



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

The Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 26, 2018

Staff:

Pastor: Rev. Godfrey Andoh
Pastoral Assoc: Deacon Richard Smith
In Residence:
Rev. Truong Trinh, Chaplain
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 liturgical commemoration of the **Passion or Beheading of St. John the Baptist** is almost as old as that commemorating his Nativity, which is one of the oldest feasts, if not the oldest introduced into both the Eastern and Western liturgies to honor a saint. The day commemorates his martyrdom by beheading on the orders of Herod Antipas, tetrarch or sub-king of Galilee under the Roman Empire. The Roman Catholic Church celebrates the feast on August 29.

According to the Synoptic Gospels, Herod had imprisoned John because he reproved Herod for divorcing his wife and unlawfully taking Herodias, the wife of his brother Herod Philip I. On Herod's birthday, Herodias' daughter (traditionally named Salome) danced before the king and his guests. Her dancing pleased Herod so much that in his drunkenness he promised to give her anything she desired, up to half of his kingdom. When the daughter asked her mother what she should request, she was told to ask for the head of John the Baptist on a platter. Although Herod was appalled by the request, he reluctantly agreed and had John executed in the prison.

The Jewish historian Flavius Josephus also relates in his Antiquities of the Jews that Herod killed John, stating that he did so, "lest the great influence John had over the people might put it into his [John's] power and inclination to raise a rebellion, (for they seemed ready to do anything he should advise), [so Herod] thought it best [to put] him to death." He further states that many of the Jews believed that the military disaster which fell upon Herod at the hands of Aretas his former father-in-law, was God's punishment for his unrighteous behavior. None of the sources give an exact date, which was probably in the years 30-35, and according to Josephus the death took place at the fortress of Machaerus.

MASS INTENTIONS

For the week of August 25th

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| Saturday | Our Parish Family |
| Sunday | †Charles & Mattie Brown |
| Monday | Mary Beth Broussard |
| Tuesday | Mary Beth Broussard |
| Wednesday | Mary Beth Broussard |
| Thursday | †Mary Peresich Pisarich |
| Friday | †Genevieve Creel |

****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

September 1st – Saturday
RCIA Classes begin;
9 am – 10:30 am; every other week; Blessed Seelos Convent

September 3rd – Monday
Labor Day – Office Closed

September 7th – 15th
9-Day Novena to Our Lady of Sorrows

September 9th – Sunday
Feast of Saint Peter Claver

Sept. 10th – Monday; 6:00 pm
Weekly Eucharistic Adoration

Sept. 12th – Wednesday; 6pm
Weekly Bible Study
OMS Church

STEWARDSHIP

Last Week's Collection
Collected: \$ 1,867
Weekly Budget: \$ 1,500

Year to Date Collection
Collected: \$ 15,018
Yearly Budget: \$ 78,000

****We will have a special collection next weekend, September 1st/2nd for the Catholic University. This is the National University of the Catholic Church in the United States. Please be generous in your support.**

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

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| Sat., Aug. 25 th | Hurley & Johnnie Smith | | |
| Sun., Aug. 26 th | L. Isom | K. Parker | C. Payne |
| Sat., Sept. 1 st | Hurley & Johnnie Smith | | |
| Sun., Sept. 2 nd | K. Wilkerson | K. Currie | C. Payne |

LECTORS

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| Sat., Aug. 25 th | Janice Lee |
| Sun., Aug. 26 th | Ann Johnson |
| Sat., Sept. 1 st | Elizabeth Smith |
| Sun., Sept. 2 nd | Johnnie Bolton |

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COMMENTATOR

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| Sun., Aug. 26 th | S. Jones & M. Griffin | Choir |
| Sun., Sept. 2 nd | Knights of Peter Claver | KOPC/LA |

ALTAR SERVERS

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| Sun., Aug. 26 th | Ramon Fisher | Semaj Manning |
| Sun., Sept. 2 nd | D'Kaylah Jones | Kentrell Isom |

CHURCH CLEANING

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| Sat., Aug. 25 th | Sheryl Walton | Tina Craft |
| Sat., Sept. 1 st | Earline Mitchell | Linda Staten |

****For any questions, please call Johnnie Smith (Eucharistic Ministers) 324-4946 or Beverly Duffy (Lectors) 219-4628. Thank you for serving in this ministry!**

ADULT EDUCATION / SPIRITUALITY

****RCIA Classes** begin Saturday, September 1st from 9 am – 10:30 am; at the Blessed Seelos Convent and will be held every other week.

**** Weekly Bible Study** will begin Wednesday, Sept. 12th at 6:00 pm in Our Mother of Sorrows Church.

YOUTH NEWS

**CCD REGISTRATION
AND CLASSES TO
BE HELD AT
NATIVITY**

Registration and information for CCD grades **K through 11th** will be held Wednesday, Sept. 5th from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm at Nativity's Sacred Heart Parish Life Center (behind the church.)

Please bring any Sacramental information you may have for your child. **The registration fee is \$20. We ask that parents join us at the beginning of the 1st class to go over plans for the year.**

Classes begin on Wednesday, Sept. 12th from 5:30pm – 6:30pm.

It is the expectation that all parish youth will be enrolled and attend class. Please call Bunny Thompson for additional information.

**Sept. 8th – Saturday
Our Mother of Sorrows &
Blessed Seelos Youth
Gathering**

10 am until 12 Noon
OMS Youth Room
Grades 1st through 11th
Please RSVP to Bunny at
228-233-5400

13th Annual Katrina Prayer Service: St. Michael Catholic Church in Biloxi will hold a Katrina Prayer Service on Wednesday, August 29th, at 6:00 pm. All are welcome to share in this prayerful remembrance.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER WORKSHOP

Our 2nd Extraordinary Ministers workshop will be Sunday, September 2nd after the 10:30 am Mass. It is important that all attend. Thank you for serving in this ministry. If you have any questions, please contact Johnnie Smith at 228-324-4946 or email jmssold@bellsouth.net.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS NOVENA



In 1914, the Josephite Fathers who founded our parish wisely decided to place the new church under the care of our Holy Mother under her title of Our Mother of Sorrows. Since that time her prayers have seen through the church through some very difficult times. The feast day for Our Lady of Sorrows is September 15th and so we will honor her with a nine-day novena beginning September 7th. The intention of the novena will be for the growth and well-being of our parish and for the well-being of all of our parish families and supporters.

\$2,500 DRAWDOWN – ONLY 5 WEEKS TO SELL TICKETS!!

**** PLEASE TURN IN YOUR MONEY/TICKETS TO MAMIE HARDY ****

Our Mother of Sorrows Drawdown will be held **October 6th**. Please see either Mamie Hardy or Sheila Harris for tickets. If you haven't purchased a ticket, please prayerfully consider doing so. This Drawdown will be our largest fund raiser and is vital to the financial well-being of the parish. We can make this drawdown a success with everyone's hard work & participation! Tickets are \$25 each and admit one.

****Please note that you must be 21 or older to attend the drawdown****

