

On the last Sunday of the Church's liturgical year, we think of the end and of judgement. The apocalyptic vision from the Book of Daniel sets the tone (First Reading). It talks about the coming of 'a son of man', a title for the future redeemer. It is not clear that Jesus referred to himself as "Son of Man" in this apocalyptic sense, but the early Christians certainly did.

Basing itself on this same text from Daniel, Revelation looks to Jesus' coming at the end of time, when he will take full possession of his kingdom (Second Reading).

The Gospel, where the Lectionary once again shifts to John, contains a section from the Passion narrative: Jesus is being interrogated by Pilate. The issue here is the nature of Jesus' kingship.

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



Thursday of this week is Thanksgiving Day and a most appropriate way to offer Thanks to God is to begin the day by attending Mass. **On Thursday morning we offer two Masses – 7:30 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.** Please consider making one of these Masses your Thanksgiving to God before joining your family for the traditional meal later in the day. For those of you who will be traveling over the Thanksgiving period, we wish you a safe journey and a safe return home. Have a wonderful and safe Thanksgiving holiday.

Thankful & Blessed There will be two tables in front of the Altar at the Thanksgiving Day Masses. One is for an item (e.g. bread, pie or wine) that you will have for your family dinner and the other is for food or money donations for the Saint Vincent de Paul. Please place them on the table before Mass or during the offertory.



The Parish Office will be closed Thursday, November 28th and Friday, November 29th.



The Bookstore and Gift Shop will be closed Thursday, November 28th through Sunday, December 1st.



You are invited to join us on Sunday, December 1st after the 5:30 p.m. Mass for a Candlelight Eucharistic Procession to begin the Advent Season.

We will process around the playground and end in the Church and will be followed by a meal and fellowship in the Parish Hall.



Dean Bellais, director of the St. Alphonsus 9:00 a.m. Sunday choir, would like to **invite anyone interested in singing with the choir at the Christmas Eve Midnight Mass**, to join rehearsals beginning Tuesday, November 26th, and continuing each Tuesday through December 17th at 6:30 p.m. in the choir loft. No experience is necessary...just a willingness to sing and learn. Come help us make this Christmas season especially beautiful as we prepare to make a joyful noise heralding Christ's birth!! Feel free to call 228-424-7008 with any questions.

FOUNDATIONS:

Edge, LifeTeen, RCIA and Continuing Catholic Formation is held on Wednesday's from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.



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

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of: Lionel "Rocky" Sentell Jr., husband of Sherri Sentell of this parish, who passed away November 4th.

Ralph Maisano III, father of Jonathan (Jenifer) Maisano of this parish, who passed away on November 16th.

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 25
Revelation 14:1-3, 4b-5; Luke 21:1-4	
6:30 a.m.	Mr. Joe Prejean
8:15 a.m.	All Souls
TUESDAY	NOVEMBER 26
Revelation 14:14-19; Luke 21:5-11	
6:30 a.m.	All Souls
8:15 a.m.	Mr. Henry Endt, Sr.
WEDNESDAY	NOVEMBER 27
Revelation 15:1-4; Luke 21:12-19	
6:30 a.m.	Anne and Mark Touns
8:15 a.m.	All Souls
THURSDAY	NOVEMBER 28
Sirach 50:22-24; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Luke 17:11-19	
7:30 a.m.	All Souls
9:00 a.m.	Int. Ms. Genevieve Gatschet-Odom
FRIDAY	NOVEMBER 29
Revelation 20:1-4, 11-21:2; Luke 21:29-33	
6:30 a.m.	All Souls
8:15 a.m.	Ms. Myra Brune
SATURDAY	NOVEMBER 30
Romans 10:9-18; Matthew 4:18-22	
8:15 a.m.	All Souls
4:00 p.m.	Mr. Dan Wronko
SUNDAY	DECEMBER 1
Jeremiah 33:14-16; 1 Thess 3:12—4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36	
7:30 a.m.	Mr. Louis Keys
9:00 a.m.	Mr. Bill Gryder
	Mr. Neil Gryder
11:30 a.m.	Holy Souls
5:30 p.m.	Congregation



Pray for Our Parishioners and Friends: Beckett Bassenger, Anthony David Belson, Elaine Belson, Betty Bodin, Bob Boney, Mercedes Bosarge, Michael Bosarge, Bryleigh Brochard, Kay Brochard, Jeff Brochard, Roland Broussard, Roxie Buckles, Arlene Bums, 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, Margie Gammon, Sandra Grantham, Richard Harrison, 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, Mary Lewis, Gordon Mathieu, Mrs. McKinney, Thelma Miller, Iva Misko, Edward Necaise, Donna and Edward Necaise 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, Brittany and John Thornton, Dianne Tootle, Ted Ursu, Rose M. Vail, Margaret Misko VanLoon, Ashley Vickers and Glenn Williams, Sr.

WEEKLY OFFERING

Sunday Collection.....\$9,187.00
 Weekly Online Collection.....\$2,556.00
 May God Bless You for your generous and faithful support



What is Adoration?

