

# Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church

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## ***SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME***

***JANUARY 17, 2010***



### ***Our Mission Statement***

***Our Lady of the Gulf is a Catholic Community within the Diocese of Biloxi, with a tradition of faith and endurance since its founding in 1847. Inspired by this heritage, we accept God's call to us in our time to grow as a community of faith, love and compassion, modeled on the ministry of Jesus Christ.***

### **Parish Staff**

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### **Ministries**

***Director of Music***

***Mr. Ed Grotkowski 493-9010***

***Holy Trinity Elementary 467-5158 [www.holytrinitycatholic.net](http://www.holytrinitycatholic.net)***

***Mrs. Janet Buras, Principal [principal@holytrinitycatholic.net](mailto:principal@holytrinitycatholic.net)***

***Our Lady Academy 467-7048 [www.ourladyacademy.com](http://www.ourladyacademy.com)***

***Sr. Jacqueline Howard, President Mrs. Susan Goggins, Principal***

***St. Stanislaus College 467-9057 [www.ststan.com](http://www.ststan.com)***

***Bro. Ronald Hingle, President Mr. Paul Verlander, Principal***

***Religious Education: Elementary***

***Mr. Chris Austin & Miss Patricia LaFontaine***

### **Mass Schedule**

**Saturday Vigil: 5:30 p.m. (4:00 p.m. in Winter)**

**Sunday: 8 & 10:30 a.m.**

**Weekdays: 7:00 a.m. Saturdays: 7:30 a.m.**

**Holy Days: Vigil 5:30 p.m.; 7 & 9 a.m.**

**Confessions:**

**Saturdays, 4:30—5:30 p.m., before the Vigil Mass (after the 4:00 p.m. Mass in Winter) and other times by appointment. Communal Penance celebrations held during Advent and Lent.**

**OLG CALENDAR & INFO**

**Altar Society:** Meetings held the first Tuesday of every month at 6:00 p.m. in the parish offices. All are welcome and encouraged to attend!

**Novena of Perpetual Help:** Every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in the church.

**R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults):** Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m., in the new Parish Offices. Call 467-6509 for more information.

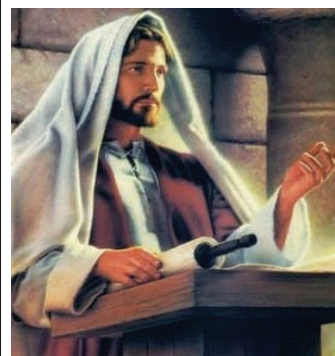
**Choir Practice:** Every Wednesday evening at 7 p.m. in the church. For more information contact Ed Grotkowski, Minister of Music, at 228-493-9010.

**Angel Ministry:** Contact Jo Ann Hille for more information at 228-222-0209.

**Adoration:** The Eucharist is exposed for Adoration on Thursdays from 8 a.m.—8 p.m. at the St. Augustine Seminary Chapel. Call Yvonne Viguerie at 467-5560 to sign up for an hour or to be a substitute.

**Electronic Transfer (Direct Debit):** Forms are available at the parish office or our website home page.

**St. Vincent de Paul:** Next meeting will be Wednesday, January 20 at 2:00 p.m.



"Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing. . ." Jesus proclaims Isaiah 61 in the synagogue and begins his ministry of preaching. How do we fulfill God's Word?



