

Nativity B.V.M. February 19, 2023

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LIVING A LIFE OF FAITH MEANS ACTING WITH LOVE AND MERCY

The call to spiritual perfection or holiness dominates our readings today. We are called to be perfect as the heavenly Father is perfect, and to demonstrate that holiness in the way we treat one another and in our knowledge that we are temples of God's Holy Spirit.



PLEASE KEEP OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS

Robert Cade, Anthony Porpiglia, Tom Peresich, Barbara Gary, Colton Vollmuth, Eileen Donovan, Joy Tucei, Josh Sniffen, George Ziz, Trent Hartzog, Dan Scott, Derrel Netter, Sienna Anderson, Mary Parker, Allen Tye, Sr. Jackie Tarrant, Amy Elizabeth Wheeler, Keaton Morano, Lynn Frisby, Charlie Arguelles, Robert Moniot, Susan Gary Sigurnjak, Lee Slater, Paul Vitale, Steve Lyons, Michael J. Kessler, Charles Wesley Ryan, Jr., Sondra Fox, Tommy Ardoline, Robert McClellan, Ansley Gilich, Adonna Creel Currie, Jackie Clark, Ivan Kovacevich, Peter Skrmetta, Kay Semska, Kevin Kavanagh, Carolyn Urbanoto, Buck O'Gea, Nick Pass, Sue and Gene Daudelin, Lesa Walker-Kirkman, Lehwmon Skrmetti, Annette Luther, Macklyn Holloway, Mary Wimberly, Tiffany Whitehead, Holly Hill, Georgia Bellais Dominick, Mickey Bradley, Greg Hotaling, Jack Joachim, Jr. and all of our Homebound Parishioners.

MAGNIFICAT SUBSCRIPTION DEADLINE

The deadline for this is **NO LATER THAN February 20th, 2023**. For those of you who subscribe through Nativity, please turn in your payment of \$39.95 to Jackie Hewitt at the rectory. Also, anyone not currently receiving the Magnificat, let us know if you are interested in receiving it.

RCIA

There will be no RCIA class this week in observance of Fat Tuesday. Please continue to pray for the Catechumens, Candidates and Sponsors as they are fast approaching the Easter Sacraments and as they continue their journey of faith together. If you would like further information, please contact Greg or Penny Payne 228-365-6348.



ASH WEDNESDAY is on February 22, 2023. All Masses for Ash Wednesday will be in the Cathedral. This will include 12 (noon) and 6:00 p.m. Masses.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon	Feb 20	Sir 1:1-10, Mk 9:14-29
Tue	Feb 21	Sir 2:1-11, Mk 9:30-37
Wed	Feb 22	Jl 2:12-18, 2 Cor 5:20—6:2, Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thu	Feb 23	Dt 30:15-20, Lk 9:22-25
Fri	Feb 24	Is 58:1-9a, Mt 9:14-15
Sat	Feb 25	Is 58:9b-14, Lk 5:27-32
Sun	Feb 26	Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7, Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19, Mt 4:1-11

YOUR SUNDAY TITHING AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Regular Collections	\$	9,148.50
Maintenance	\$	481.00
Capital Improvement	\$	538.00
Nativity Elem.	\$	504.50
Miscellaneous	\$	600.00
TOTAL COLLECTION	\$	10,791.00

Thank you for your generous contributions!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Mon. Feb 20	Adoration, Chapel at 7:00 -7:55 a.m. Women of Mary, 5:30 p.m.
Tues. Feb 21	RECTORY CLOSED Men of St. Joseph, 7:00 a.m. <u>NO</u> Bingo Mania, 5:30 p.m. <u>NO RCIA, 6:00 p.m., SHC</u>
Wed. Feb 22	Ash Wednesday Masses, 6:30, 8:00, Noon and 6:00 pm (all Masses in Cathedral) Cleaning TEAM D CCD 5:30 p.m.
Thur. Feb 23	Adoration in Chapel, 6:00 p.m.

SURGE OF THE HEART PARISH MISSION at Nativity BVM Cathedral

Nationally recognized Catholic speaker, and best selling author, Jon Leonetti, will be here leading the way! Jon travels extensively helping Catholics understand the greatest story ever told—the story of Jesus Christ and his Catholic Church. Bring your family and friends. **Where: Nativity BVM Cathedral, Biloxi Ms. When: Sunday, March 26th from 6:30 until 8:00 pm and on Monday, March 27th from 6:30 until 8:00 pm.** Daycare will be provided by our life teens and assisted by our adult staff. Keep a watch in our Bulletins. More information will be forthcoming.

SAINT JOSEPH ALTAR – “A LABOR OF LOVE”

The Cathedral of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary is proud to announce that the St. Joseph Altar will be on display at the Sacred Heart Center on Sunday, March 19, 2023, St. Joseph's Day, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Lunch will be served at 12:00 p.m. (Noon). Donations are appreciated. We invite all members of Nativity Parish, as well as all parishes and visitors along the Coast to view the Altar and have lunch with us. Mark your calendar and join us. Hope to see you there!

