WEEKLY PARISH OFFERINGS

MERRY CHRISTMAS WELCOME!

Our parish community welcomes you! We are blessed by your active participation in our worship together. Thank you for helping us grow!

"Be faithful in little things." -Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos, C.Ss.R

SUNDAY MASS

8:00 am and 10:30am

CONFESSION

before, between, and after Sunday Masses or by appointment

WEEKDAY COMMUNION SERVICE

Wednesday Steinway Piano Gallery Hwy 31 @ 8:30am

MINISTRY OF THE SICK

Please contact the parish office if you or anyone you know would like to receive weekly communion.

Mass at home

Live Mass from Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos Sunday's at 10:30 am. We are now using GoToWebinar. Please email for instructions

IN HONOR OF

Fr. Mike Boyle

Fr. Jim Cink

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Jennifer.evelyn.moore@gmail.com

Christmas Flower Offerings

IN MEMORY OF

A. L. Dryden Finch Family Siemssen Family
Andy & Cheryl McKenzie Frank and Elizabeth Angelitus Sinencia Cruz
Bertagnolli Family Herbert and Vera Millet Tompkins Family
Beth Klohe Jim Cummings Wayne Cummings
Blanche Dryden Juan Cruz

Carollo Family Ken and Janette Lind

Cruz Addarich Maurice and Anna Boudreaux

David McKenzie Mitchell Family

Doug West Mr & Mrs. Robert McKenzie
Ellen Hope Cox Nola Klohe

Eric Eschete Oliver and Irene Bertagnolli

Ernest Graham Cox Philip Calametti
Erous Eschete Robert Bertagnolli
F. Louis Duff Rusty Cowles

F. Louis Duff Shelley Carr Nightingale

UPCOMING EVENTS

New Year's Day Mass - Jan 1st 9am

1st Saturday Devotion - Jan 2nd, Confessions 8:30am, Mass 9am, followed by the Rosary at the Bertagnolli home; 31395 Shambo Rd

Groundbreaking - January 10th following the 10:30am Mass. See following page for more details

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER

Contact: Theresa West at (228) 209 4935 or theresabertagnolliwest@yahoo.com.

Sunday School Classes - Resume January 10th

1st Communion Parent Meeting - January 17th

New Student Confirmation Meeting – January 24th

Christmas Greetings from Fr. Jim

Christmas Greetings to you and yours during this time of blessings. I find myself in prayer coming back to you again and again, as I make this journey of self-discovery. Know that I am with you very much in spirit. I am mindful that so many of us are separated from those we love, especially this Christmas. The sacrifices that we make, are offered to God out of love and with hope that these sacrifices can be a gift for the very souls that we love. Certainly, the sacrifice I make this Christmas will be offered for you. Below is a poem I found inspirational. I hope you will enjoy it.

Star of the Nativity - by Joseph Brodsky 1987

In the cold season, in a locality accustomed to heat more than to cold, to horizontality more than to a mountain, a child is born in a cave in order to save the world; it blew as only in deserts in winter it blows, athwart.

To Him, all things seemed enormous; His mother's breast, the steam out of the ox's nostrils, Caspar, Balthazar, Mechior – the team of Magi, their presents heaped by the door ajar. He was but a dot, and a dot was a star.

Keenly, without blinking, through pallid, stray clouds, upon the child in the manger, from far away – from the dept of the universe, from its opposite end – the star was looking into the cave. And that was the Father's star.

Merry Christmas! God bless you and with all my love. Fr. Jim Cink

Prayer for Vocations In the Archdiocese of Mobile

Heavenly Father, we thank You for the men You have called to be priests in the Archdiocese of Mobile. From the Gulf Coast, through the Wiregrass to the River Region, we pray that You sustain and inspire them in their ministry.

We also pray for those You are calling to join them as Fishers of Men. Give them the grace to hear Your call clearly and the courage to respond, trusting that your plans are "for their welfare and not for woe." Provide them with supportive families, encouraging parishioners and all the graces and experiences necessary to form them as men after Your Son's own heart. Amen

In the Seelos Tradition prayer

Jesus, Son of the Living God, Yours is the way to holiness, Yours is the way to salvation. Be close to Your people who cherish Your name and proclaim Your Word. Keep alive in our hearts the vision Your Spirit has brought forth in our parish. Empower our lives to make Your kingdom known to the many. As we embark on this campaign grant us perseverance and faith. Help us to know that You will be with us as we build a parish in the Seelos Tradition.

We make this prayer through the power of the Holy Spirit, who lives and reigns with You and the Father, forever and ever. Amen.

Ground Breaking January 10th

Our Ground Breaking has been scheduled for January 10th.

Archbishop Rodi will be our Celebrant at the 10:30am Mass that day. The Ground Breaking will immediately follow the Mass on our property located at Highway 31 and Stroh Road.

Please join us for this awaited occasion which has been made possible by your generous support.



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CHRISTMAS 2020



"Today is born, our Savior, Christ the Lord" PS 96

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Choir: Tracy Krause at (251) 753-4001

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