

## Nativity B.V.M. AUGUST 6, 2023

### THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

#### **THE FATHER INSTRUCTS US TO LISTEN, AND THE SON ENCOURAGES US, DO NOT BE AFRAID.**

On the mountaintop we hear two direct commands: *Listen to him* and *Do not be afraid*. Think of what we might be afraid of. Maybe following Jesus will change us. Perhaps God's call will mean facing things that are unpleasant. We may even be afraid that decisions made on the mountaintop with Christ will be hard to live out in normal life. Listen to the Lord, and fear not – trust in the power of God.



#### **PLEASE KEEP OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Skip and Marie Portas, Katherine Rester, Glynn Clark, Anne Godlewski, Robert Barq, George Ziz, Marie Portas, Rosalind D'Antoni, Aimee & Dr. David Dugger, Slade Lochner, Robert Cade, Anthony Porpiglia, Colton Vollmuth, Eileen Donovan, Joy Tucei, Josh Sniffen, Trent Hartzog, Dan Scott, Mary Parker, Sr. Jackie Tarrant, Amy Elizabeth Wheeler, Keaton Morano, Robert Moniot, Lee Slater, Steve Lyons, Charles Wesley Ryan, Jr., Sondra Fox, Tommy Ardoline, Ansley Gilich, Adonna Creel Currie, Jackie Clark, Ivan Kovacevich, Peter Skrmetta, Kay Semski, 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 Bellias Dominick, Mickey Bradley, Greg Hotaling, Jack Joachim, Jr. and all of our Homebound Parishioners.

#### **HOOR OF GRACE**

**Hour of Grace will resume on September 7, 2023.**

#### **RCIA**

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is an invitation for adults to explore their interests, or to enhance their knowledge, in the Roman Catholic Church. The R.C.I.A. lays out a process in which men and women are guided and cared for as they awaken in faith and are gradually introduced to the Catholic way of life. The Nativity Parish will begin R.C.I.A. classes again in the Fall. Participants will meet weekly for nine months in the Sacred Heart Center. If you are interested, please contact Greg or Penny Payne at 228-365-6348.

#### **HEAR MASS WITH CLARITY**

Do you have trouble hearing or distinctly understanding Mass? If so, we have a treat for you. Our Cathedral parish has the hearing loop system for use by all persons who wear hearing aids, have cochlear implants or are hard of hearing. Pick up a receiver in the back of the church from an usher and be surprised

at how clearly you can hear.



#### **PRAYER FOR PROTECTION FROM HURRICANES**

**Father, may all the elements of nature obey Your command. Calm the storms that threaten us and turn our fear of Your power into praise of Your goodness. Grant this, through Our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

<b>Mon</b>	<b>Aug 07</b>	Nm 11:4b-15, Mt 14:13-21
<b>Tue</b>	<b>Aug 08</b>	Nm 12:1-13, Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14, 1 Cor 2:1-10a, Lk 9:57-62
<b>Wed</b>	<b>Aug 09</b>	Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35, Mt 15:21-28
<b>Thu</b>	<b>Aug 10</b>	2 Cor 9:6-10, Jn 12:24-26
<b>Fri</b>	<b>Aug 11</b>	Dt 4:32-40, Mt 16:24-28, Phil 3:8-14, Mt 19:27-29
<b>Sat</b>	<b>Aug 12</b>	Dt 6:4-13, Mt 17:14-20
<b>Sun</b>	<b>Aug 13</b>	1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a, Rom 9:1-5, Mt 14:22-23

#### **YOUR SUNDAY TITHING AND CONTRIBUTIONS**

Regular Collections	\$	8,255.00
Maintenance	\$	1,521.06
Capital Improvement	\$	445.00
Nativity Elem.	\$	25.00
Miscellaneous	\$	1,300.00

