



Our Mother of Sorrows Catholic Church

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MISSION STATEMENT

***Building lives through one God, one faith, and one baptism
while giving our time, talents and treasures***

The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 19, 2023

Staff:

Pastor: Rev. Daniel Martinez-Patiño
Pastoral Assoc: Deacon Richard Smith
Secretary: Mary Beth Broussard
SO / DRE: Bunny Thompson

Pastoral Council:

Meets every 1st Tuesday
of the month

Religious Education

Grades K-5: Nativity BVM
Sacred Heart Center on
Wednesdays 5:30 pm

Grades 6-11: Lifeteen
Sun. 6:40 pm at Nativity Center

St. Martin de Porres Society:

Wednesdays: 9 am – 11 am

Mass Schedule

Saturday (Vigil) Mass – 5:30 pm

Sunday Mass – 10:30 am

Daily Mass – 8:30 am

*Our Mother of Perpetual Help
Devotions: Tuesdays at 9 am*

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
by appointment

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick and / or emergency:

Communion will be brought to anyone desiring to receive but unable to attend Mass for serious reasons. Please call Fr. Daniel at (228) 860-6377

Sacrament of Marriage

Engaged couples should call the parish office at least six (6) months prior to the anticipated date of the marriage. At least one member of the couple should be a registered and practicing member of the parish for at least six (6) months.

Sacrament of Baptism

Infant baptism requires that at least one parent is a registered and practicing member of the parish for at least six (6) months. It must be the intent of the parent to actively raise the child in the Catholic faith. Contact the parish office.

Funerals

Contact Bunny Thompson at the office as soon as possible to make arrangements.

CATECHISM CORNER

Ash Wednesday is the first day of Lent, the season of preparation for the resurrection of Jesus Christ on Easter Sunday. Ash Wednesday always falls 46 days before Easter. While Ash Wednesday is not a Holy Day of Obligation, all Roman Catholics are encouraged to attend Mass on this day in order to mark the beginning of the Lenten season.

After the priest blesses the ashes and sprinkles them with holy water, the faithful come forward to receive them. The priest will say, "Remember, that thou art dust, and to dust thou shalt return" (or a variation on those words).

The distribution of ashes reminds us of our own mortality and calls us to repentance. In the early Church, Ash Wednesday was the day on which those who had sinned, and who wished to be readmitted to the Church, would begin their public penance. The ashes that we receive are a reminder of our own sinfulness, and many Catholics leave them on their foreheads all day as a sign of humility.

The Church emphasizes the penitential nature of Ash Wednesday by calling us to fast and abstain from meat. This is not simply a form of penance. It is also a call for us to take stock of our spiritual lives. As Lent begins, hopefully we find ways to increase our spiritual life as we proceed through the "forty days."

MASS INTENTIONS For the week of February 18, 2023

Saturday †Barbara Boudreaux
Sunday Father William Norvell, SSJ
Monday †Mercedes Guffey; Teresa & Albert Bakeler
Tuesday Ereka & Brooke Allen
Wednesday †Theresa Taylor
Thursday †Scott Michael Creel
Friday Our Parish Family

****If you would like to have Masses offered for a loved one or friend, living or deceased, please call the office. The stipend is \$10 per Mass intention.**

PARISH NEWS

Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



Thursday from 9 am until Noon.

**Tuesday, Feb. 21st
Office Closed**

**Feb. 22nd -- Ash Wednesday
OMS – 8:30 am and 12 Noon
Bl. Seelos – 6 pm
Spanish – 7:30 pm**



**Thursday, Feb. 23rd
St. Katharine Drexel
Feast Day Novena**

STEWARDSHIP

Last Week's Collection
Collected: \$ 1,051
Weekly Budget: \$ 2,031

Year to Date Collection
Collected: \$ 58,066
Yearly Budget: \$135,543

****Lenten Dinner Coll.: \$ 1,372**

****There is a special collection on Ash Wednesday for the Churches in Eastern Europe and Churches in Africa.**

****There is a special collection next weekend for the Black & Indian Mission. Please be generous in your support.**

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

LECTORS

Sat., Feb. 18 th	Myrna Rainey
Sun., Feb. 19 th	Ginger Collins
Sat., Feb. 25 th	Orelia Nunley
Sun., Feb. 26 th	Johnnie Bolton

