



St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church

1000 Goodyear Blvd. Picayune, MS 39466

FOURTH SUNDAY

OF Advent

Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord.
May it be done to me
according to your word.

Luke 1:38

- *Rev. Bernard J. Papania, Jr.*
Pastor
- *Rev. Marcin S. Wiktor*
Parochial Vicar
- *Rev. John Noone*
Retired
- *Deacon Brian Klause*
- *Deacon Doug McNair*

Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

Sunday: 10:40 a.m.

11:30 a.m. Misa en Español

Spanish Mass in Parish Hall

5:00 p.m. Youth Mass

Weekday Masses: 8:10 a.m. on

Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., and

6:30 pm Mass on Mon., Tues.,

and Thurs. evenings.

Wednesday: 12:10 p.m.

Divine Mercy Chaplet:

After weekday Masses



DECEMBER 20, 2020

**Mass Intentions
December 19th – December 25th**

Saturday	December 19th	4:00 pm	Kathleen Golden Loretta Breath + Germaine Curley + Charlie Albright +
Sunday	December 20th	9:00 am	People of St Charles Borromeo
Sunday	December 20th	10:40 am	Kathleen Golden
Sunday	December 20th	11:30 am	Barbara Parra +
Sunday	December 20th	5:00 pm	Kristine Barnello +
Monday	December 21st	8:10 am	Judy Caudill +
Monday	December 21st	6:30 pm	Barbara Parra +
Tuesday	December 22nd	8:10 am	School Mass
Tuesday	December 22nd	6:30 pm	Nicolas Zogaib
Wednesday	December 23rd	12:10 pm	George P. Hebbler, Sr. +
Thursday	December 24th	2:00 pm	Greg Balarillo +
Thursday	December 24th	4:00 pm	People of St. Charles Borromeo
Thursday	December 24th	6:00 pm	People of St. Charles Borromeo
Thursday	December 24th	Mid-night	People of St. Charles Borromeo
Friday	December 25th	9:00 am	People of St. Charles Borromeo
Friday	December 25th	11:00 am	Hispanic Mass



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Nellie Horowitz +**

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Baptisms

Baptism classes are held quarterly (January, April, July, & October) on the 3rd Monday of the month. All paperwork must be received at the office no later than two weeks prior to the scheduled baptism.

Confessions

Confessions are 30 minutes before Mass on weekends and by appointment.

Funerals

Arrangements may be made by calling the office. Pre-funeral arrangements may also be made.

Weddings

Weddings are to be scheduled 6 months prior to the ceremony. Any information you need regarding any of the sacraments or events listed above, may be obtained by calling the office.

Communion Calls

Please notify the church office of the names of those who desire to receive Holy Communion at home or in the hospital.

Anointing Of The Sick

Communal Anointing periodically or anytime upon request.



Week of December 12th - December 13rd

Please note that the weekly collection is not available because the bulletin had to be submitted on December 11th due to the Christmas holiday.

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CHRISTMAS IN THE HEART

Christmas! 'Tis the season for kindling the fire of hospitality in the hall, the genial fire of charity in the heart.

—Washington Irving

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to make any changes in address, phone number, email address that will allow you to receive important information from the Church. We thank you for your help.

If you are new to the parish, we welcome you to the Parish. Please come by the office, or go online to the [Connect Now](#) to register in our Parish. Your participation is greatly appreciated.

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 20, 2020

The child to be born will be called holy,
the Son of God.

—Luke 1:35

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — I will fix a place for my people.
(2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16).

Psalms — Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord
(Psalm 89).

Second Reading — To the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, be glory forever and ever (Romans 16:25-27).

Gospel — Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word (Luke 1:26-38).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 1:46-56

Wednesday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Lk 1:57-66

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Lk 1:67-79

Friday: **Vigil:** Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]

Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14

Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20

Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]

Saturday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3; Ps 128:1-5 or Ps 105:1-6, 8-9; Col 3:12-21 [12-17] or Hb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40 [22, 39-40]



For anyone interested in joining the Catholic Church or anyone who would like to complete their Sacraments of Initiation through RCIA, please contact the parish office.