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is a form of prayer that began centuries ago. The word adoration means, "to pay honor or homage to someone or something." As Catholics

we have the opportunity to pay honor to the One who deserves all our praise. The same Eucharist we receive at Mass is what (or more accurately Who) we worship in Adoration. During Adoration, we have the opportunity to come face-to-face with the living God. Like spending time with a close friend, Eucharistic Adoration is about deepening and strengthening our personal relationship with God. To tell you the truth, I've only just recently discovered Eucharistic Adoration and I love it! Now I know most of you are thinking, "Okay and.....what does this have to do with me?" It is such a blessing to be able to receive Christ's Body and Blood into my very being at Mass. Yet there are times when I just want to spend time gazing at Him in love and awe. Adoration is a time when I (and you) can sit face-to-face with Jesus and have a one-on-one conversation with Him. Sometimes these conversations can be painful because He might point out something in our lives that needs changing. At other times the conversations with Him may be very joyful and uplifting. No matter the outcome of your prayer, know that each time you go into a chapel to adore Him, you encounter His blessing and His love. I understand if you may still find Adoration to be a bit confusing, but remember, the more time you spend with Him the more your heart is opened to His love.
 ~Kat Martinez

Advent starts in 1 week. How will you prepare for the coming of our Savior?
 Come and visit Jesus, in the Blessed Sacrament, in our chapel any day or hour of the week. He is waiting.
 Please remember to close the tabernacle doors if no one else is adoring Him when you leave. stalphonsus.weadorehim.com



Classes for Adult Study are held after the 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass in the Parish Hall. Videos are by Fr. Chris Alar, Director of the Association of Marian Helpers. For more information, contact Sue Mihal at 601-573-0020 or Anne McClellan at 228-327-4040. All are invited to attend.
November 24/December 1: No Class



Walking With Mom's in Need (WWMIN)

WWMIN will now be holding a Baby Drive on the second Sunday of every month to replenish our supplies to continue the success of our ministry. We are asking for donations of diapers (all sizes), wipes, baby toiletries and necessities, formula, new or gently used baby clothes, strollers, high chairs, car seats, etc. We thank you in advance for your abundant generosity and continued support. Boxes will be located at all entrances to the church. For further information, call Mary @ 228-348-6092 or Margaret @ 228-217-4742.



We are EXCITED!! We now have Venmo for our parish. The main purpose in acquiring this type of giving opportunity is for ease to our parishioners and visitors as well as for our Wednesday evening "Foundations" program. Please when making a donation specify Parish (Tithing, Poor, Capital Campaign, etc.) or Foundations. We appreciate and thank you!!



There is some interest in starting a Youth Choir to sing, with instruments, at the 5:30 p.m. Mass on Sunday. If you are a Jr. High or High School teen interested in singing in the choir, we ask that you please call the rectory office (875-5419) and leave your name and number. You will be contacted with rehearsal information soon.



Your Church Needs You - God is calling. Can you answer the call? We are in need of Extra Ordinary Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, and Altar Servers at all the masses. Prayerfully consider God's calling to serve your St. Alphonsus Family.



If you are a psychiatrist and you would like to volunteer to help with some parish needs, please call the Parish Office at 875-5419 and leave your name and number.

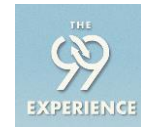


Today as we celebrate Christ the King, may we open the door of our heart so wide that we may listen to the voice of Jesus calling us to help build his kingdom here on earth.

This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to bring God's kingdom of love and mercy to 12 families, providing \$5,407.08 in assistance. God Bless You!



To assist or enhance you in your spiritual growth, or maybe a CHRISTMAS gift for someone, the bookstore is offering special \$2 and \$5 (specially priced) deals on a variety of books in front of the Church; while supplies last. Please put money in the box provided beneath the books.



St. Elizabeth Seton would like to invite you to **The 99 Experience**, a powerful mission event that will be a springboard for you to deepen your faith as you grow in identity, purpose, and community. *The 99 Experience* is for *everyone!* Prayerfully consider who you know or who

would benefit from attending and invite them! The Women's 99 Experience will be held December 6th & 7th and the Men's 99 Experience will be held December 13th & 14th. The sessions on Friday evening are from 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. and Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The cost is \$50 and includes a workbook, dinner Friday evening, and a light breakfast and lunch on Saturday. For more information or to sign up, call the office at St. Elizabeth Seton at 228-875-0654 or you may go online at <http://www.stelseton.com/the-99-experience>.



EVENING OF INTERCESSORY PRAYER Thank you for everyone's participation last Monday night where so many of us gathered together in prayer and intercession! Thank you for taking time to turn your hearts, minds and prayers to the Holy Souls in Purgatory who are in dire need of our prayers and good works. And always to the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Poor Souls; in her humility and grace, Mary has a special place in our faith as an intercessor. Please be assured each of your prayers were heard! Mark your calendars for the next Evening of Intercessory Prayer scheduled for MONDAY, DECEMBER 16th at 6:30 p.m. in the St. Alphonsus Church in Ocean Springs. Again, thank you for each of your attendance and participation in the power of prayer!



Deacon Justin Mitchell, Director of the Office of Marriage and Family Life and Father Rofinus Jas, Pastor of Our Mother of Mercy Parish, invite all our married couples to a **"Healing Mass for Couples."** The Mass will be celebrated on Friday, December 13, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church, 216 Saucier Avenue, Pass Christian, 39571. Invite your friends - especially those who need special prayers - to this powerful "Healing Mass for Couples." Please contact Deacon Mitchell and let him know if you plan to attend. jmitchell@biloxidiocese.org; 228-702-2107

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS