"In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you."

Christ

What kind of House do you live in? Brick? 3 bedrooms? On many acres? How hard do you work to sustain what you have? Weekends, after work?

Do you worry about what you have when you wake up at night?

#### And so, it is...

That while we haven't reached Our Father's house, we do have a house here on earth. That house is our church, or parish and as Catholics, our home.

It is our job to sustain His house until we, as His children, reach our eternal home in heaven. No, it's not made of Gold. It's not paved with diamonds or rubies, it's a simple place. Many just come to complete a requirement and check a box. But some, know the importance of what we have been given here on God's earth.

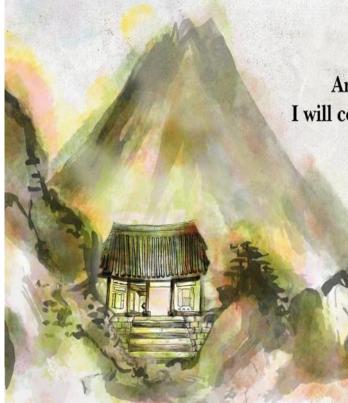
We work in many ways within our church house as we await our time in His. It is our job to care for His church on earth with our vast talents... sweeping, cleaning, cooking, cutting grass; many give of themselves in various ministries, the Altar Society, Lizana Light, etc., in support of St. Ann/OLC and this community. All, go to sustaining this gift we have here, Our Church. By giving us His gift of our church, He has opened His heart and created the opportunity to reach His eternal home in heaven.

Who are we to look away, saying "We're just too busy." Ignore the one home Christ has given us on earth. Why do we as Catholics not say, "Yes Lord, I will sustain your church here" as it sustains us, supports us and shares in something we all should rejoice in...Our Catholic Faith.

He has given so much to us, are we to give Him so little?

Christ, Commitment, Community, Courage and Love...Living Committed, Living Catholic





We welcome new members to our Parish. Please fill out a new member registration form and submit to the parish office, or Fr. David Milton. Fr. David would be happy to visit with you and help you assess your spiritual needs.

#### **FIRST Friday Adoration:**

Join us the first Friday of each month in Adoration of the Eucharist after the 8:00am mass in the Chapel. The next first First Friday Adoration May 5th 8:30am-12:00pm

#### St. Ann Mass Schedule:

Saturday – May 6<sup>th</sup> 5:00pm-Mary Adams Sunday – May 7<sup>th</sup> 9:00am- First Communion Recipients

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Before mass By Appointment

**Our Lady of Chartres** Sunday – May 7<sup>th</sup> 7:30am-Parish Fifth Sunday Easter May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023



And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself,

# that where I am you may be also.

# John 14:3

St. Ann Catholic Church & Our Lady of Chartres Mission Pastor: Reverend Fr. David Milton – Office Administrator: Mary Beth Stillwagon Office phone: 228.832.2560 Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00am-2:00pm

> Monday – May 8<sup>th</sup> 8:00am-Mary Adams Wednesday – May 10<sup>th</sup> 6:00pm-Mary Adams Thursday – May 11<sup>th</sup> 8:00am-The Kraher's Friday – May 12<sup>th</sup> 8:00am-Mary Adams

> Sat – May 13<sup>th</sup> 5:00pm-Parish Sunday – May 14<sup>th</sup> OLC 7:30am-Mary Adams Sunday – May 14th 9:00am-OPEN

# **First Holy Communion**



### <u>Remembrance of My</u> <u>First Holy Communion</u>

Jacklyn Mitchell Marleigh Smith Avery Davis

My Sweet Jesus,

With this our First Holy Communion, we offer You our thoughts, our words, and all that we do.

In the Sacrament of the Eucharist, You left us the outstanding manifestation of your limitless love for us.

Thank You, Jesus for giving us the opportunity to experience this love in receiving the Sacrament for the first time.

May we continue to receive You throughout our life and be filled with the blessings you so graciously give.

#### April 30<sup>th</sup> 2023

<u>St. Ann Stewardship</u> Identifiable: \$1745.00 - Loose: \$459.00 Children's: \$9.81 - (ACH: \$590.00) <u>Total: \$2213.81</u>

<u>OLC Stewardship</u> Identifiable: \$135.00 - Loose: \$87.00 <u>Total: \$222.00</u>

### Second Collection

We will have a second collection for The Catholic Home Missions, at each mass. Envelopes can be found in each pew, and at the back of church.

# Thank You

Thank you to everyone that gave of their time and talents to help make the 2023 St. Ann Catfish Festival a success. The effort each and everyone of you put in is the cornerstone of what this parish family is all about; helping each other, while helping support our church, parish and community.

