

In the Gospel we have John’s version of Pentecost, birthday of the Church. The risen Jesus appears to his apostles, showing them his wounds and bestowing peace on them. He gives them the gift of the Spirit and inaugurates the mission of the Church, which is the continuance of his own mission (to preach repentance for the forgiveness of sins).

One of the effects of the gift of the Spirit was that the Church had the power to forgive sins. We can confidently say that the Church’s use of the Sacrament of Reconciliation is one valid and legitimate way of exercising the power over sin given by the risen Jesus to his disciples.

Thomas’ profession of faith, ‘My Lord and my God’, is the supreme christological statement of John’s Gospel. Originally John’s Gospel ended where today’s passage ends.

For this and the next five Sundays the Second Reading is taken from the Book of Revelation. The book is the revelation of Jesus Christ, made known through an angel to an unidentified prophet, John. It describes the battle between good and evil, and assures believers that good (God) will triumph. It was addressed to the whole Church and was meant to be read at liturgical assemblies to encourage believers to hold fast to the faith in times of persecution.



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MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY	APRIL 25
1 Peter 5:5b-14; Mark 16:15-20	
6:30 a.m.	Mr. Carlton Latour
8:15 a.m.	Mr. James Copen
TUESDAY	APRIL 26
Acts 4:32-37; John 3:7b-15	
6:30 a.m.	MC and Juan Peters
8:15 a.m.	Mr. Henry Endt, Sr.
WEDNESDAY	APRIL 27
Acts 5:17-26; John 3:16-21	
6:30 a.m.	Mr. Edward G. Dietrick, Sr.
8:15 a.m.	Mr. Leo Noble
THURSDAY	APRIL 28
Acts 5:27-33; John 3:31-36	
6:30 a.m.	Mr. Dick Porterfield
8:15 a.m.	Int. Robert and Jane Sema
FRIDAY	APRIL 29
Acts 5:34-42; John 6:1-15	
6:30 a.m.	Mr. Johnny Norman
8:15 a.m.	Int. Ms. Jolynda Daughty
SATURDAY	APRIL 30
Acts 6:1-7; John 6:16-21;	
8:15 a.m.	Deceased Knights of Columbus
4:00 p.m.	Ms. Pat McMackin
SUNDAY	May 1
Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Rev 5:11-14; John 21:1-19	
7:30 a.m.	Ms. Irene Enger
9:00 a.m.	Mr. Marvin James Ramsay
11:30 a.m.	Susan and Scott Bishop
5:30 p.m.	Congregation

WEEKLY OFFERING

Sunday Collection.....	\$12,942.81
Weekly Online Collection.....	\$ 2,109.00
Holy Thursday Collection.....	\$ 565.00
Good Friday Holy Land Collection.....	\$ 596.00
May God Bless You for your generous and faithful support	

Altar Society Members for next week
Joan Burres, Darlene Nichols, Juliana Skelton

FAITH FORMATION

Apr 28: RCIA, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m., Parish Hall Meeting Room

May 1: Faith Formation Classes

Adult Study Class, 10:15 a.m., Parish Hall Meeting Room

We welcome the following new members of our parish who entered the church at the Easter Vigil through a Profession of Faith: Hunter Landgrave, Jake Landgrave, Kandace Landgrave, Kelly Pugh and Matthew Storr. Ali Landgrave and Lauren Landgrave received their First Communion.



The Chapel is open for you 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Make a point to spend an hour or more with our Lord.

To view the adoration schedule or to sign up for a weekly adoration hour—visit stalphonus.weadorehim.com. If you know you cannot make your hour, please request a substitute on the website.

1. Log in to your adoration account at stalphonus.weadorehim.com
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6. Click ‘Okay’ to complete.

The computer will now find you a substitute and let you know when one has been secured.

Call 228-282-0984 for any questions on logging in or using the website.



Evening of Intercession

Intercessory prayer is going between the Lord and the person you are praying for, asking the Lord to show them his mercy and blessings.

I invite you to come and be a part of this night of intercession even if you have never heard about intercessory prayer before. We will meet in the church on Wednesday, April 27 from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 pm. Please bring your Rosary with you. I look forward to seeing you there. —Deacon Jim



A Men’s Cursillo will be held May 12-15, 2022 at the Sacred Heart Retreat Center in Dedeaux. The Spiritual Director will be Fr. Khoa Vo. Applications are available online at: <https://biloxicursillo.org>. If you have questions, please call 228-382-3215.



If you have not yet made a pledge or given a one-time gift to the CSA, pledge envelopes are available at each of the exits of the Church.

