



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

The 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 28, 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 Presentation of the Lord, known originally as the Feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin, is a relatively ancient celebration. The Church at Jerusalem observed the feast as early as the first half of the fourth century, and likely earlier. The feast celebrates the presentation of Christ in the temple at Jerusalem on the 40th day after His birth.

According to Jewish law, the firstborn male child belonged to God, and the parents had to "buy him back" on the 40th day after his birth, by offering a sacrifice of "a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons" in the temple (thus the "presentation" of the child). On that same day, the mother would be ritually purified (thus the "purification"). Mary and Joseph kept this law, even though, since Mary remained a virgin after the birth of Christ, she would not have had to go through ritual purification. In his gospel, Luke recounts the story.

Originally, the feast was celebrated on February 14, the 40th day after Epiphany (January 6), because Christmas wasn't yet celebrated as its own feast, and so the Nativity, Epiphany, the Baptism of the Lord (Theophany), and the feast celebrating Christ's first miracle at the wedding in Cana were all celebrated on the same day. By the last quarter of the fourth century, however, the Church at Rome had begun to celebrate the Nativity on December 25, so the Feast of the Presentation was moved to February 2, 40 days later.

Inspired by the words of the canticle ("a light to the revelation of the Gentiles"), by the 11th century, the custom had developed in the West of blessing candles on the Feast of the Presentation. The candles were then lit, and a procession took place through the darkened church. Because of this, the feast also became known as Candlemas.

MASS INTENTIONS

For the week of January 27th

Saturday	Our Parish Family
Sunday	Sabrina Bolton
Monday	Special Intention
Tuesday	†Belle Starks
Wednesday	Mother's Mass League
Thursday	Father's Mass League
Friday	†Isabel M. Sylvester

**** 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!*

**February 14th – Wednesday
Ash Wednesday**

STEWARDSHIP

Last Week's Collection

Collected: \$ 938
Weekly Budget: \$ 1,500

Year to Date Collection

Collected: \$ 35,680
Yearly Budget: \$ 78,000

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

Saturday, Jan. 27 th	Linda Carney	
Sunday, Jan. 28 th	Linda Staten	Mamie Hardy
Saturday, Feb. 3 rd	Linda Carney	
Sunday, Feb. 4 th	Cynthia White	Myrna Rainey

LECTORS

Saturday, Jan. 27 th	Janice Lee
Sunday, Jan. 28 th	Gail Esters
Saturday, Feb. 3 rd	Elvira Mitchell
Sunday, Feb. 4 th	Johnnie Bolton

USHERS

COMMENTATOR

Sun., Jan. 28 th	M. Griffin & H. Hardy	Choir
Sun., Feb. 4 th	M. Griffin & G. Duffy	Alfonso Staten

ALTAR SERVERS

Sun., Jan. 28 th	Semaj Mitchell Manning	Ramon Fisher
Sun., Feb. 4 th	Treasure Duffy	Micah Walton

CHURCH CLEANING

Sat., Jan. 28 th	Sheryl Walton	Tina Craft
Sat., Feb. 3 rd	Earline Mitchell	Linda Staten

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

**Catholic Schools Week
January 28th – February 3rd**

Catholic Schools: Faith. Academics. Service

Almighty Father, You sent forth your Son as a beacon of hope for all people. As Teacher, he has given us the prime example of the importance of education. As disciples, we look to him for inspiration and strength. Amen.

YOUTH CALENDAR

Jan. 31st – Wed.; 5:30pm
CCD – Class

Feb. 7th – Wed.; 5:30 pm
CCD – Class

Feb. 14th – Wednesday
NO CCD (Ash Wednesday)

Feb. 21st – Wed.; 5:30 pm
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.



Knights of Peter Claver & Ladies Auxiliary

FISH DINNER

FRIDAY, FEB. 2nd & 9th

CALL: 228-435-0007

10 am until 2 pm

**MENU: fish, a choice of potato salad or macaroni & cheese or
coleslaw, green beans, bread and cake**

\$8.00 a plate

Dine in or carry out

Your support is greatly appreciated!!!

BLESSING OF THROATS



In memory of the feast of St. Blaise on February 3rd, the Blessing of Throats will be given after all Masses next weekend, February 3rd & 4th. This is a special blessing given to individuals which invokes the saint's intercession asking for protection from ailments of the throat and every other illness.

LITURGICAL TRAINING

LECTORS, EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS & SACRISTANS

There will be a joint workshop for Lectors, Extra Ordinary Ministers and Sacristans for both Our Mother of Sorrows and Blessed Seelos on Saturday, February 3rd at 10:00 am at Blessed Seelos and on Sunday, February 4th at 11:40 am at Our Mother of Sorrows. Everyone is encouraged to attend one of these sessions.

For Reflection

Am I letting myself be tricked into eating any moral junk food that isn't healthy for my long-term spiritual and moral flourishing?