

# St. John the Evangelist

Father Satish B. Adhav

Pastor

Deacon David Allen

Pastoral Associate

Ann Wiborg

Pastoral Secretary

David Scaia

St. Vincent de Paul

David Ames

Knights of Columbus

## Worship Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday Masses:

8:00 AM, 10:30 AM and 5:00 PM

Spanish Mass: 2:00 PM

Weekday Masses:

Monday—Friday 7 AM & 12 PM

Weekday Adoration:

Every Friday following Mass

7:30 AM-8:30 AM

Holy Days:

Vigil Mass: 6:00 PM

Holy Day: 7:00 AM and 12:00 PM

Confession:

30 minutes before Vigil Mass

And anytime by request

all the other Masses

First Friday Adoration

7 AM - 5 PM

Mass, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction

First Saturday Devotion:

8:00 AM—9:30 AM

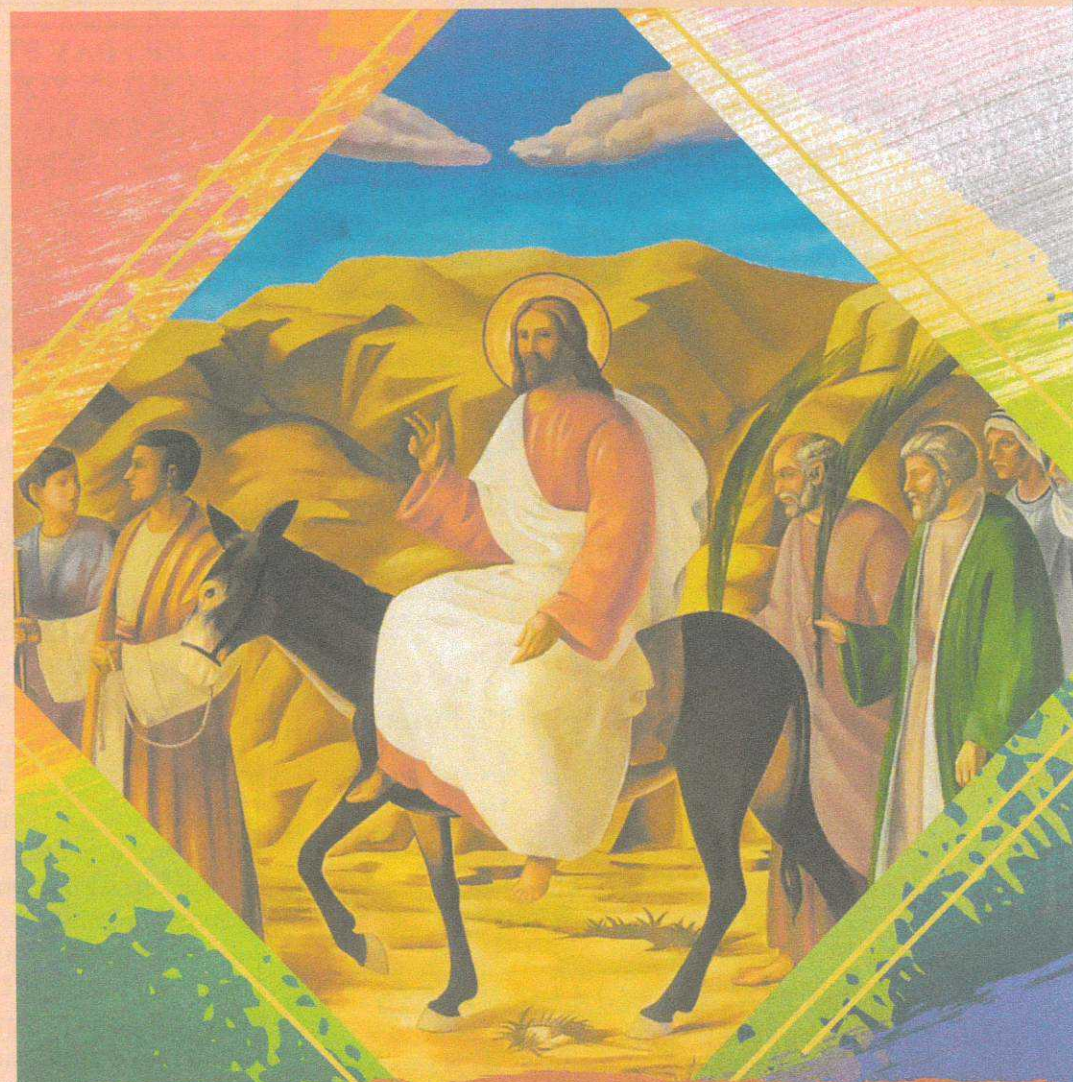
Confession, Mass, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Meditation and Benediction

