

St. Joseph's NewsDATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday – Friday – Mass – 8 am (rectory chapel);  
Rosary prayed – 7:30 am  
June 6 – **First Sunday Social** following Mass (parish hall)  
hosted by members of the Knights of Columbus  
June 8 – **Knights of Columbus** fraternal benefits social  
June 19 – 20 – **Special Father's Day Collection**  
*Diocesan Priest Supplemental*  
June 26 – 27 – **Special Collection – Peter's Pence**  
June 29 – Tuesday -**Eucharistic Adoration** following Mass  
3:30 pm – closing Benediction (Adoration chapel)

COPIES OF THE NEW MISSALETTES have been placed in the pews. There are extra copies (including large print) available on the table in the vestibule should you want to take a copy home for your personal use.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 1605  
FRATERNAL BENEFITS SOCIAL

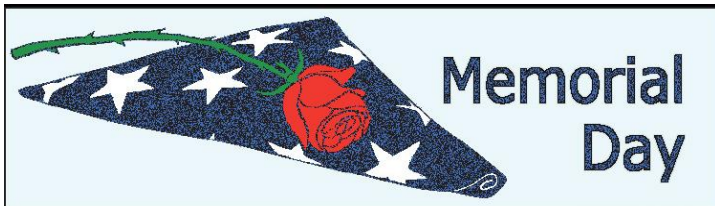
The social will be held in the parish hall on Tuesday, **June 8** beginning at **6:30 p.m.** and is open to all members, family and friends are welcome to attend. **Nathan Smith**, the Knights of Columbus Insurance agent, will be the featured speaker. Please contact **Bill Clark** ([kofcbclark@gmail.com](mailto:kofcbclark@gmail.com) or 228-990-0390) if you plan to attend since they need a number for the amount of food to prepare.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - Next scheduled sales will be on **June 5 and 19** from 8 a.m. till noon. The store is always looking for additional volunteers to help in the store and with the Saturday sales. For more information, contact Paul Thompson, Sr. at 228-627-6785.

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 by noting **Back Buddies** on your check.

HEAVENLY HOUSEKEEPERS for **June 5 – Team # 1**  
Cynthia Grierson and Patty Waters



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Memorial Day Prayer

On this day, I bring to You my prayer  
for all who have lost life or loved ones in war.  
I pray, too, for those who have been hurt  
and seen things unimaginable before.  
May their sacrifices have continued meaning,  
and may enduring love bring comfort.  
May the desire for peace longed for and sought  
be saluted with unforgotten gratitude. Amen

St. Ann's NewsDATES TO REMEMBER

Saturdays – **Vigil Mass 6 pm** – St. Ann  
Sundays – **Mass 8 am** St. Ann  
**2nd Tuesdays – KC meeting – @ St. Joseph – June 8 –**  
**Fraternal Benefits Socials – 6:30 pm**  
**June 13 – SVdP meeting 9 am**

Confessions – 30 minutes before each Mass

St. Vincent de Paul will have a **meeting** in the Parish Center on **June 13<sup>th</sup>** at 9 am.

Backpack Buddies of East Central – No donations are needed during the summer months. Thank you for your donations throughout the school year.

TREASURES OF OUR CATHOLIC TRADITION

One of the great treasures of the Eastern tradition is the icon of the Holy Trinity created by the Russian iconographer Andrei Rublev in the 1400s. The Trinity is symbolized by the three travelers to the tent of Abraham and Sarah. They are seated at a table blessing a cup of wine, under the oak of Mamre. If you look closely, you will see a sacrificed calf in the chalice, reminding the viewer of the cross. The table, prepared for eating and tilted toward the viewer, is an invitation to the Eucharist. From left to right, each figure is keyed to a person of the Trinity. Like all icons, this image is theology in art. The persons are equal in proportion and dignity, they all carry staffs to symbolize their power, and are shown with golden wings and halos. Today, the best place to see Rublev's work is the Holy Trinity Cathedral, at the heart of the vast Holy Trinity monastery about an hour from Moscow. After decades of persecution, it is now once again a living monastery, a world heritage site, and the spiritual home of Russian Orthodoxy. A Google visit is highly recommended today!

Masses on Memorial Day offer prayers for men and women who have lost their lives in military service. The Masses and decorations placed on graves confirm that the sacrifices made have not been forgotten. As a nation, honoring and remembering individual lives claimed in the violence of war expresses the desire of peace.

Catholic doctrine urges prayer for freedom from war and the dangers escalated by modern weaponry. When all other options have failed, the Church recognizes that military service can contribute to freedom and peace unattainable by other means. A just war cannot cause more evil than it eliminates.

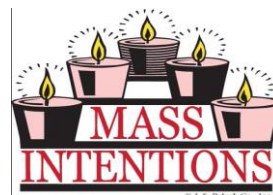
In the Gospel on Memorial Day (this year falling on the Feast of the Visitation), Elizabeth calls Mary blessed for believing the Lord's promise to her. Hope for peace comes from sharing Mary's faith that, with God, all things are possible.

**THE RESPONSIBILITY OF OUR FAITH**

Today is a day simply to ponder the fact that in baptism we were claimed by God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The first reading from Deuteronomy prompts us to fix in our hearts the truth that God is the Lord of both heaven and earth and there is no other god. Saint Paul reminds us that, because we received the Spirit of adoption in baptism, we are now children of God. In the Gospel Jesus charges us with the responsibility to make other disciples. These realities make today's solemnity a day of praise, adoration, and responsibility. It is a fitting day to thank God for the absolutely free gift of faith that we were given in baptism. It is also a day to ask God for strength to take on the responsibility of sharing that faith with others.

**RICHES**

Of what use are riches in eternity? —St. Aloysius Gonzaga



- Saturday – 4 p.m. – Anna Jane and Joseph M. Cox (RIP)  
6 p.m. – Mark Blackledge (RIP)
- Sunday – 8 a.m. – People of the Parish  
10 a.m. – In thanksgiving for blessings received
- Tuesday – 8 a.m. – Peter Phong Tran (RIP)
- Wednesday – 8 a.m. – Maria Gnat (RIP)
- Thursday – 8 a.m. – All Souls
- Friday – 8 a.m. – Peter 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.*

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, 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, Tim and Annette Spiriti, Ron Hudson, Joan and Kermit Loupe, Deborah Green, Barbara Easley, Bruce Merrill, Elma Carter, Tony Garriga, Heather Huy, Doris Batte, Roun McNeal, 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, Emery Elder, Betty Bodden, Juanelle Goff, Jo Powers, Margaret Saux, Denny Denmark, Billy Rayner, Charles Pinkney, Jimmy Lockhart, Claudette Roberts, Jill Jordan, Abby Bosarge, Jim Coggins, Kitty Griffin, all who gave their lives in service to our country, 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 May 22 - 23**

**ST. JOSEPH**

- Regular Collection – \$ 1,727.00
- Building Fund – \$ 186.00
- Online Giving – Offertory – \$ 1,721; Building – \$ 62

**ST. ANN**

- Regular Collection – \$ 1,173.33
- Building Fund – \$ 398.00
- Children's Offertory – \$ 6.00

**UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTION**

**June 19 – 20**

**SPECIAL FATHER'S DAY COLLECTION  
DIOCESAN PRIEST SUPPLEMENTAL**

**June 26 – 27**

**PETER'S PENCE**

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. Many thanks for all of your continued generous support!

