



Our Mother of Sorrows Catholic Church
803 Division St. Biloxi, MS 39530
228-435-0007

The 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 21, 2018

Staff:

Pastor: Rev. Godfrey Andoh
Pastoral Assoc: Deacon Richard Smith
Secretary: Mary Beth Broussard
SO / DRE: Cheryl Thompson

Pastoral Council:

Meets every 3rd Tuesday
of the month

Religious Education

Grades K-11: Nativity BVM
Sacred Heart Center on
Wednesdays 5:30 pm

St. Vincent de Paul:

Wednesdays: 9 am – 11 am

Mass Schedule

Saturday (Vigil) Mass – 5:30 pm

Sunday Mass – 10:30 am

Daily Mass – 8:30 am

Our Mother of Perpetual Help

Devotions: Tuesdays at 9 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

by appointment

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick and / or emergency:

Communion will be brought to anyone desiring to receive but unable to attend Mass for serious reasons. Please call Fr. Godfrey Andoh at 313-544-6330.

Sacrament of Marriage

Engaged couples should call the parish office at least six (6) months prior to the anticipated date of the marriage. At least one member of the couple should be a registered and practicing member of the parish for at least six (6) months.

Sacrament of Baptism

Infant baptism requires that at least one parent is a registered and practicing member of the parish for at least six (6) months. It must be the intent of the parent to actively raise the child in the Catholic faith. Contact the parish office.

Funerals

Contact Cheryl Thompson at the office as soon as possible to make arrangements.

CATECHISM CORNER

The Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle is a feast celebrated during the liturgical year on January 25. This feast is at the conclusion of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, an international Christian ecumenical observance that began in 1908, which is an octave spanning from January 18 to January 25.

Paul or Saul, a Jew of the tribe of Benjamin, was born at Tarsus, the capitol of Cilicia. He was a Roman citizen. He was brought up as a strict Jew. As he was "a young man" at the stoning of Stephen and "an old man" when writing to Philemon, about the year 63, he was probably born around the beginning of the Christian era. To complete his schooling, St. Paul was sent to Jerusalem, where he was educated in the strict observance of the ancestral Law. Here he also acquired a good knowledge of exegesis and was trained in the practice of disputation. As a convinced and zealous Pharisee, he returned to Tarsus before the public life of Christ opened in Palestine. Sometime after the death of Our Lord, St. Paul returned to Palestine. His profound conviction made his zeal develop to a religious fanaticism against the infant Christian Church. He took part in the fierce persecution of the Christians.

While on his way to Damascus to make new arrests of Christians, he was suddenly converted by a miraculous apparition of Our Lord. From a fierce persecutor, he became the great Apostle of the Gentiles. He made three missionary journeys which brought him to the great centers of Asia Minor and southern Europe, and made many converts. Fourteen of his Epistles are found in the New Testament. He was beheaded in Rome in 66, and his body is kept in the Basilica of St. Paul near the Ostian Way.

MASS INTENTIONS

For the week of January 20th

Saturday	Special Intention
Sunday	Our Parish Family
Monday	†Genevieve Creel
Tuesday	Special Intention
Wednesday	†Joanna Hogan-White
Thursday	†Grace Carroll
Friday	†All Souls Mass League

**** If you would like to have Masses offered for a loved one or friend, living or deceased, please call the office. The stipend is \$10 per Mass intention.**

PARISH CALENDAR

**Feb. 2nd & 9th – KOPC – LA
Fish Dinners; 10am – 2pm**

**Feb. 3rd & 4th – All Masses
Blessing of the Throat**

**February 5th – Mon.; 6:00 pm
Eucharistic Adoration at
Our Mother of Sorrows**



*Come spend an hour
with Jesus!*

STEWARDSHIP

Last Week's Collection

Collected: \$ 1,165
Weekly Budget: \$ 1,500

Year to Date Collection

Collected: \$ 34,742
Yearly Budget: \$ 78,000

****There is a special collection next weekend, January 27th & 28th for the Church in Latin America & Saltillo Mission. This helps educate priests, religious and lay pastoral leaders; assists missionaries; trains catechists and youth ministers; and supports the Church's work with those in need. Please be generous in your support.**

**LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST**

Saturday, Jan. 20th Linda Carney
 Sunday, Jan. 21st Earline Mitchell Myrna Rainey

Saturday, Jan. 27th Linda Carney
 Sunday, Jan. 28th Linda Staten Mamie Hardy

LECTORS

Saturday, Jan. 20th Elvira Mitchell
 Sunday, Jan. 21st Alfonso Staten

Saturday, Jan. 27th Janice Lee
 Sunday, Jan. 28th Gail Esters

USHERS

Sun., Jan. 21st G. Duffy & F. Burney
 Sun., Jan. 28th M. Griffin & H. Hardy

COMMENTATOR

Choir
 Choir

ALTAR SERVERS

Sun., Jan. 21st Micah Walton D'Kaylah Jones
 Sun., Jan. 28th Semaj Mitchell Manning Ramon Fisher

CHURCH CLEANING

Sat., Jan. 20th Janice Lee
 Sat., Jan. 28th Sheryl Walton Tina Craft

****If you cannot serve on your scheduled date, please call someone to take your place. Thank you for serving in this ministry!**

HOME / HOSPITAL VISITS

In the time of family sickness, death, or special need, family members are asked to notify the office. Communion will be brought to any one desiring to receive but unable to attend Mass for serious reasons.

YOUTH CALENDAR

Jan. 24th – Wed.; 5:30pm
 CCD – Class

Jan. 31st – Wed.; 5:30pm
 CCD – Class



We would like to recognize those K – 11th grades who made Honor Roll or a Special Achievement this past semester. Our deadline for this information is Wednesday, January 31st.



“All of us must care for life, cherish life, with tenderness, warmth...to give life is to open (our) heart, and to care for life is to (give oneself) in tenderness and warmth for others, to have concern in my heart for others.”

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF BILOXI SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR OUR CHILDREN HOW TO REPORT A COMPLAINT OF ABUSE

NOTICE:

Every volunteer who works with minors and every employee of all parishes and Catholic schools of the Diocese of Biloxi must receive a copy of the *Policy of the Diocese of Biloxi Regarding Complaints of Abuse of Minors*. Copies of this policy are available from any pastor or principal. If any volunteer who serves with minors or any employee did not receive this policy, please contact your pastor or principal, or call 228-702-2126/27. A copy of the policy is also available to any interested person. In addition, a copy of the *Diocesan Code of Conduct Regarding Contact with Minors* and the *Diocesan Policy Concerning Supervision of Youth Trips and Other Youth Functions* are also available from your pastor or principal, or by calling 228-702-2126/27.

HOW TO REPORT A COMPLAINT OF ABUSE:

The clergy, religious, and laity who serve in the ministries of the Diocese of Biloxi are committed to making Church ministries safe for young people. Allegations of misconduct with minors are reported as the law requires and an internal investigation is conducted. A copy of the diocesan policy is available on the diocesan website (www.biloxidiocese.org) or by contacting your pastor. A complaint of misconduct should be reported directly to civil authorities. In addition, a complaint should be reported to the Diocese of Biloxi by calling the phone numbers on the diocesan website or by calling 228-702-2112 or to the State of Mississippi's Hot Line: 1-800-222-8000.



God our Creator, we give thanks to you, who alone has the power to impart the breath of life as you form each of us in our mother's womb; grant, we pray, that we, whom you have made stewards of creation, may remain faithful to this sacred trust and constant in safeguarding the dignity of every human life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

For Reflection

Do I understand that putting off the voice of God is also putting off all the good, joy, and peace he wants to bring about by what he is asking?

*Jesus said to them, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men."
Then they abandoned their nets and followed him.
(Mark 1:17-18)*
