FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

I will place my law within them and write it upon their hearts; I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

Jeremiah 31:33

March 21, 2021

  Pastor
- Rev. Marcin S. Wiktor
  Parochial Vicar
- Deacon Brian Klause
- Deacon Doug McNair

Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m.
Sunday: 10:40 a.m.
12:00 p.m. Misa en Español
5:00 p.m. Youth Mass
Weekday Masses: 8:10 a.m. on Mon., Thurs., Fri., and 6:30 pm Masses on Mon., Tues., and Thurs. evenings.
Wednesday: 12:10 p.m.
Divine Mercy Chaplet:
After weekday Masses
## Mass Intentions

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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.

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**Love and Death**

Unhappy is death without the love of the Savior; unhappy is love without the death of the Savior.

—St. Francis de Sales

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**Mass Book is open for your Mass Intentions**

$10.00 Mass stipend,

$40.00 Flowers on the Altar

$9.00 For the Sanctuary Candle

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**The Sanctuary Light Burns**

In Memory of

Charlie Albright +
The Stations of the Cross will be every Friday at 6:30pm during Lent. The Stations of the Cross will be Virtual this year due to the COVID-19. They will be broadcast, and can be seen on Facebook.
The Glory Be

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 51

R. Create a clean heart in me, O God.
Have mercy on me, O God, in your goodness; in the greatness of your compassion wipe out my offense. Thoroughly wash me from my guilt and of my sin cleanse me.

R. Create a clean heart in me, O God.
A clean heart create for me, O God, and a steadfast spirit renew within me. Cast me not out from your presence, and your Holy Spirit take not from me.

R. Create a clean heart in me, O God.
Give me back the joy of your salvation, and a willing spirit sustain in me. I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners shall return to you.

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SECOND READING

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews

Hebrews 5: 7-9

In the days when Christ Jesus was in the flesh, he offered prayers and supplications with loud cries and tears to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered; and when he was made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL OF THE MASS

A reading from the holy Gospel

According to John

John 12: 20-33

Some Greeks who had come to worship at the Passover Feast came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, “Sir, we would like to see Jesus.” Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit. Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me. “I am troubled now. Yet what should I say? ‘Father, save me from this hour’? But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it and will glorify it again.” The crowd there heard it and said it was thunder; but others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” Jesus answered and said, “This voice did not come for my sake but for yours. Now is the time of judgment on this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself.” He said this indicating the kind of death he would die.

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

Monday Eucharist Adoration from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM in the Church. Please call the Church office at (601) 798-4779, if you would like to sign up for an hour of adoration. We do ask for the good of all, that you sign up with the office to best accommodate all at safe distance and disinfected sitting. The Diocese of Biloxi reminds us to not only on arrival and leaving, but even seated to wear a mask. Let us all come before Eucharistic Lord to find His infinite Grace.
THE NEW COVENANT

Today’s first reading is an enormously important passage, not only in the history of the Jewish people, but also for us as disciples of Jesus, who see in it a foreshadowing of the Christian dispensation. The prophet announces that God has chosen to forgive the people, and that as a sign of divine forgiveness a new covenant will be established. Contrasting the new covenant with the one made with Moses on Mount Sinai, Jeremiah says that the new covenant will be written on the people’s hearts rather than on tablets of stone. No longer will the community’s tradition be the sole bearer of the covenant; henceforth, God will speak directly and personally to each individual, forgiving sin and calling for a return to God in faithfulness. No longer will mere outward compliance with the dictates of the Law suffice; henceforth, God asks for an obedience that springs from the depths of one’s heart.

Precisely that kind of obedience is highlighted in today’s second reading, where the author of the Letter to the Hebrews describes Jesus as the mediator of the new covenant whose obedience has made him the source of salvation for all who, in turn, obey him.

RISKS

I risk being wrong if I trust too much.
But I risk living in torment if I don’t trust enough.
—Anonymous

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UPDATING THE DIOCESE OF BILOXI'S RESPONSE TO COVID-19

To the Clergy, Religious, and Lay Faithful of the Diocese of Biloxi:

The Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life. By our in-person participation in the Mass, we fulfill Christ’s commandment to "Do this in memory of me." At Mass, we not only gather around the table of the Last Supper, we also mysteriously join in the heavenly supper of the Lamb. Participation in Holy Mass is central and indispensable to the believer, and reception of Holy Eucharist is our "medicine of immortality." While online streaming of Mass has been immeasurably helpful over the course of the pandemic, it can never replace the assembly of the faithful.

On March 17 of last year, with the advice of medical professionals, I responded to the COVID19 pandemic with a number of directives and a dispensation for the faithful from the Church's Mass participation obligation. After the initial 30 days of the dispensation, it was renewed until further notice.

Having consulted the Presbyteral Council on February 11, 2021, it seems opportune that the general dispensation from Mass participation be allowed to expire, although in a phased manner.

Therefore, beginning with the Saturday Vigil for Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, March 27, 2021, the general dispensation from the obligation of in-person participation in the celebration of Holy Mass will expire.

That said, I hereby extend a particular dispensation from the obligation to personally participate in the celebration of Mass for the following:

- those who are particularly vulnerable to COVID-19 due to an underlying health condition and who have not yet been vaccinated, and
- those 60 years and older who have not yet been vaccinated.

