

MOST PURE HEART OF MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH



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OUR MISSION

Most Pure Heart of Mary Church is a gospel faith community baptized into the life, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We invite all people into a personal relationship with Christ through prayer, worship, stewardship and service to God and neighbor.

Eucharist is the center of our faith and we celebrate our Catholic African American Heritage.

HE ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN...



MAY 21 2023
Seventh Sunday Of Easter

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

Acts 1:1-11

Lord Jesus ascends into a cloud.

Psalms 47

"God mounts his throne to shouts of joy:
a blare of trumpets for the Lord."

Ephesians 1:17-23

Christ is the head of the church; where he is we are
called to follow.

Matthew 28:16-20

Jesus commands us to go and baptize.

Every year on this feast, we hear the opening passage from Acts of the Apostles, in which Luke writes that Jesus is lifted up as the disciples look on. Interestingly, in Matthew's Gospel, Jesus leads the disciples up a mountain but does not disappear from their sight. However, both Matthew and Luke emphasize that Jesus gave the disciples a mission: to be his witnesses, evangelizing to the ends of the earth. May we listen to Jesus' words as his modern-day disciples, ready and eager to hear his guidance.

Parish Staff

Pastor

Father Bura Koroba,
S.S.J.

Deacon:

Mr. James D. Bryant

Parish Secretary:

Mrs. Gatha Warnsley

Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm
Sunday Morning:
8:00am and 11:00am

Daily Masses: Tuesday

(*Novena Mass*) 4:30pm;
Wednesday, Thursday and
Friday at 8:30am.

Confessions: 30 minutes before
weekend Masses and before the
Tuesday Novena Mass - CCD :
After 8:00am Sunday Mass

Parish Ministries

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Joseph Keith

FINANCE COUNCIL

SACRISTAN

Leland Busby/Montiel Fluker

CCD

LaTanya Brown

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Yasmine Burney, Judy Sullivan

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Dcn. James Bryant/ Eric
Crenshaw

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Anna Watson

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Carolyn Smoke

SENIORS CLUB

Patricia Ransom

YOUTH LEADERSHIP

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YOUTH MINISTRIES

Stephanye Singleton

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Amanda Wilson/ Isaiah Bess

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B.V.M. SODALITY

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LEGION OF MARY

David McCord

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Monica Simpkins

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Eric Crenshaw

BEREAVEMENT MIN.

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Joe Keith

DREXEL SOCIETY

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Marcelene Dennis

GROUND & MAINTENANCE

David McCord/ Ernest Lynch

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Anna Watson

MEN OF ST. JOSEPH

David McCord/Ernest Lynch

AYAS FELLOWSHIP

Melanie Knight

Sacraments

Any member who wishes to arrange a **Wedding** must contact the priest
at least 6 months prior to the desired wedding date.

Parents desiring **Baptism** for their children are encouraged to contact the
Rectory to arrange for the required preparation class
for parents and Godparents.

When a **Funeral** is to be celebrated, please contact the priest before
contacting the Funeral Home. Funerals are not permitted on Sundays
or Holy Days of Obligation.

Readings For The Week

Monday-	Acts.19:1-8 and Jn.16:29-33
Tuesday-	Acts.20:17-27 and Jn.17:1-11a
Wednesday-	Acts.20:28-38 and Jn.17:11b-19
Thursday-	Acts.23:6-11 and Jn.17:20-26
Friday-	Acts.25:13b-21 and Jn.21:15-19

Mass Intentions

Saturday,	27th at	4:00pm-	Special Intentions
Sunday,	28th at	8:00am-	For the Good of the people of the parish
Sunday,	28th at	11:00am-	Deacon John Cretero

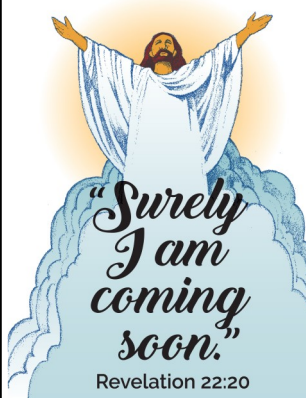


HAPPY BIRTHDAY

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY



"I am with you always," Jesus assures his disciples even as he ascends to his Father in heaven. Indeed, he is with us here today: in the Word, proclaimed so that we may be enlightened; in the Eucharist, offered for us and received by us; in the priest, who presides over this celebration; and in each other, as we gather in his name. Jesus promised his disciples that he would not leave them orphans. We rely on that promise today and always as we seek to follow him and carry out our mission.



Lord Jesus, through the gift of your Holy Spirit, you fill us with an indomitable spirit of praise and joy which no earthly trial can subdue. Fill me with your resurrection joy and help me to live a life of praise and thanksgiving for your glory. May I witness to those around me the joy of the Gospel and the reality of your great victory over sin and death.



Feast Day Novena Prayer

O Immaculate Heart of Mary, Full of love for God and mankind, And of compassion for sinners. We the Family of Most Pure Heart of Mary Church, Consecrate ourselves entirely to you. We entrust to you the salvation of our souls.

