



“Let God be who God is. This is often one of the hardest things to do. Rather than allowing the mystery of being created in the image and likeness of God unfold and take root in our lives, we change the dynamic. We want to be

the creators who want to make God into the image and likeness we need God to be. We have a hard-enough time letting the people in our lives be who they are. We struggle even more so with God. It is almost as if we want God to be our imaginary friend who is not only with us whenever we need but becomes the Being we need God to be. Who is it that we want God to be today? A protector, disciplinarian, champion for justice, healer, advocate for our cause, grantor of prayers, guardian of my life, or the avenger? Our prayers tell an interesting story. When you pray, what does God look like? Recently, a young woman who was feeling invisible, overlooked, ignored, and misunderstood by her husband struggled to make her feelings known and get his attention. Finally, she screamed, “Listen to me!” Thus, birth was given to a renewed and healthier relationship. We spend so much time storming heaven with our agenda and trying to make God into a “god” of our desires that we do not hear God saying, “Listen to me!” God is desperately trying to get our attention. God is saying, I am here among you as not one but three, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Many people seldom notice God’s presence because they are so caught up with other spiritual cares and concerns. And, when the “god” they fashion and create doesn’t produce as they desire, they shake the dust from their feet and move on. “I tried,” they exclaim, “but God didn’t listen.” Healthy relationships aren’t built on making someone be who we need them to be. Healthy relationships are built on encounters of persons and the development of an appreciation of someone solely for who they are. Deeper relationships can even be found with two people marveling at each other and almost experiencing a childlike joy and giddiness when they see the other coming. Do you ever have these feelings about God? Believe it or not, God does for you! There is a joyful laughter that gives rise to and connects all three members of the Holy Trinity. It is this laughter, flowing from the very depths of the Godhead that not only keeps the Trinity in joyful unity but spills over into the creation of all beings and things. It is an expression of Divine Delight! Have you ever taken time away from your agenda to experience the Divine Joyfulness of God? We can reach a connection of Presence wherein even the smallest of creatures suddenly radiate the fullness of God: the wonderful creation of their being, the innocence and playfulness of their movements, and the sustaining life breath that flows through their veins. The same God who created the heavens and the earth is the same God who wants you to call him ‘Dad’ and the same God who preserves your life and has all things in His care.

Mass Intentions

Sat. 5:00 p.m.: Hilda Johnson, Alexson Mathieu, Audrey Mathieu, deceased members of the Mathieu & Mouton families, Christopher J Anderson, Wilbert & Thelma Jeanlouis, Harold Anderson Sr & Ethel Mae Decuir, Mazel Norbert, Clifton Daigre Jr, Antoine Cormier, Joyce Cormier for all members of the U.S. Armed Services who died while serving to protect our country. Special Intentions for all of our church Benefactors and donors and for the wellbeing and intentions of our church members.

Sun. 8:00 a.m.: Elvena Berard, Meltiney J.B. Lee, Almelia Lee, Jenel Lee, Florence Lee and for all members of the U.S. Armed Services who died while serving to protect our country. Special Intentions for all of our church Benefactors and Donors and for the wellbeing and intentions of our church members.

Sun. 10:00 a.m.: Joseph Leo Sias III, Christopher Anderson and the deceased members of the Decuir & Anderson families, Lionel Ryes, M/M Curley & Mary Ann Flugence, deceased members of the Flugence & St. Julien families, Florina & John Landry, Zoeway & Ernest Green, Emma & Aristille Landry, Florence Washington, Myra Broussard, Hazel Jones, Wilfred Thompson, M/M Harold & Velma Flugence, deceased members of the Thompson & Flugence families and for all members of the U.S. Armed Services who have died while serving to protect our country Special Intentions for all of our church Benefactors and Donors and for the wellbeing and intentions of our church members.

Prayers for the Sick: Merciful Jesus, onto your Compassionate Heart we recommend Charles Lee, Gustavia Thibeaux, John Albert Ledet, Clyde Tauriac, Mark Tauriac, Shavawna Flugence, Mayola Williams, Lester Mouton, Louvenia L Gibson, Audrey Armelin, Rodney Dupuis, Bessie Johnson, Emery Joe, Sylvania Cormier and Leon Williams.

Holy Baptism Will be conducted on an as-needed basis. Contact the church office to arrange Baptismal class and scheduling.

