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We are living in a moment of uncertainty. Day by day, our lives are being changed in ways that few of us would have expected even one week ago. However, it is certain that even Jesus experienced moments of uncertainty in his human life. On one occasion, Jesus asked his disciples who people were saying he was. "Who do people say that I am?" (Matthew 16:13). In his humanity, Jesus was asking for clarity from others. The same is our situation today. We look toward friends, family and news sources to give us clarity in the days ahead. It is clear that in the weeks following Jesus' uncertainty, true clarity came to light. It was nothing less than the conquering of all that would do harm. Let us be confident! I genuinely love you all and I miss you. Father Dennis

REVISED MASS WORSHIP SCHEDULE

We will have live streamed 8:00 a.m. Masses only, Monday through Saturday. On Sundays, we will live stream an 11:00 a.m. Mass. The Biloxi Diocese website is: www.biloxidiocese.org. The Cathedral website is: www.nativitybvmcathedral.org.

Due to concerns of contagion of the coronavirus, ALL CHURCH FACILITIES ARE CLOSED.

At this time, all Holy Week services will be live streamed. Funeral services that arise will be graveside only.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact the rectory office at 228-374-1717, or you may email jhewitt@biloxidioces.org.

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CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

(We are monitoring cancellations closely on a week by week basis)

RCIA

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NATIVITY BVM WEEKLY LENTEN PRAYER GROUP

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CSA –“BRING CHRIST TO THE WORLD”

The Diocese of Biloxi is blessed to have 8 men in formation for the priesthood for our diocese. We are also blessed to have 17 retired priests that continue to help minister to the 56,000 Catholics in South Mississippi. Your gift to the 2020 Catholic Sharing Appeal directly aids in the formation, education, and care of all of these men. Will you please consider a generous gift to the 2020 Catholic Sharing Appeal in support of our future and retired priests? Your generous gift of prayer and financial resources ensures that we will continue to help "Bring Christ to the World." Pledge envelopes are in the pews. Thank you!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon	Mar 23	Is 65:17-21, Jn 4:43-54
Tues	Mar 24	Ez 47:1-9, 12, Jn 5:1-16
Wed	Mar 25	Is 7:10-14; 8:10, Heb 10:4-10, Lk 1:26-38
Thu	Mar 26	Ex 32:7-14, Jn 5:31-47
Fri	Mar 27	Wis 2:1a, 12-22, Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Sat	Mar 28	Jer 11:18-20, Jn 7:40-53
Sun	Mar 29	Ez 37:12-14, Rom 8:8-11, Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45



YOUR SUNDAY TITHING AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Regular Collections	\$	7,923.00
Maintenance	\$	1,383.00
Capital Improvement	\$	161.00
Nativity Elem. School	\$	50.00
Miscellaneous	\$	1,098.70
TOTAL COLLECTION \$		9,715.70

Thank you for your generous contributions!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar 25 Cleaning Team "D"

PREVENTING THE SPREAD OF ILLNESS IN THE CONTEXT OF OUR WORSHIP!

The Diocese of Biloxi promulgated an "Illness Prevention Policy" in 2010 that was to remain in effect for the duration of that cold and flu season. We followed up later as concerns continued to be expressed about the potential for spreading illnesses during the celebration of Mass. The Diocese is monitoring the present situation and wishes to emphasize common sense solutions implemented on the parish level, e.g.:

- Parishioners who are ill or suspect they may be contagious are not bound by the Sunday Mass obligation. They should be encouraged to remain at home and return to church when they are well.
- Holy Water fonts are to be drained, cleaned, and re-filled with holy water on a regular basis. Please note that old holy water should be disposed of in the sacrarium or, where one is not available, on the ground.
- Good hygiene, to include an inconspicuous use of hand cleaner prior to distribution of Holy Communion, should be practiced by Clergy and other Ministers.
- Exchanging the Sign of Peace is optional and may be suspended at the discretion of the Priest Celebrant. Parishioners may also be reminded that the sign of peace does not need to be exchanged by means of physical contact, but may be, e.g., verbal or with a bow to those nearby.
- Ministers of Holy Communion are advised to distribute the consecrated Hosts with special care, being cautious not to touch the communicant's tongue or hand.
- The Priest Celebrant may, at his discretion, consecrate only enough wine necessary for him alone to receive the Precious Blood.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS
<p>ALL MASSES HAVE BEEN CANCELLED</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><u>11:00 am</u></p> <p>Don Marie</p> <p>CANTORS</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>11:00 am</u></p> <p>John Welter</p>	