May our hearts be ever united with yours, So that we may hate sin, love God and our neighbor, and reach eternal life together with those whom we love.

As your children, we implore your intercession with Jesus your Son. Receive with understanding and compassion the petitions we place before you today especially for restoration, peace and love in our homes.

We are comforted in knowing your heart is ever open to those who ask for your prayer. We trust to your gentle cares and intercession, those whom we love and who are sick and lonely or hurting. Help all of us Holy Mother, to bear our burdens in this life, Until we may share eternal life and peace with God forever. Amen



Attention All Parishioners Our Dollar Promise Pledge Plan is now in full effect.

The Dollar Promise is a 12 month Promise of \$20.00 a month. Monthly envelopes would be provided and payments could be made monthly, in full or partially as long as the complete \$240.00 is made by the designated completion time. Thank you for your support and please continue to support our parish and our fund raising goals.



**Party with KPC Council #1
The Birthplace of Claverism -**
May 26, 2023 - From 7:00pm to 11:00pm KPC Hall 505 St. Anthony St. Mobile, AL. Bring your own party! Tickets \$15.00 50/50



Stewardship Update

Last Weekend- Attendance -
Collection - \$3757.00
Thank You for Your Stewardship!
Special Collection May 28th
Communications

Upcoming Parish Feast Day -
June 18, 2023-

Start Date for the Reciting of our
Novena Prayer in preparation for our
Feast of Most Pure Heart of Mary
June 4, 2023



We love our church!



Among Catholics, May is most well-known as "Mary's Month," a specific month of the year when special devotions are performed in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Why is that? How did May become associated with the Blessed Mother? There are many different factors that contributed to this association. First of

all, in ancient Greece and Rome the month of May was dedicated to pagan goddesses connected to fertility and springtime (Artemis and Flora, respectively). This, combined with other European rituals commemorating the new season of spring, led many Western cultures to view May as a month of life and motherhood. This was long before "Mother's Day" was ever conceived, though the modern celebration is closely related to this innate desire to honor maternity during the spring months



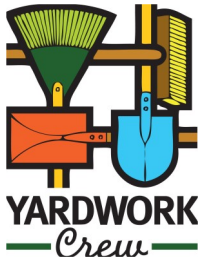
Attention all Parishioners: Our Annual Fall Festival is Scheduled for **Saturday, October 7, 2023**. Ministries and organizations will be responsible for various booths. We are looking forward to having our raffle ticket sales also. We need everybody to get on board!

Future Meeting Dates: June 14, July 12&26 Aug 9 &23, Sept. 6,13,20&27, Oct 4th last meeting before Festival at 6pm in the Parish Hall.

Leontyne Anderson,
Cora Brown,
Georgia Suggs,
Pauline Brown,
Kierra Freed
Lillian Sawyer
Melanie McKay
Lemoyne Cade

Veronica Young
Lola Fluker





Grounds Work Crew Member Needed

Grounds Crew Team Member needed, mainly, for grass cutting and lawn edging.

Contact any team member:

David McCord 251-442-9107

Michael Hall 251-401-6423

Ernest Lynch 251-709-6449

JOIN US for LUNCH

ACCW - . Our Fall Quarterly Meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 24, 2023. Venue: St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church, 2034 St. Stephens Road, Mobile, AL 36617. Registration 9 - 9:45 AM Mass -11:15 AM Lunch (immediately following Mass) Meeting 9:45 AM Price - \$15.00

Please make your reservations with Carlee Russell at 251-533-4771 or carlee.russelleacloud.com. Please try to attend all the Board and Quarterly meetings. If you are unable to attend, please call me at 251-402-9007 or 251-633-7156, email tpazsunn74@yahoo.com. to be excused



The Josephites Invites you to the Ordination of

Rev. George Agwu Liwhuliwhe, SSJ,

Rev. Wisdom Ini-Obong Umanah, SSJ and

Rev. Ugochukwu Henry Ihuoma, SSJ

Through the imposition of hands by Most Rev. John Ricard, SSJ (Superior General of the Josephites)

Date: 06-03-2023 **Time:** 10 AM **Venue:** St. Luke Catholic

Church: 4925 E. Capitol St. SE Washington, DC

Thanksgiving Mass: St. Joseph Catholic Church,

711 N Columbus St. Alexandria, VA

Fall Festival start up donations which can be made each Sunday to help defray the cost of planning. Start Date June 18, 2023 - for Questions Please see members of the Fall Festival Planning Committee.

Advertisement In Our Bulletin

We now have spaces available for advertisement in our weekly bulletin. - Call the Parish Office at 251-432-3344 to make arrangements.

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"Knowledge is not power unless it's applied"

3 Rules OF MONEY
1. Compound Interest
2. How money grows
3. How money gets taxed

Logos: Franklin International, Prudential, Athene, Nationwide, Symetra, Pacific Life, Allianz, Everest, Transamerica.



We are collecting baby Items for 2b choice for women Catholic charities.