RCIA will be held on Mondays at 6:00PM in the parish hall. For anyone interested in helping with RCIA

or would just like to come for continuous religious instruction, please also contact the church office. Due to

COVID-19, attendance MAY be limited, so for those wishing to participate in RCIA for any reason, you must

first contact the church office and speak with the

RCIA coordinator before attending.

FIRST READING

A reading from the second Book of Samuel

2 Samuel 7: 1-5, 8b-12,14a-16

When King David was settled in his palace, and the LORD had given him rest from his enemies on every side, he said to Nathan the prophet, "Here I am living in a house of cedar, while the ark of God dwells in a tent!" Nathan answered the king, "Go, do whatever you have in mind, for the LORD is with you." But that night the LORD spoke to Nathan and said: "Go, tell my servant David, 'Thus says the LORD: Should you build me a house to dwell in?'" "It was I who took you from the pasture and from the care of the flock to be commander of my people Israel. I have been with you wherever you went, and I have destroyed all your enemies before you. And I will make you famous like the great ones of the earth. I will fix a place for my people Israel; I will plant them so that they may dwell in their place without further disturbance. Neither shall the wicked continue to afflict them as they did of old, since the time I first appointed judges over my people Israel. I will give you rest from all your enemies. The LORD also reveals to you that he will establish a house for you. And when your time comes and you rest with your ancestors, I will raise up your heir after you, sprung from your loins, and I will make his kingdom firm. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me. Your house and your kingdom shall endure forever before me; your throne shall stand firm forever."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (89)

R. For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

The promises of the LORD I will sing forever; through all generations my mouth shall proclaim your faithfulness. For you have said, "My kindness is established forever"; in heaven you have confirmed your faithfulness.

R. For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

"I have made a covenant with my chosen one, I have sworn to David my servant: Forever will I confirm your posterity and establish your throne for all generations."

R. For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

"He shall say of me, 'You are my father, my God, the Rock, my savior.' Forever I will maintain my kindness toward him, and my covenant with him stands firm."

R. For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

SECOND READING

A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans

Romans 16: 25-27

Brothers and sisters: To him who can strengthen you, according to my gospel and the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery kept secret for long ages but now manifested through the prophetic writings and, according to the command of the eternal God, made known to all nations to bring about the obedience of faith, to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ be glory forever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL OF THE MASS

A reading from the holy Gospel

According to Luke

Luke 1: 26-38

The angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the house of David, and the virgin's name was Mary. And coming to her, he said, "Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with you." But she was greatly troubled at what was said and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. "Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father, and he will rule over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." But Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I have no relations with a man?" And the angel said to her in reply, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God. And behold, Elizabeth, your relative, has also conceived a son in her old age, and this is the sixth month for her who was called barren; for nothing will be impossible for God." Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus, I Love You, and I Trust In You!

Profession Of Faith

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, *and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.* For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.



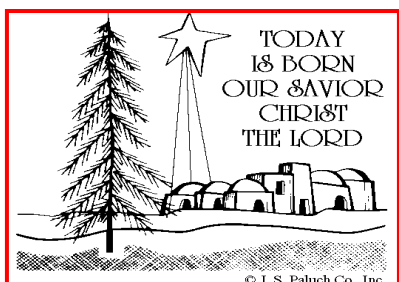
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**The Office will be closed December 23rd,
December 24th, and December 25th
for the Christmas Holiday.**

December 25th, 2020



NOT TOO MUCH

If you have too much to do, with God's help
you will find time to do it all.

