

In 4:35-5:43 Mark follows the section on the parables with four miraculous actions of Jesus. The first of these was the calming of the storm.

In the Bible the calming of a storm is a characteristic sign of divine power, because the sea and the wind are seen as forces of evil and chaos which only God can control (First Reading). But the storm can also stand for the trials and tribulations which the righteous suffer, and from which only the power of God can save them.

In the calming of the storm, the apostles witnessed a work that only God can accomplish, which means that Jesus has divine power. At the same time the miracle shows Jesus' care for his apostles. Mark is using the story for catechetical purposes. The storm reflects the post-Easter experience of the early Church. The disciples have run into all sorts of difficulties, and feel that the Lord has abandoned them. But they are summoned to have faith in his presence with them and care for them.

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



A Second Collection will be taken up next weekend for Peter's Pence. The faithful's offerings to the Holy Father through the Peter's Pence Collection are destined to Church needs, to humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects, as well as to the support of the Holy See.



The Cursillo Movement of South MS invites you to attend the next Women's Arise #73 Retreat to be held on July 27-28, 2024, at the Blessed Seelos Mercy House in Biloxi, MS.

Arise is designed for groups of people who would like to receive additional information about the Catholic faith in a short period of time (one weekend):

- Non-Catholic spouses of practicing Catholics
- Catholics who have been away from the church for a while or those needing a spiritual boost
- Those without a current church/religion who are "searching" for a new one or a more meaningful faith experience
- Or those taking instruction in the Catholic faith, Arise is for you!

Applications can be found online at biloxicursillo.org. Spacing is limited, so please register early. For more information, please contact Gay Camagong at (228)424-7722.



PLEASE JOIN US: You are invited to join us in praying the ROSARY every weekday, Monday through Saturday, after the 8:15 a.m. mass at St. Alphonsus Church in Ocean Springs. The Blessed Mother Mary herself prays with us. The Rosary prayer embraces the problems of the Church, of the See of Saint Peter, the problems of the whole world. In it we also remember sinners, that they may be converted and saved, and the souls in purgatory. And now more than ever we pray for world peace. Please we need your participation and prayers! Everyone is welcome!



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.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY	JUNE 24
Isaiah 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26; Luke 1:57-66, 80	
6:30 a.m.	Ms. Mollie Davidson
8:15 a.m.	Mr. Andy Harmon
TUESDAY	JUNE 25
2 Kings 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36; Matthew 7:6, 12-14	
6:30 a.m.	Mr. Louis Keys
8:15 a.m.	Ms. Oberia Hawkins
WEDNESDAY	JUNE 26
2 Kings 22:8-13; 23:1-3; Matthew 7:15-20	
6:30 a.m.	Mr. Dan Dietrick, Sr.
8:15 a.m.	Mr. Henry Endt, Sr.
THURSDAY	JUNE 27
2 Kings 24:8-17; Matthew 7:21-29	
6:30 a.m.	Dr. William Lobrano
8:15 a.m.	Int. Dr. Anna Bettois
FRIDAY	JUNE 28
2 Kings 25:1-12; Matthew 8:1-4	
6:30 a.m.	Mr. Billy Gianelloni
8:15 a.m.	Mr. James "JB" Brune
SATURDAY	JUNE 29
Acts 12:1-11; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18; Matthew 16:13-19	
8:15 a.m.	Ms. Doris "Eloise" Illanne
4:00 p.m.	Mr. Ralph Balius
SUNDAY	JUNE 30
Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24; 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15; Mark 5:21-43	
7:30 a.m.	Congregation
9:00 a.m.	Int. Homebound
11:30 a.m.	Mr. Delma Joseph Meaux, Jr.
5:30 p.m.	Mr. Dennis Van Acker



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, Ron & Hillery Jenkins and Family, 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 Necaize, Donna and Edward Necaize Jr., Terése Nicovich, Shirley and Travis Norman, Kathy Pasquini, 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.....	\$10,927.30
Weekly Online Collection.....	\$ 2,110.00
Diocesan Priest Supplemental Collection.....	\$ 2,737.60

May God Bless You for your generous and faithful support

Prayer and Holiness



Every soul that prays will attain holiness. Prayer is faith believing, hope supplicating, love demanding. Eucharistic prayer rises directly to the heart of God. What about you? Do you pray? Do you have a Eucharistic prayer life?

Prayer is absolutely necessary if you want to become a saint. What makes each saint like the others is that they all prayed. Without prayer, it is impossible to become holy. Acquiring a Eucharist-centered prayer life makes prayer easier for a person and gives you a greater ability to persevere in it. When you make the Eucharist the center of your daily work and actions, your prayer life becomes a part of your being. Today, make a decision to start living a Eucharistic-centered prayer life. ~Fr. Donald Calloway, 30 Day Eucharistic Revival

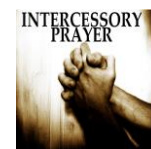
"Nowhere does Jesus hear our prayers more readily than in the Blessed Sacrament" ~Blessed Henry Suso

Visit our chapel any time of day and experience his mercy! stalphonusus.weadorehim.com
Please remember to close the tabernacle doors if no one else is adoring Him when you leave.



