# St. Joseph's News

### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

Saturdays – **Vigil Mass** – 4 pm

Rosary prayed – 3:30 pm

Sundays - **Mass** - 10 am

Tuesday – Friday – Mass – 8 am (rectory chapel);

Rosary prayed – 7:30 am

September 4 - 5 - Special Collection - Catholic University

September 14 – Knights of Columbus meeting – 6 pm

September 18 - 19 – Special Collection – Center for

**International Seafarers and Truckers** 

September 19 – **Catechetical Sunday** - "Say the Word and My Soul Shall Be Healed"

September 28 - Eucharistic Adoration

### WELCOME BACK CELEBRATION

Even though the event had to be postponed in both parishes, we continue to pray for a time in the not too distant future when we can again safely gather and celebrate as a family. If you have not done so already, please pick up your family's kit this weekend.

#### **BACKPACK BUDDIES**

During the school year our parish donations of easy mac and cheese are needed weekly to assist this local ministry. You may also make a monetary donation by noting **Backpack Buddies** on your check.

## HEAVENLY HOUSEKEEPERS

This group keeps the church clean for the weekly Masses and takes about one hour of your time once a month. Please call the parish office if you would like to volunteer for this worthwhile ministry.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL** - Next scheduled sale will be on **September 18**, from 8 am till 12 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.

<u>HEAVENLY HOUSEKEEPERS</u> for <u>Sept. 11 – Team 3</u> Linda Huy and Judy Sellars



**Thank You ...** No words can adequately express our thanks and gratitude for the prayers, cards, calls, flowers, words of consolation, memorial donations, and Masses offered for Emery. Special thanks to the members of Ladies Auxiliary for all of the wonderful food, to the choir for the beautiful music, to all of the priests, and especially to Father Peter for his words of comfort. The prayers and support of our parish family have meant so much to us during this difficult time.

Triss, Ashleigh, and Matt

## St. Ann's News

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

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

Sundays – Mass 8 am St. Ann

September 5 – **St. Vincent de Paul** meeting after Mass

September 12 – CCD first day

**Confessions** – 30 minutes before each Mass

St. Vincent de Paul will meet this morning after Mass.

<u>CCD</u> is set to start back on September 12. <u>We still need</u> 3 more <u>CCD teachers!</u> Please contact Tiffany Bosarge.

**CCD registration** continues this weekend, cost \$20 fee to cover books and materials.

We also need both Jr. CYO and Sr. CYO advisors

**Bulletin updates**: Please submit any desired bulletin announcements via email – hurleystann@gmail.com

<u>Backpack Buddies of East Central</u> School is back in session. Items needed throughout the school year are oatmeal, grits, or cereal in single-serving packs. Box located at church entrance.

### ANNUAL MASS OF WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

This year will take place on <u>Sunday, November 7</u>, at 2 p.m. at the Nativity B.V.M. Cathedral. Registration forms are available in the church. Deadline for registration is October 15. The form may be returned by mail to 1790 Popps Ferry Road, Biloxi, MS 39532, attention Deacon Karl Koberger, FAX to 228-702-2178, or email to kkoberger @biloxidiocese.org

## **RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION**

Do you know of someone who has expressed an interest in learning more about the Catholic faith? Ask them to join our RCIA process. We will be offering RCIA sessions beginning in September 9 at 6 pm in the St. Joseph Parish Hall. You may call the parish office with a name or email us at <a href="mailto:hurleystann@gmail.com">hurleystann@gmail.com</a> or <a href="mailto:style="mailto:style-type: style-type: style

#### **FORMED**

We are excited to offer a **two-week free trial** of this Catholic online program to the parishioners and families of both St. Joseph and St. Ann. This site features books you may download, movies you can livestream, wonderful resources for children, and programs on the Sacraments, and additional Catholic resources. It is simple to use, go to **formed.org** on your phone, tablet, or computer and click on **SIGN UP.** You will then sign in as a **Parishioner**. It asks **Create a New Account** —enter the parish zip code **39563** and click on the dropdown menu where it shows **St. Joseph the Worker**. Then click on **NEXT** and make your own account by entering your **name** and **email address** and then click sign up and you are on the site. Enjoy the wonderful Catholic resources!

### SEE BEYOND OUTWARD APPEARANCES

The phrase "Sunday best" has lost much of its meaning in our society today. Some lament the loss of people dressing up for church on Sunday; others think it's a healthy sign that we're as casual in attire gathered before the Lord as we are elsewhere. No matter which school of thought on this topic we belong to, James would probably chastise us. In either case, we are still focused on external appearance, mistaking it for some sort of favored position before God. True, James criticizes the community that favors the rich and well-dressed while ostracizing the poorly clothed, but even more he criticizes the making of distinctions, making choices based on criteria that having nothing to do with the reign of God. James might turn our attention to the reign of God described by Isaiah, in which people are healed and the earth becomes ripe to bear fruit. Jesus today is focused on this reign of God, healing a Gentile man in a region hostile to his Jewish faith, not mindful of the man's origins or clothing or status or ability to repay. Isaiah, James, and Jesus in Mark's Gospel all call us to look more deeply to find where the will of God needs to be done, and has been done, on earth as in heaven.

Responsorial Psalm: Praise the Lord, my soul!

# <u>COLLECTIONS for August 28 – 29</u> ST. JOSEPH

Regular Collection – \$ 1,248.00 Building Fund – \$ 10.00 Relief for Haiti – \$ 681.00 Memorial Donation (Deacon Emery Elder) – \$ 200.00 Online Giving – Offertory – \$ 160.00

### ST. ANN

Regular Collection - \$ 1,214.33 Building Fund - \$ 75.00 Relief for Haiti - \$ 186.00 Online Giving - Offertory - \$ 315; Building - \$ 20 St. Vincent de Paul - \$ 20

## **SPECIAL COLLECTION**

Catholic University – September 4 - 5

This weekend, we will be taking up the national collection for the **Catholic University of America**. This is a research university with over 5,700 undergraduate and graduate students in more than 250 academic programs in the heart of Washington, D.C. Your donation will support both future Catholic leaders, religious and lay, who are being formed by an exceptional faith-rooted education and the various research and training initiatives that support dioceses and parishes in responding to the most pressing needs of their faithful. Your generous gift will make great things possible in the Church and nation. You can learn more at **collection.catholic.edu** 



Saturday – 4 p.m. – Norman Jardine (RIP)

6 p.m. – Kermit Loupe, Sr. (RIP)

Sunday – 8 a.m. – People of the Parish

10 a.m. – Arlene Tyrone (RIP)

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, Freddie Walker, John Grunigen, Betty Bodden, Juanelle Goff, Jo Powers, Margaret Saux, Denny Denmark, Billy Rayner, Charles Pinkney, Jimmy and Edie Lockhart, Jill Jordan, Abby Bosarge, Fran Bacak, all first responders and healthcare workers, our homebound parishioners and those in nursing homes, the family of Norman Jardine, the people of Louisiana, protection from storms, 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.

