

# Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church

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## ***THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT***

***MARCH 7, 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, March 17th at 2:00 p.m.

**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.



Father, you have taught us to overcome our sins by prayer, fasting, and works of mercy. When we are discouraged by our weakness, give us confidence in your love. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen. (Catholic Culture)

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

Monday, March 8, 7:00 a.m.	†Helen Binninger
Tuesday, March 9, 7:00 a.m.	†Bernice Poolson
Wednesday, March 10, 7:00 a.m.	Special Intention of Donor
Wednesday, March 10, 8:15 a.m.	†Peter Deagano
Thursday, March 11, 7:00 a.m.	†David DeBlanc
Friday, March 12, 7:00 a.m.	†Thomas Egloff
Saturday, March 13, 7:30 a.m.	†Mae Chapman
Saturday, March 13, 4:00 p.m.	†Rosemary Hymel
Sunday, March 14, 8:00 a.m.	†Joe Bodine
Sunday, March 14, 10:30 a.m.	†Mae Chapman

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

Warren Barras, David & Nell Baygents, Ernie Beckemeyer, 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, Malinda Burnett, Wally Burns, Jessica Compretta Caillet, Lynnette Ladner Carbon, Brady James Cheramie, Tyler Childs, Richard Collins, Judy Cooksey, Stephen Cooksey, Dot & George DiBenedetto, Patricia Bellais Favre, 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, Jeff Reisch, Gloria Rosato, Sam Scafidi, Peter Scianna, Stuart Seal, Bill Shaw, Craig Short, 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.*

**FINANCES WEEK OF FEBRUARY 28, 2010**

Offeratory:	Envelopes	\$ 3,228.50
	Loose	\$ 4,797.21
	Direct Debit	\$ 1,335.00
Hurricane/Rebuild		\$ 227.00
St. Vincent de Paul		\$ 152.00
All Other Contributions		\$ 393.00

Number of Identifiable Contributions . . . . . 201

**Thank you for your continued support!**

**Adoration Chapel & Meeting Rooms**

Recently, the Facilities Committee met and listened to presentations from some architects on their work and how they might respond to our questions about the design concepts for an Adoration Chapel and Meeting Rooms. Following the presentations, the Committee chose Ed Wikoff to design the facility. Bishop Morin gave us permission to hire the architect and begin the initial design process. The Committee, which includes Bill LeBlanc, Mike Harris, Tommy Chapman, Eddie Renz, Brian Milner, Henry Martinez, Richard Kren, Martin Fagot, and Joe Monti, will meet with the architect on March 16th to begin the initial design process.

**Abstinence**

Because Friday, March 19, the Solemnity of St. Joseph, ranks as a solemnity, the Lenten Friday obligation to abstain from meat need not be observed on that day (c. 1251). Some Catholic calendars have mistakenly printed a fish symbol on that day.

Lent ends on Holy Thursday evening and the fasting and abstinence of Good Friday is distinct from the Lenten penance. The faithful should be encouraged, where possible, to continue the "paschal fast" on Holy Saturday.



**Stations of the Cross**  
***Every Friday during Lent at 5:30 p.m. in the church.***

**Year of the Priest**

In the continuing celebration of the Year of the Priest, the OLG Angel Ministry will be sponsoring an evening of Adoration and Benediction this Friday, March 12 at 7:00 p.m. All are invited and encouraged to attend!

**First Communion Parent Meeting**

There will be an important meeting for parents of children making their First Communion on Monday, March 15, 7:00 p.m., in the Parish Community Center. Please make every effort to attend.

**Angel Ministry Blanket Group**

Next meeting date: March 17, 1-3 p.m., in the Parish Community Center. All are welcome!

**CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL**

Again and again God gives us an opportunity to be productive and bear fruit. We can be productive and bear fruit by sharing our financial blessings for the good of our Church's ministries. Support the Catholic Sharing Appeal this year through an act of faith.

The annual Diocesan Catholic Sharing Appeal funds various ministries in our diocese. These ministries include Catholic Social Services, Gulf Pine Catholic, Diocesan Youth Ministry, de l'Epee Deaf Center, Lay Ministry, Support for Retired Clergy, Continuing Education of Priests, Permanent Diaconate Program, Vocations Program, as well as various other ministries.

OLG's goal this year is \$43,921. \$2,280 has been pledged to date.

**Guidelines for Subsidy**

- Family requesting subsidy must be registered members of OLG for at least six months.
- Family requesting subsidy must contribute financially to the support of the parish in an identifiable manner.
- Family requesting subsidy must attend Mass regularly.

Forms to request subsidy for Holy Trinity Catholic School are available at Holy Trinity Catholic School.

To request subsidy for your child(ren) attending Our Lady Academy, you must call the parish office at 467-6509 to place your family's name on the request list.

All requests must be received by March 31, 2010.



The flowers on the altar this weekend are in honor of the 67th wedding anniversary of P. G. & Leonell (Lyn) Arceneaux Bernheim, with love from Mike & Marsha Brown. The Bernheims and family members are with us today at the 10:30 a.m. Mass to celebrate their marriage that took place here at OLG exactly 67 years ago. Congratulations to the

**ARE YOU A REGISTERED MEMBER OF OLG?**

If you are new to the parish, a life-long member, or anywhere in between, it is important that you fill out a Parish Census Form! Forms are available on our web site or at the Parish Office.