2414 Seventeenth Street, Gulfport, Mississippi 39501

Telephone: 228-864-2272

Email: [stjohnthee@stjohngulfport.org](mailto:stjohnthee@stjohngulfport.org)

April 02, 2023



PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Say to daughter Zion,  
"Behold, your king comes to you,  
meek and riding on an ass."  
- Mt 21:5

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD. ©LPI

Pray  
For Peace



**F.E.B.**  
**DISTRIBUTING**  
MS GULF COAST  
THE BERTUCCI FAMILY

Best Wishes to the  
Community from  
Joe Sam Owen  
Sherry Owen

**E. G. WARREN, AGENT**  
1301 Pass Rd • Gulfport, MS  
(228) 864-2060  
[www.egwarren.com](http://www.egwarren.com)  
**State Farm**

Since 1865  
**BRADFORD-O'KEEFE**  
FUNERAL HOMES, INC.  
Biloxi 374-5650  
West Biloxi 388-1811  
Gulfport 865-0090  
Orange Grove 831-2322  
Ocean Springs 875-1266  
Vanceville 826-4511

**L&M Package Store**  
Fine Wines & Liquor  
Michael & Pauline Mensi  
423 Pass Rd. 863-1848

**Morgan Stanley**  
Chris Mensi  
Financial Advisor  
225-237-3100  
[chris.mensi@morganstanley.com](mailto:chris.mensi@morganstanley.com)  
Morgan Stanley Smith Barney LLC. Member SIPC. NYMSE #2097565

**Specialty Machine**  
ASME Code Fabrication & Repair  
Heat Exchangers, Tanks  
Vessels & Pipe Fabrication  
Ricky Bishop.....President  
John Bishop.....Vice President  
Joe Bishop.....VP of Sales  
Gulfport, MS  
[www.smwcorp.com](http://www.smwcorp.com)  
(800) 714-7779

**JOHN FAYARD MOVING, WAREHOUSING & SELF STORAGE**  
228-864-2262  
**FIRST IN SERVICE**  
Commercial, Residential, Record and Cold Storage  
Local and Worldwide Moving Services  
[www.johnfayardwarehouse.com](http://www.johnfayardwarehouse.com)

**JAMES K. WETZEL**  
**GARNER J. WETZEL**  
Attorneys At Law  
1701 24th Ave • Gulfport  
**228-864-6400**  
[www.wetzellawfirm.com](http://www.wetzellawfirm.com)

**Turan Foley**  
11123 Hwy 49 N • 228.539.7500



Catholic Cruises and Tours and The Apostleship of the Sea of the United States of America  
Take your FAITH ON A JOURNEY.  
Call us today at 860-399-1785 or email [elileen@CatholicCruisesandTours.com](mailto:elileen@CatholicCruisesandTours.com)  
[www.CatholicCruisesandTours.com](http://www.CatholicCruisesandTours.com)

**Emery L. Edwards, D.D.S.**  
General Dentistry  
Cosmetic Dentistry  
1626 E. Pass Rd., Gulfport, MS

**Same Day Emergency**  
Appointments available  
Ph: 228-896-4084

A preferred provider for several insurance plans

**SINUS & ALLERGY SPECIALIST**  
EAR, NOSE & THROAT  
PEDIATRICS

**MICHAEL SEICSHNAYDRE, MD, FACS**  
BOARD CERTIFIED ALLERGY CLINIC  
COSMETIC RHINOPLASTY

4300 15TH ST, Ste B • 228-864-0828  
Gulfport, MS  
[www.gulfcoastrhinoplasty.com](http://www.gulfcoastrhinoplasty.com)  
ACCEPTING NEW PATIENTS