—St. Peter Canisius

PRAY FOR OUR DIOCESAN PRIESTS EACH DAY

December 6th—December 12th

- Sunday-** Fr. Anthony Doan Tran
- Monday-** Frs. Truong Q Trinh & John Ugochucwu
- Tuesday-** Frs. Adam Urbaniak & Joe Uko
- Wednesday-** Frs. Peter Varghese C.M.I & Khoa Phi Vo
- Thursday-** Frs. Michael long Vu, S.V.D. & Thomas White
- Friday-** Frs. Richard Wagner & Marcin Wiktor
- Saturday-** For Our Seminarians

FEAST OF FAITH

Gathering

When Pope Benedict XVI visited the United States in 2008, tens of thousands gathered in Yankee Stadium to celebrate the Eucharist with him. What made them different from all the other excited crowds who have assembled there through the years? When they began to sing together, to listen together, to pray together, they ceased to be a crowd, and became a liturgical assembly. It was not where they were but what they did that set them apart.

The Gospels speak of many instances when Jesus prayed alone to his Father. But Jesus also put a special value on communal prayer. "Where two or three are gathered together in my name," he told his disciples, "there am I in the midst of them" (Matthew 18:20). Jesus gave his own mission to his followers, sending them forth to do everything he did: to heal, to teach, to proclaim the kingdom. Jesus wants us to meet God in and through each other. So the Christian community continues to gather, Sunday after Sunday. When we get up on Sunday morning and come to Mass, we respond to Jesus' invitation, and we express our trust in his promise that whenever we come together, he comes, too.

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Tickets may be purchased from StCB students, faculty or by stopping in at the school office during school hours.

"To Know, Love and Serve God"

THE ETERNAL GOD

King David wished that the ark of God might have a more permanent home. David may have envisioned something like the cedar palace where he resided. God had in mind something more: a throne where David's descendants would rule for ever, a kingdom where Jews and Gentiles alike would be welcome.

Mary's prayerful nature led to an even more disturbing message. She would conceive and bear a Son though she was not yet married. "How can this come about?" Mary wondered. "The Holy Spirit will come upon you," she was told (Luke 1:35).

Mary's acceptance of this difficult challenge ushered in this, the final age of God's reign. What was once a secret known only by chosen people like King David and his descendants must now be made clear to all so that, as Saint Paul wrote to the Romans, we can be brought to the "obedience of faith" "according to the command of the eternal God" (Romans 16:26).

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"May the sweetest child Jesus bring you all the graces, all the blessings, all the smiles that appeal to His infinite goodness"

Saint Padre Pio



DECEMBER MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Masses

Thursday December 24th

2:00pm

4:00pm (live-streamed)

6:00pm

Midnight

**Friday December 25th 9:00am and
11:00am (Hispanic Mass)**

Solemnity of Mary-New Year's Eve

Thursday December 31st—4:00pm and 6:00pm

Friday January 1st — 9:00am

We desire to be able to welcome Jesus at Christmas-time, not on a cold manger of our heart, but in a heart full of love and humility, in a heart so pure, so immaculate, so warm with love for one another.



Blessed Teresa of Calcutta

CONTINUAL CHRISTMAS

A good conscience is a continual Christmas.

—Benjamin Franklin

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Advent
Monday: Winter begins
Wednesday: St. John of Kanty
Thursday: The Vigil of Christmas
Friday: The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)
Saturday: St. Stephen, First Day of Kwanzaa

The Story of the Nativity of the Lord December 25th

On this day, the Church focuses especially on the newborn Child, God become human, who embodies for us all the hope and peace we seek. We need no other special saint today to lead us to Christ in the manger, although his mother Mary and Joseph, caring for his foster-son, help round out the scene. But if we were to select a patron for today, perhaps it might be appropriate for us to imagine an anonymous shepherd, summoned to the birthplace by a wondrous and even disturbing vision in the night, a summons from an angelic choir, promising peace and goodwill. A shepherd willing to seek out something that might just be too unbelievable to chase after, and yet compelling enough to leave behind the flocks in the field and search for a mystery. On the day of the Lord's birth, let's let an unnamed, "non-celebrity" at the edge of the crowd model for us the way to discover Christ in our own hearts—somewhere between skepticism and wonder, between mystery and faith. And like Mary and the shepherds, let's treasure that discovery in our hearts. From franciscanmedia.org

