

NATIVITY B.V.M. CATHEDRAL
MARCH 1, 2026
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



Mark Howard, Joey Kelley, Father Jey Jordan, Ada Grace Glass, Chris Martino, Marcia Marie, Jacqueline Tapper, Gabby Semonelle, Edward “Chip” Donovan, Lucy Chatham, Stephanie Hargrove, Craig Herndon, Gerald D’Antoni, George Ziz, Earl Malone, Mary Parker, Elizabeth Malone, Brandy Beasley, Joy Malone, Osceola Malone, Phil Sniffen, Katie Thornton, Alberta Pisarich, Hon Dao, Keith Fayard, Hadley Cummings, Katherine Adams, Pat Jacquet, Ann Kavanagh, Josh Sniffen, Gene Endris, Matthew Centifanto, Maureen Moniot, Patsy Merrill, Connie Galle, Myrna Baucan, Marie Portas, Glynn Clark, Jennifer Fink, Anne Godlewski, Robert Barq, Rosalind D’Antoni, Aimee & Dr. David Dugger, Slade Lochner, Robert Cade, Anthony Porpiglia, Colton Vollmuth, Bob Tucei, Trent Hartzog, Sr. Jackie Tarrant, Amy Elizabeth Wheeler, Keaton Morano, Lee and Jackie Slater, Charles Wesley Ryan, Jr., Sondra Fox, Ansley Gilich, Adonna Creel Currie, Jackie Clark, Ivan Kovacevich, Carolyn Urbanoto, Buck O’Gea, Nick Pass, Sue and Gene Daudelin, Lesa Walker-Kirkman, Annette Luther, Macklyn Holloway, Mary Wimberly, Tiffany Whitehead, Holly Hill, Mickey Bradley, Greg Hotaling, and all of our Homebound Parishioners.

“Help me to be a genuine, and sincere instrument of Your merciful heart, so that my life, actions, and words testify to Your love in a weary world. Strengthen me to be Your hands, feet, and heart, bringing hope and joy to all I encounter.”

2026 CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL – “THIS IS THE HOUR FOR LOVE”

In today’s Scripture, we hear of Abraham’s unwavering commitment and devotion to the Lord. Today the Lord still calls us to witness to Him in the world. One way to witness to Christ is to offer a gift to the 2026 Catholic Sharing Appeal. Your gift can do so much to help in the lives of others and bring the Gospel of Christ to souls in our diocese.

HOLY WEEK MASS SCHEDULE AT NATIVITY 2026

TUESDAY, MARCH 31ST, 2026 CHRISM MASS, 10:30 A.M
THURSDAY, APRIL 2ND, 2026, MASS OF THE LORD’S SUPPER – 6:00 P.M. (WASHING OF THE FEET)
FRIDAY, APRIL 3RD, 2026 STATIONS OF THE CROSS, 2:00 P.M.
FRIDAY, APRIL 3RD, 2026 VENERATION OF THE CROSS, 3:00 P.M.
SATURDAY APRIL 4TH, 2026 EASTER VIGIL, 8:00 P.M.
SUNDAY, APRIL 5TH, 2026 RESURRECTION OF THE LORD, 7:00 A.M., 9:00 A.M., 11:00 A.M. AND 5:30 P.M.
SUNDAY, APRIL 12TH, 2026 DEANERY DIVINE MERCY PRAYER AT 3:00 P.M.

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

The Sanctuary Lamp is lit this week for Geoffrey Simon, in loving memory from Nativity BVM Cathedral Parishioners.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon	Mar 02	Dn 9:4b-10, Lk 6:36-38
Tue	Mar 03	Is 1:10, 16-20, Mt 23:1-12
Wed	Mar 04	Jer 18:18-20, Mt 20:17-28
Thu	Mar 05	Jer 17:5-10, Lk 16:19-31
Fri	Mar 06	Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a, Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Sat	Mar 07	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20, Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Sun	Mar 08	Ex 17:3-7, rom 5:1-2, 5-8, Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 40-42