On a case-by-case basis, parishioners who are particularly concerned about their own or a family member's vulnerability may approach Pastors for a one-month dispensation, renewable as the Pastor determines appropriate.

I encourage all the faithful to receive the COVID-19 vaccine as the opportunity becomes available. Masks, handwashing, and social distancing are still to be practiced in parishes.

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.

Given at the Pastoral Center of the Diocese of Biloxi on February 18, A.D. 2021.

+ Louis Kihneman
Most Reverend Louis F. Kihneman
Bishop of Biloxi
Saint Nicholas Owen’s Story

March 22
Nicholas, familiarly known as “Little John,” was small in stature but big in the esteem of his fellow Jesuits. Born at Oxford, this humble artisan saved the lives of many priests and laypersons in England during the penal times (1559-1829), when a series of statutes punished Catholics for the practice of their faith. Over a period of about 20 years, Nicholas used his skills to build secret hiding places for priests throughout the country. His work, which he did completely by himself as both architect and builder, was so good that time and time again priests in hiding were undetected by raiding parties. Nicholas was a genius at finding and creating places of safety: subterranean passages, small spaces between walls, impenetrable recesses. At one point he was even able to mastermind the escape of two Jesuits from the Tower of London. Whenever Nicholas set out to design such hiding places, he began by receiving the holy Eucharist, and he would turn to God in prayer throughout the long, dangerous construction process.

After many years at his unusual task, Nicholas entered the Society of Jesus and served as a lay brother, although—for very good reasons—his connection with the Jesuits was kept secret. After a number of narrow escapes, he himself was finally caught in 1594. Despite protracted torture, Nicholas refused to disclose the names of other Catholics. After being released following the payment of a ransom, “Little John” went back to his work. He was arrested again in 1606. This time he was subjected to horrible tortures, suffering an agonizing death. The jailers tried suggesting that he had confessed and committed suicide, but his heroism and sufferings soon were widely known. Nicholas Owen was canonized in 1970 as one of the 40 Martyrs of England and Wales.

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Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo’s Story

March 23
Together with Rose of Lima, Turibius is the first known saint of the New World, serving the Lord in Peru, South America, for 26 years. Born in Spain and educated for the law, he became so brilliant a scholar that he was made professor of law at the University of Salamanca and eventually became chief judge of the Inquisition at Granada. He succeeded too well. But he was not sharp enough a lawyer to prevent a surprising sequence of events. When the archdiocese of Lima in Peru required a new leader, Turibius was chosen to fill the post: He was the one person with the strength of character and holiness of spirit to heal the scandals that had infected that area. He cited all the canons that forbade giving laymen ecclesiastical dignities, but he was overruled. Turibius was ordained priest and bishop and sent to Peru, where he found colonialism at its worst. The Spanish conquerors were guilty of every sort of oppression of the native population.

Abuses among the clergy were flagrant, and he devoted his energies and suffering to this area first. He began the long and arduous visitation of an immense archdiocese, studying the language, staying two or three days in each place, often with neither bed nor food. Turibius confessed every morning to his chaplain, and celebrated Mass with intense fervor. Among those to whom he gave the Sacrament of Confirmation was the future Saint Rose of Lima, and possibly the future Saint Martin de Porres. After 1590, he had the help of another great missionary, Francis Solanus, now also a saint. Though very poor his people were sensitive, dreading to accept public charity from others. Turibius solved the problem by helping them anonymously.

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

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The Story of the Annunciation of the Lord

March 25
The feast of the Annunciation, now recognized as a solemnity, was first celebrated in the fourth or fifth century. Its central focus is the Incarnation: God has become one of us. From all eternity God had decided that the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity should become human. Now, as Luke 1:26-38 tells us, the decision is being realized. The God-Man embraces all humanity, indeed all creation, to bring it to God in one great act of love. Because human beings have rejected God, Jesus will accept a life of suffering and an agonizing death: “No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends” (John 15:13).

Mary has an important role to play in God’s plan. From all eternity, God destined her to be the mother of Jesus and closely related to him in the creation and redemption of the world. We could say that God’s decrees of creation and redemption are joined in the decree of Incarnation. Because Mary is God’s instrument in the Incarnation, she has a role to play with Jesus in creation and redemption. It is a God-given role. It is God’s grace from beginning to end. Mary becomes the eminent figure she is only by God’s grace. She is the empty space where God could act. Everything she is she owes to the Trinity.

Mary is the virgin-mother who fulfills Isaiah 7:14 in a way that Isaiah could not have imagined. She is united with her son in carrying out the will of God (Psalm 40:8-9; Hebrews 10:7-9; Luke 1:38).

Together with Jesus, the privileged and graced Mary is the link between heaven and earth. She is the human being who best, after Jesus, exemplifies the possibilities of human existence. She received into her lowliness the infinite love of God. She shows how an ordinary human being can reflect God in the ordinary circumstances of life. She exemplifies what the Church and every member of the Church is meant to become. She is the ultimate product of the creative and redemptive power of God. She manifests what the Incarnation is meant to accomplish for all of us.

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