8:00 AM

Mon	Mar 23	James Coskey (S.I.)
Tue	Mar 24	James Tanner
Wed	Mar 25	Dr. Richard Covington
Thu	Mar 26	James Coskey (S.I.)
Fri	Mar 27	Glenn & Joyce Pisarich
Sat	Mar 28	Sr. Mary Jo Mike
Sun	Mar 29	<u>11:00</u> – Thu Bui

PLEASE KEEP OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS

Reggie D. Harvey, Elizabeth Moon Anderson, Rocky Long, Harry Kostmayer, Sr., Peter Skrmetta, Kay Semski, Kevin Kavanagh, Carolyn Urbanoto, Heather Boudreaux, Phil Beining, Mable Viator, Buck O’Gea, Nick Pass, Sue and Gene Daudelin, Lesa Walker-Kirkman, Rose Collins, Lehwmon Skrmetti, Annette Luther, Macklyn Holloway, Mary Wimberly, Candy Widener, Tiffany Whitehead, Holly Hill, Georgia Bellais Dominick, Mickey Bradley, Gwen Gollott, Greg Hotaling, Jack Joachim, Jr., Michael Zorich and our Homebound Parishioners.

From the Music & Fine Arts Ministry:
CHILDREN’S CHOIR:
PROGRAMS ARE SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

ADULT CHORAL MINISTRY:

“Gloria In Excelsis” – “GIE”
 The Cathedral’s Choral Society: Our March 28th Concert-Service – “Reflections on Holy Week” – is CANCELLED due to the Corona Virus. Our Choral Society is suspended until May when we hope to resume rehearsals for our Patriotic Concert in June.

“Cathedral Choir”
 Due to the Corona Virus – the Cathedral Choir’s rehearsals on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. are **SUSPENDED**.
 For more information regarding any of these program/event offerings or any other aspect of our Music & Fine Arts Ministry Program - please contact: Terry D. Maddox, M.M. – terrydalemaddox@gmail.com &/or 251-406-1454.

BINGO MANIA
CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE (We are monitoring cancellations closely on a week by week basis)

THE LORD OF ALL GIVES SIGHT TO THE BLIND
 Jesus’ power and claims divide those who encounter him. He is the long-awaited one, and he heals all wounds, even giving sight to the blind. We can trust that Jesus can heal all the wounds of our lives, giving us sight to see and a light to follow in the darkness of sin.

COMMUNION VISITATION



Jesus says of you and me, “You are the salt of the earth”. No one should be deprived of the Most Holy Eucharist because they are homebound, elderly, have no means of getting to Mass and/or sick in their home. Sister Jackie Tarrant, RSM will gladly bring the Eucharist to you in your home. Together we can be “salt of the earth”. Sister can be reached at the rectory at 228-374-1717.

TO PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD IS TO BECOME THE WORD OF GOD

Would you consider becoming a lector for our parish? It would be very good for our parish if we were to have additional lectors at our Sunday Masses. It would not only add to the variety of lectors but also give our current lectors help. If you are impelled to serve our parish as a lector, please email or call Fr. Dennis at dcarver@biloxidiocese.org or call (228) 374-1717.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The SVdP provides assistance each Tuesday from 9-11:00 a.m. For those wishing to make regular contributions, envelopes are located in the vestibule. We also value your one-time gift! Your continued support helps to ensure SVdP is able to provide support for those in need.
Our second collection will be for Nativity’s SVdP. Please consider giving a donation to help provide support.

NATIVITY BVM SCHOOL NEWS!

Registration for the 20-21 School Year is underway. Please visit our website at <http://www.nativitybvm.org> to register your returning student or to submit an application for a new student. We look forward to having a school full of saints! We would love to give you a tour of our school. Please contact Traci Kessler at 228-432-2269 or tkessler@nativitybvm.org for more information.