





**We have now entered Part Two of Mark's Gospel (8:27-16:8).** After having been consistently rejected and misunderstood despite all he has said and done, Jesus starts to proclaim the necessity of the suffering, death, and resurrection of the Son of Man in God's plan. The First Reading talks about the Servant of the Lord who suffers, not in spite of his innocence, but because of it. But he is sustained in all his trials by the firm belief that God is with him. The Suffering Servant represents the many suffering just people. The New Testament sees Jesus as the Suffering Servant *par excellence*. In the Gospel we have Peter's profession of faith. In response to that confession, Jesus makes a threefold disclosure: that the Messiah must suffer, that his disciples must be prepared to share his suffering, and that his and their suffering will lead to ultimate glory.


 **You are invited to join in praying the Liturgy of the Hours** before the 8:15 a.m. Mass (Monday – Thursday) beginning at 7:45 a.m. in the Church. The Liturgy of the Hours (often referred to as the Breviary) is the book of daily prayer of the Roman Catholic Church. It is the psalms, scripture passages, and hymns with spiritual writings given in a four week volume to be prayed at different hours of the day. It is mandatory for priest and religious, but can also be prayed by lay persons.


 **You are invited to come to a Marian Movement of Priest Cenacle Mass on Monday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. Mass, Rosary, and Consecration**


 **The Lord Is My Help** needs volunteers to pack take-out lunches from 9:15 - 10:30 a.m. and/or to serve lunch from 11:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. (no cooking involved) this coming week (September 13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>).

If you are able to volunteer your time on any of these days at either/both of the times, please call Norma Williams at 875-2636. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

 **An Altar Society Meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall Mtg Rm.**

 **OUR LADY OF SORROWS: You are invited to come and join us for the 8:15 Mass followed by the recitation of the Rosary of the Seven Sorrows (a rosary of repentance) on the third Saturday of each month. (i.e. September 18<sup>th</sup>).** The purpose of our coming together is threefold: 1) To pray for all victims of sexual abuse 2) To pray, in reparation for all the vile sins committed against the Body of Christ, and 3) To pray for the graces of repentance, healing, conversion and salvation of ALL SOULS!

 **An anointing of the Sick** will take place on Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m. (before the 4:00 p.m. Mass) in the Church. This is for all elderly parishioners, anyone with an illness, or parishioners with elderly or homebound family members that may wish to receive this Sacrament.

 **Saint Pio's feast day is September 23<sup>rd</sup>.** Apply at the website below and follow the conditions necessary to become a spiritual child of Saint Pio! Be reminded in Saint Pio's own words, "I shall stand at the gates of Paradise until all my spiritual children have entered". To sign up, go to [www.stpiodevotionsg.com/spiritualchildform](http://www.stpiodevotionsg.com/spiritualchildform).

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**  
Your prayers are requested for the deceased priests who have ministered in the diocese, especially those who have died around this time of year:  
Reverend Patrick McDermott, September 17, 2017  
Reverend Nicholas Filipich, September 17, 2001


**Altar Society Members for next week  
Judi Anderson, Aline Balius and Theresa Stuart**

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER 13</b>
1 Timothy 2:1-8; Luke 7:1-10	
6:30 a.m.	Simon and Barbara Latour
8:15 a.m.	Mr. Carl Clark
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER 14</b>
Numbers 21:4b-9; Philippians 2:6-11; John 3:13-17	
6:30 a.m.	Mr. Glenn Ryan
8:15 a.m.	Mr. Leo Noble
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER 15</b>
1 Timothy 3:14-16; John 19:25-27	
6:30 a.m.	Ms. Margaret G. Dietrick
8:15 a.m.	Mr. Richard M. Durkin, Sr.
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER 16</b>
1 Timothy 4:12-16; Luke 7:36-50	
6:30 a.m.	Ms. Janice Elaine Winterstein
8:15 a.m.	Ms. Jocelyn Mayfield
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER 17</b>
1 Timothy 6:2c-12; Luke 8:1-3	
6:30 a.m.	Mass of Thanksgiving for Favors Received
8:15 a.m.	Mr. Johnny Norman
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER 18</b>
1 Timothy 6:13-16; Luke 8:4-15	
8:15 a.m.	Ms. Ruth Boney
4:00 p.m.	Ms. Susie Jurich
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER 19</b>
Wisdom 2:12, 17-20; James 3:16—4:3; Mark 9:30-37	
7:30 a.m.	Special Intention
9:00 a.m.	Mr. Gerard "Gerry" McInerney
11:30 a.m.	Ms. Lynn Pitalo Creel
5:30 p.m.	Congregation