**ACOSTA VETERINARY HOSPITAL**  
**FOUR PAWS**  
BED AND BISCUIT  
228-386-7611  
Dr. Tracy Acosta

**ADT-Monitored Home Security**  
Get 24-Hour Protection From a Name You Can Trust  
Burglary • Flood Detection  
Fire Safety • Carbon Monoxide  
833-287-3502

**VICTORIA SALLOUM CHAMBERS**  
Commercial Real Estate Services  
(228) 224-4777

**Butch Oustalet Autoplex**  
Ford LINCOLN Mazda  
228-863-5525  
[www.butchoustalet.com](http://www.butchoustalet.com)

Serving the Gulf Coast since 1974  
**Murphy Electric, Inc.**  
12493 Dedaux Rd., Gulfport, MS  
(228) 832-1866  
Commercial - Residential  
TOMMY & DEBBIE LADNER

**Place Your Ad Here and Support our Parish!**

Instantly create and purchase an ad with



[4lpi.com/adcreator](http://4lpi.com/adcreator)

**Protecting Seniors Nationwide**  
Medical Alert System  
\$29.95/MO. billed quarterly  
One Free Month  
No Long-Term Contract  
Price Guarantee  
Easy Self Installation  
Call Today! Toll Free 1.877.801.8608

**SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS!**

**Billy Hewes Insurance Agency, LLC**

**Nationwide**  
It's on your side

11497 Hwy 49N • Gulfport, MS  
228-832-6731

**FREE AD DESIGN**  
with purchase of this space  
CALL 800-950-9952

**WE'RE HIRING!**  
AD SALES EXECUTIVES  
BE YOURSELF.  
BRING YOUR PASSION.  
WORK WITH PURPOSE.  
Paid training  
Some travel  
Work-life balance  
Full-Time with benefits  
Serve your community  
Contact us at [careers@4lpi.com](mailto:careers@4lpi.com) or [www.4lpi.com/careers](http://www.4lpi.com/careers)



**If You Live Alone You Need MDMedAlert!**

24 Hour Protection at HOME and AWAY!  
✓Ambulance ✓Police ✓Fire ✓Friends/Family  
Solutions as Low as \$19.95 a month  
FREE Shipping  
FREE Activation  
NO Long Term Contracts  
CALL NOW! 800.809.3352  
GPS Tracking w/Fall Detection  
Nationwide, No Land Line Needed  
EASY Set-up, NO Contract  
24/7 365 Monitoring in the USA  
This Button SAVES Lives! As Shown GPS. Lowest Price Guaranteed!  
"I have peace of mind. Mom remains independent."  
MDMedAlert  
Safe-Guarding America's Seniors Nationwide!

**NEVER MISS OUR BULLETIN!**

SUBSCRIBE

Have our bulletin emailed to you every week.

Visit [www.parishesonline.com](http://www.parishesonline.com)

**SHORT STAFFED?**

Place an ad here to find new local talent for your business.



CALL 800-950-9952



For ad info. call 1-800-950-9952 • [www.4lpi.com](http://www.4lpi.com)

St. John the Evangelist Church, Gulfport, MS

A 4C 05-4106





## Welcome to St. John the Evangelist!

Whether you're just visiting for a brief time, looking for a new parish home, returning to the practice of your Catholic faith or interested in finding out more about the Catholic Church, we are happy you're here! To learn more about St. John, please visit [stjohngulfport.org](http://stjohngulfport.org).

If you are new to the parish, please go to our website and click on the "New Parishioner" tab.



### Parish Office Hours

Office will be closed on Monday, April 10th. Office hours are Monday thru Friday: 9 am to 3 pm. In the event of an emergency or if you need to reach Fr. Satish, you may call or text him at 228-297-7774.

### HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday: 7:00 pm

Good Friday Stations of the Cross: 2:00 pm

Good Friday Celebration the Lord's Passion: 3:00pm

Easter Vigil Mass: 7:30 pm

Easter Sunday Mass: 8:00 am 10:30 am  
(NO 5:00 pm MASS)

NO DAILY MASS on Holy Thursday or Good Friday  
(7:00 am or 12:00)

### ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST EVENTS

Daily Mass Times Lent: 7am & 12:00 noon

Knights of Columbus: 1st & 3rd Wednesday - 6:30 PM

Grief & Loss Support Group 1st Tuesday (Apr 4) 4 PM

K C Ladies Auxiliary: 3rd Tuesday (Apr 17 - 6:30 PM)

Young at Heart: Apr 20 in Presentation Hall at 12 pm

Legion of Mary: Every Thursday - 10:30 AM

RCIA CREDO Every Thursday 6:00 PM

Feed Your Body, Feed Your Soul: Monday at 11 am

Couples Date Night: April 27, 6-8 pm

Happy Birthday blessings this week are extended to:

Marian Wittman, Apr 2

Charles Hewes, Paula Hewes, Apr 3

David Ames, Lindsay Brennan, Joe Masterson, Apr 4

Oaklen Hanberry, Apr 6

May God grant them many blessings in the coming year!

### NO NOON MASS TUESDAY APRIL 4TH

### EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

#### The 6 Characteristics of an Everyday Stewardship for Lent – Accountable

Easter is only a week away, and churches everywhere in the West are beginning the holiest of weeks. For a moment, even the secular world will bow to religious observances: closings on Good Friday, Easter baskets filled with treats, and television specials featuring Biblical figures. You and I will be reflecting on the meaning of Lent and how we have died and risen with Our Lord, Jesus Christ. Either we have prepared well for this Holy Week observance, or we are left lamenting that maybe next year will be when we get back on track.

The question before us is: "To whom are we accountable?" Did our Lenten observance only have to do with us? Does it matter to anyone if we really took this time seriously or not?

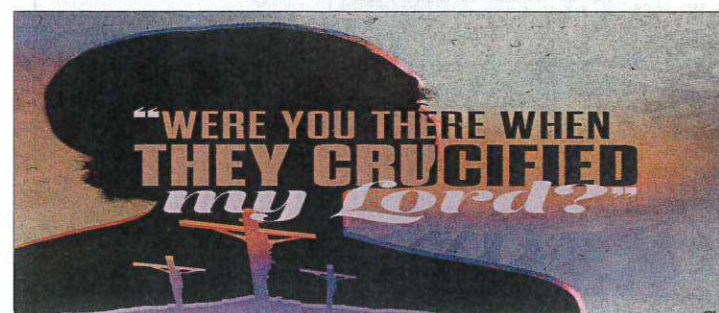
Both faith and community are gifts from God to us. The Church exists so we may live out that faith and respond to God's call, being strengthened by the grace imparted through the sacraments and the community in which we find ourselves. If we are accountable to no one, then the community is simply an option on a Sunday morning, much like golf or household chores. If we are not accountable to God, then our faith is simply something we look to periodically when we are sad or frightened.

However, if we are accountable to each other and to Jesus Christ, then we must answer for our stewardship gifts of faith and community. The Body of Christ is counting on us. Without a strong sense of accountability, we think our actions only affect us. In the end, we are connected to each other through Christ in such a manner that no one ever stands alone. —Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

✠ Hear Us and Heal Us ✠

Your prayers are asked for the following individuals

Ed Martin	Amy Elizabeth	Roberta Hill
Peggy Ryland	Wheeler	Paul Fair
Werner Huber	Harvey Young	Sue Papania
Betty Martin	Suzanne Bowles	John Cuevas
Suzanne King	Shirley Caston	David McGuffie
Buddy Cospelich	Ernie Brown	Wendel Johnson
Bennie Roy	Dean Bowles	Beau McCaskill
Easterling	Beverly Crawford	Cathy Bond
Ray Peregoy	Diane Riel	
Kathy Dufrene	Jordan Hoang	Parishioners of
Jolene Wilson	Kim Hoang	St. John the
Brett Cooper	George Balhofs	Evangelist
Brileigh Dunn	Ronnie Wade	
Camela Fant	Vicky Tiner	



### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday:	9:00 AM:	✠ Anna Thuong
	4:00 PM	✠ Mackie Fayard
Sunday	8:00 AM	✠ Kendall Dedeaux
		✠ Joe Romano
		✠ Carolyn Fayard
		✠ Shawn Dubuisson
		✠ John Windham
		✠ Anastasia Bercade
	10:30 AM	People of the Parish
		Anyone with birthdays, anniversaries
	5:00 PM	✠ Mary Ann Bishop
Monday:	7:00 AM	✠ Tina Bradshaw
	12:00 PM	✠ Mackie & Carolyn Fayard
Tuesday:	7:00 AM	✠ Kris Allen
	12:00 PM	✠ (No Mass)
Wednesday:	7:00 AM	✠ Cecil & Margaret Dubuisson
	12:00 PM	✠ Edmund Crane

### Catholic Sharing Appeal

As we come to the end of our Lenten journey in preparation to celebrate death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus, please consider joining all the faithful in the Diocese of Biloxi in participating in this year's Catholic Sharing Appeal. A gift, of any amount, combined with others, really does make an impact for the mission of the Church. Thank you in advance Bishop Louis Kihneman III

# FORMED

The Catholic Faith. On Demand.

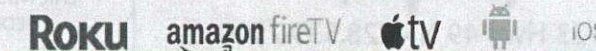
Already have a FORMED Account?

1. Visit FORMED.org
2. Click Sign In
3. Enter your email
4. Click the link in your email
5. You're in! No more passwords!

Want to create a new FORMED account with your parish or group?

1. Visit FORMED.org
2. Click Sign Up
3. Select "I Belong to a Parish or Organization"
4. Find your parish by name, zip, or parish code
5. Enter your email - and you're in!

Over 4,000 titles - now available on almost any device!



### Last Week's Collection:

Identified checks: \$1855.00

Identified cash: \$317.00

Loose Checks: \$2170.00

Loose Cash: \$886.00

ACH Direct Debit: \$110.00

Egiving: \$545.00

Spanish Collection: \$876.00

Total: \$6759.00

Church Renovation: \$9140.00

Thank you for your generosity!

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE BLESSED MOTHER PROTECT LIFE CAR TAG



PREORDERED PLATES AVAILABLE APPROXIMATELY APRIL 2ND AT YOUR LOCAL TAX COLLECTOR

YOU WILL NEED TO EXCHANGE YOUR EXISTING TAG PLUS A \$10 PROCESSING FEE

QUESTIONS?

JUNE BOUNDS: 228-547-4404

OR

KAREN RHODES: 228-297-7704



## Passion (Palm) Sunday

### Sunday April 2

Procession: Matt 21:1-11  
Isaiah 50:4-7  
Ps 22:8-9,17-20,23-24  
Philippians 2:6-11  
Matthew 26:14 – 27:66

### Monday April 3

Isaiah 42:1-7  
Ps 27:1-3,13-14  
John 12:1-11

### Tuesday April 4

Isaiah 49:1-6  
Ps 71:1-4a,5-6b,15,17  
John 13:21-33,36-38

### Wednesday April 5

Isaiah 50:4-9a  
Ps 69:8-10,21-22,31,33-34  
Matthew 26:14-25

### Holy Thursday April 6

Ex 12:1-8,11-14  
Ps 116:12-13,15-18  
1 Corinthians 11:23-26  
John 13:1-15

### Good Friday April 7

Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12  
Ps 31:2,6,12-13,15-17,25  
Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9  
John 18:1 – 19:42

The word "passion" has powerful implications. Theologically, we use it to describe the suffering love that Jesus endured for each of us when he was beaten, mocked and crucified as he willingly took onto himself the punishment and destructive forces of our sins.

The world counterfeits the word "passion" by applying it to strong feelings of romantic, even lustful, attraction.

We also use this word to refer to a strong motivation to do something that we enjoy or care about, and thus we can say that Jesus cared "passionately" about us while enduring The Passion.

