



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***

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 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 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

Relics are physical objects that have a direct association with the saints or with Our Lord. They are usually broken down into three classes. First class relics are the body or fragments of the body of a saint, such as pieces of bone or flesh. Second class relics are something that a saint personally owned, such as a shirt or book (or fragments of those items). Third class relics are those items that a saint touched or that have been touched to a first, second, or another third-class relic of a saint. Scripture teaches that God acts through relics, especially in terms of healing. In Scripture, one is left with the idea that healing is what relics “do.”

- When the corpse of a man was touched to the bones of the prophet Elisha the man came back to life and rose to his feet (2 Kings 13:20-21).
- A woman was healed of her hemorrhage simply by touching the hem of Jesus’ cloak (Matthew 9:20-22).
- The signs and wonders worked by the Apostles were so great that people would line the streets with the sick so that when Peter walked by at least his shadow might ‘touch’ them (Acts 5:12-15).
- When handkerchiefs or aprons that had been touched to Paul were applied to the sick, the people were healed and evil spirits were driven out of them (Acts 19:11-12).

In each of these instances God has brought about a healing using a material object. The vehicle for the healing was the touching of that object. It is very important to note, however, that the cause of the healing is God; the relics are a means through which He acts. Any good that comes about through a relic is God’s doing. But the fact that God chooses to use the relics of saints to work healing and miracles tells us that He wants to draw our attention to the saints as “models and intercessors.”

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MASS INTENTIONS

For the week of July 25, 2020

Saturday	†Barbara Boudreaux
Sunday	†Derrick Rainey
Monday	Our Parish Family
Tuesday	Verne Lamas
Wednesday	Our Parish Family
Thursday	Our Parish Family
Friday	†Thomas Skrmetti, 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.**

PARISH NEWS

Mon., July 27th; 6:00 pm
Eucharistic Adoration at
Our Mother of Sorrows



*“The certainty of this
Bread of Life is clear.
That is why we love the
Eucharist and adore it.”*

~Pope Francis

STEWARDSHIP

Last Week’s Collection

Collected: \$ 1,119

Weekly Budget: \$ 2,031

Year to Date Collection

Collected: \$ 7,193

Yearly Budget: \$105,634

****There will be a special collection next weekend, August 1st / 2nd for the Extension Society. This collection helps support and strengthens poor mission dioceses across the United States. Please be generous in your support.**

The bishops of the United States established the **national collections** to support the Church's works of social justice, evangelization and education. Jesus reminds us that the two greatest commandments are to love God with our whole heart, our whole mind, and our whole soul; and to love our neighbor as ourselves. The national collections offer us an opportunity to help our neighbors in the light of the Gospel. In doing so, we act as faithful stewards of the gifts God has given us.

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

Extra Ordinary Minsters will not be scheduled at this time.

LECTORS

Sat., July 25th Mary Beth Broussard
Sun., July 26th Alfonso Staten

Sat., Aug. 1st Myrna Rainey
Sun., Aug. 2nd Gilda Sizor

USHERS

Sun., July 26th Fred Thompson
Sun., Aug. 2nd Fred Thompson

COMMENTATOR

Choir
Choir

Altar Servers will not be scheduled at this time.

CHURCH CLEANING

Sat., July 25th Thompson Family
Sat., Aug. 1st Earline Mitchell Linda Staten

****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

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**

Saint of the Week

**Ignatius of Loyola
Priest**

1491 -1556 Feast: July 31

Ignatius of Loyola was a Spanish knight from a Basque noble family. After being seriously wounded in the Battle of Pamplona in 1521, he underwent a spiritual conversion while in recovery and decided to abandon his previous military life and devote himself to God. He experienced a vision of the Virgin Mary and the infant Jesus while at the shrine of Our Lady of Montserrat in March 1522. Thereafter he went to Manresa, where he began praying for seven hours a day, often in a nearby cave, while formulating the fundamentals of the Spiritual Exercises. In September 1523, Loyola reached the Holy Land to settle there, but was sent back to Europe by the Franciscans.

Between 1524 and 1537, Ignatius studied theology and Latin in the University of Alcalá and then in Paris. In 1534, he arrived in the latter city during a period of anti-Protestant turmoil which forced John Calvin to flee France. Ignatius and a few followers bound themselves by vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience. In 1539, they formed the Society of Jesus, approved in 1540 by Pope Paul III, as well as his Spiritual Exercises approved in 1548. Loyola also composed the Constitutions of the Society. He died in July 1556, was beatified by Pope Paul V in 1609, canonized by Pope Gregory XV in 1622, and declared patron of all spiritual retreats by Pope Pius XI.

**THE 2020 PARISH DRAWDOWN
HAS BEEN CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19!!
IT IS RESCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 2, 2021**



Our Mother of Sorrows -- Heritage Brick Walkway

You can support Our Mother of Sorrows Church by memorializing someone special for a lifetime. By purchasing a personalized brick, you can honor your family, friends, or the memory of a loved one. You will also be supporting our church's heritage. All proceeds from the Heritage Brick Walkway will go directly to maintaining the church.

BRICK DETAILS: Bricks are available in two (2) sizes: 4" X 8" for \$100 and 8" X 8" for \$150. They are engraved using state-of-the-art engraving technology. For more information, please call the office.



NATIVITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL RAFFLE TICKETS

Nativity Elementary will have a \$30,000 raffle where \$3,000 will be given away for 10 months beginning in September. The tickets are \$100 each. Our children (families) who attend Nativity Elementary are required to sell tickets. If you would like to purchase a ticket, please see Earline Mitchell.

And we know that in ALL things
*God works for the good
of those who love him,*

who have been called
according to his purpose.

-Romans 8:28

