

Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 31, 2025



Pastor

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Our Mother of Mercy Church

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Mission Statement

*To Live by Truth and Love,
To Know our Faith
To Serve the Needs of Others,
To Teach by Example
and thereby Strengthen and Inspire the
Parish Family.*

Office Hours

Monday –Friday
from 8am-3pm

Lunch from 12:00-1:00pm
Closed Saturday and Sunday

Secretary: Kayla Cruse
keruse@dobcentral.org

Parish Maintenance:
Lawrence Andrepont.

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Ms. Regina Carr
Mr. Charles Woods
Mr. Donald Stagg
Ms. Edith Uzoh
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Mr. Al Vincent Bernard
Ms. Le'Toyia Mays
Sean Stevenson

Eucharistic Celebration

Saturday	4:30pm
Sunday	7:00am
	10:00am
Tuesday	5:30pm Benediction
Mass	6:00pm
Wednesday	7:00am
Thursday	7:00am
Friday	7:00am

Adoration

Every first Friday 12Noon
till Sat. 12 Noon
Every Wednesday
7:30 AM- 3:30PM

Divine Mercy Devotion

First Sunday of every month 3:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00-4:15pm
or by appointment.

Parish Bible Study

Fridays at 4:00pm

Pastoral Care:

OF THE SICK AND SHUT-IN

The Eucharist and Anointing of the Sick and Shut-In are brought to homes, hospitals and nursing homes.

Hospitalization:

If you wish to receive the Sacraments of Anointing of the Sick, Reconciliation (Confession) and Holy Communion while you are in the hospital, please register as a Catholic and notify the Spiritual Care Department.

Baptisms

Please call/come to the Rectory to schedule.

Juanita Moorehead
@409-833-4009

Weddings

There is a 6 month preparation class, which begins with your first appointment with the Priest. Please call the rectory for an appointment.

Ministries

Altar Servers: Tommy Briggs
409-658-6092

Baptism: Juanita Moorehead

Bereavement: Tommy Briggs

Eucharistic Ministers/ Sick and Shut

-In Ruthie Evans

409-338-6931

Health Ministry: Nkem Nwaobi
409-466-1520

Music Ministry: Carl Stewart 409-
-658-2678

PCL and Youth Ministry:

Shawn Denson 409-291-2443

Social Outreach:

Evelyn Bernard

409-842-1206 Cell:409-782-6677

Hours: 9am-12Noon, Monday &

Wednesday **Stewardship:** Greg Pumphrey 409-

201-3860

Hospitality: Alice Nettles 409-

-466-5509

Lectors: Tanya Tanner

409-363-9149

Women Of Grace:

Jones

720-9898

Shirley

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EXPLAINING THE TEN COMMANDMENTS BASED ON THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

In the coming weeks I would be explaining the Ten Commandments in the light of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. The first commandment focuses on the supreme authority of the God. *"I am the Lord your God: You shall not have strange gods before me."* (Ex 20:2-3). Thus, we are call to worship God alone, as well as make God first in your life: thoughts, actions, priorities.

According to the CCC, the first commandment embraces the Theological virtues, Faith, Hope and Charity (CCC 2086). Let's point out what each of these virtues are and highlight acts that may violate these virtues.

Virtue	Description	Violations
Faith	Believe in God & what reveals	Heresy, apostasy, voluntary doubt
Hope	Trust in God's salvation & help	Despair, presumption
Charity	Love God above all else	Indifference, ingratitude, lukewarmness, hatred of God

Having explained the first commandment in the light the theological virtues, the CCC also states clearly the Sins Against the First Commandment. These include,

Sin Category	Description
Idolatry	Worship of false gods, or making anything (money, power, self) more important than God
Superstition	Believing certain objects or rituals have magical power
Divination	Attempting to know the future or hidden things through occult means (e.g., horoscopes, tarot)
Magic/Sorcery	Seeking supernatural powers apart from God
Atheism	Denying God's existence
Agnosticism	Claiming God's existence is unknowable
Sacrilege	Disrespecting sacred persons or things
Simony	Buying or selling spiritual goods or offices

Since the first commandment is anchor on making God the center of our lives, how then can we worship Him in faith and in truth? Consequently, the right worship of God is expressed through,

- Prayer:** Daily communication with God in faith and love.
- Sacrifice:** Offering our lives and actions to God.
- Vows & Promises:** Fulfill them faithfully when made to God.
- Liturgy & Sacraments:** Participate reverently.