**Please Pray for the Sick of Our Parish**

David & Nell Baygents, Joyce Bermond, Raymond Bermond, Vernon Bermond, Zadie Bermond, Charlie Blaize, Geri Bleau, Harry Bourgeois, Otto Bourgeois, Warren Bourgeois, Camella Boyd, Julie Bradberry, Kale Bradford, Vincent Bradley, Kyle Brown, Carmelle Bufkin, Jeanine Burch, Wally Burns, Jessica Compretta Caillet, Lynnette Ladner Carbon, Brady James Cheramie, Ronald Chetta, Tyler Childs, Richard Collins, Judy Cooksey, Stephen Cooksey, Dot & George DiBenedetto, Jackie Garriga, John Gleeson, Jr., Harold Guidry, Orville Guseman, Rita Harvey, Kris Hearin, Brett Heitzmann, Watson Johns, Martha Kassis, Shirley Kelly, Jimmy Ladner, Venda Mae Ladner, Carolyn Langenbacker, Laura Main, Loretta Mary, Paul E. Mary IV, Kathryn McCauley, Jerry McCurley, Gene & Mary Alice Monti, Candy Murphy, Cherril Anne Necaize, Adam Osterholm, Mary Price, Mary Reed, Gloria Rosato, Sam Scafidi, Peter Scianna, Stuart Seal, Sue Sellier, Bill Shaw, Bryan Simolke, Avery Smith, Susan Sotak, Susan Thigpen, Josie Thomas, Gert Toomey, James Travirca, Gary Treuil, Pennie Treutel, Chelsea Umbach, Roy C. Walton, Bea Williams, our shut-ins, and all others in our parish and community who are in need of physical or spiritual healing.

*For our parishioners entering the hospital at any time, please inform the hospital that you are a member of OLG for visitations. Names will remain on the list for one month unless we are otherwise notified.*

**Additional Parish Information**

**New Parishioners:** Welcome to Our Lady of the Gulf! Please call the parish office to register or download our parish registration form from our website.

**Baptisms:** The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated the third Sunday of each month after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Baptism classes for parents and godparents are held the first Monday of every month, 6:00 p.m., in the new parish office building.

**Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:** Those who are seriously ill should be given the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick as soon as possible. Communal celebrations are held during Advent and Lent.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Arrangements for weddings must be made at least six months ahead of time. A pre-marriage preparation program and individual counseling with the parish priest are required for all.

**House Calls:** Please notify the parish office of the names of any who desire to receive Holy Communion, the Sacrament of the Sick or the Sacrament of Reconciliation at home.

**St. Mary Cemetery:** A sacred enclosure to receive those who have lived within the faith. For information, call Ames Kergosien at 467-5402.

**Continuing the Church:** Please remember Our Lady of the Gulf Parish and its schools in your will.

**Church Support:** Parishioners are encouraged to base their giving on the principles of stewardship and sacrifice. Please use your envelopes or sign up for Direct Debit.

**Parish Community Center:** For rental or schedule information, call the parish office at 467-6509.

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

Monday, January 18, 7:00 a.m.	†Carolyn Favre
Tuesday, January 19, 7:00 a.m.	†Jay Cuevas
Wednesday, January 20, 7:00 a.m.	†Fred Weems
Wednesday, January 20, 8:15 a.m.	†Sandra Gilmore
Thursday, January 21, 7:00 a.m.	†Jay Cuevas
Friday, January 22, 7:00 a.m.	†Mike Haas, Sr.
Saturday, January 23, 7:30 a.m.	† Fred Weems
Saturday, January 23, 04:00 p.m.	†Mae Chapman
Sunday, January 24, 8:00 a.m.	†Mary Elizabeth Casto Bennett & Alice Elizabeth Bennett
Sunday, January 24, 10:30 a.m.	†Lazlo Holland

**FINANCES WEEK OF JANUARY 10, 2010**

Offertory:	Envelopes	\$ 2,343.30
	Loose	\$ 3,874.47
	Direct Debit	\$ 2,795.00
	Hurricane/Rebuild	\$ 140.00
	St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 495.00
	All Other Contributions	\$ 554.00

Number of Identifiable Contributions . . . . . 197

**Thank you for your continued support!**

**Communion Recommendations**

Bishop Morin has recommended that distribution of the Precious Blood be suspended at all Masses during the flu season. This weekend will be the last weekend that the faithful can partake of the Precious Blood from the cup. This suspension will be in operation until further notice. The bishop has also suggested that the Sign of Peace be suspended at the discretion of the priest celebrant. We are asking that if people do not wish to exchange or receive the Sign of Peace their wishes be respected.

**Lenten Faith Sharing**

Ash Wednesday is February 17th and the beginning of Lent. We are inviting our parishioners to participate in weekly Small Group Faith Sharing experiences during the Lenten season. Groups will meet on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays with a choice of a morning or evening session. The materials will use the weekly Sunday scripture readings. Sign up will begin this weekend.

**2009 Financial Contribution Statements**

If you wish to receive a statement of your 2009 contributions to Our Lady of the Gulf, please call the parish office at 467-6509 or email Jo at [olgchurc@bellsouth.net](mailto:olgchurc@bellsouth.net). Statements will be mailed out by the end of January.

**Lord, Teach Me To Pray**

LTMTTP is a 3-part spiritual journey with St. Ignatius of Loyola. Part 1 is Praying Christian Virtues, a 12-week program; Part 2 is My 19th Annotation, a 30-week program; and Part 3 is Discernment and Gifts of the Spirit, a 14-week program. Note: Part 1 is a pre-requisite to participating in Part 2 and Parts 1 & 2 are pre-requisites to participating in Part 3. Registration forms are available at the parish office. For more information, contact Nancy Henderson at 466-5802.

**Military Prayer List**

We will begin a Military Prayer List for all our loved ones serving our country both at home and abroad. The list will be kept updated and can be picked up at the tables by the doors. Pick up a list and remember our military personnel in your daily prayers. To add a name to the list, please call Dot Kersanac-Burns at 467-5784 with the name, branch of military, and where they are stationed.

**OLG Angel Ministry Blanket Group**

Next meeting dates are **February 3 & 10**, 1-3 p.m., in the OLG Parish Community Center.

**Pro-Life Rally**

Saturday, January 30th, 11 a.m.—3 p.m. at Jack Reed Park in downtown Picayune, MS.

***ST. VINCENT DE PAUL*****Vincenian Meditation for  
January 17, 2010**

Epiphany signs might come in many ways—through others in a cry for help, in a lonely person's pleas for companionship, in the spontaneous laughter of delight, in the beauty of nature, in the love of family and friends. The challenge to us is to see these as revelations of God's glory, as epiphanies of God's love for us, and an opportunity to respond in belief. Yes, these common, ordinary signs of God's love are all around us. By *responding* to other persons, recognizing them as revelations of God to us, we ourselves also become signs of God's in-breaking, *epiphanies for others*. ([www.svdpusa.org](http://www.svdpusa.org))

As January 2010 has five Sundays, we will be asking you to please consider giving, or continue giving, to our St. Vincent de Paul Conference at the end of the month. Our conference is a gathering of three parishes—OLG, St. Rose de Lima, and St. Clare—that assist those in need in Bay St. Louis and Waveland proper. It is no exaggeration that the need in our communities is tremendous right now. Please give prayerful consideration to donating to our St. Vincent de Paul . . . YOU can make a difference!

**AA Retreats for Men and Women****Take time out and reflect on the 12 Steps**

Women's: January 29-31

Men's: February 12-14

Where: Fr. Bill Kelly Retreat Center at St. Augustine Seminary in Bay St. Louis

For more info call: Marilyn at 467-2032 or  
Fr. Walt at 466-5623

**Adoration**

A few more committed adorers are needed on Thursdays at the St. Augustine Seminary Chapel! The 12-1 p.m. hour needs two adorers, and the 5-6 p.m. and 6-7 p.m. hours each need at least one more adorer. Of course, 'drop-in' visits are always welcome! Come, spend time with the Blessed Sacrament. Visit with the One Who is the answer to your every question, to your every need, with the One Who can heal every hurt. Come, love Him, and let Him love you. Let Him bring grace to the world through you! To sign up, call Yvonne Viguerie at 467-5560.

**Miracles Do Happen**

Sister Briege McKenna's book "Miracles Do Happen" is now available for \$12.00 by calling Jo Ann Hille at 228-222-0209. Please make check payable to: St. Clare Sisters Retreat Ministry.