YOUR SUNDAY TITHING AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Tithing and contribution Goal weekly is:		19,250.00
Regular Collections	\$	9,501.00
Maintenance	\$	616.00
Ash Wednesday	\$	1,775.00
Capital Improvement	\$	2,855.00
Music Ministry	\$	10.00
Nativity Elem.	\$	40.00
Miscellaneous	\$	0.00
TOTAL COLLECTION	\$	14,797.00

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Mon. Mar 02** **Women of Mary, 5:30 p.m.**
Adoration, Chapel, 7:00 -7:55 a.m.
- Tues. Mar 03** **Men of St. Joseph, 7:00 a.m.**
Bingo Mania, 5:30 p.m.
- Wed. Mar 04** **Cleaning TEAM B**
- Thur. Mar 05** **HOUR OF GRACE, 6:00 p.m.**
- Fri. Mar 06** **Stations of the Cross, 6:00 p.m.**

NATIVITY CATHEDRAL’S LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE

Our Lenten Parish Penance Service will be on March 16th, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

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, March 5th, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at Nativity Cathedral located at 870 Howard Avenue, Biloxi, MS 39530. Come and be renewed by the Lord!

DON’T FORGET TO SET YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD 1 HOUR

March 8, 2026, will begin daylight savings time!!! Set your clocks ahead 1 hour!!

A MORNING OF PRAYER

On Saturday, March 14th, we will have a morning of prayer. Beginning at 8:30 a.m. until 12:00 Noon.

OCIA

Please remember to keep our Inquirers, Sponsors, and Team in your prayers as they continue their faith journey of spiritual growth and integration into our Parish community. The Order 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 O.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. If you would like further information, please contact Greg or Penny Payne 228-365-6348.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	LECTOR	ALTAR SERVERS
Mar 07 4:00 pm Janey Mattina John Sherman Jim Shugart	Mar 07 4:00 pm Janey Mattina	Mar 07 4:00 pm James Watts Birdie Watts
Mar 08 7:00 am JoJo Koonce Ricky Authement Susie Davis	Mar 08 7:00 am Regina Bossier 9:00 am Nativity School 11:00 am Alicia Tarrant 5:30 pm Jordan Lancon	Mar 08 7:00 am Satchel Mercier Alexander Dykes 9:00 am Banks Ellis Conner Ellis
9:00 am Jeffery Ellis Karen Corley Sharon Tash 11:00 am Sarah Barhonovich Lois Reidy Sandy Steckler 5:30 pm Dale Dorcik Marc Harbison Sophia Pastor	CANTORS Mar 07 4:00 pm Dennis Burke Mar 08 9:00 am Nativity School 11:00 am Joshua Conway CATHEDRAL CHOIR 5:30 pm Jordan Lancon	11:00 am Brady Barhonovich Victoria Barhohovich 5:30 pm Nicholas Arguelles Patrick Arguelles

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be observed every Friday in Lent at 6:00 p.m. in the Cathedral Church. Come and walk with Jesus on his way to the cross in Lent.

SAINT JOSEPH ALTAR – “A LABOR OF LOVE”

The Saint Joseph altar originated in Sicily many centuries ago. During a period of drought, famine and starvation, the people turned to St. Joseph, asking for his help. Their prayers were answered, the rain came and the crops prospered. In Thanksgiving, families of farmers and fishermen built altars in their homes in honor of St. Joseph to share their prized possession, food. The St. Joseph Altar Committee of the Cathedral of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary is proud to announce the St. Joseph Altar will be on display at the Sacred Heart Center on Thursday, March 19th, 2026, St. Joseph Day, from 10 a.m. through 3:00 p.m. Lunch will be served at 12:00 Noon, donations are appreciated. We invite everyone to join us, view the Altar, have lunch and enjoy the fellowship.