Finally, the first commandment leads us to religious freedom. As it is through freedom, we can truly worship God. Consequently, the first commandment leads, teaches that every person has a right to seek and worship God freely, as true freedom leads to truth, not indifference in our worship of God.



Meals played an important role in the society in which Jesus lived. More than a time for sharing nourishment, they were a time to share ideas and to model different aspects of social relationships. In Luke's Gospel, the places that a person ate (at the home of a tax collector, 5:29), the people with whom a person ate (sinners, 5:30), whether a person washed before eating (11:38), and, as is the case here, the place that a person sits while eating are all important. The narrator says Jesus tells a parable, but it is really wise advice to both guests and hosts about finding true happiness at the heavenly banquet. Jesus warns guests to wait before taking their places at the table lest they be asked to move if someone more important arrives. This is more than just a lesson about dinner etiquette. It is advice on how to find your true place in the Kingdom of God.

Readings for the August 31, 2025

- Sunday- Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29, Psalm 68:4-7, 10-11, Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a, Luke 14:1, 7-14
- Monday- 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, Psalm 96:1, 3-5, 11-13, Luke 4:16-30
- Tuesday- 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6, 9-11, Psalm 27:1, 4, 13-14, Luke 4:31-37
- Wednesday- Colossians 1:1-8, Psalm 52:10-11, Luke 4:38-44
- Thursday- Colossians 1:9-14, Psalm 98:2-6, Luke 5:1-11
- Friday- Colossians 1:15-20, Psalm 100:1-5, Luke 5:33-39
- Saturday- Colossians 1:21-23, Psalm 54:3-4, 6, 8, Luke 6:1-5



Prayer List

Please pray for all those who are ill at home, in the nursing homes, or in the hospital.

Pauline Davis	Corliss Walker	Burnitta Eaglin
James Segura	Theresa Andrepont	Mary Lewis
Sylvia Shelby	Mary Ann Thibodeaux	Mary Ann Howard
Silton Frank	Shelia Thibodeaux Goldman	Betty Lou Living
Aletra Bowman	Sonia Abraham	Morgan Moorehead Tuck
Tammy Tevis	Shariaka R. Carter	Herbert Hill
Joseph Wheeler Jr.	Carl Stewart	Martha Pitre
Richard Barnes	Beatrice Sells	Mary Hasley
Beverly Sennet	Martin Chavis Sr.	Ella Mea Lee

To add or remove names on the list
have a family member
call the parish secretary.



If you know anyone who is sick and unable to
attend Mass, please have them or their family
member call the Rectory so they can be placed on
the Sick & Shut-in list.



Mass Intentions

Saturday 4:30 pm

Lula Campbell+ Richard & Sonia Abraham
Nathan Cobb+ Family
Milton Mouton+ Family

Sunday 7:00 am

Antoinette & Charles Giglio+ Jo Beth Jenkins

10:00am

Levi Adams Jr.+ Langston Adams
Irma & Lionel Roberts+ Family
Candyve Labrie Koba+ Family & Kids
Albert Williams Jr. Family
Estrelada & Leon Sonnier+ Family
and for the Parish.

Tuesday 6:00 pm

Carl W. Chaisson+ Gertie Mouton

Wednesday 7:00 am

Yvonne Cormier+ Regina Rogers

Thursday 7:00 am

Friday 7:00 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

GIVE TIME BACK TO JESUS!
FIRST FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2025, 12 NOON THRU
SATURDAY, AUGUST 2ND. UNTIL 12 NOON.
COME AND SPEND SOME QUIET TIME WITH THE
LORD. WHEN LIFE GIVES YOU MORE THAN YOU
CAN STAND... KNEEL!



Divine Mercy Devotion

Every 1st Sunday of the month,
September 7, 2025 at 3pm. Come and
join us in prayer.



