

The First Reading tells how on being cured of leprosy Naaman acknowledges the Lord as the supreme and only God. However, when he tries to express his gratitude to Elisha, the prophet refuses to accept it, because it would suggest that the cure was due to him rather than to God. As commander of the Syrian army, Naaman was a Gentile.

This story prepares us for the Gospel account of the cure of ten lepers by Jesus, and of how only one of them, a foreigner (a Samaritan), came back to thank him. The stranger puts the Jews to shame. His reaction anticipates the glad reception of the Good News by the Samaritans in Acts 8:1-25.

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



Capital Campaign Update

Reupholstering of the pews is scheduled for Monday, October 13th and Tuesday October 14th. Both the 6:30 a.m. and 8:15 a.m. masses will be in the chapel during these days. Drawings to support permitting of the next phase of construction will be completed this week. The next phase of work on the entrance to the Church and the breezeway between the school and Church is still targeted to start the fourth quarter of this year. The Parish sends out monthly Capital Campaign statements to all who still owe on their campaign pledge. If you have not received one, please let the parish know. If you need to update/change your pledge or set up a contribution, you may do so via our website www.osstalphonsus.org or by contacting the parish office at 875-5419. Without the continued support of our gracious parishioners and families, we would not have met our capital campaign goal or be positioned to move forward with needed improvements to our Church facilities. Thank you for your support in the past, present, and future!



WWMIN MONTH OF OCTOBER BABY SHOWER.

The month of October is dedicated to the Blessed Mother and Respect Life, so to honor this Walking With Mothers In Need will hold their annual month long “Baby Shower”. They will be collecting baby needs and necessities each weekend in October and collection bins will be located at all church entrances. Their needs include baby equipment, baby necessities including diapers (all sizes), wipes, formula, baby and toddler clothing (new & gently used, and gift cards \$20 and under to grocery stores, Target, Walmart, etc. They thank you in advance for your continuous support and generosity. For questions or information, call Margaret @ 228-217-4742 or Mary @ 228-348-6092.



You are invited to come to a Marian Movement of Priest Cenacle Mass on Monday, October 13th at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Mass, Rosary, and Consecration



A Second Collection will be taken up next weekend (October 18/19) for World Mission Sunday. This annual collection provides critical financial support to missionaries and communities of faith in the most economically disadvantaged regions of the globe.



Your prayers are requested for the repose of the soul of: Diane Bell, sister of Paul Pierre (Barbara) of this parish, who passed away September 27th in New Orleans, LA.

Roland Weeks, Jr., a member of our parish community, who passed away October 4th.

Andrew O’Brien, ex-husband of Elaine O’Brien of this parish, who passed away October 6th.

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

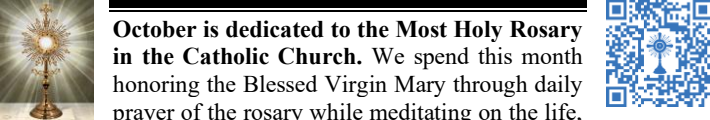
WEEKLY OFFERING	
Sunday Collection.....	\$11,025.70
Weekly / Monthly Online Collection.....	\$ 7,336.00
Poor Collection.....	\$ 4,601.00
May God Bless You for your generous and faithful support	

MASSSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY	OCTOBER 13
Romans 1:1-7; Luke 11:29-32	
6:30 a.m.	Simon and Barbara Latour
8:15 a.m.	Mr. Andy Harmon
TUESDAY	OCTOBER 14
Romans 1:16-25; Luke 11:37-41	
6:30 a.m.	Int. Fr. Mike Snyder
8:15 a.m.	Mr. Godfrey Long
WEDNESDAY	OCTOBER 15
Romans 2:1-11; Luke 11:42-46	
6:30 a.m.	Mr. Phillip Howard
8:15 a.m.	Mr. Bill Nichols
THURSDAY	OCTOBER 16
Romans 3:21-30; Luke 11:47-54	
6:30 a.m.	Ms. Lea Pitre
8:15 a.m.	Int. Mr. James Martin
FRIDAY	OCTOBER 17
Romans 4:1-8; Luke 12:1-7	
6:30 a.m.	Int. Lisa and Pete Manley
8:15 a.m.	Mr. Jeremy Forehand
SATURDAY	OCTOBER 18
2 Timothy 4:10-17b; Luke 10:1-9	
8:15 a.m.	Mr. Lowery Key Bounds
4:00 p.m.	Ms. Susie Jurich
SUNDAY	OCTOBER 19
Exodus 17:8-13; 2 Timothy 3:14—4:2; Luke 18:1-8	
7:30 a.m.	Mr. Skip Murphy
9:00 a.m.	Mr. John Geissinger
	Ms. Wilhelmina Geissinger
	Congregation
11:30 a.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Shirod Miller, Sr.
5:30 p.m.	