To date 112 pledges (out of 1267 registered families) have been made which total \$68,783. This gives us a total of \$7,637 over our parish goal of \$61,146. Remember – since our parish has reached its goal, all funds raised over the goal are returned to the parish for our use. Every gift, regardless of size, is vital to the success of the Appeal. We thank those who have already responded to help the less fortunate in our community. Please make all checks payable to the Catholic Sharing Appeal and mail directly to the Diocese. You may also give online at www.biloxidiocese.org/catholic-sharing-appeal.



Pray for Our Parishioners and Friends: Kevin Barry, Beckett Bassenger, Christopher Bellman, Anthony David Belson, Elaine Belson, Bob Boney, Mercedes Bosarge, Carole Bourgeois, Bryleigh Brochard, Jeffrey Brochard, Kay Brochard, Roland and

Margaret Broussard, Sybil Burchinal, Arlene Burns, Vicki Carter, Carolyn Castleman, Jennifer Catchot, Christine Chandler, Pat Cronin, Breanne Dalton, Gina Dasher, Jeannine Dionne, Marjorie DuBois, Gordon Gaethe, Ansley Gilich, Julian Galloway, Sandra Grantham, Sean Halat, Mary Jo Hoogstra, Ashley Jensen, Otis Kaufman, Daisie Laborde, Judy and Randy Lesso, Albert Gregory Mansfield, Gordon Mathieu, Melissa Menard, Iva Misko, Johnny Mitchell, Edward Necaize, Terése Nicovich, Shirley and Travis Norman, The Petitjean Family, Richard Potash, Jan Roberts, Charles Wesley Ryan, Jr., Margaret Rucinski, Harold (Jimmy) Saylor Jr., Jerry Schneider, Dale Seymour, Joyleen Seymour, Ann Tootle, Dianne Tootle, Ted Ursu, Rose M. Vail, Margaret Misko VanLoon, and Ashley Vickers.

ST. ALPHONSUS SCHOOL

Apr 27: Progress Reports

Apr 29: Children’s Mass, 8:15 a.m.

St. Alphonsus School is looking to hire a PK1 Teacher. If you have childcare experience and would be interested, please contact the school at 875-5329.

St. Alphonsus School’s 5th Annual Spring Soiree, “Run for the Roses” will be held on Friday, May 6th at Galleria BMW. Tickets and sponsorships are available now! Please join this coast-wide event and bring a friend as we raise funds to support the students at St. Alphonsus School. The schools past events have helped to enhance curriculum, provide cutting edge technology in every classroom, and support St. Al’s new piano lab, where every child at St. Alphonsus is receiving piano and music instruction! Tickets may be bought off the school website at STAL.org. Questions may be directed to pto@stal.org.

ST. PATRICK HIGH SCHOOL

Apr 27: Senior Retreat

Apr 28: Mass, 9:40 a.m.

Apr 29/30: Spring Drama Production, 6:00 p.m.

May 1: Science Honor Society Blood Drive, 1:00 - 6:00 p.m.
 Spring Drama Production, 2:00 p.m.



Attention Graduating Seniors: There are two \$500 Scholarships available from The Chris Nielsen Scholarship Fund to be given away by the Knights of Columbus. If interested in applying for this scholarship, please email Brian Sanderson at bsanderson@cardinalgroupllc.com to receive the requirements and registration form. **Deadline: June 3, 2022**



The Sacred Heart and Notre Dame Classes of 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982 and 1983 will be holding a REUNION on June 10 & 11, 2022.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Friday, June 10: 6:00 p.m. Poker Run/Pub Crawl in Downtown Biloxi. Starting Pub to be determined
 Saturday, June 11: 4:00 Mass at Nativity, BVM; 6:00 p.m. gathering at the Slavonian Lodge Food, Music and Open Bar Provided
 Reunion Costs: \$80.00 – Couple; \$40 - Single
 Checks should be remitted to: SHAND, PO Drawer 1939, Biloxi, MS 39533. or VENMO to Leslie Howarth@MC-SHAND
 Payment is due by April 29, 2022



The St. Alphonsus St. Vincent de Paul Society recently awarded the Bob Mayer Scholarship to the Ballinger family at St. Alphonsus Elementary School. Bob Mayer was a longtime parishioner and charter SVDP member who generously supported our parish school. The Ballinger family will receive \$1,000 towards the tuition for the 22-23 school year. In addition to the Bob Mayer Scholarship, our SVDP awarded three \$1000 scholarships to deserving local graduating high school seniors. This year’s recipients are Kianna Bailey, Ocean Springs High School; Gracie Tran, St. Patrick High School; and Tabitha Real, St. Martin High School.



Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of: Belinda Gryder-Guice, sister-in-law of Micha Gryder of this parish, who passed away April 12th.

Patsy Bertran, a member of our parish community, who passed away April 14th.

Paula Burch, daughter of Norman & Olive Burch of this parish, who passed away April 19th.

We extend our sympathy to each family and promise them a remembrance in our prayers. May God grant them eternal peace.

Pray For Vocations