The strong love that Jesus exhibited in his ministry and on Good Friday is a lesson on what it means to have "compassion" for others. We walk with them in their sufferings; we "suffer with" them. This is passionate love in its holiest form.

Read the scriptures for Passion Sunday with an eye on how they reveal Jesus' passionate love for you.

See yourself in the passion of the people who enthusiastically welcomed Jesus as well as in those who rejected and denied him.

Consider how much compassion Jesus must have felt for you when he subjected himself to the excruciating pains of his final hours. He did this for you despite how much you've hurt him through any lack of compassion for others. Rejoice in his passionate love for you! This will empower you to repent and grow stronger in holy love for others.



### Reflect & Discuss:

† Looking at the reading from Isaiah, what are some of the ways that good Christians sometimes beat on Jesus, pluck his beard, and spit on him?

† How does your answer to #1 explain why Jesus emptied himself for you, as the reading from Philippians describes?

† In what ways does the Passion of Jesus minister to us in our sufferings today?

### Lenten Activity:

Bring to mind the most painful way you are suffering compassionately with or for someone else. Connect this to what Jesus did. How does this help you feel more intimately involved with God's salvation plan? How does it make your life a modern Gospel?

### What is a Pilgrimage?

#### Question:

What is a pilgrimage? Why do people go on them?

#### Answer:

A pilgrimage is a spiritual journey to visit a holy site, such as the shrine of a saint, a place where the Blessed Virgin Mary has appeared, or an historic church or chapel. What makes a pilgrimage different from a vacation and a pilgrim distinct from a tourist is the spirit in which the journey is made. Pilgrimages are really a symbol of our spiritual journey in life, reminding us that this world is not our true home and that we spend our lives journeying to our homeland, which is the Kingdom of God.

Pilgrimages — which can be as involved as a trip to Rome or the Holy Land or as simple as visiting the Blessed Sacrament in a local parish church — are also an opportunity for us to step out of the rhythms and limits of our daily lives to seek out connection with God in a special way, by visiting a holy place. At times, such as on a special feast, a jubilee, or the anniversary of the dedication of the church, special graces (called "indulgences") can also be offered to pilgrims, helping to enrich our experience of the celebration.

In the end, pilgrimages are an ancient act of devotion and something that each of us can put into practice, helping us to discover how God is present in the world around us, in places both near and far. ©LPi

## CHAPTER THREE

### ARTICLE 1 I BELIEVE

#### III. THE CHARACTERISTICS OF FAITH Faith and understanding

(continued) So "that with reason, God willed that external proofs of his Revelation should be joined to the internal helps of the Holy Spirit." Thus the miracles of Christ and the saints, prophecies, the Church's growth and holiness, and her fruitfulness and stability "are the most certain signs of divine Revelation, adapted to the intelligence of all"; they are "motives of credibility" (*motiva credibilitatis*), which show that the assent of faith is "by no means a blind impulse of the mind."

## GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

April 2, 2023

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

What's your car? Let's say it's a fancy silver Toyota. Now imagine you're having lunch in a restaurant and suddenly see two men outside attempting to steal it. You run outside and confront them. They respond, "The master has need of it." How do you respond? Would you just let them take it, and leave you without a car? I don't think I would.

Yet that is precisely what the owners of the colt on Palm Sunday do. Stunningly, and perhaps a little comically, Jesus instructs two of his disciples to commandeer a colt for him to ride. And when they hear the disciples say, "**The master has need of it,**" they let them take it. Of course, Jesus *knew* they'd let it go. He gave them the grace to let go of what is rightfully theirs. The result? That colt became perhaps the most famous and important animal ever. The beast plays a role in the redemption of the world.

As Holy Week begins, Jesus perhaps will send people to you to ask for something valuable to you. Perhaps it's your car. More likely it's something like your attention, time, or energy. It's natural to resist at first. We've got things to do, after all. But if the interruption is from Jesus himself, listen to that voice which calmly says, "**The master has need of it.**" And simply let it go. You'll be amazed what the master will do with it.

— Father John Muir

©LPi

