

**Nativity B.V.M. JULY 18, 2021
16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon Jul 19	Ex 14:5-18, Mt 12:38-42
Tue Jul 20	Ex 14:21—15:1, Ex 15:8-10, 17, Mt 12:46-50
Wed Jul 21	Ex 16:1-5, 9-15, Mt 13:1-9
Thu Jul 22	Sg 3:1-4a, 2 Cor 5:14-17, Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Fri Jul 23	Ex 20:1-17, Mt 13:18-23
Sat Jul 24	Ex 24:3-8, Mt 13:24-30
Sun Jul 25	2 Kgs 4:42-44, Eph 4:1-6, Jn 6:1-15



YOUR SUNDAY TITHING AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Regular Collections	\$	18,179.75
Maintenance	\$	960.00
Capital Improvement	\$	942.31
Nativity Elem.	\$	462.00
Miscellaneous	\$	577.00
TOTAL COLLECTION	\$	21,121.06

Thank you for your generous contribution!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Mon. Jul 19** Women of Mary
- Tues. Jul 20** Men of St. Joseph, 7:00 a.m.
Bingo Mania, 5:30 p.m.
- Wed. Jul 21** Cleaning TEAM C

NATIVITY CATHEDRAL SPIRITUAL LIFE TEAM

Have you always wanted to get involved in the Parish but just didn't know how or what you could do? How about being part of the newly formed Spiritual Life Team for Nativity! This team's mission will be to develop ongoing prayer experiences for our parish, promote religious vocations, coordinate devotional in-home spiritual growth, and support various retreats such as Cursillo or our frequent parish missions. We will meet on a regular basis and will take your ideas and suggestions to the parish council for consideration. This team hasn't been active in the parish for nine years, so this is a real opportunity to make a difference for the entire Nativity community. We are so excited about this opportunity and ask you to prayerfully consider being part of this wonderful opportunity to help our parish grow spiritually! Please e-mail either Sarah Barhonovich at biloxispring@gmail.com or Keith Gibson at keithgibson4@aol.com if you are interested. God Bless.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is an invitation for adults to explore their interests, or to enhance their knowledge, in the Roman Catholic Church. The R.C.I.A. lays out a process in which men and women are guided and cared for as they awaken in faith and are gradually introduced to the Catholic way of life. The Nativity Parish will begin R.C.I.A. classes again in the Fall. Participants will meet weekly for nine months in the Sacred Heart Center. If you are interested, please contact Greg or Penny Payne at 228-365-6348. **ALSO:** This weekend, we have cards in our church pews asking for your help in inviting candidates for our upcoming RCIA. If you know someone or have a family member who is interested in joining the Catholic Faith, please let us know.

WE ARE SHEEP WHO FOLLOW THE GOOD SHEPHERD, WHO IS HERE FOR US AND HAS MUCH TO TEACH US.

Today's readings highlight the glory of Christ's ministry, which was foretold by the prophets and inclusive of all people. The crowds followed Jesus, seeking his teaching and his healing. We, too, are members of his body whom he shepherds; we are taught, fed, and healed. How can we pass on this joyful message of comfort to those around us?

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.



PLEASE KEEP OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS

Robert McClellan, Brandon Brashier, Dr. David and Aimee Dugger, Julie Martel, Jacqueline Cole Butler, Larry Kostmayer, Marianne Sherman, Ansley Gilich, Adonna Creel Currie, Maureen Gruich, Jackie Clark, Ivan Kovacevich, Rocky Long, Peter Skrmetta, Kay Semski, Kevin Kavanagh, Carolyn Urbanoto, 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	ALTAR SERVERS
Jul 24 4:00 pm Helen Languirand	Jul 24 4:00 pm Jim Compton	Jul 24 4:00 pm Sam Burke
Jul 25 7:00 am Jim Shurgart	Jul 25 7:00 am Jim Shugart	Jul 25 7:00 am BC Stoddard
9:00 am John Sherman	9:00 am Al Simons, Sr.	9:00 am Tristan Davis Kingston Davis
11:00 am Deacon Johnny	11:00 am M/M Tarrant	11:00 am Blake Walli Kendall Walli
5:30 pm Roseann Kimble	5:30 pm Keith Gibson	5:30 pm Arguelles Family
	CANTORS	
	Jul 24 4:00 pm KC Arnold	
	Jul 25 9:00 am John Welter	
	11:00 am Phil Frisby	

