

**LET OUR LIVES BE ROOTED IN LOVE.**

Today's second reading reminds us that our lives are to be rooted in love, for love fulfills the law. More specifically, the more we are able to love God with our whole being and to love our neighbor as ourselves, the more we will keep the commandments and experience the blessings God wishes to bestow on us such as peace, joy and fulfillment.

**LECTORS NEEDED** -There is an old adage which states: "When you proclaim the Word of God you become the Word of God". It is a genuine grace to proclaim the Holy Scripture before the gathered community of faith at Sunday Masses. Our Nativity Cathedral is in need of additional Lectors for our Sunday Masses. Please consider assisting in the celebration of Mass by proclaiming the Word of God to His holy people. Forms for volunteering are in the back of the Cathedral Church.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED** -Have you ever thought of becoming an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist? Among the five weekend Masses, our Cathedral Parish requires from 18 to 21 Eucharistic Ministers each Sunday to assist in the distribution of the Most Holy Body of Christ and his Precious Blood. At normal Sunday Mass celebrated without the bishop and his deacons, three to five Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist are needed at each Mass. Because of the normal atrophy due to death, disability, and relocation, we are in need of additional Eucharistic Ministers at this time. Being called as an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist is a great grace given by our Lord. So, please, help us with distributing the most Sacred Body and Blood of Christ. Forms for volunteering are in the back of the Cathedral Church.

**RCIA.**

The Rite of Christian Initiation is an invitation for adults to explore their interests, or to enhance their knowledge, in the Roman Catholic Church. The R.C.I.A. lays out a process in which men and women are guided and cared for as they awaken in faith and are gradually introduced to the Catholic way of life. The Nativity Parish will begin R.C.I.A. classes again on September 12th. Participants will meet weekly for nine months in the Sacred Heart Center from 6:00 p.m. until 7:15 p.m. If you are interested, please contact Greg or Penny Payne at 228-365-6348.

**CCD!**

Our CCD teachers are looking forward to welcoming new and returning students to our program! Please contact Barbara Ziz at 228-918-9778. CCD classes are on Wednesdays, from 5:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m., in the Sacred Heart Center.

**MUSIC FOR THIS WEEKEND**

<b>ENTRANCE HYMN</b>	<b>#466</b>
<b>OFFERTORY</b>	<b>#616</b>
<b>COMMUNION</b>	<b>#351</b>
<b>SENDING</b>	<b>#525</b>

**ANNUAL DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**

The Annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass will take place on Sunday, October 1, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. in the Cathedral. **The deadline for registration by mail is September 15, 2017.** We have registration forms in the back of the church.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK FAMILY**

<b>Mon Sep 11</b>	Col 1:24-2:3, Lk 6:6-11
<b>Tues Sep 12</b>	Col 2:6-15, Lk 6:12-19
<b>Wed Sep 13</b>	Col 3:1-11, Lk 6:20-26, Eph 4:1-7, 11-13, Mk 4:1-10, 13-20
<b>Thur Sep 14</b>	Nm 21:4b-9, Phil 2:6-11, Jn 3:13-17
<b>Fri Sep 15</b>	1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14, Jn 19:25-27, Lk 2:33-35
<b>Sat Sep 16</b>	1 Tm 1:15-17, Lk 6:43-49, 2 Cor 4:7-15, Jn 17:11b-19
<b>Sun Sep 17</b>	Sir 27:30-28:7, Rom 14:709, Mt 18:21-35



**YOUR SUNDAY TITHING AND CONTRIBUTIONS**

<i>Regular Collections</i>	\$	<b>12,054.49</b>
<i>Nativity Maintenance</i>	\$	<b>832.00</b>
<i>Capital Improve.</i>	\$	<b>520.00</b>
<b>TOTAL COLLECTION</b>	\$	<b>13,406.49</b>
<b>CASH NEEDED</b>	\$	<b>14,400.00</b>

