

We will not have morning Mass at Holy Spirit Catholic Church on Thursday, March 4, 2021

**2021 Catholic Sharing Appeal
Witnessing the Eucharist Within Us**

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 to the Eucharist Within Us" by giving a generous gift to this year's Catholic Sharing Appeal. Pledge envelopes are available in the pew or in the back of the church. Thank You!

**Updating the Diocese of Biloxi's
Response to COVID-19**

Beginning with Saturday Vigil for Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, March 27, 2021, the general dispensation from the obligation of in-person participation in the celebration of Holy Mass will expire. That said, the Bishop will extend a *particular dispensation* from the obligation to personally participate in the celebration of Mass for the following: (1) those who are particularly vulnerable to COVID-19 due to an underlying health condition and who have not yet been vaccinated, and (2) those 60 years and older who have not yet been vaccinated. On a case-by case basis, parishioners who are particularly concerned about their own or a family member's vulnerability may approach Pastors for a one-month dispensation, renewable as the Pastor determines appropriate. Masks, handwashing, and social distancing are still to be practiced in parishes.

Capital Improvements Collection

A reminder that **next weekend** is our "**Capital Improvements Collection**" at Holy Spirit Catholic Church and Christ the King Mission.

First Friday Adoration

Please join us at Holy Spirit Catholic Church this **Friday, March 5th** for **Adoration of the Blessed**

Sacrament Adoration will begin after the 8:00 a.m. Mass and continue throughout the day until 6:00 p.m. in our St. Patrick Chapel.

Hour of Mercy

Please join us this Sunday from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. for an "Hour of Mercy" at Holy Spirit Catholic Church. We will begin with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, sing the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and pray the Litany for God's Mercy. Fr. Peter will also be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Friday Stations of the Cross

Please join us each **Friday** evening during Lent for the Stations of the Cross. **The Stations begin at 6:00p.m. at both Holy Spirit and Christ the King.**

CYO Fundraiser

Due to COVID restrictions the CYO 2nd Annual Hog Roast will be as follows: Prepackaged Vacuumed Sealed 1 lb. bags of Frozen Pulled Pork will be sold for \$5 after masses at Holy Spirit March 13-14 as supplies last. The funds will assist in getting students to the one-day Youth Convention being held March 20th in Long Beach. Thank you in advance for your support and generosity.

Lenten Fish Fry News

Knights of Columbus:

This year's Knights of Columbus Lenten Fish Fry will be **drive-through only** from 4:30 p.m. – 7 p.m. in the parish hall parking lot. Options will be MS catfish, shrimp, and combo plate (including sides and dessert). Adult plate \$10, Child plate \$6. **We could really use some kitchen help on Thursday and Friday mornings from 9:00 a.m. until around Noon. Please contact Ed Fisher if you can help at (228) 219-2969.**

Christ the King :

Every Friday, during Lent from 4:30p.m. until 6:00 p.m. we will be serving Fish Plates for only \$8.00 a plate (hush puppies, potato salad, cole slaw & baked beans).

This year's Christ the King Lenten Fish Fry will be for pick-up only.

MASS FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS: You can have Masses offered for the deceased as well as for living family and friends (\$10 stipend per Mass). Mass cards and envelopes are available at the Parish office. We strongly advise that you contact the office if you wish to have a Mass celebrated on a specific date. If a Mass Intention has already been scheduled for that date, your Mass Intention will be scheduled on the next available date.

HOMEBOUND VISITS: Fr. Peter is able to visit the homebound parishioners and Minister to them the Sacraments of Confession, Communion and Anointing. Contact the Parish Office or Fr. Peter directly (228-233-0947) if you would like Fr. Peter to visit your relative.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Fr. Peter is available for Confession every day, before daily Mass and after, or by appointment.

ANNULMENTS: Please contact Fr. Peter if you are in need of an Annulment (228) 233-0947.

CK & HS COMBINED ACTIVITIES

CYO : (6th-12th) 4:45pm to 5:45pm every Sunday – Parish Hall

Youth Ministers: Tara & Thomas Phelan

RCIA: Wednesday. 6:30pm-8:00 pm – Parish Hall

K of C Meeting: 1st Wed. of the month at 7pm.- KC Hall

Parish Charity: Tuesdays- 4:30pm.-5:30pm C.K.

Boy Scouts Troup 826: Michael Rosas -Tuesdays- 6:30pm- HSCC

HOLY SPIRIT ACTIVITIES: 6705 Jim Ramsay Road, Vancleave, 39565

Altar Society – Margaret Brenke, President

CCD Director: Jessica Maddox

CCD Grades K-9 – Sunday 9:30 a.m.-10:45 a.m.

CCD Grades 10 & 11 – Wed. 6:15 p.m.-7:30 p.m. HSCC

Bible Study – Tuesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. and Wed. after 8:00am Mass in the Holy Spirit Community Center.

CHRIST THE KING ACTIVITIES

10601 Daisy Vestry Rd, Latimer, MS 39565

CCD Director: Shirley McCusker

CD: Grades K – 11th- Sunday 10:15am-11:15am

Parish Council: 2nd Tuesday at 6:45pm

Altar Society/Flowers – Tina Shoemaker, President. Please contact Tina Shoemaker at (228) 238-3791.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate, and Religious Life. Please pray for our seminarians and permanent deacons; our Service Men & Women: Chad Parker, James Griffith, Scott Fisher, Patrick Ekhlax, Josh Iler, Andrew Cribbs, Michael Ferencak, Nathan Smith, Kris Moe, Joshua Cook **and** Matthew Ekhlax; **those in nursing or assisted living homes and those who are ill:** Sandra Hill, Beverly Reese, Mark Jones, Jenni Johnson, Gwen Flurry, Teresa Pentecost, Diane Fisher, Mary Osterman, Ken Newman, Nell Kieff, Miguel Saavedra, and June Spivey.

Stewardship			
Date	Holy Spirit	Christ the King	
2/21	2,893	1,124	Offering
	135	0	Cap.Imp.
	141	46	Black & Ind
	319	140	Ash Wed

MASS	LECTOR
Sat Mar 6 4:00 pm CK	Mary Rogers
Sat Mar 6 6:00 pm HS	Marie Peterson
Sun Mar 7 9:15 am CK	Pat Fast
Sun Mar 7 11:00 am HS	Karen Bahnick
Sun Mar 7 6:00 pm HS	Suzanne Jennings