

The role of the Saints in our lives.

Who are the saints? Who are the blessed? And why do we celebrate the Feast of All Saints every year on November 1st?

Dear Parishioners and Friends:

As you know, each saint, during his lifetime, was a real man with his weaknesses and imperfections. It happened that the saints were angry with the people, were upset with God, were irritable and impatient, and committed sins and mistakes that they regretted. Even though they wandered, they steadfastly headed towards Heaven. It can be said that the common characteristic of all the blessed and saints is literalness in the pursuit of Christian perfection. They realized this perfection in various ways, such as silent and humble prayer and through service to others in many different ways. That's why we have to remember that holiness is not a work of man, but a gift of God: "Every gift and blessing that we receive in our lives comes down from above, from Our Father in Heaven" - wrote St. Jacob.

So what is their role in our lives?

The Church teaches us that the saints help us to become saints as well, and one day we will enjoy seeing God in Heaven. They are also great advocates in difficult matters, marriage issues, addictions, doubts in our faith, and other life complications. The Saints also pray and cure the sick members of our families. Their intercession to God is perfect, because having obtained eternal salvation, they sing perfect praises to God in Heaven. As your spiritual leader, I encourage each of you to use the help of the saints and the blessed during the month of November by praying intercessory prayers to specific Saints and saying the Litany to All Saints.

Let us pray unceasingly, and do not give up, because it is really effective. Happy All Saints Day to everyone, Fr. Peter, your Parish priest.

Knights of Columbus News

This year's Krewe of Spirits Mardi Gras Ball will be held in February. We are accepting nominations for our next Mardi Gras court. Please fill out nomination forms in the back of the church

and place in box. Thank you. **The Knights of Columbus would like to wish our children a happy Halloween. Please enjoy a bag of candy from the back of the church.**

Hour of Mercy

Please join us this Sunday, October 31, 2021 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.

Congratulations

Lumen Christi Award Recipients

Michael & Georgene Johnson, recipients from **Christ the King Mission**; and **Marie Peterson and Mary Inabinette** recipients from **Holy Spirit Parish**. The Lumen Christi Award honors those parishioners who give generously of their time and talent to the Church.

Christ the King Gumbo Fundraiser

Pam Leach is offering her award-winning Gumbo for our Christ the King Thanksgiving and Christmas Seafood Gumbo Fundraisers. If anyone is interested there is a sign-up sheet in back of the church, call the office or call Pam (228) 209-0698. \$25 1/2 gallon or \$50 a gallon. The gumbo for Thanksgiving will be frozen and can be picked up Sat., Nov. 20, after the 4:00 pm & Sun., Nov. 21, after the 9:15 am Mass at the Church. Deadline for ordering is Nov. 6 and 7. For Christmas, it can be picked up Sat., Dec. 18, or Sun., Dec. 19, after Masses. Deadline for ordering is Dec. 4 & 5.

Building Fund Collection

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

First Friday Adoration

Please join us at Holy Spirit Catholic Church this **Friday, November 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 Adoration Chapel.

CYO Meeting

The CYO (grades 6 through 12) will meet every 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month. *The next meeting will take place on Sunday, November 7, 2021 after the 6:00 p.m. Mass in the Community Center.*

Parish Charities

Our Food Pantry is asking for donations of the following items for Thanksgiving and Christmas: Gravy mix, Cron bread mix, Cream potatoes mix, Corn, Peas, Green Beans, Cake mix, Icing, canned sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, stuffing mix, canned pumpkin, evaporated milk and minnie marshmallows.

Holy Spirit Parish is looking for a Youth Minister for our CYO

If you or someone that you know is interested, we are asking you to please contact Deacon John Jennings.

Stewardship			
Date	Holy Spirit	Christ the King	
10/24	2,637.84	1,042	Offering
	147	123	Prop. Of Faith

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 him to visit your relative.

MASS	LECTOR	Altar Servers
Sat Nov 6 4:00 pm CK	Mary Rogers	
Sat Nov 6 6:00 pm HS	Marie Peterson	Joseph Cook
Sun Nov 7 9:15 am CK	Pat Fast	David Yennie
Sun Nov 7 11:00 am HS	Aaron Smith	Addison Smith
Sun Nov 7 6:00 pm HS	Katherine Lingenfelder	

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) 7:00pm to 8:00pm 1st & 3rd Sunday – Parish Hall

Youth Ministers:

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.-5:00pm 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

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 – Wed. after 8:00am Mass and Tuesday evenings at 6:30pm 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 her at (228) 238-3791.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate, and Religious Life. Please pray for our seminarians: Michael Johnson, Chris Collins, John Olivier, Adam Frey, Jesse Schmitt, Christian Baca, Marcelo Gois, Jacob Lott and Deacon Tomasz Powrozniak, **and permanent deacons; our Service Men & Women:** Chad Parker, James Griffith, Scott Fisher, Patrick Ekhlis, Josh Iler, Andrew Cribbs, Michael Ferencak, Bruce Spearnock, Kris Moe, Joshua Cook and Matthew Ekhlis; **those in nursing or assisted living homes and those who are ill:** Maria Kmiecik, Jack Blalock, Joe Martin, Garrett Windham, Bryleigh Brochard, Albert Santa Cruz, Thomas Newman, Jim Hinton, Sandra Hill, Beverly Reese, Gwen Flurry, Mary Osterman, Nell Kieff and Miguel Saavedra.