



Our Mother of Sorrows Catholic Church

803 Division St., Biloxi, MS 39530

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MISSION STATEMENT

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

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

August 15, 2021

Staff:

Pastor: Rev. Godfrey Andoh

Pastoral Assoc: Deacon Richard Smith

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: 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 ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

On August 15th Catholics around the world mark the Feast of the Assumption of Mary, commemorating the end of her earthly life and assumption into Heaven. But while the feast day is a relatively new one, the history of the holiday – and the mystery behind it – has its roots in the earliest centuries of Christian belief. The dogma of the Assumption of Mary – also called the “Dormition of Mary” in the Eastern Churches – has its roots in the early centuries of the Church. The Catholic Church teaches that when Mary ended her earthly life, God assumed her, body and soul into heaven. According to St. John of Damascus, in the 5th century, at the Council of Chalcedon in 451, Roman Emperor Marcian requested the body of Mary, Mother of God. St. Juvenal, who was Bishop of Jerusalem replied, “that Mary died in the presence of all the Apostles, but that her tomb, when opened upon the request of St. Thomas, was found empty; wherefrom the Apostles concluded that the body was taken up to heaven,” the saint recorded. Today, the Feast of the Assumption is marked as a major feast day and is a Holy Day of Obligation, and Catholics are required to attend Mass. On major feast days, it’s important to mark the significance of the feast as especially vital by emphasizing the necessity of celebrating the Eucharist that day. What is more fitting than on the Assumption of the Blessed Mother to, once again, focus on her Son, on the Eucharist?

MASS INTENTIONS

For the week of August 14, 2021

Saturday	Althea Ducksworth and L. J.
Sunday	†Sister Damian Widmeier, SBS
Monday	†Charlene Story Creel
Tuesday	†Albert Bakeler & Flash Lamas
Wednesday	†John Lewis, Sr.
Thursday	†Marietta Spears Sims
Friday	Our Parish Family

****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

Aug. 16th -- Monday; 6:00 pm
Eucharistic Adoration at
Our Mother of Sorrows



*Come spend an hour
with Jesus!*

Sept. 9th – Thurs.; 6:00 pm
An Hour of Grace
At Blessed Seelos

Oct. 2nd – Saturday; 6:00 pm
OMS Virtual Drawdown

STEWARDSHIP

Last Week's Collection

Collected: \$ 1,219
Weekly Budget: \$ 2,031

Year to Date Collection

Collected: \$ 18,367
Yearly Budget: \$135,543

*Living a
Stewardship Life*

*It's all about your heart...
everything we have is a
gift from God that we are
to use to help others.*

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

LECTORS

Sat., Aug. 14 th	Myrna Rainey
Sun., Aug. 15 th	Fr. Greg Barras
Sat., Aug. 21 st	Orelia Nunley
Sun., Aug. 22 nd	Gilda Sizer

USHERS

Sun., Aug. 15 th	Fred Thompson
Sun., Aug. 22 nd	Herbert Hardy

COMMENTATOR

Choir
Choir

ALTAR SERVERS

Sun., Aug. 15 th	Ramon Fisher
Sun., Aug. 22 nd	Thomas Gautreaux

CHURCH CLEANING

Sat., Aug. 14 th	Orelia Nunley
Sat., Aug. 21 st	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!**

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CHURCH CLEANING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



We are in need of
“cleaning crews”
to clean our church.
A group is responsible for
cleaning the church once a month.
Please call the office
if you are able to help.

YOUTH NEWS

CCD REGISTRATION AND CLASSES TO BE HELD AT NATIVITY

Registration and information for CCD grades **K through 11th** will be held Wednesday, Sept. 8th from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm at Nativity’s Sacred Heart Parish Life Center (behind the church.)

We ask that parents join us at the beginning of the 1st class to go over plans for the year.

Classes begin on Wednesday, Sept. 15th from 5:30pm – 6:30pm.

If you would like to volunteer to teach CCD, please call Bunny Thompson at 228-233-5400. We would love to have you join this vital learning ministry for our youth!



Mary Immaculate Queen,
look down upon this distressed and
suffering world. Thou knows our
misery and our weakness. O Thou who
art our Mother, saving us in the hour of
peril, have compassion on us in these
days of great and heavy trial.



Most Holy Trinity, Thou who didst crown with glory in Heaven the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Savior, grant that all her children on earth may acknowledge her as their Sovereign Queen, that all hearts, homes, and nations may recognize her rights as Mother and as Queen. Amen.

\$2,500 VIRTUAL DRAWDOWN OCTOBER 2, 2021

Our drawdown is fast approaching! The drawdown will be held **October 2nd**. Drawdown tickets are available to buy and / or sell. Please see Mamie Hardy or Janice Lee for tickets. We can make this drawdown a success with everyone's hard work & participation! Tickets are \$50 each. It will be live-streamed on Facebook.

SILENT AUCTION ITEMS NEEDED: We are in need of items for our Silent Auction. We ask that you help acquire donations (restaurant gift certificates, spa packages, art, etc.) or any items of value. Your help is greatly appreciated! Please call Dolores Pizzetta at 228-365-7540 for more information.

PRAYER FOR PROTECTION FROM STORMS

O Heavenly Father, all the elements of nature obey Your commands, including hurricanes. Calm the storms that threaten us and turn our fear of Your power into praise of Your goodness.

Grant this through Our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.