

The theme of covenant dominates all three readings. The reading from Exodus describes the ratification of the Sinai covenant between God and Israel. The covenant was sealed with the blood of animals. Blood is a symbol of life which belongs exclusively to God. The sprinkling of the people with blood symbolizes the fact that God is sharing his life with them.

Jesus established a new covenant. Like the old covenant, it too was sealed with blood, except now it is not the blood of animals but his own blood. A new rite (the Eucharist) was instituted which would be a perpetual reminder of the intimate bond that now exists between God and his people. In the Eucharist Jesus shares his life with us.

By the sacrificial death of Christ, the supreme high priest, God has entered into a new and eternal covenant with his people (Second Reading).

--New Sunday & Holy Day Liturgies, by Flor McCarthy, SDB

To date 157 pledges (out of 1267 registered families) have been made which total \$72,123. **This leaves us a balance of \$825 to make our parish goal of \$72,948.** 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 checks payable to the Catholic Sharing Appeal and mail directly to the Catholic Diocese of Biloxi at 1790 Popps Ferry Road, Biloxi 39532. You may also donate online at www.biloxidiocese.org/giving.

You are invited to join us for the First Saturday Devotion on Saturday, June 1st at 7:45 a.m. (half hour before the 8:15 a.m. Mass) with Devotion, Consecration, Rosary and Benediction. Confession will also be available.

You are invited to join us for the First Friday Devotion & Benediction on Friday, June 7th beginning at 7:45 a.m. (prior to 8:15 mass).

Villa Maria Rosary - Please Join Us: You are invited to join us in praying the rosary outside on the lawn at the Villa Maria on Saturday, June 8th at 10:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome! We are looking forward to praying with you!

The Baptism Class for June has been cancelled. The next Baptism Class will be held in the Rectory on Wednesday, July 3rd at 7:00 p.m. Any parent with a child for baptism must attend this class prior to scheduling a baptism date. Godparents are also encouraged to attend. Godparents who are not registered /active members of St. Alphonsus must present a letter from their pastor giving them permission to be a godparent. A godparent must be a Catholic in good standing with the church, receiving the sacraments on a regular basis. Class lasts a little over one hour. Baptisms are scheduled each month on the 4th Sunday immediately after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Please call the Rectory with information on the child prior to attending the class.

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of: Doris "Eloise" Illanne, mother of Mike (Julie) Illanne of this parish who passed away April 29th in Cypress, Texas. **James "J.B." Brune,** son on Myra Brune of this parish, who passed away May 27th. **Michael "Mike" Nance,** former member of St. Alphonsus parish, who passed away May 27th. We extend our sympathy to each family and promise them a remembrance in our prayers. May God grant them eternal peace.

The Flowers on the Altar are in Honor of All Educators

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY	JUNE 3
2 Peter 1:2-7; Mark 12:1-12	
6:30 a.m.	Mr. Al Gianelloni
8:15 a.m.	Mr. Glen Bosarge
TUESDAY	JUNE 4
2 Peter 3:12-15a, 17-18; Mark 12:13-17	
6:30 a.m.	Simon and Barbara Latour
8:15 a.m.	Mr. Mark Toups
WEDNESDAY	JUNE 5
2 Timothy 1:1-3, 6-12; Mark 12:18-27	
6:30 a.m.	Ms. Margaret Dietrick
8:15 a.m.	Dr. Joseph Mitchell
THURSDAY	JUNE 6
2 Timothy 2:8-15; Mark 12:28-34	
6:30 a.m.	Ms. Josephine K. Mills
8:15 a.m.	Ms. Katherine Hanning
FRIDAY	JUNE 7
Hosea 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9; Ephesians 3:8-12, 14-19 John 19:31-37	
6:30 a.m.	Int. Ms. Skylar Hanshaw
8:15 a.m.	Ms. Jaqueline Hemenway
SATURDAY	JUNE 8
2 Timothy 4:1-8; Luke 2:41-51	
8:15 a.m.	Mr. Carlos Patino
4:00 p.m.	Ms. Margaret Broussard
SUNDAY	JUNE 9
Genesis 3:9-15; 2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1; Mark 3:20-35	
7:30 a.m.	Congregation
9:00 a.m.	Int. Ms. Kelsey Gunkel
11:30 a.m.	Mr. James Stewart
5:30 p.m.	Intention Religious