**TOTAL COLLECTION \$ 11,546.06**

**Thank you for your generous contributions!**

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

<b>Mon.</b>	<b>Aug 07</b>	Women of Mary, 5:30 p.m. Adoration, Chapel at 7:00 -7:55 a.m.
<b>Tues.</b>	<b>Aug 08</b>	Men of St. Joseph, 7:00 a.m. Bingo Mania, 5:30 p.m.
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>Aug 09</b>	<b>Cleaning TEAM D</b>
<b>Thur.</b>	<b>Aug 10</b>	Adoration, Chapel 6:00 p.m.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** – The Altar Flowers this weekend are for Roy Ebberman, Jr., on his birthday, with love from his wife and children.

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP** – The Sanctuary Lamp is lit this week for Larry Mattina in honor of his birthday, from his family.

#### **INTERNATIONAL BUY YOUR PRIEST A BEER DAY!**

Nativity Cathedral's Vocations Ministry will be sponsoring our first "International Buy Your Priest a Beer Day" on Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023. We, along with bishop Kihneman, will celebrate our priests by gathering in the SHC following the 4 p.m. Mass. Free food and drink will be provided. "This is a family friendly event". "There will be a kids interactive vocations table with games and activities". This event is to honor Fr. Godfrey, Fr. Bart and Fr. Tony and to promote the vocations of priesthood. For more information, please contact Lauren Ellis at 228-324-0447. **Donations to this event are greatly appreciated. In order to accommodate everyone attending, we have a sign up sheet in the back of the Cathedral. Please put your family name and the number of family members attending.**

#### **THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** **MASS SCHEDULE AT NATIVITY CATHEDRAL**

Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, a vigil Mass at 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, 12 noon and 6:00 p.m.

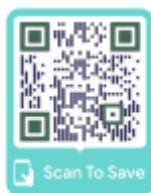
#### **From the Diocesan Office of Faith Formation: New Wine Groups to Begin August 2023**

The Catholic Diocese of Biloxi will again offer a 3 year program called "*New Wine*" beginning in August of this year. The program provides education and formation for adults interested in being involved in lay ministry. Interested individuals should contact their Pastor, Principal, DRE or Parish Religion Coordinator no later than August 11, 2023, for more information.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS		LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS
Aug 12 Deacon	<u>4:00 pm</u>	Aug 12 <u>4:00 pm</u> Janey Mattina	Aug 12 <u>4:00 pm</u> Iris Ellis
Aug 13 Deacon	<u>7:00 am</u>	Aug 13 <u>7:00 am</u> David Gentile	Aug 13 <u>7:00 am</u> BC Stoddard
Deacon	<u>9:00 am</u>	Peter Abide <u>9:00 am</u>	<u>9:00 am</u> Harper Corley
Deacon	<u>11:00 am</u>	M/M Tarrant <u>11:00 am</u>	<u>11:00 am</u> Blake Walli Kendall Walli
Deacon	<u>5:30 pm</u>	Jordan Lancon <u>5:30 pm</u>	<u>5:30 pm</u> Bentley Puzz
		The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Aug 14 <u>6:00 pm</u> Harry Joachim	
		Aug 15 <u>NOON</u> Corri Gulino	
		<u>6:00 pm</u> Mike Gulino	
		<u>CANTORS</u>	
		Aug 12 <u>4:00 pm</u> KC Arnold	
		Aug 13 <u>9:00 am</u> John Welter	
		<u>11:00 am</u> Elizabeth Cobb	
		<u>5:30 pm</u> Sabree Puzz	
		The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Aug 14 <u>6:00 pm</u> Chantel Pilet	
		Aug 15 <u>NOON</u> Dennis Burke	
		<u>6:00 pm</u> Michael Kessler	

### CCD / Life Teen Inter-Parish Program

Our 2023-2024 CCD/Life Teen programs, for youth in Kindergarten - 12th Grade, will begin in September. More specifics will be available in coming weeks. Scan this QR code to access the registration form or pick one up in the vestibule of the church. Please mail Registration to: CCD/Life Teen Registration, 870 Howard Ave., Biloxi, MS 39530 Questions? Contact Lauren Ellis (228)324-0447 or Kristy Arguelles (228)324-9934.



