

THE CHRISTIAN LIFE IS A RESPONSE TO THE INVITATION INTO THE LIFE OF GOD – WHO IS FATHER, SON AND HOLY SPIRIT

The same Christ who appeared to the disciples in the Upper Room is with us in the Mass today, offering us life with him today and for eternity. Let us respond to his invitation.

RCIA

Please remember to keep our new Catholics in your prayers as they continue their faith journey of spiritual growth and integration into our Parish community

Our new Catholics are as follows: Jennifer Boles, Daniel Bounds, Glenda Bruckner, Sheryll Comans, Mindi Ducomb, Raymond Dupre, Marc Ellis, Christine Field, Cassie Hitt, Candice Jones, Tara Junkert, Joshua Kelly, Cierra Mathews, Mariah McMullen, Victoria Saucier, Elizabeth Watson, and Lisa Wiseman.

We extend our thanks to those who served as their Sponsors this year: Kevin Bruckner, Mike Bruffey, Angela Cannon, Glenda Carmel, Kathleen Coskey, Philip Ducomb, Jaime Hallman, Charles Heard, Bubbie Hitt, Martin Krecker, Jordan Mathews, John Starks, Sharon Tash, Laurabeth Townsend, Cameron Wack, Tiffany Whitehead, and Lauren Whiteside.

We also wish to give a special thanks to the RCIA Team: Margaret Baltar, Beverly Hammond, Judy Heard, Rose Anne Kimbell, Helen Languirand, Marlene Matheny, Greg Payne, Penny Payne, Alberta Pisarich and Carolyn Riser.

If you would like more information about RCIA, please contact Greg or Penny Payne at 228-365-6348.

CONGRATULATIONS

We offer our most hearty congratulations to all of those who have received the Sacrament of Confirmation this Sunday at the 11:00 a.m. Mass. "Give your lives completely in the service of all, as did Christ, who came not to be served but to serve."

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Nativity B.V.M. Cathedral will hold their 3rd Annual "Fun in the Sun" Vacation Bible School for children that are currently in grades K-5, June 25-29, 2018, from 9:00 a.m. - noon daily. The cost is \$30 and it includes a t-shirt, daily snack & activities. Youth in grades 6-12 and adults are welcome to join us as a volunteer for the week. For more information, or to register your child(ren), please contact Kristy Arguelles by phone (228) 324-9934 or email, nativityyouthministrybiloxi@gmail.com

WOMEN'S CURSILLO

Women's Cursillo June 21-24, 2018 @ William Kelly Retreat Center in Bay St Louis

The Cursillo weekend is for Catholics who are looking to deepen their faith and love for Christ. Consider giving yourself a gift this year! For more information contact Angela Cannon@ 228-365-4385.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon May 21	Jas 3:13-18, Mk 9:14-29
Tues May 22	Jas 4:1-10, Mk 9:30-37
Wed May 23	Jas 4:13-17, Mk 9:38-40
Thur May 24	Jas 5:1-6, Mk 9:41-50
Fri May 25	Jas 5:9-12, Mk 10:1-12
Sat May 26	Jas 5:13-20, Mk 10:13-16, Phil 4:4-9, Jn 17:20-26
Sun May 27	Dt. 4:32-34, Rom 8:14-17, Mt 28:16-20



YOUR SUNDAY TITHING AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Regular Collections	\$	8,122.00
Maintenance	\$	1,136.00
Capital Improv.	\$	484.00
Nativity Elem.	\$	614.00
Misc.	\$	848.50
TOTAL COLLECTION	\$	11,204.50

Thank you for your contributions!

COMMUNION VISITATION



Jesus says of you and me, "You are the salt of the earth". No one should be deprived of the Most Holy Eucharist because they are homebound, elderly, have no means of getting to Mass and/or sick in their home. Sister Jackie Tarrant, RSM will gladly bring the Eucharist to you in your home. Together we can be "salt of the earth". Sister can be reached at the rectory at 228-374-1717.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The SVdP provides assistance each Tuesday from 9-11:00 a.m. For those wishing to make regular contributions, envelopes are located in the vestibule. We also value your one time gift! Your continued support helps to ensure SVdP is able to provide support for those in need.

A MESSAGE FROM THE DIOCESE

Archived episodes of Father Joe Dilettuso's television program, Living Words: Scripture and Tradition, can be viewed on the Catholic Diocese of Biloxi's YouTube page. Currently featured is an **11-part series on The Ten Commandments**. We will continue to add additional episodes of this program in the future. A link to the YouTube page is also available at www.biloxidiocese.org

GUARDIAN ANGEL PROGRAM

Next Sunday, May 27, 2018, is the beginning of an opportunity to sponsor a deserving student to attend on of our Catholic Schools. The Guardian Angel Program is a new way to help a worthy student receive an excellent education for which our Catholic Schools are well known. You may give to the school of your choice. Your contribution will be applied directly to the student's tuition. More information will be available in next week's bulletin.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS
May 26 4:00 pm 1. Gerrie Weldon 2. Kathleen Coskey 3. Jim Coskey 4. Linda Welter 5. Patrick Hall	May 26 4:00 pm Rose Anne Kimbell	May 26 4:00 pm Simon Randall Kingston Widell
May 27 7:00 am 1. Jim Compton 2. Nora Ziz 3. Linda Stewart	May 27 7:00 am Jim Shugart	May 27 7:00 am Alec Ryan Liam Jerrel
9:00 am 1. Belinda Corley 2. Judy Trahan 3. Sharon Tash 4. Vicki Howard 5. John Brauchle	9:00 am Maggie Landry	9:00 am Brennan Tarrant Aiden Tarrant Annabelle Tarrant Bailey Tarrant
11:00 am 1. Nanette Burke 2. Judy Steckler 3. Sandy Steckler 4. Sondra Williams 5. Johnny Williams	11:00 am Daliane Kirkland-Ross	11:00 am Blake Walli Hadyn Hollis Terrence McDonnell Cameron McDonnell
5:30 pm 1. Tricia Creel 2. Roland Creel 3. Kristy Arguelles	5:30 pm Mary Townsend	5:30 pm Jacob Arguelles Nicholas Arguelles Sydni Wills
	CANTORS	
	May 26 4:00 pm Lauren D. Clark	
	May 27 9:00 am Sean Ross	
	11:00 am Dennis Burke	