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS OFFERING**

**MUSIC MINISTRY NOTES:**

**HYMN OF THE MONTH:**

For the month of September, our Hymn of the Month is *We Are Called* by David Haas. This is another wonderfully singable sacred song that is being used by our parish school - Nativity BVM School. Their School Year Theme is "CALLED"! As a part of the new Music and Fine Arts Ministry Program, we are working in the School to provide music and we are asking the beautiful Children's Choir to join us monthly at a 9:00 a.m.. Mass. We want to both partner with our School in their mission this year - one that couldn't be more profound than ever with the state of our world and the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey. And, additionally, we as a parish want to show our children and their parents and our teachers that we stand and worship with them by learning to sing and pray this song in each weekend's Mass celebration for the month. The song says: "Called to - Shine, Show, Sing, Act, Love." The power of the Gospel put to song. Join Us! You are always invited and welcomed to contact our Minister of Music-Director of Fine Arts at the listings below.

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**NATIVITY YOUTH MINISTRY**

Youth Ministry will kick off this Sunday, September 10 for all youth in grades 6-12. We will begin with an afternoon of bowling & pizza at Cypress Lanes from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. and a Youth Mass will follow at Nativity B.V.M. Cathedral at 5:30 p.m. Please contact Kristy Arguelles (324-9934) or Kim Audo (365-3248) or email [nativityyouthministrybiloxi@gmail.com](mailto:nativityyouthministrybiloxi@gmail.com) if you are interested in attending. Transportation is available from the Youth Hall to the Bowling Alley and/or from the Bowling Alley to 5:30 Mass. We look forward to seeing you there!

**LITURGICAL AND SPIRITUAL LIFE MEETING**

Liturgical & Spiritual Life Committee Meeting will be **SEPTEMBER 12th** at 6:00 p.m. in the Sacred Heart Center Meeting Room. Mark your calendars!!

<b>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS</b>	<b>LECTORS</b>	<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>
<b>Sep 16 4:00 pm</b> <b>1. Helen Languirand</b> 2. Kalin Lloyd 3. Ann Kavanagh 4. Gerrie Weldon 5. Liz Joachim <b>Sep 17 7:00 am</b> <b>1. Danny Kavanagh</b> 2. Colleen Kavanagh 3. Dale Dorcik <b>9:00 am</b> 1. Maggie Landry 2. John Brauchle 3. Jim Compton 4. Barry Gilmore <b>11:00 am</b> <b>1. Deacon Ben</b> <b>2. Deacon Eddie</b> 3. Sandy Steckler 4. Judy Steckler 5. Rhonda Clark <b>5:30 pm</b> 1. Annette Luther 2. Teresa Ballinger 3. Kristy Arguelles	<b>Sep 16 4:00 pm</b> Julie Capuano <b>Sep 17 7:00 am</b> Sr. Mary Jo Mike <b>9:00 am</b> Michael Kessler <b>11:00 am</b> Linda Bourgeois <b>5:30 pm</b> Don Marie <b>CANTORS</b> <b>Sep 16 4:00 pm</b> William Endicott <b>Sep 17 9:00 am</b> Children's Mass and Youth Cantor <b>11:00 am</b> John Welter	<b>Sep 16 4:00 pm</b> Simon Randall Kingston Widell <b>Sep 17 7:00 am</b> Makayla Pfarrer Alec Stewart <b>9:00 am</b> Justin Useforge Jamey Useforge Annabelle Tarrant Brennan Tarrant <b>11:00 am</b> Hadyn Hollis Greysen Ross McRae Ross <b>5:30 pm</b> Jacob Arguelles Nicholas Arguelles Sydney Wills

## ASS INTENTIONS

	<b>6:30 a.m.</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>
Mon Sep 11	Otilio Aristizabal	George Krebs
Tue Sept 12	Josh Bozeman	Mark McDermott
Wed Sep 13	Flor Aristizabal	Gabe/Doris Kasovich
Thur Sep 14	Kathleen Hebert	Mark McDermott
Fri Sep 15	Gaspar/Mary Pizarich	Jim Lee
Sat Sep 16	<b>8</b> Pat Smolcich. <b>4</b>	Josephine Esposito Allen
Sun Sep 17	<b>7</b> -Maria Tran Thieu	<b>9</b> - F. T. P.
	<b>11</b> Mark McDermott.	<b>5:30</b> Anna Jo Wentzel