### OUR ANNUAL BLUE MASS

On Sunday, September 10, 2023, we will celebrate our Annual Blue Mass at the 11:00 a.m. Mass. This Mass is to show our appreciation to our policemen, firefighters, sheriffs, first responders and officials. Let's keep them in our prayers always.

### BINGO MANIA .

Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday August 8, 2023. Following families are scheduled for August 8, 2023: Lamey (Dana & Kevin), Langford (Hayley & Ryan), Leon Hosey (Irema), Lyons (Kimberly & Patrick), Mallari (Juvy), Mantari (Ana) and Mattina (Anthony & Candelaria). If you are unable to attend, it is your responsibility to secure a replacement.

6:30 AM

8:00 AM

Mon	Aug 07	Tucei Family	Irene Genders/Audrey Wilkes
Tue	Aug 08	Chester Balias Family	Sr. Mary Riordan (S.I.)
Wed	Aug 09	Collins-Sims Family	Larry Mattina
Thu	Aug 10	Ella Mae Flynn	Roy Ebberman, Jr.
Fri	Aug 11	Charles Arguelles	Glenn & Joyce Pisarich
Sat	Aug 12	Josh Bozeman	4 PM Gabe & Doris Kasovich
Sun	Aug 13	Michael Jon Kessler	9 FTP
11:00		Art Cantrelle	5:30 Robert & Jean Kridle

### From the Music & Fine Arts Ministry:

### Hymns/Sacred Songs for Saturday, August 5th - 4 p.m. and Sunday, August 6th – 9, 11 am & 5:30 pm Masses for Transfiguration Sunday:

Opening Hymn:	“Christ, Be Our Light”	# 601
<u>5:30</u>	“Come, Now Is The Time To Worship”	# 553
Offertory Hymn:	“Open My Eyes”	# 406
<u>5:30 pm</u>	“Christ In Me, Arise”	# 528
Communion Song:	“You Alone”	# 663
<u>5:30 pm</u>	Solo – Jordan Lancon -	
Recessional Song:	“Sing to the Mountains”	# 544

### Cantors:

Saturday	4 pm	Chantel Pilet
Sunday	9 am	John Welter
	11 am	Phil Frisby
	5:30 pm	Jordan Lancon

**NATIVITY BVM ELEMENTARY:** In the Music Program – two new features will be offered: Cherub Choir for first & second graders and a Handbell Choir. The First School Mass – “Back to School” will be celebrated on Thursday, August 17th at 9 am led by Mrs. Lyons Fifth Grade Class.

### **MUSIC MINISTRY – CHORAL PROGRAM:**

**“Gloria In Excelsis”** – Our Choral Society begins its Seventh Season this Tuesday, August 8th. Plans for our 2023-2024 include: John Rutter’s “Requiem” for our “All Soul’s” Concert on October 29th, our annual Advent Concert Service in early December, our annual Christmas Concert in late December, John Stainer’s “Crucifixion” for Lent, our annual Armed Forces Concert in May and Randall Thompson’s “Testament of Freedom” in June, 2024.

**“The Cathedral Choir”** – The Cathedral Choir will be on summer hiatus until Wednesday, August 16<sup>th</sup>. The Harvest is plentiful but we are in need of more laborers (singers)! Please prayerfully consider joining the Cathedral Choir.

**“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. Can you play a guitar, an instrument, a drum??? Would you consider joining the Sunday evening 5:30 p.m. Youth Choir and “make a joyful noise” with us? If interested, contact Terry Maddox.

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!

**“GLORIA IN EXCELSIS & THE SHUCKERS”:** On Tuesday, August 22nd – our Choral Society will sing the National Anthem for the Shuckers Baseball Game.