

Nativity B.V.M. Cathedral MARCH 11TH, 2018 FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

2018 CSA-PRAYER AND OUR CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

In today's Scripture we hear of God's immeasurable love in the act of giving His Son for the life of the world. Let us pray to the Lord Jesus to keep us always aware of His love for us and our call to extend His love to the world through our daily lives of prayer and good works.

ST. JOSEPH ALTAR – MARCH 19, 2018

The Parish Life Committee of the Cathedral of the Blessed Virgin Mary, is planning a St. Joseph Altar on Monday, March 19, 2018 in the Sacred Heart Center from 8:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Lunch will be served at 12:00 noon. Everyone is invited. Please come and view the altar and have lunch with us.

DAILY MASS IN LENT

A wonderful way to keep the extra prayer of the Lenten Season is to attend daily Mass in our beautiful Marian Chapel. The daily Mass Scriptures of Lent journey with the Lord on his way to Calvary. Think about attending either the 6:30 a.m. or 8:00 a.m. Mass in Lent.

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

Every day during Lent at 7:45 a.m. in the Marian Chapel we pray Lauds (Morning Prayer). In doing so we join the Church throughout the world in praying this official prayer of the Church. A copy of the breviary will be supplied for you. Come and let us pray together in Lent.

Living Words: Scripture and Tradition

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 a six-part series on The Passion Narratives with Father Austin Walsh, ST. This is a valuable and timely resource for the Lenten Season. 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

CCD

CCD classes will meet at their regular time, 5:30-6:30 p.m. on Mar. 14. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Barbara Ziz, 228-918-9778.

RCIA

This weekend the RCIA Elect and Candidates are celebrating their Second Scrutiny. Please remember that we are called to accept them into our Community of Faith and we are to pray for each of them as they continue their faith journey. If you would like further information, please contact Greg or Penny Payne 228-365-6348.

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

The Cathedral is seeking volunteers to assist in cleaning the church. We have four teams who help once a month in this most needed ministry. We are currently asking for help. The volunteer work consists of cleaning and straightening the pews, sweeping the terrazzo floor in the pew area and vacuuming the cathedral. This is a humble and unseen work that benefits our entire community of faith. If interested, please call the parish office at 374-1717. Thank you.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon Mar 12	Is 65:17-21, Jn 4:43-54
Tues Mar 13	Ez 47:1-9, 12, Jn 5:1-16
Wed Mar 14	Is 49:8-15, Jn 5:17-30
Thur Mar 15	Ex 32:7-14, Jn 5:31-47
Fri Mar 16	Wis 2:1a, 12-22, Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Sat Mar 17	Jer 11:18-20, Jn 7:40-53
Sun Mar 18	Jer 31:31-34, Heb 5:7-9, Jn 12:20-33



YOUR SUNDAY TITHING AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Regular Collections	\$	14,393.00
Capital Improve.	\$	339.00
Maintenance	\$	1,536.17
Nativity Elem.	\$	35.00
Misc.	\$	867.00
TOTAL COLLECTION	\$	17,170.17

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

In keeping with the Via Delarosa of the Lord Jesus Christ, and in honoring his death on a Friday, we celebrate the Stations of the Cross in the Cathedral Church. Come and keep company with the Lord in his walk of Passion and Sorrow in Lent. Stations are held each Friday at 6:00 p.m. in the Cathedral Church.

HOLY WEEK MASS SCHEDULES AT NATIVITY

March 29th, 2018 Holy Thursday – 6:00 p.m.
March 30th, 2018 Passion of the Lord – 3:00 p.m.
March 31st, 2018 Holy Saturday 8:00 p.m.
April 1st, 2018 Resurrection of the Lord – 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. (with a Mass in the Cathedral and Chapel), 11:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