You have given your time freely at every avenue, when called upon. That love and support should never go unnoticed; and it has not.

From recovering from the COVID pandemic, returning to our church for mass, to fellowship through ministry, our parish has proven the resilience of each and every parishioner.

We are truly blessed to serve God through this parish, and it's parish family.

Thank you again for all you have given to the 2023 Catfish Festival and to our church.

In Christ, Fr. David

| MASS                      | LECTOR          | EUCHARISTIC Ministers            | USHERS     | SERVERS        |
|---------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|------------|----------------|
| Sat. May 6 <sup>th</sup>  |                 |                                  | August     |                |
| 5:00pm                    | Mike West       | Barbara Saucier, Beverly Saucier | Schonewitz | N/A            |
| Sun. May 7 <sup>th</sup>  |                 |                                  | Terry      |                |
| 7:30am                    | Diann Kirk      | Janette Dedeaux                  | Mitchell   | N/A            |
| Sun. May 7 <sup>th</sup>  |                 | Kim Wood, Sherrie DeMello        | William    | Paige, Wyatt   |
| 9:00am                    | Beverly Saucier | Susan Peleaz                     | Burke      | Katlyn         |
| Sat. May 13 <sup>th</sup> |                 |                                  | August     |                |
| 5:00pm                    | Barbara Saucier | Mike West, Ruth Schonewitz       | Schonewitz | N/A            |
| Sun. May 14 <sup>th</sup> |                 |                                  | Terry      |                |
| 7:30am                    | Diann Kirk      | Doug Ladner                      | Mitchell   | N/A            |
| Sun. May 14 <sup>th</sup> |                 | William Burke, Robin Peterson    | William    | Harmon, Layton |
| 9:00am                    | Lacy Marchand   | Lacy Marchand                    | Burke      | Blane          |

# Yard Sale

The Altar Society will be holding yards sale Satur May 13<sup>th</sup> and again on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, betw 7:00am & 4:00pm in the pavillion. Should you wi to donate, you can drop your items off at the che between now and May 10<sup>th</sup>.

#### Altar Society Meeting

The Altar Society will be hosting their next meeting, May 20<sup>th</sup> after the yard sale. The meeting will begin at 4:00pm. Please come join us in the pavilion.

#### Mass of Healing

Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church in Pass Christian will be holding their healing mass, Frida May 19<sup>th</sup> a 5:00pm.

#### Missing

It was brought to our attention that an electric k sharpener, donated for the Catfish Festival prep missing. If anyone knows where this sharpener is please let Fr. David know, drop it by the office, o leave it in the back of church. The one who loand to the church would like to have it back.

#### Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers & Altar Servers

Please check the bulletin for updates!

<u>Prayer Requests</u> Helen Necaise, Victor Acosta

#### Marian Shrines Pilgrimage

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| rday, | Fr. Mark Ropel, St. Thomas Aquinas, Hattiesburg             |
| ween  | &   |
| /ish  | Fr. David Milton, St. Ann/OLC                               |
| nurch | Are hosting a 13-Day Pilgrimage                             |
|       | October 16 <sup>th</sup> thru October 28 <sup>th</sup> 2024 |
|       | to  |
|       | Fatima and Lourdes  |
| ting. |   |

|        | Anyone that would like to join Fr. David and         |
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| egin   | Fr. Mark on this wonderful journey of faith please   |
|        | give Fr. David your name/s so your place will be     |
|        | held.  |
|        | The journey will take you through the                |
|        | beautiful city of Lisbon, with a mass at St. Stephen |
| lay,   | and then on to Fatima.                               |
| •      | At Fatima you will visit the Basilica of Our         |
|        | Lady of the Rosary and the tombs of Blessed          |
|        | Francisco, Jacinta, and Sister Lucia. You will       |
|        | participate in the stations of the Cross along the   |
| knife  | Via Sacra, which ends at the Chapel of Calvary       |
| o is   | overlooking Fatima. The Port of Fatima will be       |
| is,    | your next stop where you will celebrate mass at      |
| or     | the Church of St. Francis.                           |
| ned it | Your pilgrimage also includes time in Porto          |
|        | Pontevedra, Santiago De Compostela, Avila, &         |
|        | Loyola.  |
| ~      | The pilgrimage culminates in travel to               |
| S      | Lourdes, where Our Lady first appeared to            |
|        | Bernadette and revealed herself as, "The             |
|        | Immaculate Conception." We will celebrate mass,      |
|        | visit the Grotto of Massabielle, and have the        |
|        | opportunity to drink, or bath in the healing         |
|        | waters of the spring.                                |
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If you would like more information, there are packets in the back of church.