

**Nativity B.V.M. SEPTEMBER 13, 2020
24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



FORGIVENESS IS A CHOICE THAT LEADS TO LIFE

Life always offers us choices – will we hold onto anger or choose to forgive? Will we live with a spirit of compassion or withhold mercy? Will we hold onto hurts and grievances or extend a hand in peace? Living out the commands of God is no easy task, but if we show mercy and forgiveness to others, we are assured of the same from our heavenly Father.

Lord, I am a sinner who is in need of Your mercy. Help me to have a heart of true sorrow for my sins and to turn to You for that grace. As I seek Your mercy, help me to also forgive the sins that others have committed against me. I do forgive. Help that forgiveness to enter deep into my whole being as an expression of Your holy and Divine Mercy. Jesus, I trust in You.

NEW DIACONATE FORMATION CLASS

Men, could God be calling you to the diaconate? If so, the Biloxi Diocese plans to begin a new Formation Class for the diaconate in 2021. Pre-selection information sessions will be conducted from 8:30-noon on the following days: September 19th at St. Clare, Waveland; September 26th at Sacred Heart, Hattiesburg; and October 3rd at St. Mary, Gautier. For interested men who think you may have a calling, attendance at one of these sessions is mandatory with your wife. Please see your pastor or call Deacon Mike Saxer at 228-216-8060 or Deacon Mike Harris at 228-342-1536.

NATIVITY CATHEDRAL GUIDELINES

Because of the increasing number of Covid-19 cases in Mississippi...specifically in Harrison County...we sincerely ask everyone to wear a mask while attending Mass at Nativity Cathedral. The masks are free and available at the front door. Thank you.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon Sep 14	Nm 21:4b-9, Phil 2:6-11, Jn 3:12-17
Tues Sep 15	1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a, Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35, Heb 5:7-9
Wed Sep 16	1 Cor 12:31—13:13, Lk 7:31-35, 2 Cor 4:7-15, Jn 17: 11b-19
Thu Sep 17	1 Cor 15:1-11, Lk 7:36-50
Fri Sep 18	1 Cor 15:12-20, Lk8:1-3
Sat Sep 19	1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49, Lk 8:4-15
Sun Sep 20	Is 55:6-9, Phil 1:20c-24, 27a, Mt 20:1-16a



YOUR SUNDAY TITHING AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Regular Collections	\$	13,968.00
Maintenance	\$	210.00
Capital Improvement	\$	196.00

TOTAL COLLECTION \$ 14,374.00

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Blue Mass

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OUR ANNUAL BLUE MASS

This Sunday, September 13, 2020, we celebrate our Annual Blue Mass at the 11:00 Mass. This Mass is to show our appreciation to our policemen, firefighters, sheriffs, first responders and officials. This will also be a Mass to pray for them. We thank you all for your services.



PLEASE KEEP OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS

Jim Owens, Tom Mason, Rocky Long, Harry Kostmayer, Sr., Peter Skrmetta, Kay Semski, Kevin Kavanagh, Carolyn Urbanoto, 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 all of our Homebound Parishioners.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	LECTORS	
Sep 19 4:00 pm 1. Kathleen Coskey	Sep 19 4:00 pm Jim Compton	
Sep 20 7:00 am 1. Nancy Powell	Sep 20 7:00 am Jim Shugart	
9:00 am 1. Judy Trahan	9:00 am Al Simons, Jr.	
11:00 am 1. Deacon Johnny	11:00 am Sondra Williams	
5:30 pm 1. Teresa Ballinger	5:30 pm Corri Gulino	
	CANTORS	
	Sep 19 4:00 pm <i>Elizabeth Cobb</i>	
	Sep 20 9:00 am <i>John Welter</i>	
	11:00 am <i>Phil Frisby</i>	

6:30 AM	8:00 AM
Mon Sep 14 Gerrie Weldon	Jean Kridle
Tue Sep 15 Barbara Theobald	Bob & Penny Rogalin
Wed Sep 16 Barbara Theobald	Mark Barhanovich
Thu Sep 17 Barbara Theobald	Hang Nguyen
Fri Sep 18 Barbara Theobald	Gaspar/Mary Pisarich
Sat Sep 19 8 Michael Letort	4 Thomas Andrews
Sun Sep 20 7 Tommy Mallett	9 F.T.P
11:00 – Walker & Irene Tucei	5:30 adine Sekul

FROM THE MUSIC & FINE ARTS MINISTRY:

REMEMBER: A complete Mass Order for each weekend's Mass is posted on the Nativity BVM Cathedral website.