6:30 AM	8:00 AM
Mon Jul 19 Bob & Penny Rogalin	Collins/Sims Fly.
Tue Jul 20 Tucei Family	Chester Balius Fly.
Wed Jul 21 Caleb Simons	Jacinto/Norine Baltar
Thu Jul 22 Dec. Little Sisters of the Poor	Sammy Beaugez
Fri Jul 23 Aaron Easterling	Joyce & Glenn Pisarich
Sat Jul 24 8 Bob & Penny Rogalin	4 Josephine Esposito Allen
Sun Jul 25 7 Donna Naab	9 FTP
11:00 Chester Balius Fly.	5:30 Sammy Beaugez

FROM THE MUSIC & FINE ARTS MINISTRY:

Hymns/Sacred Songs for:

Saturday, July 17th- 4 pm & Sunday, July 18th – 9 am & 11 am Masses:

Opening:	“I Heard the Voice of Jesus”	# 454
Offertory:	“The Church’s One Foundation”	# 417
Communion:	“The Cry of the Poor”	# 612
Sending:	“Tell the Good News”	# 374

CANTORS:

Saturday	4:00 pm:	John Welter
Sunday	9:00 am:	Elizabeth Cobb
	11:00 am:	Sabree Puz

WOULD YOU LIKE TO TEACH OUR FIRST COMMUNION CLASS?

Our Nativity CCD is searching for a willing and interested volunteer to teach our 2nd graders who are preparing for First Communion in May of 2022. It’s a charming time to teach 7- and-8-year-olds the miracles of the Eucharist. Our classes meet only once per week on Wednesdays for one hour. We are also searching for a helper for our 4th graders. If interested, please phone Fr. Dennis at (228) 374-1717.

THE ANNUAL ANIVERSARY MASS

The ANNUAL MASS OF WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES will take place on Sunday, November 7, 2021 at 2 p.m. at the Nativity B.V.M. Cathedral. A registration form is on our website. The deadline for registration is October 15, 2021. You can return the form by mail to Deacon Karl Koberger at Catholic Diocese of Biloxi, 1790 Popp’s Ferry Road, Biloxi, MS 39532 or e-mail it to Deacon Karl at kkoberger@biloxidiocese.org or FAX it to his attention at 228-702-2178.

BINGO MANIA

Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 20, 2021. The following families are scheduled to work: Glisson (Chase & Tahler), Gnapp (Robert & Erica), Gollott (Amy & Jamie), Goodwin (Donna & Amber), Fountain (Brent & Bonnie) and Fuller (Jared & Ria). **If you are unable to attend, it is your responsibility to secure a replacement.**

DO YOU HAVE A SMILE & 15-20 MINUTES? If you do – your Cathedral Home could certainly use you! Ever thought what causes an individual(s) to come back after their first visit in a church? It could be the preaching; or - maybe the Music Ministry. But more often than not – it has to do with the presence of warmth, friendliness and invitation by the congregation to visitors. The congregation’s open and receptive nature can convey God’s warmth and welcome to those who enter our doors to worship. We all come to our Church to receive divine energy and holy nourishment. Our kindness and openness as a church family can cause others to want to be apart and to feel the presence of God. A crucial first step to this experience is those who choose to be members of the “Ministry of Greeting.” There is nothing like a friendly “Hello & Welcome to Nativity Cathedral!” – by someone standing at the front doors of the church as people arrive. Whether it is an individual, or a young person (which can earn service hours for school by sharing in this Ministry), or the powerful impact of a family standing together to welcome newbies or our familiar church family – this positive encounter can mean the world to make our church known as friendly, inviting and inclusive. It only takes 15-20 minutes before Mass to “Meet & Greet” at one of our Church doors. Why not consider adding your warmth to this important service. If you are interested, speak with Terry D. Maddox – Music Minister for the Church or Father Dennis Carver our Rector or call Jackie Hewitt – Office Manager in our Rectory Office – 374-1717. Prayerfully consider this opportunity of service.

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.



Do you have trouble hearing the Mass? Our cathedral has the hearing loop system for use by all persons with hearing problems, who wear hearing aids or use cochlear implants. Pick up a receiver in the back of the church and be surprised at how clearly you can hear.