## WEEKLY OFFERING

Sunday Collection.....\$12,890.55  
Weekly/Monthly Online Collection.....\$ 5,200.00  
Monthly Poor Collection.....\$ 4,495.00  
May God Bless You for your generous and faithful support


 **Pray for Our Parishioners and Friends:** Rita Allen, C.L. Ates, Kevin Barry, Beckett Bassenger, Anthony David Belson, Elaine Belson, Bob Boney, Abby Bosarge, Mercedes Bosarge, Shelle Bosarge, Carole Bourgeois, Bryleigh Brochard, Kay Brochard, Elena Broussard, Don Burchette, Sybil Burchinal, Arlene Burns, Carol Lee Cantin, Vicki Carter, Carolyn Castleman, Pat Cronin, Lisa Cabbage, Breanne Dalton, Gina Dasher, Wendy Decker, Oscar DeMauro, Jeannine Dionne, Marjorie DuBois, Betty Dugan, Ansley Gilich, Julian Galloway, Sandra Grantham, Mary Jo Hoogstra, Betty Horton, Catherine Jackson, Melissa James, Ashley Jensen, Otis Kaufman, Dianne Kuljis, Daisie Laborde, Barbara Langan, Catherine Lawrence, Judy and Randy Lesso, Albert Gregory Mansfield, Gordon Mathieu, Melissa Menard, EJ McIntyre, Cheryl Megie, Edna Miguez, Iva Misko, Donna Necaie, Leonard Necaie, Edward Necaie, Terése Nicovich, Shirley and Travis Norman, Della Faye Odom, Roger Parker, The Petitjean Family, Richard Potash, Michael Punziano, Anne Purdy, Jan Roberts, Margaret Rucinski, Carter James Sanders, Harold (Jimmy) Saylor, Jr., Kerry Senseney, Jr., Dale Seymour, Joyleen Seymour, Nell Stanton, Mary Terry, Ann Tootle, Dianne Tootle, Dolores Trenouth, Ted Ursu, Rose M. Vail, Ashley Vickers, Charlotte Williams, and Thane Williams.

## FAITH FORMATION

**Kindergarten - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Sunday, 10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.  
Contact Jane Sema at [jsema@osstalphonusus.org](mailto:jsema@osstalphonusus.org)

**Edge (6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade):** Sunday, 6:30 p.m. (after 5:30 p.m. Mass)  
**Life Teen (9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Gr):** Sunday, 6:30 p.m. (after 5:30 p.m. Mass)  
Contact Patience Clasen at [pclasen@osstalphonusus.org](mailto:pclasen@osstalphonusus.org)

**Confirmation (11<sup>th</sup> Gr):** Sunday, 6:30 p.m. (after 5:30 p.m. Mass)  
**RCIA:** Thursday, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m., Parish Hall Meeting Room  
Contact Chris Molino at [cmolino@osstalphonusus.org](mailto:cmolino@osstalphonusus.org)


 **Faith Formation Classes begin this weekend. If you have not registered your child/children, please come to the Parish Hall after any of the masses this weekend to register.**

**Sept 14/21: Book Study** (Women of the Bible Speak by Shannon Bream). Will be held at Sue Mihal's house beginning Tuesday, September 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:00 a.m. A Salad Luncheon, for those interested in the Book Study, will be held on Tuesday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. For more information, please call Sue at 601-573-0020.

**Sept 16: RCIA,** 6:00 – 7:30 p.m., Parish Hall Meeting Room

**Sept 19: Faith Formation Classes for all Youth Programs** (times above) Fellowship and dinner will be offered each Sunday for those students in 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Anyone interested in sponsoring the meal or if you have additional questions, please reach out to Patience Clasen @ [pclasen@osstalphonusus.org](mailto:pclasen@osstalphonusus.org).

**Adult Study Class,** 10:15 a.m., Explaining The Faith... Parish Hall Meeting Room. All are welcome to attend.

 **The Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP), a nonprofit organization that helps those living in poverty, will sponsor the Annual Friends of the Poor Walk/Run on Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup> to benefit those in our community that need help with rental assistance and most utilities.** Registration will begin at 8:00AM and the "Walk" will begin at 9:00AM with the Boy Scouts of Troop 211 leading the way.... The Society of St. Vincent de Paul ([www.svdpsusa.org](http://www.svdpsusa.org)) is a national and international, nonprofit, Catholic lay organization who offers a variety of programs and services, including home visits, housing assistance, disaster relief, education and mentoring, food pantries, dining halls, clothing, assistance with transportation, prescription medication, and rent and utility costs. Over the past year, SVdP provided over \$3.4 billion in tangible and in-kind services to those in need, and helped more than 5.4 million people regardless of race, religion, or national origin. All proceeds and donations from the event will directly benefit the people in the Ocean Springs/Jackson County area served by our St. Alphonsus Conference of SVdP. Anyone interested in learning more, wishing to participate on line, or would like to make a donation, can visit [www.fopwalk.org](http://www.fopwalk.org), call the Rectory at 228- 875-5419 or ask any member of the SVDP St Alphonsus Conference.

