



Our Mother of Sorrows Catholic Church
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MISSION STATEMENT

***Building lives through one God, one faith, and one baptism
while giving our time, talents and treasures***

The Second Sunday of Advent

December 8, 2019

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 1st 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

There is good news for us today! From the time Adam and Eve sinned, every person born into his or her family (all humans—including you and me) is born a sinner and disobeys God's commands (*ROMANS 3:23*). And we all deserve the punishment for sin: death and eternal separation from God's goodness in a terrible place called hell (*ROMANS 6:23; MATTHEW 10:28*).

We need someone to take care of that punishment for us. And because God loves people He created in His image, He sent someone to do just that! God the Father sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to earth about 2,000 years ago. Jesus is God and was born in a human body, and He lived a perfect life—never sinning even once! But He was put to death on the Cross, paying the penalty for sin that we deserved.

But here is the power in all of that. Jesus rose from the dead two days later, showing that God had accepted His sacrifice. When we say we are sorry for our sins (repent) and believe that Jesus died in our place, we receive the gift of salvation from the punishment our sin deserved (*ACTS 20:21; EPHESIANS 2:8-9; ROMANS 10:9-10*). We become a child of God forever! We will live forever with Him in heaven! Just as Noah trusted God to save him by entering the Ark, we can trust Jesus to save us. Jesus is our "Ark" of salvation!

MASS INTENTIONS

For the week of December 7, 2019

Saturday	Our Parish Family
Sunday	Our Parish Family
Monday	†Maria Trang, Maria Nho, Peter Luc
Tuesday	†David Seymour
Wednesday	†Charles Williams
Thursday	†Kay Lawson
Friday	†Winfield L. Scott, Sr.

****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.**

****The Mass Intention Book for 2020 is now available.**

PARISH CALENDAR

Advent Mission
December 9th – 11th
6:00 pm each night
Blessed Seelos Church

****Penance Service on the last day of the Mission**

Monday, December 9th
No Eucharistic Adoration
at Our Mother of Sorrows

Monday, Dec. 16th; 6:00 pm
Eucharistic Adoration
at Our Mother of Sorrows

Monday, Dec. 23rd; 6:00 pm
Eucharistic Adoration
at Our Mother of Sorrows

Dear God, help us always to remember the reason that we wait, each year, in great anticipation for Christmas — not for presents but for the greatest gift of all, your Son.

STEWARDSHIP

Last Week's Collection

Collected: \$ 5,387

Weekly Budget: \$ 2,031

Year to Date Collection

Collected: \$ 56,042

Yearly Budget: \$105,634

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

Sat., Dec. 7 th	Hurley Smith	Linda Carney
Sun., Dec. 8 th	K. Currie M. Hardy	F. Parker
Sat., Dec. 14 th	Linda Carney	Janice Lee
Sun., Dec. 15 th	K. Currie C. White	K. Parker

LECTORS

Sat., Dec. 7 th	Elizabeth Smith
Sun., Dec. 8 th	Ann Isom
Sat., Dec. 14 th	Orelia Nunley
Sun., Dec. 15 th	Johnnie Bolton

USHERS

Sun., Dec. 8 th	F. Burney & G. Duffy
Sun., Dec. 15 th	H. Hardy & M. Griffin

COMMENTATOR

Choir
Choir

ALTAR SERVERS

Sun., Dec. 8 th	Kentrell Isom	Micah Walton
Sun., Dec. 15 th	D'Kaylah Jones	Semaj Manning

CHURCH CLEANING

Sat., Dec. 7 th	Linda Staten	Earline Mitchell
Sat., Dec. 14 th	Orelia Nunley	Spears Family

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

**UPDATING PARISHIONER
INFORMATION**

We are updating our parish records and want to ensure we have the correct information. If you have a change of address or phone number, or if you are not receiving offertory envelopes or the Gulf Pine Catholic and would like to, please call the office at (228) 435-0007.

YOUTH NEWS

**Wed., Dec. 11th; 5:30 pm
CCD Class and Christmas
Party – Last class for
December**

**Sun., Dec. 15th, 11:30 am
City of Biloxi / Alhambra
Christmas Dinner for People
with Special Needs
at Donal Snyder Comm. Ctr.**

**Mon., Dec. 23rd; 11 am
Christmas Food Baskets
Distribution & Pizza Party**

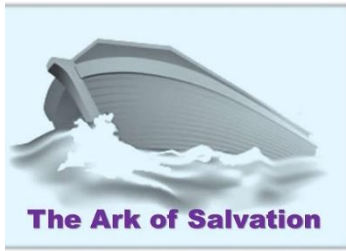


CYO FOOD DRIVE

The youth will be making Christmas Bags. Please bring your donations and place them in the collection box in the back of the church. Thank you for your continued generosity! If you would like to make a monetary donation for perishable food that will be purchased, please call the office. ** If you know of a parish family in need, please call the office.



ADVENT PARISH MISSION



Blessed Seelos Church
December 9th -- 11th 6pm each night
Fr. Louis Guardiola – Presenter



CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE FLOWERS



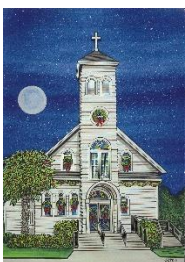
If you would like to make a donation towards our parish Christmas flowers in memory of a loved one, please pick up an envelope in church marked “Christmas Flowers”. The deadline is Wednesday, December 18th.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR PRISON MINISTRY HOLIDAY MEALS

Christmas dinner will be served at the Juvenile Detention Center on Thursday, December 19th at 6:30pm for the inmates and staff. Volunteers are needed to help prepare and serve the meals. We are also asking for monetary donations to help defray the cost. Please contact Deacon M.J. Landry at 228-697-9424.



Dear Jesus, may the light of your love always shine in our hearts. As Christmas draws closer, we marvel at your great love for us. Let your love transform every aspect of our lives and touch everyone we encounter. Our hearts are open to you, Jesus. Amen.



OUR MOTHER OF SORROWS CHRISTMAS CARDS

We have Our Mother of Sorrows Christmas cards available in the office to purchase. The cost is \$10 per package of 12. These beautiful cards were created by Carolyn Stich from Holland, Michigan.