CATHEDRAL LENTEN MISSION

Our annual Lenten Mission will begin this weekend at all the Sunday Masses. It is with joy that we welcome back Redemptorist Fathers Steve Benden and Gil Enderle who were recently transferred from Blessed Seelos and Our Mother of Sorrows Parishes. Skilled in the art of parish missions, Fr. Steve and Fr. Gil will lead us through an insightful and spirit filled Lenten Mission. The mission will take place Monday, March 12th through Wednesday, March 14th at 6:00 p.m. each evening. The Theme of the Mission is: **“Celebrating 175 Years of Faithful Discipleship of Jesus”**

BINGO MANIA

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday. The following families are scheduled for March 13th: Corley (James & Karen), Cromar (Jason & Keelin), Cruse (Amy), Cvitanovich (Caitlin), Dagenais (Amanda), Davis (Andy & Jennifer) and Davis (Warren & Susie). REMEMBER! If you are unable to **attend, it is your responsibility to secure a replacement.**

NATIVITY EASTER EGG HUNT!!

Nativity's Youth Ministry will sponsor an Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday, April 1st, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass in front of the rectory and in the Bishop's Garden. Bring the kids!!

<p>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS</p> <p>Mar 17 4:00 pm 1. Kalin Lloyd 2. Dale Dorcik 3. Kathleen Coskey 4. Jim Coskey</p> <p>Mar 18 7:00 am 1. Danny Kavanagh 2. Colleen Kavanagh 3. Nora Ziz</p> <p style="text-align: right;">9:00 am</p> <p>1. Bobby Weaver 2. Linda Bourgeois 3. Sharon Tash 4. Judy Trahan 5. Belinda Corley</p> <p style="text-align: right;">11:00 am</p> <p>1. John Sherman 2. Marianne Sherman 3. Edith Richardson 4. Judy Steckler 5. Sandy Steckler</p> <p style="text-align: right;">5:30 pm</p> <p>1. Jim Shugart 2. Kristy Arguelles 3. Mary Townsend</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LECTORS</p> <p>Mar 17 4:00 pm Rose Anne Kimbell</p> <p>Mar 18 7:00 am Marcia Mayfield</p> <p style="text-align: right;">9:00 am</p> <p>Steve Theobald</p> <p style="text-align: right;">11:00 am</p> <p>Rhonda Clark</p> <p style="text-align: right;">5:30 pm</p> <p>Youth Ministry</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CANTORS</p> <p>Mar 17 4:00 pm Franchesca Cabal-Ugaz</p> <p>Mar 18 9:00 am Nicholas Rodolfich</p> <p style="text-align: right;">11:00 am</p> <p>Rocky Greathouse</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">ALTAR SERVERS</p> <p>Mar 17 4:00 pm Simon Randall Kingston Widell</p> <p>Mar 18 7:00 am Clayton Stoddard Ava Stoddard</p> <p style="text-align: right;">9:00 am</p> <p>Brennan Tarrant Aiden Tarrant Annabelle Tarrant Bailey Joy Tarrant</p> <p style="text-align: right;">11:00 am</p> <p>McRae Ross Chaz Byers Izabell Byers Greyson Ross</p> <p style="text-align: right;">5:30 pm</p> <p>Jacob Arguelles Nicholas Arguelles Sydni Wills</p>
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Mon	Mar 12	Nita Newman	Hugh Lauren Pepper
Tue	Mar 13	Raymond Egers	Susan Ogletree Pancoast
Wed	Mar 14	Raymond Egers	Mary Lou Ardoline
Thur	Mar 15	Maria Hoang Thi Khoai	Barbara Kridle Maynard
Fri	Mar 16	F. Walker/Irene Tucei	Glenn/Joyce Pisarich
Sat	Mar 17	8 Ben Wimberly	4 Gabriel/Doris Kosovich
Sun	Mar 18	7 —Raymond Egers	9:00 F.T.P.
		11:00 am Noel Obert	5:30 Jacinto Baltar

PLEASE KEEP OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS

Elie Hebert, Jerry Ellis, Linda Welter, Hugh Kavanagh, Gwen Gee, Gerrie Weldon, Lehmon Skrmetti, Buddy Pullen, Annette Luther, Macklin Holloway, Mary Wimberly, Kim Wilkerson, Pete Skrmetta, Candy Widener, Tiffany Whitehead, Lena Marchioni, Holly Hill, Georgia Bellais Dominick, Maxine Kiddinger, Marie Manning, Betty Hilton, Mary Lancaster, Mickey Bradley, Cheryl Terry, Gwen Gollotte, Greg Hotaling, Jack Joachim, Jr., Eugene LaCaze, Michael Zorich,, Sr. Fatima Starks and Karen Skremetta.