**REFLECTION**  
**Faith without works**  
A watch may have a gold chain, but if it doesn't tell the time it is useless. A fruit tree may be teeming with blossoms, but if it doesn't produce fruit it is useless. A lamp may be studded with diamonds, but if it doesn't give light it is worthless. And a faith that doesn't result in good works is dead. The fruit of prayer is faith. The fruit of faith is love. The fruit of love is service. And the fruit of service is peace.

 **The Flowers on the Altar are in Memory of all Deceased Altar Society Members**


**PRAY FOR VOCATIONS**

## ST. ALPHONSUS SCHOOL

**Sept 15:** Early Dismissal, 2:00 p.m.  
**Sept 17:** Children's Mass 8:15 a.m.

## ST. PATRICK HIGH SCHOOL

**Sept 15:** Homecoming Movie Night, 7:00 p.m.  
**Sept 16:** Homecoming Mass, 9:40 a.m.  
**Sept 17:** Homecoming Tailgate, 5:30 p.m.  
**Sept 18:** Homecoming Dinner, Grades 9-12, 7:00 – 10:00 p.m.

 **Currently, we have 156 adorers signed up, covering 108 hours.** If your hour falls during the 6:30 am or the 8:15 am daily mass, please attend mass. If you committed to an hour and are not going, please make this a priority and start going. If you decide you can't keep this commitment, please remove yourself from the schedule. People are signing up and looking for an open hour or an hour with only 1 other person already committed. It is deceiving when several people are signed up for the same hour but only 1, or perhaps, none are going. We are trying very hard to become a perpetual chapel and need everyone to do their part. It may take time to figure out which hour works best for you and that is alright. Just make sure to switch your hour on the website so we can keep it as up to date as possible. Thank you for being patient while we continue to update the Chapel. The large pews are being refinished and upholstered and may take a while. In the meantime, we have the four smaller pews to use.


**The following hours need coverage in the Chapel:**  
**Sunday (17 hours):** 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11:00 a.m.  
12, 1, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11:00 p.m.  
**Monday (7 hours):** 12, 1, 2, 3, 4:00 a.m.; 2, 11:00 p.m.  
**Tuesday (7 hours):** 1, 2, 3, 4 a.m.; 5, 10, 11:00 p.m.  
**Wednesday (6 hours):** 12, 1, 2, 4, 6:00 a.m.; 11:00 p.m.  
**Thursday (5 hours):** 1, 2, 3, 6:00 a.m.; 5:00 p.m.  
**Friday (10 hours):** 3, 4, 6, 10:00 a.m.; 2, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11:00 p.m.  
**Saturday (15 hours):** 12, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 9, 10:00 a.m.  
1, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11:00 p.m.

To view/sign up/change the schedule, visit the website at: [stalphonusus.weadorehim.com/signup](http://stalphonusus.weadorehim.com/signup)

**"Come to me all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." ~ Jesus**

**The Sacrament of the Eucharist**  
(Articles taken from the *Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church*)  
**280. In what way is the Eucharist a memorial of the sacrifice of Christ?** CCC 1362-1367

The Eucharist is a *memorial* in the sense that it makes present and actual the sacrifice which Christ offered to the Father on the cross, once and for all on behalf of mankind. The sacrificial character of the Holy Eucharist is manifested in the very words of institution, "This is my Body which is given for you": and "This cup is the New Covenant in my Blood that will be shed for you" (Luke 22:19-20). The sacrifice of the cross and the sacrifice of the Eucharist are *one and the same sacrifice*. The priest and the victim are the same; only the manner of offering is different: in a bloody manner on the cross, in an unbloody manner in the Eucharist.

 **Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of: Tanya Guice, sister of Angela Cvitanovich of this parish, who passed away September 1<sup>st</sup>.**  
**Roland J. Hymel, Jr.,** brother of Liz (Dick) Eckert of this parish, who passed away September 4<sup>th</sup> in Covington, Louisiana.  
**Frank Ross,** brother of Margaret (Roland) Broussard and uncle to Aline (Bubba) Balius of this parish, who passed away September 7<sup>th</sup> in Lumberton.  
We extend our sympathy to each family and promise them a remembrance in our prayers. May God grant them eternal peace.