Stewardship of Treasure August 24, 2025

4:30pm Mass Attendance	82	\$1,777.00	Stipend	\$40.00
7:00am Mass Attendance	58	\$1,920.01	Social Outreach	\$668.84
10:00am Mass Attendance	168	\$2,143.00	Votive Stand	\$49.50
Mail in		\$2,506.50	Religious Articles	\$5.00
Second Collection		\$887.55		
Total	308	\$	July Online Contribution	\$3,117.69

Thank you for your generosity

Pray for Vocations

Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.

Luke 14:27

Every vocation involves sacrifice. Whether you are married, learning to put your spouse's needs before your own, or a priest choosing to forgo family life to serve others, each path involves laying down your desires for the sake of love. Trust that Christ will provide you with the strength to follow Him on your journey.

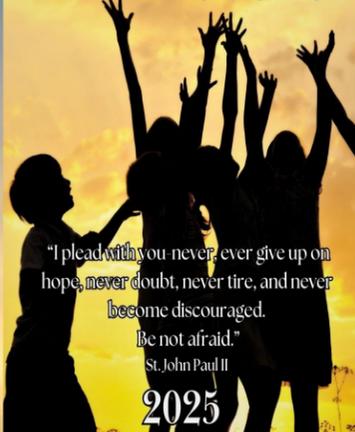
Talk to a priest or contact Fr. Rodel Faller at the Vocations Office by calling 409-924-4361 or by emailing: vocations@dioceseofbmt.org.

Your gift supports more than 19 programs & ministries in the Diocese of Beaumont

- Campus Ministry
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- Vocations Ministry
- Worship Ministry



APPEAL for CATHOLIC MINISTRIES
Building the Kingdom Together



"I plead with you never ever give up on hope, never doubt, never tire, and never become discouraged. Be not afraid."
St. John Paul II

2025

Ways to Give:

Online: www.dobgifts.org

Mail: Diocese of Beaumont
PO Box 3948
Beaumont TX 77704

Scan:



For VOCATIONS to the PRIESTHOOD

God our Father, from eternity You appointed Your only begotten Son to be the High Priest of the human race. Pour forth, we beseech You, Your Holy Spirit upon our families, that vocations to the priesthood may be multiplied.

Lord Jesus, give us holy priest
To offer up the sacrifice of the Mass
To lead the little ones to you
To strengthen the faith of believers
To preach the Gospel to all people,
To bring forgiveness to sinners;
To feed souls the Bread of Life;
To spread Your Kingdom in our midst Mary, Mother of our High Priest, pray for us and obtain for us a increase of holy priests.

Amen

BLESSED SACRAMENT MASS CLASS REUNION

ATTENTION BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL GRADUATES AND THOSE WHO ATTENDED. THERE WILL BE SCHOOL MASS REUNION SEPTEMBER 19TH THROUGH 21ST IN BEAUMONT, TEXAS. FOR REGISTRATION, HOTEL, AND ACTIVITIES, AND INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL JAMES CARTER AT 409-548-9557, OR MAKE CONTACT BY E-MAIL AT WILLIE24JOHN@YAHOO.COM. REGULAR REUNION REGISTRATION ENDS ON 09/01/2025. LATE REGISTRATION ENDS ON 09/10/2025 WITH A SLIGHTLY HIGHER FEE. REGISTRATION FEES WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE ON SITE AT ANY OF THE FUNCTIONS. COME JOIN US FOR A MEMORABLE OCCASION. NEXT MEETING WILL BE JULY 27TH @1PM

Join our team

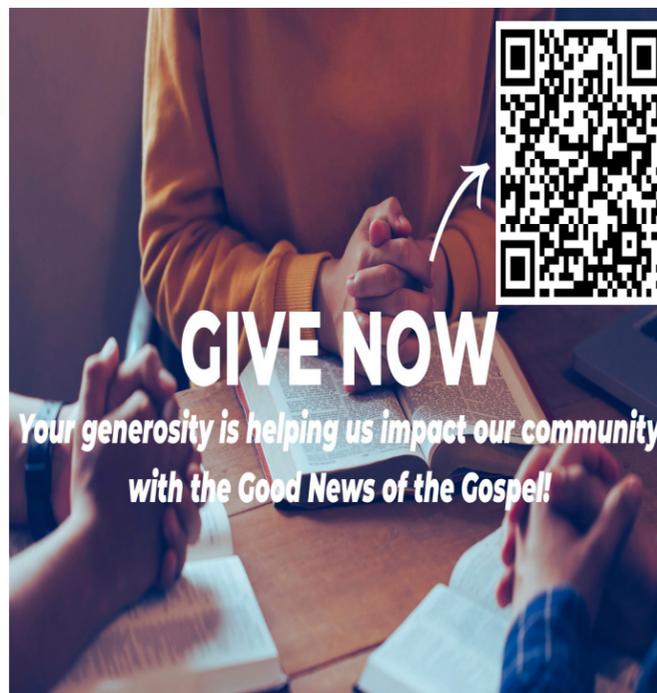
WE'RE HIRING

Attention Pear Orchard Federal Credit Union Members
Are you interested in joining our Management Team?
We are currently seeking a Credit Union Manager. Our Credit Union has been here for 60 years, servicing our Church members. If you are interested, please contact Miranda Thomas or David James @ 409-842-4343, Monday-Friday between the hours of 1-5p.m. for more details. Applicants will be subject to a criminal background check.

2025 OMOM CCD & YOUTH ACTIVITIES UPCOMING EVENTS

* Indicates Youth Sunday

JULY	12- Youth Lock-In (6th Grade - 12th Grade) Starts @ 4:00 Mass - Midnight *20- Youth Sunday
AUGUST	*17 - Sundaes on Sunday (Ice Cream Event) CCD Registration Event
SEPTEMBER	*21- CCD Welcome Back Block Party First Day of CCD
OCTOBER	5 - CCD Class *19 - CCD Class 25 - Treat Street (Halloween Event)
NOVEMBER	2 - CCD Class *16 - Youth Appreciation Mass & Reception (NO CCD Class) 20-22 - National Catholic Youth Convention
DECEMBER	7 - CCD Class *21 - Youth Christmas Pageant (NO CCD Class)



GIVE NOW

Your generosity is helping us impact our community
with the Good News of the Gospel!

Postponement Notice – Sundaes on Sunday

The “Sundaes on Sunday” youth event planned for this Sunday has been postponed. We apologize for any inconvenience. We will instead celebrate the beginning of the school year and CCD with a **Back to School Block Party & Open House on Sunday, September 21, following the 10:00 AM Mass.**

Please mark your calendars! CCD registration forms can be found in the vestibule of the church. For more information, please contact Shawn Denson, DRE.

Taking the Lowest Place

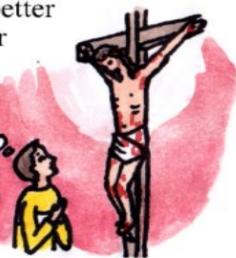


In today's Gospel reading, Jesus was watching to see where the people sat when they were guests at a dinner. Some people thought they were important so they sat in the more important places. Jesus saw that they were proud, so He taught them about being humble.

When we are proud we think that we are more important than other people, and that we deserve to have better things. We start to look down on everyone else, and pretty soon we start thinking that God isn't so great either!

Being humble means knowing that we really are not all that important, even if we are better at some things than other people or have more money or more important jobs. It means we know that God gave us these things to help others, not so that we could be proud about them.

I AM NOTHING COMPARED TO YOU!



Luke 14:1,7-14

We can only give glory to God when we are humble.



Jr. High Spectacular

VOCATIONS EDITION

Calling all Jr. High youth for a day of dynamic speakers, music, games, community-building, and prayer.

Emcee - Cooper Ray

Cooper is a seasoned and respected Catholic speaker, worship leader, and retreat facilitator. Known for his dynamic presence and heartfelt approach, he uses music, storytelling, humor, and audience engagement to invite people into a deeper experience of their faith.



