

FAITH COMMUNITY EVENTS

YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST AND OF THE PARISH

The bishops of the Province of Mobile, together with our Presbyteral Councils, have declared the Church year beginning November 29, 2020, *the First Sunday of Advent*, and ending November 21, 2021, the *Feast of Christ the King*, to be **The Year of the Eucharist and the Parish** in all our dioceses.

At the Last Supper, Jesus told us how he wanted to be worshiped – at a meal. The Eucharist is meant to be shared and lived in a parish community. Food at its nature brings us together. It is clear Jesus wants us to come together for the Eucharist and in living the Faith with one another. The parish is where believers are united as community. It is where God gathers his people, and where God calls us to the banquet he has prepared. The Eucharist is not a ‘what,’ it is a ‘who.’ It is the real presence of Jesus himself. Our challenge is to open our hearts so our parishes can be communities where people of all backgrounds can gather as one, and where we care for the least of our sisters and brothers. As we receive the real presence of Christ in Holy Communion, we are called to be the real presence of Christ to others. May our Mother Mary join her prayers with ours in asking God to bless the **Year of the Eucharist and the Parish** in our Diocese and province. I am remembering you and the faithful in my prayers and Masses I offer daily. – Bishop Kihneman

MASS INTENTIONS POLICY

In order to allow ALL Parishioners an opportunity to schedule Masses, we are implementing the following procedure: Mass requests for the next calendar year will be accepted beginning November 1st. MASS INTENTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED WILL BE SCHEDULED BEGINNING DECEMBER 1ST. Parishioners may request more than one date/time during the year, but the following will apply:

1. Requests will be randomly sorted.
2. Up to three dates/times requested by the first person will be entered on the schedule. The request page will go to the back of the requests.
3. Up to three dates/times requested by the second person will be entered on the schedule. The request page will go to the back of the requests.
4. This will continue with all requests until all masses have been scheduled. If your requested dates are not available, alternate dates/times will be allotted as near as possible to the dates requested.

*Please include your email or mailing address with your request so that your schedule may be sent to you.



#iGiveCatholic is a Giving Day for the faithful across the nation (and the globe!) to come together and raise as many charitable dollars as possible for Catholic parishes, schools, and ministries in participating arch/dioceses. #iGiveCatholic takes place on #GivingTuesday, December 1, from 12:00 AM to 11:59 PM for gifts given online at www.igivecatholic.org, or offline through a donation of cash or check directly to the Catholic organization of the donor's choice. In addition, there is an Advanced Giving Day phase for both online and offline "pre-Giving Day" gifts running from 12:00 AM on Monday, November 16 through 11:59 PM on Monday, November 30.

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Thank you for your generous support last week for the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! As a parish, we raised a substantial amount to support those on the margins who are living in poverty in the United States. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Visit www.usccb.ornationalcollections.

THANKSGIVING DAY PRAYER

We thank you, Father, for the gift of Jesus your Son who came to our Earth and lived in a simple home. We have a greater appreciation of the value and dignity of the human family because he loved and was loved within its shelter. Bless us this day; may we grow in love for each other in our family and so give thanks to you who are the maker of all human families and our abiding peace.

— from The Catholic Prayer Book, compiled by Msgr. Michael Buckley



Catholic Daughters of the Americas are one of the largest Catholic Women's organizations in the world. We are a self-supporting group of ladies who carry out the mission of Unity and Charity and being the Hands and Feet of Jesus Christ to our brothers and sisters. We fund ourselves just as the Knights of Columbus do. Basically we are a KC group of ladies.

We help with any church function the priest may need help with;

We support the seminarians.

We service the poor and needy in our community and country.

We work with the youth.

We help support Catholic values in Legislature, and so much more.

We gather together in prayer services, reciting the rosary together or for funeral services.

We help with bereavement meals.

We host receptions for our youth, Confirmation and First Eucharist, for RCIA, or anything that may be needed at the parish.

If there is a need in our community we step up to leadership and help.

You can find out so much more about Catholic Daughters at the National website www.catholicdaughters.org or contact Dorothy Nehlig at 985-320-4760.

HEARING IMPAIRED?

We have installed a FM-Radio transmitter in the church which is active for all church events. Small digital FM pocket radios with ear buds can be purchased on-line at Wal-Mart, Amazon, etc. for \$12.00 and up. These will allow you to tune in to FM 91.1 to discreetly listen to all sounds from the altar and choir sound system. Please check with Ed Flanagan or Deacon Al with any questions.

ONLINE GIVING
now available

Go to our new website, stmarybiloxi.org.

Choose the "Online Giving" tab in the upper left.

Fill out the form.

You can choose a one-time, weekly or monthly payment plan.

It's easy, fast and secure. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office at 228-392-1999.

*WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORT Nov 21 & 22, 2020

Regular Collection-\$2970.11

New Church Building Fund-\$160.00

St. Mary-St. Vincent Helpers-\$145.00

Mass Intentions/Flowers-\$105.00

Votive Candles-\$44.00

Children-\$1.00

Religious Education-\$120.00 (shirts)

T-shirts & Hats-\$

Birdhouses-\$

All Saints-\$50.00

Cath. Camp. For Human Development-\$150.00

May God Bless You for your generous and faithful support!

*UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

Dec 5 & 6 SVdeP Pharmacy

Dec 12 & 13 Retired Religious



Support St. Mary Biloxi! Always shop at smile.amazon.com

"Christmas on LeMoyné" Church Raffle

Sacred Heart, D'Iberville December 12-13, 2020

3 Drawings for Smart TV

Drawing Sunday, December 13th for \$10,000

Each book contains 12 tickets at \$10 apiece...cost of total book \$120, no free tickets to seller

Seller writes his/her name on the back of the ticket. Should that ticket be the winner of the \$10,000, the seller will receive \$500.

St. Patrick Catholic High School is excited to launch our

2020-21 LUCK OF THE IRISH RAFFLE,

our school's fall fundraiser! The Luck of the Irish Raffle supports all of our athletic teams and student activities at St. Patrick. Tickets are \$20 each, and a lucky \$1,000 winner will be drawn each month throughout the school year. Each month, the winning ticket remains in the drawing, so those who purchase tickets have a chance to win up to \$10,000. Tickets may be purchased online at stpatrickhighschool.net/irishraffle.

Thank you for your support - Go Irish!