## PLEASE KEEP OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Buddy Pullen, Candy Widener, John Pat Skrmetti, Tiffany Whitehead, Lena Marchioni, Kay Lawson, Holly Hill, Georgia Bellais Dominick, Maxine Kiddinger, Marie Manning, Lisa Walker Kirkman, Raymond Egers, Betty Hilton, Walter Blessey, Mary Lancaster, Mickey Bradley, Cheryl Terry, Gwen Gollotte, Greg Hotaling, Richard "Red" White, Jack Joachim, Jr., Eugene LaCaze, Mabel Viator, Michael Zorich. and Karen Skremetta.

## NATIVITY'S ANNUAL BLUE MASS

As a community of faith, we do well to come together in prayer for protection and support of our First Responders. Our Blue Mass will be held on September 17, 2017 at 9:00 a.m., in our Cathedral for our firemen, policemen, chiefs, sheriffs and government officials. This Mass petitions protection from God for all who are engaged in the virtue of keeping peace, order and law in our communities.

## NATIVITY BVM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

\*Looking for a fun weekend activity? Come and enjoy the Biloxi Seafood Festival on Saturday and Sunday this weekend. While there, don't forget to visit the Nativity School Cakewalk! Donations of cakes and sweets for the cakewalk are always welcome! \*A benefit garage sale will be held on Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at Nativity School from 8:00 a.m. – Noon. Donations will be accepted on Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Proceeds will help to pay for medical expenses from cancer treatment for one of our parents.\*This is THE GAME! Monday evening, Sr. Mary Jo and Nanette Burke (who was the lucky person to win the drawing) will be attending the Minnesota Vikings/Saints game IN MINNESOTA. As you may recall, this trip was a gift from the parish in honor of Sister's 25 years as principal of the school. What a gift for a Viking fan who roots for the Saints, unless they are playing the Vikings!

## HOLY HOUR

Holy Hour will be on September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 6:00 p.m., in the Marian Chapel. Please consider coming and spending an hour with our Lord.

## PRAYER FOR PROTECTION FROM HURRICANES

Father, may all the elements of nature obey Your command. Calm the storms that threaten us and turn our fear of Your power into praise of Your goodness. Grant this, through Our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

## EMERGENCY-COLLECTION FOR VICTIMS OF

### HURRICANE HARVEY

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has announced an Emergency Collection for Victims of Hurricane Harvey. This collection will be taken up at all parishes in the Diocese of Biloxi this weekend. Please be generous.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sept 11 Women of Mary at 5:30 p.m.  
 Sept. 12 -Men of St. Joseph, 7:00 a.m. – SHC  
 Bingo Mania 5:30 p.m.  
**RCIA at 6:00 p.m. in the RCIA Room-SHC**  
 Liturgical meeting at 6:00 p.m. SHC  
 Sept 13 - Cleaning Team "D"  
 Seashore Oaks Mass, 3:00 p.m.  
**CCD -5:30 p.m. SHC**  
 Sept 14 Greenbriar Mass, 10:00 a.m.  
 Holy Hour at 6:00 p.m., Marian Chapel

## WORKSHOPS FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS AND LECTORS!

Father Colten Symmes will oversee the Workshops for the new Extraordinary Ministers and Lectors. The dates are as follows: Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion – September 21<sup>st</sup>, at 6:00 p.m., in the Cathedral. Lectors – September 28<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 p.m., in the Cathedral.

## BINGO MANIA

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday. The following families are scheduled for September 12th: Borja (Mary), Bounds (Don & Zina Puz), Canonici (Jason & Stephanie), Chereskin (Alan), Codella (John & Rachel), Gruich (April Croncich) and Koval (Ryan & Hailey). **REMEMBER! If you are unable to attend, it is your responsibility to secure a replacement.**