

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

<b>Mon</b>	<b>May 04</b>	Acts 11:1-18, Jn 10:11-18
<b>Tues</b>	<b>May 05</b>	Acts 11:19-26, Jn 10:22-30
<b>Wed</b>	<b>May 06</b>	Acts 12:24—13:5a, Jn 12:44-50
<b>Thu</b>	<b>May 07</b>	Acts 13:13-25, Jn 13:16-20
<b>Fri</b>	<b>May 08</b>	Acts 13:26-33, Jn 14:1-6
<b>Sat</b>	<b>May 09</b>	Acts 13:44-52, Jn 14:7-14
<b>Sun</b>	<b>May 10</b>	Acts 6:1-7, 1 Pt 2:4-9, Jn 14:1-12

**YOUR SUNDAY TITHING AND CONTRIBUTIONS**

Regular Collections	\$	6238.00
Maintenance	\$	208.00
Capital Improvement	\$	96.00
<b>TOTAL COLLECTION</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>6,542.00</b>

**Thank you for your generous contributions!**

**A MESSAGE FROM FATHER DENNIS:**

I think it is fair to say that we are all anticipating a gradual reopening of our city and our parish. Of course, we must do this with the utmost care, on a gradual basis, and in compliance with all federal, state, and local guidelines. Bishop Kihneman, in compliance with government directives, has issued a set of regulations on the reopening of our parishes. All priests in the Diocese of Biloxi must follow these rules. In the coming days, I will be issuing both an Email and a parish-wide letter informing all Nativity parishioners of the process, procedures, limitations, and directives on reopening our parish to Masses, meetings, and gatherings. Let us pray together that the Lord will protect us, give us courage, and help us in his prudence.

Blessings,  
Fr. Dennis

**Upcoming Blood Drive at the Cathedral**

One of the areas which has been negatively impacted by Coronavirus is the blood supply on the Mississippi Gulf Coast. I have offered our parish facilities to the American Red Cross for a blood drive. It will be held on Tuesday, May 5, 2020 from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. I'd like to encourage you to consider donating blood. I am assured by the American Red Cross that all measures will be taken to insure your safety. Social distancing, sanitizers, and face masks will be provided and strictly enforced. If you'd like to make an appointment to donate, please visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and use the sponsor code: STPATRICK

**A PRAYER DURING CORONAVIRUS**

*O clement, O loving, O sweet Mother Mary,  
We, your children of every nation,  
Turn to you in this pandemic.  
Our troubles are numerous; our fears are great.  
Grant that we might deposit them at your feet,  
Take refuge in your Immaculate Heart,  
And obtain peace, healing, rescue,  
And timely help in all our needs.  
You are our Mother.  
Pray for us to your Son.  
Amen.*

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"I tell you most solemnly, I am the gate of the sheepfold. All others who have come are thieves and brigands; but the sheep took no notice of them. I am the gate. Anyone who enters through me will be safe: he will go freely in and out and be sure of finding pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I have come so that they may have life and have it to the full."

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	LECTORS	CANTORS
ALL MASSES HAVE BEEN CANCELLED	May 03 <u>11:00 am</u> Don Marie	May 03 <u>11:00 am</u> Dennis Burke
	May 10 <u>11:00 am</u> Don Marie	

**8:00 AM**

<b>Mon</b>	<b>May 04</b>	Floyce and Bill Bozeman.
<b>Tue</b>	<b>May 05</b>	Reggie Harvey, Sr.
<b>Wed</b>	<b>May 06</b>	Vicki Gollotte Cobb
<b>Thu</b>	<b>May 07</b>	Josh Bozeman
<b>Fri</b>	<b>May 08</b>	Glenn and Joyce Pisarich
<b>Sat</b>	<b>May 09</b>	Special Intentions
<b>Sun</b>	<b>May 10</b>	<u>11:00</u> – Mary Lou Ardoline and Merle Sherman



**PLEASE KEEP OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS**

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, Lehmon 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.

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**



**Happy Anniversary to Joe and Nancy Powell as they celebrate their 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.**

**From the Music & Fine Arts Ministry:**

All Music Ministry programming and rehearsals will resume in late August.

All couples planning for their wedding who are needing to discuss music plans for their special observance are welcome to contact Mr. Maddox by phone &/or email via the information provided below.

For more details regarding 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.

**Hymns/Sacred Songs for:**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter – May 3rd – 11 a.m.:**

Opening: “Shepherd of Souls”  
 Offertory: “A COVID 19 Prayer to God” – Music by Leonard Cohen/Lyrics by Nanette Burke  
 Communion: “O Sacrament Most Holy”  
 Sending: “The King of Love My Shepherd Is”  
 CANTOR: Dennis Burke

**REMEMBER: AN INDIVIDUAL SONG SHEET FOR EACH WEEKEND’S STREAMED MASS WILL HAVE THE WORDS FOR THAT WEEKEND’S SONGS LISTED AND POSTED ON OUR “NATIVITY BVM CATHEDRAL” WEBSITE.**

Another “Prayer-Song in the time of the COVID-19 Pandemic” has been penned by Nanette Burke – a Nativity BVM Cathedral congregational and Cathedral Choir family member. Setting her lyrics to Leonard Cohen’s “Hallelujah”, Nanette offer a plea/prayer to God on our behalf. Her husband Dennis Burke will share this at the Offertory in this weekend’s upcoming streamed Mass.

**KEEP YOUR FAITH DURING THIS TIME OF QUARANTINE.**

Remember that the “Catholic Netflix” of FORMED is free to all Nativity Parishioners. Great movies, the Lives of the Saints, Teachings on the Sacraments, Prayer and a host of other materials is available. Simply go to the Nativity BVM website and log into FORMED.