



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 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 23, 2020

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-5: Nativity BVM
Sacred Heart Center on
Wednesdays 5:30 pm
Grades 6-11: Lifeteen
Sun. 4 pm at Nativity Center

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

Ash Wednesday is the first day of Lent, the season of preparation for the resurrection of Jesus Christ on Easter Sunday. Ash Wednesday always falls 46 days before Easter. While Ash Wednesday is not a Holy Day of Obligation, all Roman Catholics are encouraged to attend Mass on this day in order to mark the beginning of the Lenten season.

After the priest blesses the ashes and sprinkles them with holy water, the faithful come forward to receive them. The priest dips his right thumb in the ashes and, making the Sign of the Cross on each person's forehead, says, "Remember, that thou art dust, and to dust thou shalt return" (or a variation on those words).

The distribution of ashes reminds us of our own mortality and calls us to repentance. In the early Church, Ash Wednesday was the day on which those who had sinned, and who wished to be readmitted to the Church, would begin their public penance. The ashes that we receive are a reminder of our own sinfulness, and many Catholics leave them on their foreheads all day as a sign of humility.

The Church emphasizes the penitential nature of Ash Wednesday by calling us to fast and abstain from meat. This is not simply a form of penance. It is also a call for us to take stock of our spiritual lives. As Lent begins, hopefully we find ways to increase our spiritual life as we proceed through the "forty days."

MASS INTENTIONS

For the week of February 22, 2020

Saturday	Sarah Broussard
Sunday	†Mitchell V. Gruich
Monday	†Carl Curry
Tuesday	†Thomas & Ursula Skrmetti
Wednesday	Our Parish Family
Thursday	Sarah Broussard
Friday	Sarah Broussard

****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

February 24th; Mon.; 6 pm
Eucharistic Adoration
At Our Mother of Sorrows

February 25th – Tuesday
Office Closed

Feb. 26th -- Ash Wednesday
OMS – 8:30 am and 12 Noon
Bl. Seelos – 6 pm

FRIDAYS DURING LENT

Our Mother of Sorrows
Parish Fish Dinners
10 am – 2 pm

Blessed Seelos Seafood Dinners
4:30pm – 7pm

STEWARDSHIP

Last Week's Collection

Collected: \$ 2,108
Weekly Budget: \$ 2,031

Year to Date Collection

Collected: \$ 86,067
Yearly Budget: \$105,634

****There is a special collection on Ash Wednesday for the Churches in Eastern Europe and Churches in Africa.**

****There is a special collection next weekend for the Black & Indian Mission. Please be generous in your support.**

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

Sat., Feb. 22 nd	Johnnie Smith	Elizabeth Smith
Sun., Feb. 23 rd	Kathryn Wilkerson	Tina Craft
Ash Wed. 8:30am		
Ash Wed. 12 Noon	Hurley & Johnnie Smith	
Sat., Feb. 29 th	Hurley Smith	Linda Carney
Sun., Mar. 1 st	K. Parker	M. Hardy E. Mitchell

LECTORS

Sat., Feb. 22 nd	Thomas Rhodeman
Sun., Feb. 23 rd	Treasure Duffy
Ash Wed. 8:30am	Orelia Nunley
Ash Wed. 12 Noon	Johnnie Bolton
Sat., Feb. 29 th	Elizabeth Smith
Sun., Mar. 1 st	Johnnie Bolton

USHERS

COMMENTATOR

Sun., Feb. 23 rd	G. Duffy & M. Griffin	Choir
Sun., Mar. 1 st	Knights of Peter Claver	KOPC / LA

ALTAR SERVERS

Sun., Feb. 23 rd	Kentrell Isom	Braxton Carriere
Sun., Mar. 1 st	D'Kaylah Jones	Micah Walton

CHURCH CLEANING

Sat., Feb. 22 nd	Sheryl Walton	Tina Craft
Sat., Feb. 29 th	Kathryn Wilkerson	Shamar Jones

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

ADULT SPIRITUALITY

An Hour of Grace: Thursday, March 5th

During Hour of Grace, we adore His presence and open ourselves to His Graces which flow from the Eucharist. Abandon yourself to Jesus in this "Sacrament of Love." He will refresh you! The more time you spend with Jesus, the more you will come away feeling renewed and healed!

YOUTH NEWS

**Feb. 23rd – Sunday
NO Life Teen**

Feb. 26th – All Classes will meet at the Cathedral for Ash Wednesday Mass

**Mar. 1st – Sunday; 4 pm
Life Teen**

**Mar. 4th – Wed.; 5:30 pm
CCD Class**

**Mar. 17th – Tues.; 6:00 pm
Confirmation at St. Michael**



Lenten Prayer

Lord, teach me a new freedom. Freedom to reject comparison and to embrace uniqueness. Freedom to cut ties with greed and feast on love. Freedom to abstain from over indulgence and feast on self-control. Freedom to leave behind selfish thoughts and to focus on the needs of others. Freedom to fend off insecurity and to embrace grace. Lord, at this time of Lent, thank you for the freedom you bring. Amen.

SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL FEAST DAY NOVENA



Saint Katharine Drexel founded the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, dedicated to sharing the message of the Gospel and the life of the Eucharist. The feast day for Saint Katharine Drexel is March 3rd and so we will honor her with a nine-day novena beginning February 23rd. The novena prayers will be said after each weekday Mass through March 3rd. Saint Katharine died on March 3, 1955 and was canonized on October 1, 2000.



ASH WEDNESDAY – FEBRUARY 26th MASS SCHEDULE

OUR MOTHER OF SORROWS:

8:30 am and 12:00 Noon

BLESSED FRANCIS SEELOS: 6:00 pm



STATIONS OF THE CROSS – Every Friday

Our Mother of Sorrows 5:30 pm

Blessed Francis Seelos 6:00 pm

OUR MOTHER OF SORROWS PARISH LENTEN DINNERS

**** FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED ****

We are in need of donated items for the Lenten fish dinners, please look at the sign-up sheet in the back of church. Every week there will be requests for different items. Your donations are greatly appreciated and help make these dinners a success for our parish! Our Lenten dinners are on the following Fridays:

February 28th, March 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th, & April 3rd. The cost is \$9 a plate.

Blessed Seelos will have Seafood dinners from 4:30 pm until 7:00 pm at Blessed Seelos parish hall.