

Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church

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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 24, 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

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Our Lady Academy 467-7048 www.ourladyacademy.com

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

St. Stanislaus College 467-9057 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.

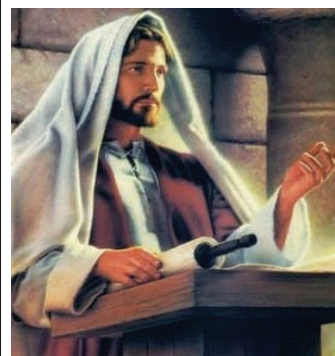
Choir Practice: Every Wednesday evening at 7 p.m. in the church. For more information contact Ed Grotkowski, Minister of Music, at 228-493-9010.

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, February 3rd 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 25, 7:00 a.m.	†Lucio Tan
Tuesday, January 26, 7:00 a.m.	†Jay Cuevas
Wednesday, January 27, 7:00 a.m.	†Donald Gurette
Wednesday, January 27, 8:15 a.m.	†Jack Smith
Thursday, January 28, 7:00 a.m.	†Fred Weems
Friday, January 29, 7:00 a.m.	†Carolyn Favre
Saturday, January 30, 7:30 a.m.	† Mae Chapman
Saturday, January 30, 04:00 p.m.	† Rosemary Hymel
Sunday, January 31, 8:00 a.m.	†Fred Weems
Sunday, January 31, 10:30 a.m.	†Ginger Harris Delarosa

FINANCES WEEK OF JANUARY 17, 2010

Offertory:	Envelopes	\$ 2,398.80
	Loose	\$ 3,758.12
	Direct Debit	\$ 690.00
	Hurricane/Rebuild	\$ 165.00
	St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 215.00
	Haiti	\$ 5,820.00
	All Other Contributions	\$ 573.00
Number of Identifiable Contributions		183

Thank you for your continued support!



LENT

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. Statements will be mailed out by the end of January.

Lord, Teach Me To Pray

LTMP 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.

OLG Angel Ministry Blanket Group

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

Miracles Do Happen

Sister Briega 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.

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.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Vincenian Meditation for January 24, 2010

In light of Vincent's regular practice of taking the imitation of Jesus Christ as the model of behavior, the saint, in Jesus' manner, chose the words of this Gospel: "He has sent me to bring good news to the poor," as the motto of his life and ministry. Jesus modeled doing before teaching. Accordingly, Vincent noted that Jesus first integrated "fully into his life every type of virtue." That was his preparation, after which our Lord, then went on to teach, by preaching the good news of salvation to poor people, and by passing on to his apostles and disciples what they needed to know to become guides for others. As followers of Vincent, we must imitate Christ the Lord; first, imitate his virtues and then we can go out in service to the poor. (Melito, St. Vincent—Windows on His Vision, p. 45)

As this month has five Sundays, we are asking you to please consider giving, or continue giving, to our St. Vincent de Paul Conference next weekend. 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. Envelopes have been made available this weekend. You may return your donation in them at any Mass next weekend in the collection baskets. YOU can make a difference!

Stained-Glass Window Note Cards

We have available for sale at the parish office the stained-glass note cards with envelopes the OLG Altar Society sell as a fund raiser. The note cards are beautiful and make great gifts or keepsakes. Come by the parish office Monday thru Friday to purchase.

St. Gerard Outreach: This is a Diocesan-sponsored outreach program the Angel Ministry supports and is a pregnancy center that offers case management services, counseling and pregnancy testing. To donate gently-used maternity and baby items, please contact parishioner Terry Calhoun at 493-3322. Monetary donations can be mailed directly to: St. Gerard Community Outreach, 200 Hwy. 90.-Suite C, Waveland, MS 39576.

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