

Nativity B.V.M. JANUARY 31, 2021
FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon Feb 01	Heb 11:32-40, Mk 5:1-20
Tues Feb 02	Mal 3:1-4, Heb 2:14-18, Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
Wed Feb 03	Heb 12:4-7, 11-15, Mk 6:1-6
Thu Feb 04	Heb 12:18-19, 21-24, Mk 6:7-13
Fri Feb 05	Heb 13:1-8, Mk 6:14-29, 1 Cor 1:26-31, Lk 9:23-26
Sat Feb 06	Heb 13:15-17, 20-21, Mk 6:30-34, Gal 2:19-20, Mt 28:16-20
Sun Feb 07	Jb 7:1-4, 6-7, 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23, Mk 1:29-39



THOSE WHO WITNESS JESUS' AUTHORITY AND HEALING POWER ARE AMAZED.

In today's Gospel account of Jesus entering Capernaum, those who heard his teaching and witnessed him drive out an unclean spirit are astonished. Their amazement is due to the authority of Christ, who is God himself. Are we, too, in awe at the work of God in our lives?

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.*

A Prayer For Our Children:

Lord God, we praise you that you are our God and Ruler of all things. We pray you would protect our children. Keep them healthy and help them thrive. We thank you that you know every hair on their heads. You know exactly when they rise and when they fall. Watch over our children in every area of their life and keep them safe, we pray. AMEN

YOUR SUNDAY TITHING AND CONTRIBUTIONS



Regular Collections	\$	19,770.45
Maintenance	\$	896.00
Capital Improvement	\$	171.00
Nativity Elementary	\$	20.00
Miscellaneous	\$	500.00
TOTAL COLLECTION	\$	21,357.45

Thank you for your generous contribution!

NATIVITY CATHEDRAL GUIDELINES

With the increase in numbers of Covid-19, we strongly recommend everyone to wear a mask while attending Mass at Nativity Cathedral. The masks are free and available at the front door. Thank you.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- SAT JAN 30** GENERAL BLESSING OF THE THROATS
- SUN JAN 31** GENERAL BLESSING OF THE THROATS
- TUES. FEB 02** MEN OF ST. JOSEPH 7:00 AM
BINGO MANIA, 5:30 PM
- WED. FEB 03** CLEANING TEAM C

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

This Sunday, January 31, 2021, begins our annual Catholic Schools Week. Please notice the attachment to this weekend's bulletin (on the website) which outlines all of the progress, advantages and successes of our Catholic Schools. Of course, let us all continue to pray for the Lord's blessings upon our children, faculty and principals. Bishop Kihneman will celebrate Mass at Nativity BVM School on Thursday, February 4th at 10:00 a.m. The Mass will be live-streamed.

Nativity BVM Catholic School will begin registration for the 2021-2022 school year on January 31st, 2021. We are excited to be adding a 2-year-old program! Register your PK2 - 6th grade students on our website. If you would like to experience what our sweet school has to offer, please call 228-432-2269 or visit our website at <https://nativitybvm.org/campus-toursnew>, to schedule a private tour with the principal. **CHOOSE CHRIST. CHOOSE LOVE. CHOOSE NATIVITY.**

FEAST OF ST. BLAISE

The Feast of St. Blaise, who protects the faithful from diseases of the throat and every other disease, is on Wednesday, February 3, 2021. In anticipation of his feast day, throats will be blessed after all Sunday Masses on January 30th and January 31st. This year, because of the pandemic, the Blessing will be generalized.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	LECTORS
Feb 06 4:00 pm Sondra Ahern	Feb 06 4:00 pm Jim Compton
Feb 07 7:00 am Linda Stewart	Feb 07 7:00 am David Gentile
9:00 am Maggie Landry	9:00 am Maggie Landry
11:00 am Deacon Johnny	11:00 am Don Marie
5:30 pm Teresa Ballinger	5:30 pm Tara Junkert
	CANTORS
	Feb 06 4:00 pm John Welter
	Feb 07 9:00 am Dennis Burke
	11:00 am Elizabeth Cobb

6:30 AM	8:00 AM
Mon Feb 01 Leroy Manuel	Lois Reidy Feliciane (SI)
Tue Feb 02 Charles E. Green, Jr.	Sr. Mary Riordan (SI)
Wed Feb 03 Tucei Family	Stanley Dellenger
Thu Feb 04 Bob & Penny Rogalin	Toni Stimmel
Fri Feb 05 Hank Rogers	Joyce & Glenn Pisarich
Sat Feb 06 8 Reed Pringle 4	Joseph Ioffredo
Sun Feb 07 7 Betty Lou Callegari 9	FTP
11:00 – Hank Rogers	5:30 Collins-Sims Family

ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers this week are for Jacobina Gilich, in loving memory from her family on her birthday.