Saturday, October 11

Beginning at 10am & Ending with 5:00 Mass

St. Anne Parish Hall

Cost - \$35, includes lunch; T-Shirt - extra \$10

For More Information or To Register, Contact the Parish Jr. High Youth Minister or Catholic School Teacher

DIOCESE OF BEAUMONT
OFFICE OF FAMILY, MARRIAGE & YOUTH * VOCATIONS OFFICE

SEPTEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	1 Labor Day	2	3 OMOM Sr. Citizens Organization 3:30-5:30PM KPC Meeting 6:30-7:30PM RM1	4	5 Our Mother of Mercy Zydeco	6
7 Grandparents Day KPC Men Meeting	8 KPCLA Meeting	9	10 KPC Meeting 6:30-7:30PM RM1	11	12	13 Lady Sodality Turnout 4:30PM Mass Jr. Daughters Prep
14 Jr. Daughters Soul Food Dinner Sale after 10 am Mass	15	16	17 Hospitality Ministry Monthly Meeting 6-7PM Choir Meeting 7-9PM	18	19	20
21 KPC Jr. Knights Meeting	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	1	2	3	4

Social Outreach 1,3,8,10,15,17,22,24,29 Choir Practice 3,10,24
Youth Choir Practice 3,10,17,24 Bible Study 4pm 5,12,19,26

Golden Triangle RSVP & Rockin' A Café Present
Unite in Service. Never Forget.
7th Annual 9/11 Day of Service & Remembrance

Golden Triangle RSVP invites all Veterans, Military Members & First Responders (retired or active) to attend a free lunch. Attendees are encouraged to wear their uniforms.

**Thursday, September 11, 2025
11:30 AM to 1:30 PM
Rockin' A Café
3520 West Cardinal Dr., Beaumont, TX 77705**

Master of Ceremony - Seth Wells, Executive Director of RISE Center
Invocation - Pastor W. T. Johnson, Love & Compassion Ministries
Keynote Speaker - Cheryl Williams, Veteran, The American Legion & Disabled American Veterans

Lunch Provided by Rockin' A Café
For questions call Golden Triangle RSVP at (409) 924-3382 or email us at hklauss@setrpc.org
Like us on Facebook @Golden Triangle RSVP

Soul Food Dinner

Fundraiser

Sunday, September 14, 2025

After 10:00am MASS Church Hall

Proceeds Benefit
Jr. Daughter's Court #64

Thank you for supporting our youth!

Menu

- Fried Chicken
- Candied Yams
- Mac & Cheese
- Smoothered
- Cabbage
- Cornbread

\$15.00

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LT Lutcher Theater
2025-2026

Lutcher Incredible Kids Events

Reservations at Lutcher.org/kids-events

Groups of 10 or more - \$5 each (students, teachers & chaperones)
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O.C.I.A.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

What is stopping you from becoming a Catholic?

Questions and answers after 10:00 AM Mass
September 7, 2025
Meeting Rm 1

Contact Charles Woods
40-656-9478

Commissioner **Everette "Bo" Alfred**
Jefferson County Precinct 4

Annual Health Fair
Take Yourself & a Loved One To the Doctor Day

9:00 am to 1:00 pm
Saturday, September 20, 2025
Cathedral of Faith Baptist Church
3755 Fannett Road, Beaumont, TX 77705

Free To The Public

- Blood Pressure & Blood Sugar Checks
- Blood Drive
- Cholesterol Screenings
- Hearing Screenings
- Eye Screenings and Reading Glasses and SPOT Vision Screenings for Children
- Teaching Resources on Stroke Diagnosis and Prevention, Dementia and Wellness
- Information on Autism Spectrum Disorder
- Voter Registration

For more info: (409) 835-8443

Community Partners

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Jefferson County Public Health Department
Christus Southeast Texas Health System
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PLEDGE TO HEAL

BELIEVE IN THE POSSIBILITY OF HELP AND HEALING. THERE IS HOPE.

Your local Victim Assistance Coordinator is available to help you or anyone who has been abused or victimized by someone representing the Catholic Church. We will listen to your needs and support you. We will help you make a formal complaint and arrange a personal meeting with the bishop, or his delegate, if desired. We encourage you to come forward and speak out.

The Victim Assistance Coordinator in your (arch)diocese/eparchy is:

Lori J. Chassee
Ph. 409-719-3318
victimsassistant@dioceseofbmt.org

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OUR MOTHER OF MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH
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BEAUMONT, TEXAS, 77705
CHURCH HALL

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 5, 2025

DOORS OPEN AT 8PM

CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION

409-782-7986, 409-835-9876, 409-842-1577

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TICKETS \$30
AT THE DOOR \$35

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