Hymns/Sacred Songs for:

Twenty Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time – September 12th - 4 pm & September 13th - 9 am Masses:

Opening: "Sing To The Mountains"
 Offertory: "Christians, Let Us Love One Another"
 Communion: "Where Charity and Love Prevail"
 Sending: "City of God"

Sunday, September 13th – 11 am – "Blue Mass"

Opening: "God of Our Fathers"
 Offertory: "Eternal Father, Strong To Save"
 Communion: "Christians, Let Us Love One Another"
 Closing: "America the Beautiful"

CANTORS:

Saturday 4:00 p.m. - KC Arnold
 Sunday - 9:00 a.m. - Dennis Burke
 11:00 a.m. – Sabree Puz

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sunday, September 13th – 11 am: We will celebrate our annual "Blue Mass" with Bishop Kihneman. The "Blue Mass" dates back to September 29, 1934 – when Rev. Thomas Dade started the service as part of his duties with the Catholic Police and Fireman's Societies. The first Mass was held at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Washington, D.C. and has grown to a nationwide celebration.

Thursday, September 17th – 10:30 am: The "Chris Mass" from Holy Tuesday of Holy Week this past year that was postponed, is scheduled for this day and will be available to watch/participate through the Nativity BVM Cathedral website.

Thursday, September 24th – 9 am: Nativity Elementary School's (NES) next Mass of the School year will be the celebration of Grand Parents. Please check the school's website for instructions on how to attend "virtually." Your prayers for our students, teachers, administration and staff are much appreciated!

SANCTUARY LAMP:

The Sanctuary Lamp is lit this week in loving memory of Mark Barhanovich from his family.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sep 16 Cleaning Team C

A NOTE TO OUR CATHEDRAL CLEANING TEAMS

Please be vigilant in helping us to keep our Cathedral cleaned. It is important we stay on top of it. We are holding both 6:30 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. Masses in the Cathedral on weekdays and all weekend Masses in the Cathedral. Your service to our parish is appreciated.

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.*

PRAYER FOR PROTECTION FROM HURRICANES

Father, may all the elements of nature obey Your command. Calm the storms that threaten us and turn our fear of Your power into praise of Your goodness. Grant this, through Our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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	LEVEL 1 Standard Precautions	LEVEL 2 Elevated Precautions	LEVEL 3 Grade Level Grouping	LEVEL 4 Blended/Hybrid Learning	LEVEL 5 Virtual Learning
CRITERIA	Normal/low risk of infection	Moderate risk of infection/ Flu season/ Small number of outbreaks	Heightened risk of infection/ Flu season/Multiple outbreaks	Government-mandated capacity limits	Government-mandated school closure
ARRIVAL & DISMISSAL	Proceed as usual	Temperature checks at the cars. Masks encouraged but not mandatory.	Level 2 plus masks may be required in hallways	Same as Level 3	School is temporarily closed
CLASSROOM PROCEDURES	Classroom/bathroom hard surfaces sanitized multiple times a day/Hand sanitizer in classrooms and common areas	Increased sanitation/ Seating distanced as space allows/ Water fountains turned off, but bottle fillers may be used/ No shared supplies/Frequent hand sanitation	Level 2 plus grade levels act as a “family” in order to avoid transmission	Level 3 plus maximum sanitation throughout school and between staggered group schedules	School is temporarily closed Teachers at school in classrooms teaching virtually (Social distancing practiced among faculty/staff)
SPECIAL CLASSES PE/Art/Music/Library/ Computer Lab	Classes proceed as usual/Hard surfaces sanitized between classes	Classes proceed with increased sanitation between classes	Teachers of special classes go to the individual classrooms or hold class outside and teachers may be required to wear masks	Classes will be available on Distance Learning Platform with video lessons and activities for students	School is temporarily closed Teachers at school in classrooms teaching virtually (Social distancing practiced among faculty/staff)
CAFETERIA	Hands sanitized upon entry and exit. Hard surfaces sanitized between lunch periods	Level 1 plus increased sanitation/Grade levels eat together apart from other classes	Classes will eat in their classrooms or outside away from other classes	Alternate schedule will be developed based upon capacity limits	School is temporarily closed
RECESS	Hand sanitation required upon entry and exit/Equipment will be disinfected between classes	Level 1 plus all sports equipment will be sanitized/Limited number of classes on playground at one time	Level 2 plus designated play areas and equipment for each grade level	Short brain breaks and recess breaks will be incorporated	School is temporarily closed
MULTI-GRADE ASSEMBLIES/MASSES	Proceed as usual with hand sanitization required upon entry and exit	Level 1 plus a rotating schedule for masses and assemblies to allow for maximum social distance	No multi-age assemblies/Mass is live streamed and grade levels will rotate in-person attendance	Mass live streamed as scheduled	Live stream morning prayer and pledge/Mass live streamed as scheduled
VOLUNTEERS/VISITORS/ CONTRACTED PERSONNEL	Allowed with normal office check-in	Only contracted personnel allowed/Temperature checks required	Only contracted personnel allowed with temperature checks and masks/shields required	Same as Level 3	School is temporarily closed

*School Administration will have the discretion of alternating between levels as needed for the safety of our children.