BINGO MANIA

Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3rd, 2026. Following families are scheduled for March 3rd, 2026: O’Grady (Kathryn & Michael), Pisarich (Keith & Pisarich, Dusti), Pitalo (Dax & Breanne), Quinn (Devyn & Tom), Raetz (Leon, Irma & William), Ramirez (Kristen & Marcos) and Randall (Amy & Menna, Frank). **If you are unable to attend, it is your responsibility to secure a replacement.**

CATHEDRAL’S CONCERT SERIES

Our next “Cathedral Concert Series” offering will be on Sunday, March 22nd at 4:00 pm. Our annual “Lenten Reflections Concert Service” will feature our “Gloria In Excelsis” Chorale Society, an Honors Children’s Choir from Nativity Elementary and a Chamber Orchestra. The program is free and open to the public to attend.

	6:30 AM	8:00 AM
Mon Mar 02	Geoffrey Simon	Karen Metz
Tue Mar 03	Anna Marie Andrews	Buddy Pullen
Wed Mar 04	Johnny Callegari	Raymond Thomas Egers
Thur Mar 05	Chester Balius Family	Jack Joachim
Fri Mar 06	Communion Service	Bertha & Hebert McDonnell
Sat Mar 07	David Wayne Braun	
Sun Mar 08	7 Rose Marie Lamey 11:AM Collins/Sims Fly.	4:00 Gabe and Doris Kasovich 9:00 AM FTP 5:30 PM Jeff Slade

From the Music & Fine Arts Ministry:

Hymns/Sacred Songs for the Second Sunday of Lent – Year “A”- Saturday & Sunday February 28th & March 1st - 4 pm, 9 & 11 am & 5:30 pm Masses:

Opening Hymn:	“The Glory of These Forty Days”	#146
Offertory Hymn:	“The Lord Is My Light”	#463
Communion Song:	“You Are the Light”	#468
Recessional Song:	“Lead Me, Guide Me”	#425

Cantors:	Saturday 4 pm	Terry Maddox
	Sunday 9 am	Cole Burke
	11 am	Chris Kennedy
	5:30 pm	Patrick Mooney

MASS PARTS:

Our Saturday, 4:00 p.m. and Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Masses use Fr. Ricky Manalo’s “Mass of Spirit & Grace” located in your Breaking Bread - # 906, 907, 910, 913-15. Our Sunday evening 5:30 p.m. Mass utilizes Curtis Stephan’s “Mass of Renewal” - located in your Breaking Bread - # 857, 858, 861, 864-6.

LENT – WHAT ARE YOU ADDING???

With Lent we sacrifice or give up certain elements in our lives to show our mutual commitment with Jesus along the “path of faith.” We are called to pray more, eat less and give “alms.” But our clergy have been speaking about what are you “adding” to your life of devotion in your “Lenten Journey – 2026?” Here’s a possibility – the Holy Scriptures call for “Make a joyful noise unto the Lord!” Why not try singing in Mass if you usually do not and if you do – why not sing out more?!?

MUSIC MINISTRY OFFERINGS

“Gloria In Excelsis”

Choral Society continues rehearsals on Tuesday evenings at 6:45 in the Second Floor Music Room in the Education Building over the Youth Ministry Meeting Hall in the SHC.

Cathedral Choir

Continues rehearsals on Wednesday evenings at 6:45 pm on the stage of the SHC.

Sacred Tones – Handbell Choir

Handbell Choir rehearsal will continue on Sunday evenings in the Music Room of Nativity BVM School on the second floor immediately after the 5:30 p.m. Mass; approximately at 6:30/40 p.m.

If you are interested in joining any of these Music Ministries, we would love to have you join us. Please contact Terry D. Maddox – Minister of Music at terrydalemaddox@gmail.com &/or 251- 406-1454.

NATIVITY BVM SCHOOL

On Thursday, February 26th, Nativity BVM Elementary School will observe their next Mass in celebration, their first Mass of Lent, at 9 am in the School’s Gymnasium. Mrs. Green’s Second Grade Class will lead in the celebration.

On Sunday, March 8th, the Cathedral welcomes our Nativity BVM Elementary School and Mrs. LeBatard’s Fifth Grade Class and the Children & Cherubs Choirs to lead us in our 9 am Mass of the Day.