	6:30 a.m.	8:00 a.m.
Mon May 21	Maria Hoang Thi Khoai	Alice Griggs
Tue May 22	Kay Lawson	Raymond Egers
Wed May 23	Kay Lawson	Hugh Kavanagh (S.I.)
Thur May 24	Nita Newman	Collins-Sims Fly.
Fri May 25	Kathleen Hebert	Glenn/Joyce Pisarich
Sat May 26	<u>8</u> Ben Wimberly	<u>4</u> Gabriel/Doris Kasovich
Sun May 27	<u>7</u> —Anthony Walter Davidson, Jr.	<u>9:00</u> F.T.P
	11:00 am Andreww Cvitanovich	5:30 Gladys Schmidt

PLEASE KEEP OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS

Lesa Walker-Kirkman, Rose Collins, Elie Hebert, Jerry Ellis, Linda Welter, Hugh Kavanagh, Gerrie Weldon, Lehmon Skrmetti, Buddy Pullen, Annette Luther, Macklin Holloway, Mary Wimberly, Pete Skrmetta, Candy Widener, Tiffany Whitehead, Lena Marchioni, Holly Hill, Georgia Bellais Dominick, Maxine Kiddinger, Marie Manning, Betty Hilton, Mickey Bradley, Cheryl Terry, Gwen Gollott, Greg Hotaling, Jack Joachim, Jr., Michael Zorich., Sr. Fatima Starks and Karen Skrmetta.

NATIVITY BVM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

*A special celebration and program will take place on Monday, May 21st, for the PreSchool and Kindergarten Classes of Nativity BVM School. The program will be held in the school gym at 9:00 a.m. All are welcome to attend and congratulate the children on a job very well done!

*A special Mass will be offered for our 6th grade students and their families on Tuesday, May 22nd at 9:00 a.m. in the Cathedral. This small, but strong class, has shown great leadership, enthusiasm and spirit throughout this year! We congratulate them and wish them well as they move now, into junior high school.

*The 2017-2018 school year will conclude on Wednesday, May 23rd. We will have a final school Mass at 9:00 a.m., followed by an Awards ceremony. Dismissal will take place at noon.

*Summer Saints, Nativity School's Summer Camp, will begin on June 4th and continue through the summer until July 26th. For more information, please call the school at 432-2269 or visit the school's website at www.nativitybvm.org.

*Registration for the 2018-2019 school year is ongoing. Although several classes are filled, openings remain in many grades. For more information about the school and its programs, please visit our website at www.nativitybvm.org or call the school office (432-2269) to set up a tour.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 21** Women of Mary, 5:30 p.m.
May 22 Men of St. Joseph, 7:00 a.m. – SHC
 BINGO, 5:30 p.m.
May 23 Cleaning Team "D"
May 24 Greenbriar Mass at 10:00 a.m.

SANCTUARY CHOIR SCHEDULE:

- May 26th: 4:00 p.m.
 June 3rd: 9:00 a.m.

MUSIC FOR THIS WEEKEND

- ENTRANCE HYMN #190
 OFFERTORY #444
 COMMUNION #432
 SENDING #378

BINGO MANIA

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday. The following families are scheduled for May 22nd: Stanley (Robert & Remelyn), Stevenson (Mark & Chere), Stoddard (Bryan & Kerry), Stoddard (Clay & Jody), Strayham (Nicholas & Tracie), Sullivan (John & Valerie) and Tarrant (Gerald & Alicia).
REMEMBER! If you are unable to attend, it is your responsibility to secure a replacement.

SUPPORT THE CURSILLO MOVEMENT

The Cursillo Movement of South Mississippi is selling drawdown tickets to raise funds for those individuals who cannot afford to make a Cursillo. There will be 31 drawings for \$100.00 each during the month of May. On June 1st, there will be a drawing for \$5,000.00. Tickets are available in the parish office for \$50.00 each.

MUSIC & FINE ARTS MINISTRIES:

MUSIC & FINE ARTS MINISTRIES – CONCERT

SERIES:

The following are the upcoming Fine Arts Series Concert Event:

THIS SUNDAY: "A Celebration of Gospels & Spirituals" – Massed Choir Concert – Sunday, May 20th – 3:00 p.m. • "Magnolia Concert Society" – Instrumental Concert – Sunday, June 10th – 3:00 p.m. • "The Greatness of America" Patriotic Concert – Saturday, June 30th – 5:30p.m. All interested individuals wanting to inquiry/participate in the Music & Fine Arts Ministries Program should contact Terry Maddox – Minister of Music @ 251 406-1454 &/or @ terrydalemaddox@gmail.com.