In the Gospel today, Jesus calms the sea and then asks the disciples "Why are you lacking in faith." In our life's journey, we also must learn to believe in God's presence and to trust in his care.

This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to continue to show God's love and care to others by assisting 11 families, providing \$5,955.11 in utility and rent bills.



The month of June is The Sacred Heart of Jesus; please pray and consecrate yourself to the Sacred Heart of Jesus: Act of Consecration to the Sacred Heart (St. Mary Alacoque) O Sacred Heart of Jesus, to Thee I consecrate and offer up my person and my life, my actions, trials, and sufferings, that my entire being may henceforth only be employed in loving, honoring and glorifying Thee. This is my irrevocable will, to belong entirely to Thee, and to do all for Thy love, renouncing with my whole heart all that can displease Thee. I take Thee, O Sacred Heart, for the sole object of my love, the protection of my life, the pledge of my salvation, the remedy of my frailty and inconstancy, the reparation for all the defects of my life, and my secure refuge at the hour of my death. Be Thou, O Most Merciful Heart, my justification before God Thy Father, and screen me from His anger which I have so justly merited. I fear all from my own weakness and malice, but placing my entire confidence in Thee, O Heart of Love, I hope all from Thine infinite Goodness. Annihilate in me all that can displease or resist Thee. Imprint Thy pure love so deeply in my heart that I may never forget Thee or be separated from Thee. I beseech Thee, through Thine infinite Goodness, grant that my name be engraved upon Thy Heart, for in this I place all my happiness and all my glory, to live and to die as one of Thy devoted servants. Amen. (Rejoice always, pray constantly, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. — 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)



The Annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, September 15th at 2:00 p.m. at the Nativity B.V.M. Cathedral. Couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60 or more years of marriage in 2024 are welcome to attend. You are asked to register whether you can attend or not. If you cannot attend a certificate will be mailed to you. The Mass will be followed with official pictures being taken and a reception at the Sacred Heart Center. Registration Forms are available in the Rectory Office during regular business hours or you may register on the diocese website at: www.biloxidiocese.org. **Registration Deadline: Aug. 29, 2024.**



Exciting News regarding the Eucharistic Congress scheduled for July 17 - July 21, 2024 in Indianapolis, IN.

Our Biloxi Diocese can now offer packages to people who are interested in providing their own transportation to the event. The special package includes tickets for the event and hotel rooms. For those interested, the prices are \$975 for double occupancy/per person and \$845 for 3 or 4 persons in a room/per person. That is the good news! The bad news, we only have 50 tickets remaining. So if you are interested in attending this historic event, please contact the parish office or use the link provided [National Eucharistic Congress 2024 Tour / Cara Group Travel](#) to book directly and choose option 2. You may also call Paula at (228) 697-7814. This is a pivotal moment in both American history and the legacy of the Catholic Church. We are expecting tens of thousands of pilgrims—but space is limited. Jesus Christ will be there. Will you?



Annunciation Parish is having an "\$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 12 chances of winning. The four drawings will be on the 1st Sunday of every month beginning August 4, 2024. Tickets are \$50.

Tickets are available at St. Alphonsus Parish Office during regular business hours or you may contact Annunciation Church parish office, 228 255-1800 Mon – Fri. 8:30 – 12:30. Don't miss out!! Fr. Chinnappa Mark thanks you for your kind support in maintaining this beautiful parish.



Our Parish App is one great way to help make the liturgical season more present in your daily life. Helpful reflections will aid you in reflecting on the Mass readings each day. Also – under FORMED, you will be able to stream hundreds of hours of inspiring movies and video series, read bestselling Catholic eBooks, and listen to audio presentations from the Church's most compelling speakers and is available from virtually any device...anytime, anywhere. **Don't have the App or FORMED yet?** If you have either an iPhone or Android smart phone you can download the App by texting [App](#) to phone number [88202](tel:88202), or by visiting myparishapp.com. To gain access to FORMED – go to the website at www.formed.org and enter our Parish Code f1f5a9 (case sensitive) on the homepage, create an account with your user name/email and password.



Looking to deepen your faith? Discipleship Quads are groups of either 4 men or 4 women who journey together as disciples with weekly gatherings of fellowship, ongoing conversion, and learning.

For more information or if you would like to sign up for a Quad, contact Christy Geissinger at (228) 219-6189.



The Bookstore and Gift Shop is open on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. and after all weekend Masses.

The Bookstore and Gift Shop will be closed the month of July for Inventory and Maintenance.

HURRICANE PRAYER

O Heavenly Father, all the elements of nature obey your command.

Calm the storms that threaten us and turn our fear into praise of your goodness. Protect us from hurricanes and disasters of nature.

We pray through Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with you through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen. (Save and pray frequently)



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

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS