



***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***

**Third Sunday of Easter**

**April 26, 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:** Lifteen  
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.

## The Four Elements Needed for Reconciliation

Four elements make up the sacrament of reconciliation. They are essential for absolving sins. These elements are contrition, confession, satisfaction and absolution.

**Contrition** - sorrow for sins. Contrition requires sincere examination of conscience. To do this, a person must ask themselves questions based on the 10 Commandments, to see if they have sinned.

**Confession** - owning up honestly about sin, accepting responsibility for sin. Confession involves stating all the mortal and venial sins to the priest.

**Satisfaction** - doing what is possible to repair harm of offence. The two parts of satisfaction are penance and prayer of sorrow (act of contrition). Penance is when the priest states the satisfaction to be made (this could be returning stolen goods, paying compensation for damage done, a prayer). A prayer of sorrow can be a prayer in the person's own words, or a formal prayer.

**Absolution** - forgiveness by Jesus through the priest. Priests have the same spiritual gifts to forgive sins just as Jesus did. Interesting fact: priests are bound with something called the *Sacramental Seal*, which means they cannot tell your confessions to anyone.

*“Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.”*

~Ephesians 4:32

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## MASS INTENTIONS

For the week of April 25, 2020

Saturday	Our Parish Family
Sunday	Sarah Broussard
Monday	†Gregory Skrmetti, Sr.
Tuesday	†Georgette Thomas
Wednesday	†Sarah Randazzo
Thursday	Sarah Broussard
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

The bulletins are posted on our 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.

**Omsbiloxi.com**

**Seelosbiloxi.com**

If you do not receive the Gulf Pine Catholic newspaper and would like to receive it, please call the office. It's free!!!

If you need assistance with your power bill (MS Power or Coast Electric), or any other needs, please call Catholic Charities 228-701-0555. There are many resources at this time to help with a variety of needs.

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## STEWARDSHIP

### Last Week's Collection

Collected: \$ 1,579

Weekly Budget: \$ 2,031

### Year to Date Collection

Collected: \$104,412

Yearly Budget: \$105,634

**\*\*Feel free to mail in your offertory envelopes to:**

**P.O. Box 347  
Biloxi, MS 39533**

## MOTHER'S DAY MASS CARDS

The Mother's Day Mass cards are in the back of the church. They are also available in the office. Please write the name of the mother being honored on the large envelope and place your donation inside. Keep the card and smaller envelope to send to the person for whom the Mass is being celebrated.

If you are honoring a deceased mother, please use the "In Memory of a Mother" envelope.

**\*\* Please return the large envelope with the names so the Mass intentions may be kept on the altar during the month of May.**

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## ADULT SPIRITUALITY

We will be live streaming both Sunday Masses on



FACEBOOK LIVE:

Blessed Seelos Sunday Mass at 9:00 am

Our Mother of Sorrows Sunday Mass at 10:30 am

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

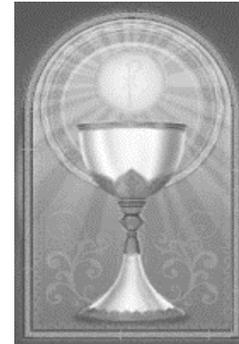
Blessed Seelos' website: **SeelosBiloxi.com**

Our Mother of Sorrows' website: **OMSbiloxi.com**

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

U.S. Catholic Bishops website: **USCCB.org**

## 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.*

## 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

**Sunday Mass Live Stream on Our Mother of Sorrows' Facebook page at 10:30 am**

**Blessed Francis Seelos:** Saturday 4 pm – 6 pm

with Reconciliation from 4 pm – 5 pm

**Sunday Mass Live Stream on Blessed Seelos' Facebook page at 9 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.

*Mighty God,*

*In whom we know the power of redemption, you stand among us in the shadows of our time. As we move through every sorrow and trial of this life, uphold us with knowledge of the final morning when, in the glorious presence of your risen Son, we will share in His resurrection, redeemed and restored to the fullness of life and forever freed to be your people.*

*Amen.*



**Lord, You Will Show Us The Path of Life.**



In honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we encourage you to say the Rosary every day during the month of May. The rosary is a powerful prayer and is a devotion in honor of the Virgin Mary.