God’s Housekeepers:

St. Joseph: Thanks to all of the ladies in **Group B** that cleaned the church on May 29th, 2021. The next group is **Group C:** Mary Domingue, Brenda Washington and Mary Celestine – June 5th, 2021.

St. Anthony — June, 2021: (**Group C**) Anne Tate, Theresa Jones, Marie Decuir and Rosemary Lee.

Your hard work and time dedicated is appreciated!



To Everyone who Celebrated a Birthday in May

Mass	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers	Ushers
SATURDAY June 5, 2021 5:00pm	Linda Alfred	Linda Johnson		
SUNDAY June 6, 2021 8:00am				
SUNDAY June 6, 2021 10:00am	Gaynell Kimble	Brenda Washington		

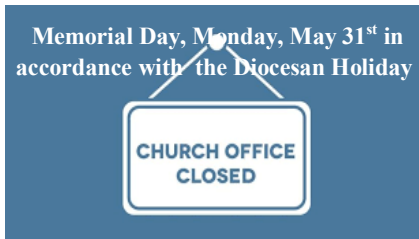
Please Note: Lectors, Ushers, Altar Servers and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion; by calling for a replacement when you are scheduled but cannot serve, you honor your commitment and help to ensure that there is no interruption for mass. Thanks!!

PASTORS CORNER

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity -Mt 28:16-20
The mystery of the Trinity tells us that the Son is not the Father and the Father is not the Son and yet both are but a single God. When the Son receives everything from the Father, he becomes similar to the Father sharing what is proper to his Father. Finally, if there is a spirit that presides over the whole of this Mystery of the Most Holy Trinity it is the spirit of love. For it is truly loved that leads the Father to give to his Son all that he has and similarly it is love that leads the Son to give back to his Father what he had been given by him. We see God as Father the origin and creator of all life and dependent existence. This Person is the origin and goal the Alpha and Omega of all things of all life. This Person is the source of all Truth and Love a Person of Mercy and Compassion the source of all Wisdom. In Jesus, the transcendent and unknowable God is presented in a form which helps us to have some understanding of his real nature and to reach out to him. All human works of compassion, healing, reconciling, service, forgiveness and making amends reflect the work of redemption and reconciliation and are identified more closely with the Son. Finally, we see God as Spirit forming us, guiding us, teaching us, loving us, comforting and strengthening us. We find God through his Spirit acting in and through us in and through others. If all men and women of the entire world obey the order of Christ given by the Church, then we shall all be able to contemplate one day the glory of the Most Holy Trinity: the *Father*, the *Son* and the *Holy Spirit*. May this be our most fervent desire on this day, to obey the Word of God by participating with faith and with love in today’s Eucharist just as the Most Blessed Virgin Mary always said “yes” to the Order of God ever-present in her.

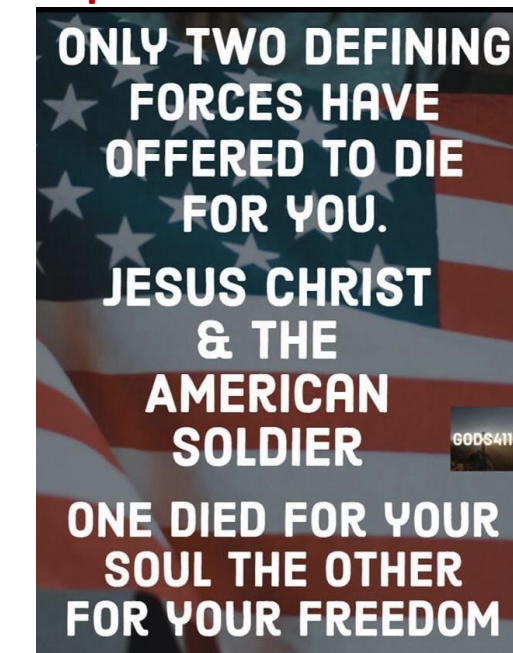
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The Web Site for St. Joseph/St. Anthony is: stjostant.org

Inspirations for Your Week



Our Giving

May 22nd & 23rd, 2021

St. Joseph: (55 Envelopes) **\$1,005.00**

St. Anthony: (32 Envelopes) **507.00**

\$1,512.00

2nd Collections:

Building Maintenance Fund: **30.00**

B.S.A.: **257.00**

TOTAL: **\$1,799.00**

April Assessment Paid to Diocese: **\$1,315.70**

“No one shall appear before the Lord empty-handed, but each of you with as much as he can give, in proportion to the blessings which the Lord your God has bestowed upon you.”