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS
	ASH WEDNESDAY	
Feb 25 <u>4:00 pm</u>	NOON	Feb 25 <u>4:00 pm</u>
Kathleen Coskey	Jim Shugart	McKinzy Lawson
	6:00 pm	Dalton Bounds
Feb 26 <u>7:00 am</u>	Janey Mattina	Feb 26 <u>7:00 am</u>
Danny Williams	Feb 25 <u>4:00 pm</u>	Tristan Davis
9:00 am	Bill Lawson	Kingston Davis
John Brauchle	Feb 26 <u>7:00 am</u>	9:00 am
11:00 am	Jim Compton	Julia Landry
Sandy Steckler	9:00 am	Banks Ellis
5:30 pm	Steve Theobald	11:00 am
Teresa Ballinger	11:00 am	Tarrant Family
	5:30 pm	5:30 pm
	Rosina LePre	Bentley Puzz
	Nativity Youth	
	CANTORS	
	ASH WEDNESDAY	
	NOON	
	Dennis Burke	
	6:00 pm	
	Michael Kessler	
	CATHEDRAL CHOIR	
	Feb 25 <u>4:00 pm</u>	
	Chantel Pilet	
	Feb 26 <u>9:00 am</u>	
	NES CHILDREN	
	11:00 am	
	Phil Frisby	
	CATHEDRAL CHOIR	
	5:30 pm	
	Sabree Puzz	

	6:30 AM		8:00 AM
Mon	Feb 20	Audrey Wilkes	Victor Mavar
Tue	Feb 21	Audrey Wilkes	Jeanette Capuano
Wed	Feb 22	Roy Ebberman, Sr.	Collins-Sim Family
	NOON	Audrey Wilkes	Victor Mavar
Thu	Feb 23	Earl Hammond	Chester Balus Family
Fri	Feb 24	Tucei Family	Johanna Esposito Egers
Sat	Feb 25	Glenn & Joyce Pisarich	
		4	Betty Bellande-Toland
Sun	Feb 26	7 Earl Hammond	9 FTP
	11:00	Robert & Jean Kridle	5:30 Victor Mavar

Hymns/Sacred Songs for Saturday, February 18th - 4 p.m. and Sunday, February 19th – 9, 11 am & 5:30 pm Masses for the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Opening Hymn: “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”	# 481
5:30 pm “Drawn By His Word”	# 518
Offertory Hymn: “Christians, Let Us Love One Another”	# 486
5:30 pm “They’ll Know We Are Christians”	# 586
Communion Song: “You Alone”	# 663
5:30 pm	Solo – Jordan Lancon
Recessional Song: “Blest Be The Lord”	# 447

Cantors:	Saturday 4 pm	Dennis Burke + Cathedral Choir
	Sunday 9 am	Michael Kessler
	11 am	Elizabeth Cobb
	5:30 pm	Jordan Lancon
Ash Wednesday	Noon	Dennis Burke
	6:00 pm	Michael Kessler + Cathedral Choir

NATIVITY BVM CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Wednesday, February 22nd at 9 am: Nativity Elementary School Ash Wednesday Mass in Celebration. The Mass will be offered by the Third Grade. Children Cantors will be Addie Illich and Shanielia Collins.

Sunday, February 26th at 9 am: Nativity Elementary Cathedral Mass has been CANCELLED.

MUSIC MINISTRY – CHORAL PROGRAM:

“Gloria In Excelsis” – We continue our rehearsals on Tuesday evenings beginning at 6:45 p.m. in the Youth Ministry Hall. We are currently preparing Theodore Dubois’ “The Seven Last Words of Christ” to be shared on Sunday afternoon, March 26th at 3 pm in our Cathedral. **THIS TUESDAY’S REHEARSAL ON FEBRUARY 21ST – MARDI GRAS EVENING IS CANCELLED. Rehearsals will resume on Tuesday, February 28th.**

“The Cathedral Choir” – We continue our rehearsals on Wednesday evenings on the stage of the SHC at 6:30 p.m. **THIS WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND – THE CATHEDRAL CHOIR WILL SING FOR THE 6:00 PM “ASH WEDNESDAY” MASS AND THEN HAVE AN ABBREVIATED REHEARSAL FROM 7:15-8:15 PM.**

“YOUTH CHOIR”: Our Youth Choir welcomes new members at any time throughout the year. We rehearse on the stage in the SHA Center at 4:30 pm and sing for the 5:30 pm Mass every Sunday evening.

All choirs/ensembles listed here are in need of new members, and welcome any interested singers to join us at any time throughout the year! All that’s needed is a desire to try and a willingness to share and give! God will do the rest!

LIVING IN FAITH AND TRUTH (LIFT)

This retreat is modeled after a Cursillo Retreat but for teenagers. The retreat is currently administered by Father Michael Marascalco. Team members include volunteers from parishes all across the diocese of Biloxi. The retreat begins on Friday evening, March 3rd and ends on Sunday afternoon, March 5th. This Retreat is for all boys 9th – 12th Grade. The Cost is \$60.00. We have fliers in the back of the Cathedral for anyone interested in this Retreat.

BINGO MANIA

Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday February 28, 2023. following families are scheduled for February 28, 2023: Strayham (Nicholas & Tracie), Sullivan (John & Valerie, Talley (Bart & NiCole), Tenoria (James & Shelia), Thames (Jeremy & Andrea), Thomas (Amy & Nicholas) and Vigilanco (Matthew & Robin). **If you are unable to attend, it is your responsibility to secure a replacement.**

CAN YOU.....?

As the Lenten and Holy Week Seasons draw near, the Music Ministry Program is once again planning for special services with instrumental augmentation. On March 26, we will present a very powerful and spiritual Music Concert-Service of Theodore Dubois’ “The Seven Last Words of Christ”. This will be presented with a Massed Choir with instrumental Ensemble accompaniment. For Holy Week, we hope to have a cello to join us for Holy Thursday Mass and a brass quartet join us for Easter Sunday Morning’s 9 & 11 am Masses. Can you help us fund these offerings? No gift is too small or too great. Donations can also be given as honorariums and/or memorials. Please mark your donations for the “Music Ministry Program” and let Terry Maddox know of your donation so that we can adequately account for all donations. “Thank You” for your kind and generous support of the Music & Fine Arts” Ministry of our Cathedral!