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

Our Sanctuary Lamp is lit this week for Beverly Hammond in THANKSGIVING for the miracle of restoration to good health

NATIVITY BVM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

*Registration for the 2018-2019 school year began on March 5th for all families currently enrolled in Nativity School. Registration for new students who are members of our Catholic parishes will begin on March 19th and open registration for all other new students begins on March 22nd. For information about the school's programs, PreSchool – Grade 6, or to visit the school, please call Ms. Cheryl at the school office, 432-2269.

*Nativity School Parents will hold a Lenten dinner on Friday, March 16th. Meals are dine in/take out from 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. at the school.

*Mark your calendars! Nativity School's annual Breakfast with the Bunny will be held on Saturday, March 24th from 8:00 a.m. - 10a.m. at the Half Shell Oyster House in Biloxi.

For more information, please visit our school's website.

*You are welcome to pray the Stations of the Cross with the school children at 10:20 a.m. every Friday of Lent.

*Nativity School continues to save the following: Box Tops for Education, UPC Codes from Community Coffee Products, aluminum beverage cans. Thank you for your help with these projects!

*Nativity BVM School is selling raffle tickets for the **ULTIMATE FAMILY VACATION**. Only 335 tickets will be sold/\$75.00 per ticket. The winner will receive \$1,000 spending money and \$4,000 in gift cards to either Disney Properties or Universal Properties or both. Additionally, donors have added a \$250 gas card and a set of family t-shirts and totes to the prize package. Tickets are on sale and the drawing will take place on March 29th. All proceeds will go to the school's Technology Fund. For more information please call the school or visit our website!

NATIVITY B.V.M. CATHEDRAL'S 5TH ANNUAL UNCORKED AND UNCAPPED WINE AND BEER TASTING!

Save the date! Saturday, April 28th, 2018 - Exotic Wines – Craft Beers – Gourmet Food's – Sumptuous Silent Auction and Live Entertainment!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Mar 12** Women of Mary, 5:30 p.m.
- Mar 13** Men of St. Joseph, 7:00 a.m. – SHC
RCIA Class, 6:00 p.m.
Bingo, 5:30 p.m.
- Mar 14** Cleaning Team "B"
CCD 5:30 p.m., SHC
- Mar 15** Greenbriar Mass at 10:00 a.m.
- Mar 16** Stations of the Cross, 6:00 p.m., Cathedral

SANCTUARY CHOIR SCHEDULE:

- March 11th: 9:00 a.m. - March 18th: 11:00 a.m.
- March 24th: 4 p.m. March 27th: 10:30 a.m.
- March 29th: 6:00 p.m. , March 31st: 8 p.m.
- April 1st: 9:00 a.m.

The 2018 Cathedral Fine Arts Concert Series will begin with a special Concert Service entitled: "The Music Of Holy Week". This very special program will journey with Jesus and reflect the path of Holy Week with Scripture and Music. The concert will be shared on Sunday Afternoon, March 18th at 3:00 p.m. Please plan to attend and share with a friend!

Our Choral Ensembles – the Sanctuary Choir & our Choral Society – "Gloria In Excelsis" invites folks to prayerfully consider becoming members. All interested individuals wanting to inquire/participate in the Music & Fine Arts Ministries Program should contact Terry Maddox – Minister of Music @ 251 406-1454 &/or @ terrydalemaddox@gmail.com

MUSIC FOR THIS WEEKEND

- ENTRANCE HYMN #403
- OFFERTORY #433
- COMMUNION #498
- SENDING #420