

St. Joseph's News**FLOWERS**

Flowers on the altar this weekend are in loving memory of **Georgia Mansfield** and were given by Mike and Jan Carney.

**DAILY MASS** will be celebrated in the church (Tuesday – Friday) at 8 a.m.

**PRAYER GROUP** – There is a prayer meeting in the parish hall every Tuesday starting at 5:15 p.m. with the Divine Mercy Chaplet, prayer group begins at 5:30 p.m.

**RCIA** – The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) process allows interested candidates to be introduced to the Roman Catholic beliefs and practices over a several month process. These weekly classes are also open to those who were baptized Catholic and have not been practicing the faith and any Catholic adults who have not received the sacrament of Confirmation or simply want to learn more about their faith. The classes at St. Joseph will meet each Thursday beginning on **August 20**. Please call the parish office for more information.

**FLOWER REQUESTS** – Anyone wishing to place flowers on the altar for a weekend may use the sign-up sheets in the back of church to schedule a date. The new sign up sheets begin with August 2020 and go through July 2021 so you may reserve your requested date(s) well in advance. This is a wonderful way to honor or remember that special person in your faith life.

**BACKPACK BUDDIES** – Our parish donations of mac and cheese will be collected throughout the school year for weekly distribution. Monetary donations are also being accepted. You may place a donation in the regular collection identified as being for **Backpack Buddies**.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL** - Thrift Store in Pascagoula will be open on **Saturday, July 25**, from 8 a.m. – noon. They are not accepting donations at this time.

**HEAVENLY HOUSEKEEPERS for July 25 – Team #4**

Linda Clark and Donna Dart

**MASSES AT ST. JOSEPH**

Please remember to observe social distancing and sit together with your family group. Allow 6 feet of distance between your family and others. Wearing a face mask is required. Ushers will not take up collection. Baskets will be set up at the entrance. Please practice social distancing in the communion line and exiting the church at the end of Mass. Copies of the missalette are available at the entrance of church. This will be your personal copy to bring to church each weekend. The faithful continue to be dispensed from the obligation to participate in Mass. If you are vulnerable, continue to remain at home for as long as you need. If you are sick, please stay home. **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.

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

Saturdays – **Vigil Mass – 6 pm** – St. Ann  
Sundays – **Mass – 8 am** – St. Ann

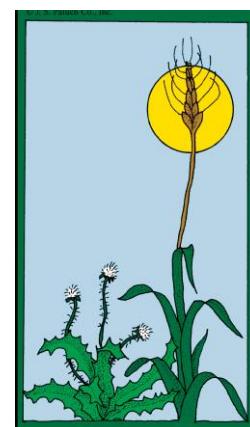
**CONFESIONS** – 30 minutes before each Mass

All attending Mass are required to wear face masks. We will use every other pew with 6 feet of distance between people. Families may sit together.

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

**The dispensation of attending Mass is still in place.**

If you would like to receive communion after Mass on Sunday, but not attend, please sit in your car and Deacon will bring you The Holy Eucharist.

**LOVING SOMEONE**

To love someone deeply gives you strength.  
Being loved by someone deeply gives you courage

**FORGIVENESS**

And is God not more ready to pardon than we to sin?  
—St. Catherine of Siena

**CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL**

In these times of uncertainty, we the people of God must continue to be that beacon of light, hope, and charity to those around us now more than ever as we work daily to **Bring Christ to the World**, especially to those among us in south Mississippi. If you have not already made a donation, please consider making your gift today.

July 9 – CSA Parish Update:

**St. Joseph** pledged – \$15,883 (93% of goal)

**St. Ann** pledged – \$6,598.75 (74% of goal)

**THE MERCY, POWER, AND LOVE OF GOD**

The first reading today, from the book of Wisdom, makes its point over and over, at least five times in five verses! God is mighty, but lenient to all. God's power is shown in kindness and clemency, not in harshness and condemnation, and those who govern God's people must govern in the same way, with kindness. This loving kindness and gentleness is not contrary to God's might, but is a direct result of God's primacy over all. Who are we, then, to judge what is in the hearts of our fellow Christians and all people, when God commands justice with love and clemency?

Likewise, the Holy Spirit makes up for our ignorance of what we need, speaking in a language we do not yet understand. But God knows our needs before we do, understands the intercessions of the Spirit, and helps us in our weakness. This is our hope: God's mercy, power, and love.

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — You taught your people that those who are just must likewise be kind.

**Psalm** — Lord, you are good and forgiving.

**Second Reading** — The Spirit comes to aid us in our weakness.

**Gospel** — Jesus proposes parables to the crowds, teaching them of the reign of God.



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**COLLECTIONS for July 18 - 19****ST. JOSEPH**

Regular Collection — \$ 2,142.02

Building Fund — \$ 102.00

Peter's Pence — \$ 25.00

**ST. ANN**

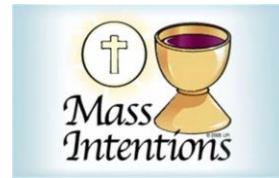
Regular Collection — \$ 1,316.25

Building Fund — \$ 282.00

Children's Offertory — \$ 2.00

**UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTION**

August 1 – 2 – Extension Society



Saturday – 4 p.m. – Ronald McMahan (RIP)

6 p.m. – Robbie Guardia (RIP)

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

10 a.m. – Georgia Mansfield

Tuesday – All broken families

Wednesday – 8 a.m. – the living and deceased members of the Cox and Blackledge families

Thursday – Thu Tran (special intentions)

Friday – Sang Tran (special intentions)

**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 for each intention.



*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 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, Bill Massey, 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, all those affected by the pandemic, all those providing essential services, the unemployed, the unborn, healing for our country, all the faithful departed, the poor souls in purgatory, and all military personnel stationed in harm's way.