Pray for Our Parishioners and Friends: Beckett Bassenger, Christopher Bellman, Anthony David Belson, Elaine Belson, Betty Bodin, Bob Boney, Mercedes Bosarge, Michael Bosarge, Bryleigh Brochard, Kay Brochard, Jeff Brochard, Roland Broussard, Roxie Buckles, Arlene Burns, Mildred "Tootsie" Caillavet, Benny and Carol Lee Cantin, Marshall Car, Carolyn Castleman, Jennifer Catchot, Clifford Claverie, Scott Claverie, Pat Cronin, Breanne Dalton, Gina Dasher, Jeannine Dionne, Marjorie DuBois, Rose Mary Eagan, Nija Fountain, Ray Frazier, Gordon Gaethe, Ansley Gilich, Julian Galloway, Sandra Grantham, Josh Hamilton, Trent Hartzog, Margaret Hebert, Olivia Hood, Mary Jo Hoogstra, Ashley Jensen, Lora Jordan, Otis Kaufman, Jack Kelly, Bill Kortman, Mary Krystosek, Sawyer Kuljis, Daisie Laborde, Judy and Randy Lesso, Gordon Mathieu, Mrs. McKinney, Iva Misko, Edward Necaie, Donna and Edward Necaie Jr., Terese Nicovich, Shirley and Travis Norman, The Petitjean Family, Jean Petricca, Richard Potash, Charles Wesley Ryan, Jr., Margaret Rucinski, Julia Sarpy, Harold (Jimmy) Saylor Jr., Jerry Schneider, Courtney Severino, Dale Seymour, Bridgett Shepard, Glenn Sigurnjak, Myrt Talbott, Brittany and John Thornton, Dianne Tootle, Ted Ursu, Rose M. Vail, Margaret Misko VanLoon, Ashley Vickers and Glenn Williams, Sr.

WEEKLY OFFERING

Sunday Collection.....\$10,065.63
Weekly Online Collection.....\$ 2,542.00
May God Bless You for your generous and faithful support



Meeting Him in Prayer

"Prayer is the best preparation for Holy Communion. Prayer is the raising of the mind to God. When we pray we go to meet Christ who is coming to us. If our Creator and Savior comes from heaven with such great love, it is only fitting that we should go to meet Him. And this is what we do when we spend some time in prayer." ~St. Bernardine of Siena

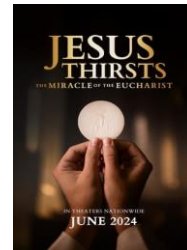
Please take time this week to visit Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and remember to close the tabernacle doors if no one else is adoring Him when you leave.

Come and experience Jesus' love for you, any day or hour of the week. He is ready to pour out his love and mercy to anyone who seeks him! Visit stalphonsus.weadorehim.com to view the adoration schedule and sign up for an hour.



Today as we celebrate the gift of the Body and Blood of Christ let us pray for those who are hungry, malnourished and starving.

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can help those who are hungry.



June 4:
Cinemark in Gulfport: 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.
Grand in D'Iberville: 7:00 p.m.
June 5:
Cinemark in Gulfport: 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.
Grand in D'Iberville: 7:00 p.m.

For more information about the movie, go to: jesusthirstsfilmm.com.



Attention St. Alphonsus Graduating High School Seniors: There is a \$1,000 Scholarship 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 5, 2024.**



There will be an Opus Sanctorum Angelorum meeting in the Parish Hall on Friday, June 7th from 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.



We will not be having the Evening of Intercessory Prayer during the month of June and July and will pick it back up in August. We want to thank you, each of you personally

for your participation and please, please continue to intercede your prayers through Mary Our Mother. We care about each of you and your intentions and will continue to keep you in OUR prayers. If you have a special intention during those months, please do not hesitate to ask for our prayers! We ask that you please come and continue to pray the rosary with us after the 8:15 a.m. masses from Monday through Saturday. Jesus Christ and Our Mother Church need all your intercessions and prayers. Everyone can come join us; Our Mother would be so pleased to present us to Her Son through our prayers. God bless each of you and thank you again and have a safe and Blessed summer!



St. Elizabeth Seton, Ocean Springs invites you to join them for this year's Vacation Bible School which will be held June 10th – 14th from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 Noon in Fannon Hall. The theme is: SCUBA.

For more information, please contact St. Elizabeth Seton at 875-0654.

The Diocese of Biloxi is both honored and excited to be a part of the Juan Diego Route of the National Eucharistic Revival Pilgrimage as it makes it ways to Indianapolis, Indiana for the National Eucharistic Congress to be held July 17th – 21st.

EUCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE DIOCESE OF BILOXI




<p>DAY 1 -- SUNDAY JUNE 9, 2024 Holy Family Church 2342 Evangeline Drive Pass Christian, MS 39571 https://www.holyfamilyparish.org PRIVATE EVENT: Dinner with Council & Diocesan Team Conference Center 6 p.m.</p> <p>DAY 2 -- MONDAY JUNE 10, 2024 Our Lady of the Gulf Church 228 S Beach Blvd. Bay St Louis, MS 39520-4320 https://olcgchurch.net Mass in Church 10 a.m., Testimonies in Church 11 a.m., Lunch, Welcome talk Bishop Louis Kihneman III, Bishop of Biloxi, Community Center 12 p.m., Right to Life Ministries talks Community Center 12:30 p.m., Exposition, Holy Hour and Benediction in Church 5 p.m., Social in Community Center 6 p.m.</p> <p>DAY 3 -- TUES, START JUNE 11, 2024 Our Lady of the Gulf Church 228 S Beach Blvd. Bay St Louis, MS 39520-4320 https://olcgchurch.net Mass in Church 7 a.m., Pilgrim Walk to St. Paul's Chapel 8 a.m.</p> <p>DAY 3 -- TUES, MID DAY JUNE 11, 2024 St Paul's Chapel 101-199 E Scenic Drive Pass Christian, MS 39571 https://www.holyfamilyparish.org Rosary at St. Paul's Chapel 12 p.m., Cultural Event & Lunch on Chapel Street 12:30 p.m.</p> <p>DAY 3 -- TUES, END JUNE 11, 2024 Holy Family Church 2342 Evangeline Drive Pass Christian, MS 39571 https://www.holyfamilyparish.org Adore Event in Church 8 p.m., Adoration in Church 8 p.m.-Midnight</p>	<p>DAY 4 -- WEDNESDAY START JUNE 12, 2024 St Paul's Chapel 101-199 E Scenic Drive Pass Christian, MS 39571 https://www.holyfamilyparish.org Mass in Chapel 6 a.m., Pilgrim Walk to St. Thomas Apostle Church 7 a.m.</p> <p>DAY 4 -- WEDNESDAY END JUNE 12, 2024 Saint Thomas the Apostle Church 720 East Beach Blvd., P.O. Box 1529 Long Beach MS. 39560 https://saintthomasib.org Adoration in Church 11:30 a.m., Lunch in Center 12:30 p.m., Deo Gloria in Church 5 p.m., Blessing of the Sea 7 p.m.</p> <p>DAY 5 -- THURSDAY START JUNE 13, 2024 Saint James Church 366 Cowan Road Gulfport, MS 39507 https://www.saintjamescc.com Mass in Church 7 a.m., Pilgrimage Rally in Parking Lot 8 a.m., Pilgrim Walk to Nativity B.V.M. Cathedral 9 a.m., XLT in Church 7 p.m.</p> <p>DAY 5 -- THURSDAY END JUNE 13, 2024 Nativity B.V.M. Cathedral 870 Howard Avenue Biloxi MS, 39530 https://nativitybvmscathedral.org Benediction in Cathedral upon arrival between 2 p.m. & 3 p.m.</p> <p>DAY 6 -- FRIDAY JUNE 14, 2024 Saint Alphonsus Church 502 Jackson Avenue Ocean Springs, MS 39564 https://stalphonsus.org Mass in Church with Vietnamese Choir 8:15 a.m., Corporal Works Mercy Cross Property 9 a.m., PRIVATE EVENT: Lunch at Anthony's Restaurant 1 p.m.</p>
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National Eucharistic Revival <https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/>
Diocese Eucharistic Revival
<https://www.biloxidiocese.org/eucharist>



Catholic Charities of South Mississippi Grieving and Growing Series June 17-21 from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Are you struggling with the loss of a loved one? Catholic Charities invites you to join their 5-part series presented by therapist Brooke Peleaz, "Grieving and Growing". This series is designed to guide you through the journey of grief and facilitate personal growth. The workshop is open to individuals ages 55 and up. In this series, you will: Connect with others who understand your pain; Learn healthy coping strategies; Explore the spiritual dimensions of grief; Gain tools to navigate the grieving process. This series offers a safe and nurturing environment to process your emotions, find comfort, and embark on a path towards growth and acceptance. For more information or to register call 228-219-5595 or email Meleuterius@biloxidiocese.org.



Annunciation Parish is having "800 GIVE AWAY DRAWDOWN", Fundraiser. \$800 will be given away each month for 12 months. The 1st ticket drawn will receive \$500. There will be 3 more tickets drawn for \$100 each. All the winners are eligible to win again as the tickets go back to the barrel for the next month drawdown. So you have the 12 chances of winning. The four drawings will be on the 1st Sunday of every month beginning August 4, 2024. Tickets are \$50. For the tickets, please contact Annunciation Church parish office, 228 255-1800 Mon – Fri. 8:30 – 12:30. Don't miss out!! Thank you for your kind support in maintaining this beautiful parish.