Nativity B.V.M. OCTOBER 1, 2023 THE 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



PLEASE KEEP OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS

Ginny Kirkland, Maureen Moniot, Patsy Merrill, Connie Galle, Robert Baucan, Skip and Marie Portas, Katherine Rester, Glynn Clark, Jennifer Fink, Anne Godlewski, Robert Barq, George Ziz, Rosalind D'Antoni, Aimee & Dr. David Dugger, Slade Lochner, Robert Cade, Anthony Porpiglia, Colton Vollmuth, Eileen Donovan, Joy Tucei, Josh Sniffen, Trent Hartzog, 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, 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.

PRIEST RETREAT

Father Godfrey and Father Bart will be away from the Parish October 2nd through October 5th, 2023. They will be on a Priest Retreat. Deacon Johnny will have Communion Services at 6:30 a.m. We will not have 8:00 a.m. services.

HOUR OF GRACE

Hour of Grace is a time of encounter with our Lord Jesus Christ present to us in the most Holy Sacrament of the altar; an opportunity to lift our voices and hearts to Christ in worship as He pours His graces upon us. This Hour of Grace will be on Thursday, October 5, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. Come and be renewed by the Lord!

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.

ALL SOULS DAY ENVELOPES

Please consider naming your deceased family and friends to be included in the Cathedral's Book of All Souls. All Masses, both weekday and Sunday, celebrated during the month of November will be for the repose of the souls of our beloved dead. We have envelopes in the pews for you to use. If you do not have an envelope designated for this, you may use a plain envelope with your loved ones names inside. You may place them in the collection basket or mail them to the rectory at 870 Howard Avenue, Biloxi, MS 39530. Please consider giving a contribution. Thank you.

BLESSING OF THE PETS:

This year's annual Blessing Of Pets will be on St. Francis Day, Wednesday, October 4^{th} at 8:15 a.m. on the grounds of Nativity Elementary. The blessing is for pets of all kinds and sizes.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon	Oct 02	Zec 8:1-8, Mt 18:1-5, 10, Ex 23:20-23
Tue	Oct 03	Zec 8:20-23, Lk 9:51-56
Wed	Oct 04	Neh 2:1-8, Lk 9:57-62, Gal 6:14-18,
		Mt 11:25-30
Thu	Oct 05	Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12, Lk 10:1-12
Fri	Oct 06	Bar 1:15-22, Lk 10:13-16
Sat	Oct 07	Bar 4:5-12, 27-29, Lk 10:17-24, Acts 1:12-14,
		Lk 1:26-38
Sun	Oct 08	Is 5:1-7, Phil 4:6-9, Mt 21:33-43

YOUR SUNDAY TITHING AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Regular Collections	\$ 20,080.20
Maintenance	\$ 2,170.50
Capital Improvement	\$ 465.00
Nativity Elem.	\$ 25.00
Music Ministry	\$ 2,595.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 1,311.85
OTAL COLLECTION	\$ 25.335.70

Thank you for your generous contributions!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

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Mon.	Oct 02	NO Women of Mary, 5:30 p.m.
		Eucharistic Revival, 9:30 a.m. or
		6:30 p.m.
		Adoration, Chapel at 7:00 -7:55 a.m.
Tues.	Oct 03	Men of St. Joseph, 7:00 a.m.
		Bingo Mania, 5:30 p.m.
Wed.	Oct 04	Cleaning TEAM D
		RECTORY CLOSED
		(Crusin' the Coast in Biloxi)
Thur.	Oct 05	HOUR OF GRACE, 6:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Revival Small Group Contemplation

The second small group study in the Jesus and the Eucharist series will be held on Monday, October 2nd, in the Sacred Heart Center. There will be a 9:30 a.m. session and a 6:00 p.m. session. The topic will be "Who is Jesus?" Please consider joining this faith renewing study. If you would like to help facilitate a small group, please send your information to colleenkavanagh64@gmail.com.

THE RED MASS

"The annual Diocesan Red Mass invoking the blessings of the Holy Spirit over the legal community will be held at Nativity BVM Cathedral on Sunday October 15th at 11:00 am. Immediately following there will be a reception in the Sacred Heart Center. This year Judge Leslie Southwick of the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals will be speaking. All judges, lawyers, public officials, and people of good faith are invited to attend."

<u>LUMEN CHRISTI AWARDS MASS</u> The Mass for recipients of the Lumen Christi Award will be held on Saturday, October 21st, 2023, after the 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass.

WHITE MASS

The annual White Mass will be held on October 22nd, 2023, at our 11:00 Mass. The White Mass, so named by the color worn by those in the healing profession of medicine, is held in recognition of the dedicated work of healthcare professionals and to ask God's blessing upon patient, doctor, nurse, and caregiver. A reception will follow in the Bingo Hall.

