

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

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MISSION STATEMENT

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

The 3rd Sunday of Lent

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.

March 15, 2020

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

"A Good Appetite"

Fasting is not an isolated discipline, but one of a trinity of holy practices: **Prayer. Fasting. Almsgiving**. Each of these gives support and meaning to the others.

Prayer befriends the soul. It re-fixes our sacred purpose and turns us toward the tasks at hand. By prayer, we form that personal tie which guides us and sheds light on that road to holiness.

Fasting befriends the body — which is to say that the body is good, very good, and worthy of whatever form our fasting must take. By fasting, we break the hold the things of this earth have over us and are free to place Christ first.

Almsgiving befriends our neighbor with whom we share what we might otherwise have hoarded. By almsgiving, we act out the self-giving love Christ teaches us.

To fast, accompanied by prayer and almsgiving, is to be healed. Fasting is good for the body, the "body politic," and the "mystical body." Fasting helps to make the body whole. As we find ways to grow in prayer, fasting and almsgiving, we integrate them into our daily lives.

Fasting is necessary now if we are ever to enjoy feasting. A good appetite allows us to enjoy the earthly gifts that we have been given.

MASS INTENTIONS

For the week of March 14, 2020

Saturday Sarah Broussard Sunday Our Parish Family

Monday †Doris & Wallace Stojcich

Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday

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Ryan Shipton
Ryan Shipton
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

FRIDAYS DURING LENT

Our Mother of Sorrows Parish Fish Dinners

10 am - 2 pm

Blessed Seelos Seafood Dinners 4:30pm – 7pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS OMS; 5:30 pm Bl. Seelos; 6 pm

March 16th - Mon.; 6 pm Eucharistic Adoration At Our Mother of Sorrows

March 23rd – 25th; 6 pm Lenten Parish Mission at Our Mother of Sorrows

STEWARDSHIP

Last Week's Collection

Collected: \$ 2,481 Weekly Budget: \$ 2,031

Year to Date Collection

Collected: \$ 95,160 Yearly Budget: \$105,634

**There will be a special collection next weekend, March 30^{th} / 31^{st} for Catholic Relief Services. Your donation will provide humanitarian aid and advocating on behalf of victims. Please be generous in your support.

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Sat., Mar. 14th Hurley & Johnnie Smith

Sun., Mar. 15th E. Smith M. Hardy K. Wilkerson

Sat., Mar. 21st Linda Carney Janice Lee Sun., Mar. 22nd K. Parker J. Polk F. Parker

LECTORS

Sat., Mar. 14th Orelia Nunley Sun., Mar. 15th Gail Esters

Sat., Mar. 21st Myrna Rainey Sun., Mar. 22nd Gilda Sizor

USHERS

COMMENTATOR

Sun., Mar. 15th M. Griffin & F. Burney Choir Sun., Mar. 22nd H. Hardy & F. Burney Choir

ALTAR SERVERS

Sun., Mar. 15th Kentrell Isom D'Kaylah Jones Sun., Mar. 22nd Micah Walton Semaj Manning

CHURCH CLEANING

Sat., Mar. 14th Orelia Nunley Spears Family

Sat., Mar. 21st Janice Lee

**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

Eucharistic Adoration is every Monday at 6:00 pm at Our Mother of Sorrows Church "Come spend an hour with Jesus!"

STATIONS OF THE CROSS – Every Friday

Our Mother of Sorrows 5:30 pm Blessed Francis Seelos 6:00 pm

YOUTH NEWS

Mar. 15th – Sunday; 4 pm Life Teen

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

Mar. 18th – Wed.; 5:30 pm CCD Class

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SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Congratulations to our parishioners making their Confirmation this Tuesday, March 17th at 6:00 pm at St. Michael Church.

Semaj Manning and Hannah Russell.

GREGIAGE

EASTER EGG HUNT – DONATIONS NEEDED

The KPC Court / Council #25
Junior Daughters and Junior
Knights will be sponsoring our
annual Easter Egg Hunt after
Easter Sunday Mass, April 12th.
We are asking for donations of
individually wrapped candy
and filled plastic eggs. Your
generosity is greatly
appreciated!!

PREVENTING THE SPREAD OF ILLNESS

Bishop Kihneman has highly recommended that the precious blood not be distributed during this virus season. This is to prevent the spread of any viruses. We are reminded that Jesus is equally present in both the body and blood and that we receive Jesus completely and fully by just receiving the host.

- ** It is also encouraged to receive the Holy Communion in your hand, not on your tongue at this time.
- ** Exchanging the Sign of the Peace by means of physical contact should be suspended. It may be verbal or with a bow to those nearby.

Our Parish Lenten Mission



Fr. Godfrey will present a Lenten Mission at Our Mother of Sorrows Church on Monday, March 23rd through Wednesday, March 25th at 6:00 pm each night. A Penance Service will be held on the last night of the mission.



EASTER REMEMBRANCE FLOWERS: If you would like to make a donation towards our parish Easter flowers in memory of a loved one, please pick up an envelope in the back of church marked "Easter Flowers". Write your name on the envelope and write who the flowers are "in memory of". The suggested donation is \$12 ea. Orders must be received by April 5th.

Catholic Sharing Appeal – Bring Christ to the World

A note from Fr. Godfrey: In today's Gospel we discover that, just as the Samaritan woman at the well, NOBODY is the same after encountering the Lord Jesus. Your support of this year's Catholic Sharing Appeal can help bring many of our brothers and sisters who live and work in South Mississippi the opportunity to encounter Christ. Please consider a generous gift to this year's appeal! Our goal for this year is \$ 11,306. Pledge envelopes are available in the back of the church. Thank you!