

The First Reading is taken from 2 Maccabees. A feature of this book is its confident teaching on the afterlife. Our reading tells (in part) the story of the martyrdom of a mother and her seven sons. This is an example of the resistance of the Jews against their conquerors. The woman and her sons drew their strength from faith in the resurrection of the just. And it is this latter idea which connects the reading with today's Gospel.

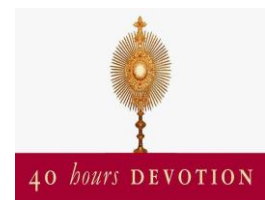
Jesus is drawn into the argument which went on between the Sadducees and the Pharisees regarding the resurrection. The Sadducees did not believe in the resurrection; the Pharisees did.

Jesus used the insincere inquiry as an opportunity to deliver a genuine teaching. The first thing he did was to challenge the assumption that the afterlife is just a continuation of this life, with some extras thrown in. He made it clear that there is no comparison between this life and that of the resurrection.

Then he went on to use another argument to support belief in the resurrection of the dead. God is known as a God of the living. But he is also known as the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. This means that the patriarchs must be still living.

As Christians our hope of resurrection is founded on the love God has shown us in Jesus (Second Reading). Nevertheless, the above readings will help to strengthen our faith as believers.

--by Flor McCarthy, SDB



We will pray a 40-hours devotion November 11th – 13th for the intentions of families and for “Walking with Mom’s in Need.” Please sign up for an hour to join our prayers for these two intentions. For more information, please call Beth McMackin at 228-324-4188.



You are invited to come to a Marian Movement of Priest Cenacle Mass on Friday, November 11th at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. Mass, Rosary, and Consecration



A National Collection will be taken up next weekend (November 12/13) for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA. Envelopes are available at the exits of the Church.



The Knights of Columbus will serve breakfast next Sunday (November 13th) from 8:00 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. in the KC Hall for \$8.00 a plate. Breakfast will include eggs & pancakes (to order), grits, bacon, sausage, biscuits, gravy, coffee and juice. Come and enjoy the great food and fellowship.



An Altar Society Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 16th at 9:00 a.m. in the Lady of Mount Carmel Meeting Room.



RCIA Rite of Election will be held on Thursday, November 17th at 6:00 p.m. in the Church.

A Parish Potluck will follow in the KC Hall afterwards.



All are invited to both events.



Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of: Joyce Ann Lopez, wife of Alfredo Lopez of this parish, who passed away October 19th.

Lucy Holdinsky, aunt of Gail (Barney) Banks of this parish, who passed away in Mingo Junction, Ohio on October 26th.

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

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY	NOVEMBER 7
Titus 1:1-9; Luke 17:1-6	
6:30 a.m.	Mr. Malcolm Latour, Jr.
8:15 a.m.	All Souls
TUESDAY	NOVEMBER 8
Titus 2:1-8, 11-14; Luke 17:7-10	
6:30 a.m.	Mr. George Sliman, Sr.
8:15 a.m.	All Souls
WEDNESDAY	NOVEMBER 9
Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12: 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; John 2:13-22	
6:30 a.m.	All Souls
8:15 a.m.	Mr. Alfred Seymour
THURSDAY	NOVEMBER 10
Philemon 7-20; Luke 17:20-25	
6:30 a.m.	All Souls
8:15 a.m.	Mr. Matre Gospodinovich
FRIDAY	NOVEMBER 11
2 John 4-9; Luke 17:26-37	
6:30 a.m.	All Souls
8:15 a.m.	Int. Veterans
SATURDAY	NOVEMBER 12
3 John 5-8; Luke 18:1-8	
8:15 a.m.	All Souls
4:00 p.m.	Ms. Susie Jurich
SUNDAY	NOVEMBER 13
Malachi 3:19-20a; 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12; Luke 21:5-19	
7:30 a.m.	Congregation
9:00 a.m.	Ms. Gwen Noble
11:30 a.m.	Mr. Darren Salik
5:30 p.m.	All Souls

WEEKLY OFFERING

Sunday Collection.....\$9,414.21
 Weekly Online Collection.....\$1,730.00
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Pray for Our Parishioners and Friends: Kevin Barry, Beckett Bassenger, Christopher Bellman, Anthony David Belson, Elaine Belson, Betty Bodin, Bob Boney, Mercedes Bosarge, Carole Bourgeois, Bryleigh Brochard, Kay Brochard, Jeff Brochard, Roland and Margaret Broussard, Roxie Buckles, Sybil Burchinal, Arlene Burns, Vicki Carter, Carolyn Castleman, Jennifer Catchot, Christine Chandler, Pat Cronin, Billy Cruthirds, Breanne Dalton, Gina Dasher, Jeannine Dionne, Dale Dorcik, Marjorie DuBois, Gordon Gaethe, Ansley Gilich, Julian Galloway, Charlie Goff, Sandra Grantham, Mary Jo Hoogstra, Ashley Jensen, Otis Kaufman, Jack Kelly, Daisie Laborde, Judy and Randy Lesso, Albert Gregory Mansfield, Gordon Mathieu, Melissa Menard, Iva Misko, Johnny Mitchell, Edward Necaie, Terése Nicovich, Shirley and Travis Norman, The Petitjean Family, Richard Potash, Charles Wesley Ryan, Jr., Margaret Rucinski, Harold (Jimmy) Saylor Jr., Jerry Schneider, Dale Seymour, Bridgett Shepard, Dianne Tootle, Ted Ursu, Rose M. Vail, Margaret Misko VanLoon, and Ashley Vickers.