THE BELLA

The Bella is officially open! While we have been able to use their parking spaces during construction, we now need to strictly use our own parking areas. Remember, we have plenty of parking behind the Sacred Heart Center.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS		LECTORS		ALTAR SERVERS	
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Nancy Powell 9:00 John Brauchle 11:0 Sarah Barhonovich	1 am	Chantel Pilet CATHEDRAL Oct 08 Michael Kessle	5:30 pm RS 4:00 pm CHOIR 9:00 am	Oct 08 Alec Stewart Banks Ellis Dalton Bounds Brady Barhonov Victoria Barhon Nicholas Arguelle Patrick Arguelle	ovich 5:30 pm

CCD / Life Teen Inter-Parish Program

The CCD & Life Teen programs have now started, but there's still time to register and join. CCD classes (Kindergarten thru 5th grade) meet on Wednesdays from 5:30pm-6:30pm. Life Teen (6th grade thru 12th) meets Sunday evenings 6:40 p.m.-8 p.m. For more information about our youth programs, please contact Lauren Ellis @ 228-324-0447 or Kristy Arguelles @ 228-324-9934.



BINGO MANIA.

Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday October 3, 2023. Following families are scheduled for October 3, 2023: Davis (Jacqueline & Reed), Ellis (Dallas & Jeffery), Ellis (Glenn & Lauren), Felter (Jessica & Michael), Fountain (Brent & Bonnie), Fraser (Lyndsey & Timothy) and Gasparrini (Amy). If you are unable to attend, it is your responsibility to secure a replacement.

NATIVITY ELEMENTARY 65TH ANNUAL HALLOWEEN

Please join Nativity BVM Catholic Elementary School for its 65th Annual Halloween Carnival on Saturday, October 14th. Kicking off Carnival at 11:30 will be a concert in the gym by the Nativity School Choir. Mass will take place at Noon in the gym and the booths will open at 1 p.m.. Carnival will be open throughout the day and will close at 8 p.m.. Food and beverages will be available for purchase, along with lots of games, activities and an amazing silent auction! This is a family friendly event and open to the public. This is Nativity School's biggest fundraiser each year and we hope to see you there supporting our Nativity Saints! For more information, please contact the school at 228.432.2269 or visit our Facebook event page. We hope to see you there!

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.

6:30 A	M	8:00 AM
Mon	Oct 02 Tucei Family	Daniel Scott (Scotty)
Tue	Oct 03 Greg Chategnier	Sr. Mary Riordan (SI.)
Wed	Oct 04 Collins-Sims Family	Chester Balius Family
Thu	Oct 05 Greg Chategnier	James Leonard Tarrant, Jr.
Fri	Oct 06 Pat Collins	Gaspar & Mary Pisarich
Sat	Oct 07 Jacqueline Skrmetta	4 Gabe & Doris Kasovich
Sun	Oct 08 7 Hank Rogers	<u>9</u> FTP
11:00	Robert & Jean Kridle .	5:30 Victor Mavar

Hymns/Sacred Songs for Saturday, September 30th & Sunday, October 1st - 9am & 5:30 pm Masses for the Twenty-Sixth **Sunday of Ordinary Time:**

Opening Hymn:	"Praise the Lord, Ye Heavens"	# 569
5:30 pm	"10,000 Reasons"	# 562
Offertory Hymn:	"A Place At Your Table"	# 352
Communion Song:	"The Cry of the Poor"	# 626
Recessional Song:	"Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service"	# 629

Cantors:

Saturday	4 pm	KC Arnold
Sunday	9 am	Elizabeth Cobb + Cathedral Choir
	11 am	Jordan Lancon
	5:30 pm	Sabree Puzz

NATIVITY BVM ELEMENTARY:

On Wednesday, October 4th at 8:15 am, Nativity BVM School will celebrate their annual "Blessing of the Pets" Service. This is a tremendously beautiful and howling good time had by all to remember the beloved St. Francis & his love and care for nature and wildlife. Come join Nativity School's 'wildlife' and receive a very special blessing that day!

A SPECIAL WORD OF APPRECIATION:

Over the last few weeks, several very caring individuals of our congregational family have remembered several of the members of our Music & Fine Arts Family in very generous ways. Please know that these most kind acts are greatly appreciated! We give "Thanks to God" for such warm and encouraging support and the wonderful opportunity to serve our God and our cherished Cathedral and family!

ANNUAL "ALL SOULS CONCERT":

We will again offer our new, annual "All Souls Concert" - scheduled for this year for Sunday, October 29th at 4 pm. Our Choral Society and members of our Nativity Children's Choir will participate along with an instrumental chamber ensemble. We invite anyone who wishes to remember a deceased loved one or perhaps someone who has died this past year. Please submit their name(s) and any contribution you might like to make in their memory/honor. These funds will aid in the cost for our chamber ensemble. Please make your contribution to "Nativity BVM Cathedral - Music Ministry" and note in the Memo section that this is for the "All Souls Concert." Please send these contributions with your envelope number identified to the attention of: Terry Maddox - Minister of Music.

THE SECOND MOVEMENT OF RUTTER'S "REQUIEM":

John Rutter breaks from the hierarchy norms of musical composition of the "Requiem Mass" and inserts the first of two Psalms that he selected to include in his rendition. Psalm 130: "Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice. O let thine ears consider well the voice of my complaint...." Rutter continues the Psalm and portrays humanity's frailty and our God's everlasting and constant, abiding mercy. The work for orchestra and voices is augmented by a solo cello voice that portrays throughout the work the sorrowful sadness of Man. On Sunday, October 29th at 4:00 pm we will offer this concert of Rutter's "Requiem" as a token of remembrance of all the souls we have lost this year and of those we wish to remember who have gone before us – in faith and love for their