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: Saturday, January 30th – 4 pm & Sunday, January 31st 9 & 11 am Masses

Opening: "Praise My Soul, The King of Heaven"
Offertory: "Dwelling Place"
Communion: "Be Not Afraid"
Sending: "Beautiful Savior"

CANTORS:

Saturday 4:00 pm: KC Arnold
Sunday 9:00 am: Phil Frisby
11:00 am: Elizabeth Cobb

NEXT NATIVITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (NES) MASS:

Thursday, February 4th – 10 am – "Celebrating with Bishop Kihneman" Mass – Youth Cantors: Aleigh Gruich and Charlotte Baker.

On Wednesday, February 3rd – 1:15 pm – Penance Service – Youth Cantors: Ava Rose Cook and Lila Grace Watts.

BINGO MANIA

Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 2, 2021. The following families are scheduled to work: Puzz (Don & Zina), Ramon (Missy), Rasmussen (Richard & Kimberly), Rensch (Terri), Rhodes (Jamie & Whorton, Lee), Richards (Sally and Sanchez-Alvarez (Juanita). **REMEMBER! If you are unable to attend, it is your responsibility to secure a replacement.**

Saint Stanislaus Educational Discussion - Students (4th, 5th, 6th grade) and their families are invited to a special educational discussion on Wed, Feb 3 from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm. Saint Stanislaus Academic Assistant Principal Nancy Artigues will present "Smoothing Your Son's Transition to Junior High". More information and registration: www.ststan.com/signature/

ASH WEDNESDAY

Lent begins on February 17, 2021 with the Distribution of Ashes on Ash Wednesday. Ash Wednesday Masses are 6:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m., 12:00 noon, and 6:00 p.m. This year, because of the pandemic precautions, ashes will be sprinkled on the head rather than smeared on the forehead.



PLEASE KEEP OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS

Ansley Gilich, Adonna Creel Currie, Russell Blair, Lois Reidy, Maureen Gruich, Janette Williams, Jackie Clark, Ivan Kovacevich, 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.

The Diocese of Biloxi Catholic Schools

Living and Learning in the Light of Faith

- 10 Elementary Schools and 5 High Schools
- Largest Private School System in the United States. First Catholic School in South Mississippi opened in 1850.
- Emphasis on Forming Intentional Disciples of Christ
- Sacramental preparation
- Religion incorporated into all curriculum
- Open prayer throughout the day
- Retreats
- Family involvement welcomed and encouraged
- National and State Accreditation through the Mississippi Department of Education and Cognia/AdvancEd
- 4,012 Total Students
- 2,414 Elementary PreK-6 Grade
- 1,598 Middle/High School 7-12 Grade
- 480 Faculty and Staff
- 12% Receiving Title Services
- 15% Free or Reduced Lunch
- 71% Catholic Students
- 29% Non-Catholic Students
- Over 100,000 Ministry and Service Hours Annually to Church and Community
- Average of \$30,000,000 in Scholarships Offered Annually to Graduating Seniors
- Perform average of three grade levels above nation on nationally normed standardized tests in all grades
- ACT scores consistently at least six points above state average and at least three points above national average
- Over 100 Mississippi High School Activities Association State Championships
- National Catholic Education Association St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Award (highest award given)
- NCEA Outstanding School Advisory Council
- NCEA Outstanding Pastor
- NCEA Outstanding Principal
- National Blue Ribbon Schools
- Top 50 Catholic High Schools in the U.S.

SCHEDULE A VISIT TODAY

Registration for 2021-2022 School Year begins January 31, 2021

Individual school information may be found at www.biloxidiocese.org – ministries – education – our Catholic schools
or contact Dr. Rhonda Clark, Superintendent of Education, rclark@biloxidiocese.org

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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.