FAITH FORMATION

Kindergarten - 5th Grade: Sunday, 10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
 Contact Jane Sema at jsema@osstalphonusus.org

Edge (6th – 8th Grade): Sunday, 4:00 p.m. (before 5:30 p.m. Mass)
Life Teen (9th – 12th Gr): Sunday, 6:30 p.m. (after 5:30 p.m. Mass)
Confirmation (11th Gr): Wednesday, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
 Contact Will Haislmaier at whaislmaier@osstalphonusus.org

RCIA: Thursday, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m., Our Lady of Mount Carmel Mtg Rm
 Contact Rob or Christina Malloch at 872-6938

Nov 9: Confirmation Class: 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Nov 10: RCIA: 6:00 – 7:30 p.m., Lady of Mount Carmel Mtg Room
Nov 13: Adult Study Class, after 9am Mass, Mount Carmel Mtg Room
Faith Formation Classes, Kindergarten 0 5th Grade – 10:15 a.m.
Edge and Life Teen Classes – Times Above

Youth Ministry Volunteers needed - If interested in becoming a volunteer or for more information, please visit:
<https://forms.gle/9V3Ez6UVJrhJTPNU6>.



The St. Alphonsus Knights of Columbus will raffle off a Henry “Golden Boy” Lever Action Rifle 22 Caliber S/L/LR on Sunday, December 11th.

Tickets are \$10 each. For more information or to purchase a ticket, call Chuck Nannery at 875-0267. Tickets are also available at the Rectory Office during regular business hours.



BAY ST. LOUIS – Saint Stanislaus will hold an Open House on Tuesday, November 15th from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Saint Stanislaus is a Catholic, all-boys boarding and day school serving young men in grades 7 through 12. We invite parents and other interested parties to learn more about a Saint Stanislaus education. Students and parents can tour the campus and learn about academics, athletics, and extracurricular activities at this event. Visit our website to register and more information. <https://ststan.com/open-house-2022/>.

Upcoming Event – Save the Date

Nov 27: Knights of Columbus Blood Drive, 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.



Parishioner Registration: When planning a baptism, marriage, or to obtain subsidized tuition rates for our Catholic Schools, you must be able to demonstrate that you are a practicing Catholic and that you do attend Mass. It is the Church, not just this parish, which insists that signs of good faith commitment be present on these occasions. Using envelopes helps maintain a record of contributions and Mass attendance. Parish registration forms may be obtained in the Vestibule of the Church or at the Parish Office during regular office hours.



The Flowers on the Altar are in Honor of Deacon Jesus Arellano

Altar Society Members for next week
Donna Beaugez, Deni Helms
Jenny Hillyard, Pat Zuber

ST. ALPHONSUS SCHOOL

Nov 11: Children's Mass, 8:15 a.m.

Nov 13: Student Mass, 5:30 p.m.

ST. PATRICK HIGH SCHOOL

Nov 7: Varsity Football Banquet, 6:00 p.m.

Nov 9: Swim Team Banquet, 6:30 p.m.

Nov 10: Mass, 9:40 a.m.

Nov 13: Open House, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.



Bishop Gregory Mansour of the Maronite Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn has given his parishes seven tips to increase their devotion to the Holy Eucharist – methods anyone who wants to pursue a deeper understanding of the sacrament can use.

Each week we will list one of his steps:

7. Honor your family and unite your suffering to Christ.

Mansour instructed the faithful to honor their families and “see our work as an extension of the Eucharistic call to service.”

He also implored the faithful to unite their sufferings and anxieties to the sufferings of Jesus Christ and to embrace morality by following the Catholic Church's teachings.

Mansour wrote that by accomplishing these seven requests, “we will have entered more deeply into the spirit of this Eucharist amazement.”

His full letter can be read at: <https://www.stmaron.org/press-releases/eucharistic-amazement>.



To sign up for a holy hour or to become a substitute, scan the QR code or visit stalphonusus.weadorehim.com/signup.

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



The Diocese of Biloxi Pro-Life Ministry encourages you to purchase a **Choose Life license plate**. They are currently 100 tags shy of their goal of 300 license plates sold. Once they reach their goal, the state will begin printing the Choose Life license plates. Please consider purchasing a Choose Life license plate. Applications are available on the Diocesan website at: www.biloxidiocese.org/tags-for-life or at the Rectory Office during regular business hours.

For additional information, please contact June Bounds at 228-547-4404 or Karen Rhodes at 228-297-7704.



The Cursillo Movement of South Mississippi will have the next Women's Cursillo #291 weekend on December 8 - 11, 2022 at the Sacred Heart Dedeaux Retreat Center in Pass Christian. Applications are currently being accepted. Applications can be found online at www.biloxicursillo.org. For questions and/or more information, feel free to contact Gay Camagong at [228-424-7722](tel:228-424-7722) or Marcia Hebert at [413-433-3903](tel:413-433-3903).

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