Saint John of Kanty's Story December 23rd

John was a country lad who made good in the big city and the big university of Kraków, Poland. After brilliant studies he was ordained a priest and became a professor of theology. The inevitable opposition which saints encounter led to his being ousted by rivals and sent to be a parish priest at Olkusz. An extremely humble man, he did his best, but his best was not to the liking of his parishioners. Besides, he was afraid of the responsibilities of his position. But in the end he won his people's hearts. After some time he returned to Kraków and taught Scripture for the remainder of his life. John was a serious man, and humble, but known to all the poor of Kraków for his kindness. His goods and his money were always at their disposal, and time and again they took advantage of him. He kept only the money and clothes absolutely needed to support himself. He slept little, ate sparingly, and took no meat. He made a pilgrimage to Jerusalem, hoping to be martyred by the Turks. Later John made four subsequent pilgrimages to Rome, carrying his luggage on his back. When he was warned to look after his health, he was quick to point out that, for all their austerity, the fathers of the desert lived remarkably long lives. From franciscanmedia.org

Saint Stephen's Story December 26th

"As the number of disciples continued to grow, the Greek-speaking Christians complained against the Hebrew-speaking Christians, saying that their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution. So the Twelve called together the community of the disciples and said, 'It is not right for us to neglect the word of God to serve at table. Brothers, select from among you seven reputable men, filled with the Spirit and wisdom, whom we shall appoint to this task, whereas we shall devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.' The proposal was acceptable to the whole community, so they chose Stephen, a man filled with faith and the Holy Spirit..." (Acts 6:1-5).

Acts of the Apostles says that Stephen was a man filled with grace and power, who worked great wonders among the people. Certain Jews, members of the Synagogue of Roman Freedmen, debated with Stephen, but proved no match for the wisdom and spirit with which he spoke. They persuaded others to make the charge of blasphemy against him. He was seized and carried before the Sanhedrin. In his speech, Stephen recalled God's guidance through Israel's history, as well as Israel's idolatry and disobedience. He then claimed that his persecutors were showing this same spirit. "... you always oppose the holy Spirit; you are just like your ancestors" (Acts 7:51b).

Stephen's speech brought anger from the crowd. "But he, filled with the holy Spirit, looked up intently to heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God, and he said, 'Behold, I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.' ... They threw him out of the city, and began to stone him. ... As they were stoning Stephen, he called out, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' ... 'Lord, do not hold this sin against them'" (Acts 7:55-56, 58a, 59, 60b).
From franciscanmedia.org

The Art and Heart of Forgiveness

Forgiveness is not a feeling. It is a decision, an act of the will, a resolution, a firm choice to free ourselves from the continued influence and control of the adversary. As we deliberately and intentionally walk the footpath beyond the ego's injury, we find ourselves being blessed with spiritual maturity: Wounds are often the womb of wisdom. Because forgiveness is a process and our hearts are finicky, we might be tempted to revisit the scene of the crime and throw another log on the fires of fury. When that occurs, we remind ourselves that we have made the rational decision to pardon and get on with life. We recommit to the decision. With every recommitment to forgiveness, we take another step forward in the footsteps of the Lord and Divine Master and becoming his instrument. We pray to be instruments of peace in the Peace Prayer. That transformation occurs as we serve the Lord and Divine Master and train our souls in forgiveness. When we commit and recommit to the process of sowing pardon amid an injury, we witness to the gratuity of grace that moves us from selfishness to selflessness. from the book [Soul Training with the Peace Prayer of Saint Francis](#) by Albert Haase, OFM

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