USHERS

Sun., Feb. 19 th	Gerald Duffy
Sun., Feb. 26 th	Fred Thompson

COMMENTATOR

Choir
Choir

CHURCH CLEANING

Sat. Feb. 18 th	Orelia Nunley	Myrna Rainey
Sat., Feb. 25 th	Tina Craft	Sheryl Walton

****For any questions, please call Johnnie Smith (Extraordinary Ministers) 324-4946 or Beverly Duffy (Lectors) 219-4628. Thank you for serving in this ministry!**

THE EXAMEN: The Examen is a method of reviewing your day in the presence of God. It's actually an attitude more than a method, a time set aside for thankful reflection on where God is in your everyday life. It has five steps, which most people take more or less in order, and it usually takes 15 to 20 minutes per day:

- 1. ASK GOD FOR LIGHT:** I want to look at my day with God's eyes, not merely my own.
- 2. GIVE THANKS:** The day I have just lived is a gift from God. Be grateful for it.
- 3. REVIEW THE DAY:** I look back on the day just completed, being guided by the Holy Spirit.
- 4. FACE YOUR SHORTCOMINGS:** I face up to what is wrong – in my life and in me.
- 5. LOOK TOWARD THE DAY TO COME:** I ask where I need God in the day to come.

YOUTH NEWS

CCD:

**Feb. 22nd – Wednesday
No CCD Class**

LIFETEEN:

**Feb. 26th; Sunday 6:40 pm
Lifeteen – Sacred Heart**

How do you **prepare for Lent?** How have you prepared in the past? What are your ideas about what *should* happen during Lent?

We have the traditional Catholic practices of praying, fasting, and almsgiving. So, we pray more than usual, or we pray with different emphases. We eat smaller or fewer meals or give up a favorite food or drink group. We give more of our resources or give them specifically to special works of mercy during Lent. Prayer, fasting, and charitable giving continue to be quite good practices during Lent or at any time.

But, you might think, *how do I prepare myself for this season? What needs to happen within so that I can practice with more integrity and intention whatever I'm doing on the outside?*

There are plenty of ideas for actions and practices during Lent. It's good to have a plan for *doing*. It's also good to have a plan for *being*. How do I want to *be* during Lent this year? More quiet and thoughtful? More open to God's desires? More attentive to sacred readings, whether in church or in private? Do I need to be more compassionate toward my own fears and failings? Do I need to become more courageous about using the gifts God has given me?

SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL FEAST DAY NOVENA



Saint Katharine Drexel founded the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, dedicated to sharing the message of the Gospel and the life of the Eucharist. The feast day for Saint Katharine Drexel is March 3rd and so we will honor her with a nine-day novena beginning February 23rd. The novena prayers will be said after each weekday Mass through March 3rd. Saint Katharine died on March 3, 1955 and was canonized on October 1, 2000.



ASH WEDNESDAY – FEB. 22ND MASS SCHEDULE



OUR MOTHER OF SORROWS:

8:30 am and 12:00 Noon

BLESSED FRANCIS SEELOS: 6:00 pm

SPANISH MASS: 7:30 pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS – Every Friday

Our Mother of Sorrows 5:30 pm

Blessed Francis Seelos 6:00 pm



Catholic Sharing Appeal – “You are the Light of the World!”

A note from Fr. Daniel: Next weekend, Catholics throughout the Diocese of Biloxi will join together in support of the Catholic Sharing Appeal. As in the past, each of us will be asked to join together in the spirit of stewardship by making a financial commitment to the Church in the Diocese of Biloxi. Our Catholic Sharing Appeal provides essential operating support for those offices that provide direct services to both this parish and thousands of people throughout the seventeen counties that comprise this diocese. As your pastor, I would like to achieve a **100% participation for our parish!** Please consider giving a generous gift to this year’s Catholic Sharing Appeal. Our goal for this year is \$ **13,249**.