The Heart of Mary Alumni Association's Annual Father's Day Breakfast will be held Sunday, June 18th in the Parish Hall: 9:00am - 2:00pm - \$12.00.



Lector's Schedule May 2023



**Saturday
May 6th**

4pm- Bernadette Allen

**Sunday
May 7th**

8am- Cathy Lee

11am- Eva Stallworth

Saturday May 13th

4pm- Demaris Brown

Sunday May 14th

(Mother's Day)

8am- Maynard Odom

11am- Robin Reed

Sunday May 20th

4pm- Bernadette Allen

Sunday May 21st

8am- Maxine Wilson

11am- Stephanye Singleton

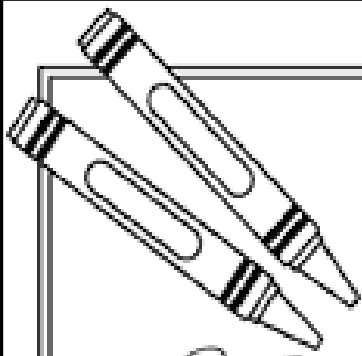
Saturday May 27th

4pm- Demaris Brown

Sunday May 28th

8am- Tynia Hollins

11am- Youth Mass

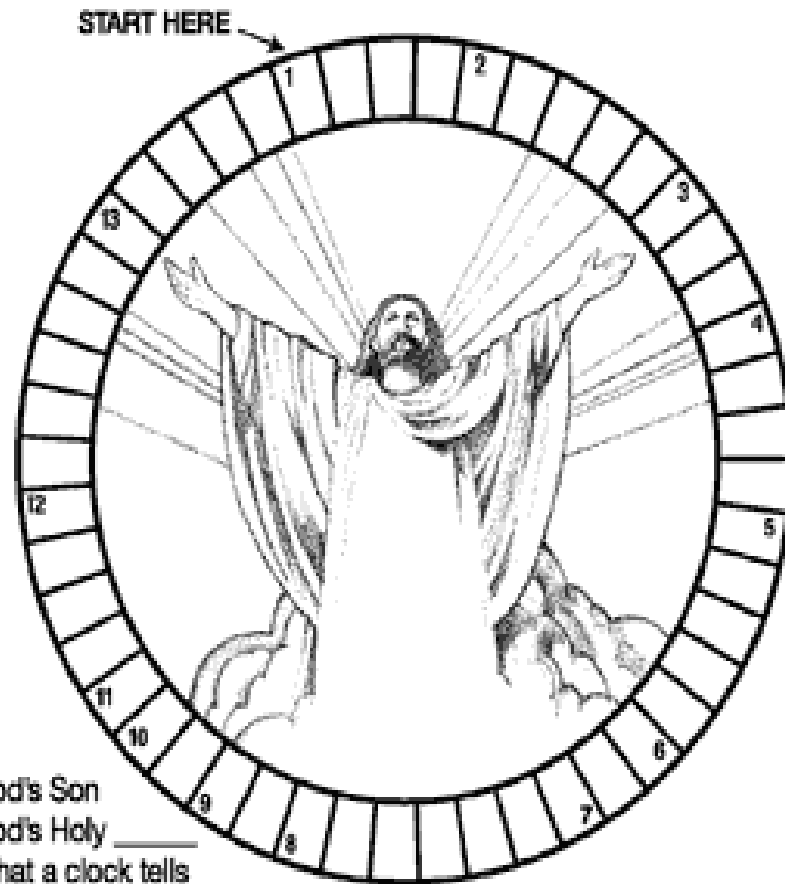


Just for KIDS

Ascension of the Lord

On the day Jesus left his disciples and went up in a cloud to heaven, he said to them, "I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you." (John 14:18, KJV).

Read the clues below. The last letter of each word is the beginning of the next word.



1. God's Son
2. God's Holy _____
3. What a clock tells
4. Our planet
5. Where Jesus is now
6. Opposite of Old Testament
7. An onlooker
8. Place to see clouds

9. Modern word for thee
10. Opposite of down
11. Authority or strength
12. Comes back
13. Searches for

Answers: 1) Jesus; 2) Spirit; 3) time; 4) Earth; 5) heaven; 6) new; 7) witness; 8) sky; 9) you; 10) up; 11) power; 12) return; 13) seeks

ASCENSION CRAFT



Use this craft to remember where Jesus is now and the promise of his return.

What you need:

- An adult to help
- 4 cotton balls
- Blue plastic cup
- Glue
- Scissors
- White paper
- Markers or crayons
- Fishing line (about 14")
- Paper clip

What you do:

1. Set the cup upside down. Pull apart the cotton balls, forming cloud shapes, and glue them around the cup.
2. With an adult's help, poke a hole in the bottom of the cup.
3. On the paper, draw and cut out a Jesus figure. Color both sides.
4. Poke a hole atop Jesus, string fishing line through the hole and tie a knot.
5. String the other end through the hole in the cup. Tie the end to a paper clip.
6. Pull up the paper clip to take Jesus into the clouds.