely (RIP)
- Tuesday – 8 a.m. – Peter Phong Tran (RIP)
- Wednesday – 8 a.m. – Maria Me (RIP)
- Thursday – 8 a.m. – In thanksgiving for blessings received
- Friday – 8 a.m. – Special intentions and peace

**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, Jo Powers, Margaret Saux, the success of the Catholic Sharing Appeal, 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.

**COLLECTIONS for February 20 – 21, 2021**

**ST. JOSEPH**

- Regular Collection – \$ 2,266.00
- Building Fund – \$ 25.00
- Children's Collection – \$ 2.00
- Black and Indian Missions – \$ 221.00
- Church in Africa (Ash Wednesday) – \$ 173.00
- Churches in Europe (Ash Wednesday) – \$ 167.00
- Memorial donation in honor of Bill Powers – \$ 50.00
- Online Giving – Offertory – \$ 1,160.00

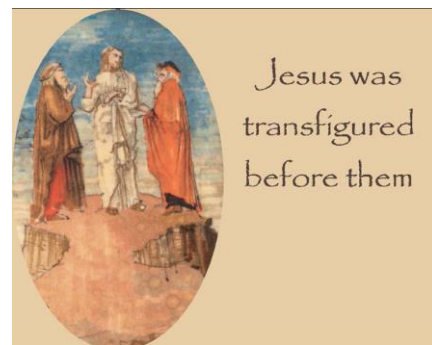
**ST. ANN**

- Regular Collection – \$ 1,802.25
- Building Fund – \$ 375.00
- Black and Indian Missions – \$ 145.00
- Church in Africa (Ash Wednesday) – \$ 286.50
- Churches in Europe (Ash Wednesday) – \$ 416.50
- Children's Offertory – \$ 1.00

**UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS**

**March 13 – 14 – Catholic Relief Services**

**Envelopes for Easter Flower donations are available in the church.** You may donate "in memory of" or "in honor of" someone. Envelopes may be placed in the regular collection.



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