



***Our Mother of Sorrows Catholic Church***  
***803 Division St., Biloxi, MS 39530      228-435-0007***  
***[www.omsbiloxi.com](http://www.omsbiloxi.com)***

***MISSION STATEMENT***

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

***The 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent***

***March 29, 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

## A NOTE FROM BISHOP KIHNEMAN

Although public Masses are temporarily cancelled, churches will be opened with limited hours for parishioners who wish to pray and receive reconciliation. A decision on when Masses will resume will be made in coordination with state and local public authorities.

Nativity BVM Cathedral will livestream daily Mass Monday through Saturday at 8 am and on Sunday at 11 am. Visit the Diocese of Biloxi's YouTube page. You can also view Mass from St. Louis Cathedral in New Orleans Monday – Friday at 12:05 pm by visiting [www.thedailymass.com](http://www.thedailymass.com). Ministries of the diocese will continue to function, albeit in a virtual setting. We will post additional information in the days and weeks ahead on our diocesan website: [www.biloxidiocese.org](http://www.biloxidiocese.org).

The faithful are encouraged to pray the *Liturgy of the Hours*, the *Marian Rosary*, and other worthy devotions in their homes.

Please be assured of my prayers and a remembrance in my daily private Masses. Let us remember in prayer those who have died, those who are sick, and all who are anxious and hurting at this time.

† *Bishop Louis Kihneman*, Bishop of Biloxi

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## MASS INTENTIONS

For the week of March 21, 2020

Saturday	Sarah Broussard
Sunday	Snooky Vivian
Monday	Jax & Bianca Fernandez
Tuesday	Jax Fernandez
Wednesday	†Alisia Spears
Thursday	†Georgette Thomas
Friday	†Isabel M. Sylvester & Arleen 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.**

**\*\* Mass Intentions will still be offered by Father during private Mass every day.**

## PARISH CALENDAR

We will continue to do the bulletins, which will be posted on the website. If you know of anyone who doesn't have internet access, please let us know so we can mail them a bulletin! Thank you.

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## STEWARDSHIP

### Last Week's Collection

Collected: \$ 713  
Weekly Budget: \$ 2,031

### Year to Date Collection

Collected: \$ 97,000  
Yearly Budget: \$105,634

**\*\*Feel free to mail in your offertory envelopes to:  
P.O. Box 347  
Biloxi, MS 39533**

**\*\* PLEASE DO NOT MAIL CASH!!!**

**You may also drop it off at the office. Please call before you come! 228-435-0007.**

## **I invite all the faithful to seek together the maternal intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe:**

Holy Virgin of Guadalupe, Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas, we fly to you today as your beloved children. We ask you to intercede for us with your Son, as you did at the wedding in Cana.

Pray for us, loving Mother and gain for our nation and world, and for all our families and loved ones, the protection of your holy angels, that we may be spared the worst of this illness. For those already afflicted, we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance. Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful, wipe away their tears and help them to trust. In this time of trial and testing, teach all of us in the Church to love one another and to be patient and kind.

Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to our hearts. We come to you with confidence, knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother, health of the sick and cause of our joy. Shelter us under the mantle of your protection, keep us in the embrace of your arms, help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus. Amen.

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## **ADULT SPIRITUALITY**

There are many resources that are available for personal spiritual growth during this time. Please visit our websites:

Our Mother of Sorrows website is  
**OMSbiloxi.com**

Blessed Seelos' website is  
**SeelosBiloxi.com**

The Diocese of Biloxi's website is  
**Biloxidiocese.org**

U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops website  
**USCCB.org**

Or visit our parish Facebook pages.



## **How to Make an Act of Spiritual Communion**



1. Make the sign of the cross
2. If possible, read the Mass Readings
3. Recite the Prayer of Spiritual Communion:

*My Jesus, I believe that you are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.*

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## CHURCH HOURS FOR PRAYERS AND RECONCILIATION

Our churches will be open during the following times:

**Our Mother of Sorrows: Monday – Friday 8 am – 10 am**  
**Reconciliation on Monday evening 6 pm – 7 pm**

**Blessed Francis Seelos: Saturday 4 pm – 6 pm**  
**with Reconciliation from 4 pm – 5 pm**

**Sunday 9 am – 11 am**  
**with Reconciliation from 10 am – 11 am**

You are welcome to come to church during these hours for prayer and Reconciliation (where noted.) We are only allowing 10 (ten) people at a time to be in church. We ask that you follow the suggested “social distancing” policy. If you see that there are 10 people in church, please wait until someone has left the church. For more information, please call the office.

**THE WAY OF THE CROSS -- Opening Prayer: Act of Contrition --** O my God, my Redeemer, behold me here at Thy feet. From the bottom of my heart I am sorry for all my sins, because by them I have offended Thee, Who art infinitely good. I will die rather than offend thee again.

**Before each meditation, recite the following:** *“I adore you, Lord Jesus, and I praise you. Because by your holy cross, you have redeemed the world.”*

- 1. Jesus is condemned to death.** *Christ, help us to lead a better life and to seek your will.*
- 2. Jesus bears His cross.** *Lord, we join you in your journey of suffering.*
- 3. Jesus falls for the first time.** *Christ, help us who fall into sinful ways; teach us to rise with you.*
- 4. Jesus meets His mother.** *Lord, we implore your mother to console us who mourn.*
- 5. Jesus is helped by Simon.** *Christ, help us as we try to do your work in our world.*
- 6. Veronica wipes His face.** *Lord, help us as we help others.*
- 7. Jesus falls the second time.** *Christ, teach us the healing power of penance.*
- 8. Jesus speaks to the women.** *Lord, help us to comfort those who have no one to help them.*
- 9. Jesus falls a third time.** *Christ, teach us the joy of obedience.*
- 10. Jesus is stripped of his garments.** *Lord, help us to model your life of holiness.*
- 11. Jesus is nailed to the cross.** *Christ, draw us closer to you from this day forward.*
- 12. Jesus dies on the Cross.** *Lord, we pray that you will be with us at our hour of death.*
- 13. He is taken from the cross.** *Christ, open our hearts to the beauty of your love for us.*

**14. His is laid in the tomb.** *Lord, help us to walk in your ways all the days of our lives.*