

**The "Hour of Grace", December 8.**  
During the period of November 24, 1946 to December 8, 1947, the Blessed Mother appeared to Sister Pierina in a little Church in Montichiari, Italy. The Blessed Virgin Mary told Sister Pierina that She wanted to be known as the Mystical Rose, and that an hour of grace should be held at noon, December 8th, every year in all of the Catholic Churches around the world. It was November 16, 1947, when Sister Pierina was finishing Her Thanksgiving after Holy Communion, when she saw a great light. She then saw a vision of the Blessed Mother as the Mystical Rose, and She talked to Her. The Blessed Mother spoke these words, “My Son is so greatly offended by the sins of impurity in the whole world. He is already planning to send the deluge upon the people, for their destruction, but I have asked Him to show mercy, and not send the destruction. So, that is why I have appeared, to ask for penance and atonement for the sins of impurity.” So, Our Lady asked for penance. She said, “Penance is nothing more than accepting all of our crosses daily and willingly. No matter how small, accept them with love.” She asked Sister Pierina to come to Church on December 8th at noon. “This will be my Hour of Grace Blessed Mother said.” The Sister asked how to prepare for this Hour of Grace, to which the Blessed Mother said, “with prayers and penance. Pray the 51st psalm with outstretched arms three times. During the Hour of Grace, many spiritual graces would be granted, even the most hard-hearted sinners will be touched by the grace of God.” The Blessed Mother promised that whatever a person asked Her for during this Hour of Grace on December 8 (even in impossible cases) would be granted to them, if it was in accordance with the Will of God. That day, the Heavens will be widely opened and God will be so close to us. Our Lady smiled and said to Sister Pierina: “I am the Immaculate Conception, the Mother of my Beloved Son, Jesus Christ. I want to be known as the Mystical Rose. My wish is that every year on the 8th of December, at noon, an Hour of Grace will be installed. Many spiritual graces, physical healings, blessings and gifts will be received by those who pray, undisturbed, during this hour.”  
Instructions from Our Heavenly Mother for the Hour of Grace:  
- To be held from 12 noon until 1 p.m. (It must be one full hour of prayer)  
- During this hour the person making the Hour of Grace either at home or in a church must put away

all distractions, (no cell phones, no computers, no talking, no work).  
- Begin the Hour of Grace by praying three times the 51st Psalm from the Bible with outstretched arms.  
- The rest of the Hour of Grace you may spent in silent communication with God, adoring the Sacred Host, meditating upon the Passion of Jesus, saying the Holy Rosary, or praising God in your own way.  
Dear parishioners and friends, **DO NOT MISS** this great opportunity of the Hour of Grace. It is a wonderful blessing and chance for us to have a better life with Christ and the Blessed Virgin Mary.

**Next Sunday is the Diocesan Collection for St. Vincent De Paul Pharmacy**

***Holy Day of Obligation***  
***The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary***

**Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup> – Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass at Christ the King (Dec 7<sup>th</sup>)  
6:00 p.m. Mass at Holy Spirit (Dec 8<sup>th</sup>)  
8:00 a.m. No Mass at Holy Spirit

**The Parish Office will be closed on Wednesday, December 8, 2022.**

**Lunch with Santa:** The Knights of Columbus will be hosting Lunch with Santa on December 11<sup>th</sup> after 11:00 Mass in the Holy Spirit Parish Community Center. All are invited for lunch and pictures with Santa.

**Gumbo Fund Raiser – Christ the King**  
Dear parishioners, friends and visitors. It's that time again...Christ the King Catholic Church in Latimer will be taking orders for seafood gumbo this Christmas Season!! \$50 for a gallon or \$25 for a half gallon. Sign up sheets will be in the back of the church in Vancleave and Latimer starting this weekend or you can contact Deacon Norbie or Pam Leach at 228-209-0698 to place your order. The deadline to order is Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>. Orders can be picked up at Christ The King on Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> after Mass.

**Parish Charities**  
**Our Food Pantry is asking for donations of the following items for Christmas:**  
Gravy mix, Corn bread mix, Cream potatoes mix, Corn, Peas, Green Beans, Cake mix, Icing, canned sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, stuffing mix,

canned pumpkin, evaporated milk and mini marshmallows.

**Advent Penance Service**  
**Holy Spirit Catholic Church and**  
**Christ the King Mission**

We will have an Advent Penance Service on Monday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. for Holy Spirit Catholic Church and Christ the King Mission at Holy Spirit Catholic Church. Three priests will be available to hear your confession.

Stewardship			
Date	Holy Spirit	Christ the King	
11/27	2,999	964.75	Offering
			Bldg. Fund
	600		Anonymous Donor

**Mass Schedule For the Nativity of the Lord**  
**A Holy Day of Obligation**  
**Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup> Vigil Mass:**  
Christ the King: 4:00 p.m. with Fr. Bob  
Holy Spirit: 4:00 p.m. with Fr. Peter  
**Sunday, December 25<sup>th</sup> Solemnity Mass:**  
Christ the King: 9:15 a.m.  
Holy Spirit: 11:00 a.m.  
We will not have a 4:00 p.m. Mass at Holy Spirit

**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 if you would like him to visit your relative.

**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.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:**  
Fr. Peter is available for Confession every day, before daily Mass and after, or by appointment.

**CK & HS COMBINED ACTIVITIES**  
**K of C Meeting:** 1<sup>st</sup> Wed. of the month at 7pm.- KC Hall

**Parish Charity:** Tuesdays- 4:30pm.-5:00pm 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  
**Maintenance –** Mark Hopkins 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday.  
**Bible Study –** Wed. after 8:00am Mass and Tuesday evenings at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall.

**CHRIST THE KING ACTIVITIES**  
**10601 Daisy Vestry Rd, Latimer, MS 39565**  
**Altar Society/Flowers –** Tina Shoemaker, President. Please contact her at (228) 238-3791.

**PRAYER REQUESTS**  
**Please pray for vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate, and Religious Life. Please pray for our seminarians:**, Chris Collins, John Olivier, Deacon Adam Frey, Marcelo Gois, and Jacob Lott.; **and permanent deacons; our Service Men & Women:** Robert Brown, Chad Parker, James Griffith, Scott Fisher, Patrick Ekhlhas, Josh Iler, Michael Ferencak, Bruce Spearnock, Kris Moe, Joshua Cook, Adriana Hill-Cook and Matthew Ekhlhas; **those in nursing or assisted living homes and those who are ill:** Maria Kmiecik, Rhonda Borries, Richard Arguelles, Pam McKay, Jane Benoit, Nathan Smith, Doug Borries, Pat & Pete Dacri, Bunny & Albert Lechner, Joe Martin, Albert Santa Cruz, Thomas Newman, Sandra Hill, Beverly Reese, Mary Osterman, Nell Kieff, and Miguel Saavedra.

<b>MASS</b>	<b>LECTOR</b>	<b>Altar Servers</b>
Sat Dec 10 4:00 p.m. CK	Suzy Humphrey	
Sun Dec 11 6:00 p.m. HS	Doris Santa Cruz	
Sun Dec 10 9:15 a.m. CK	Tina Shoemaker	Addie Illich
Sun Dec 11 11:00 a.m. HS	Mark Hopkins	Cooper Flurry Addison Smith Brileigh Brown
Sun Dec 11 4:00 p.m. HS	Katherine Rushing	