Pray for Our Parishioners and Friends: Beckett Bassenger, Betty Bodin, Michael Bosarge, Bryleigh Brochard, Kay Brochard, Jeff Brochard, Greg Brou, Jr., Valerie Brou, 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, Dawn Fountain, Nija Fountain, Ray Frazier, Gordon Gaethe, Caroline Gautier, Ansley Gilich, Julian Galloway, Margie Gammon, Sandra Grantham, Richard Harrison, Trent Hartzog, James Hebert, Margaret Hebert, Olivia Hood, Mary Jo Hoogstra, Ashley Jensen, Fr. Jey Jordan, Lora Jordan, Otis Kaufman, Joey Kelley, Jack Kelly, Myra Kittle, Bill Kortman, Mary Krystosek, Daisie Laborde, Carol Latham, Judy and Randy Lesso, Mary Lewis, Gordon Mathieu, Shellie McDaniel, Mrs. McKinney Steve Merkel, Thelma Miller, Iva Misko, Edward Necaise, Donna and Edward Necaise Jr., Terése Nicovich, Shirley and Travis Norman, Cody Parker, Kathy Pasquini, The Petitjean Family, Jean Petricca, Richard Potash, MaraLou Guice Richards, Charles Wesley Ryan, Jr., Margaret Rucinski, Julia Sarpy, Jerry Schneider, Courtney Severino, Dale Seymour, Jimmie Shoemaker, Jr., Glenn Sigurnjak, Myrt Talbott, Brittany and John Thornton, Sarah Galle Traylor, Rose M. Vail, Margaret Misko VanLoon, Ashley Vickers and Glenn Williams, Sr.



October is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary in the Catholic Church. We spend this month honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary through daily prayer of the rosary while meditating on the life, death and resurrection of our Savior, Jesus Christ. The rosary is a spiritual weapon and a powerful tool for growth in intimacy with Jesus and fulfilling God's will. What better way to honor our Mother this month than to visit her Son in our chapel who is available to us every hour of every day. He is waiting!

"Those who say the rosary frequently and fervently will gradually grow in grace and holiness."
~Bishop Hugh Boyle

If you currently have a designated adoration hour on the We Adore Him website and have not been going for 3 months or more, your name will be removed from the schedule. If you need to try a new hour, please visit stalphonsus.weadorehim.com to view the schedule and choose a new hour.



Tabitha Tip - Mindful Seating: Avoid blocking wheelchair accessible spaces or seating reserved for those with mobility devices.

Tabitha Tips is a new resource for our parish community. This endeavor is brought to you by The Tabitha Project, a ministry of the de l'Epee Deaf Center in collaboration with the Office of the Bishop - Catholic Diocese of Biloxi. The hope is that these tips will enrich parish life and encourage a spirit of welcome for ALL parishioners. For more information, contact Rachel Ryan at 228-897-2289 or rryan@biloxidiocese.org.



OUR LADY OF SORROWS: You are invited to come and join us for the 8:15 a.m. Mass followed by the recitation of the Rosary of the Seven Sorrows (a rosary of repentance) on the third Saturday of each month. (i.e. October 18th). The purpose of our coming together is threefold: 1) To pray for all victims of sexual abuse 2) To pray, in reparation for all the vile sins committed against the Body of Christ, and 3) To pray for the graces of repentance, healing, conversion and salvation of ALL SOULS!



An anointing of the Sick will take place on Saturday, October 18th at 3:30 p.m. (before the 4:00 p.m. Mass) in the Church. This is for all elderly parishioners, anyone with an illness, or parishioners with elderly or homebound family members that may wish to receive this Sacrament.



October is the month of the Rosary - The Lectors (at the weekend Masses) will lead the congregation in the recitation of the Rosary. As we pray the rosary before each mass, please consider praying the rosary at home as a family once a day even if it is just you and your spouse. It is a great way to spend time together and build family unity. Remember as a great priest once said “A Family that Prays Together Stays Together”.



For the month of November we offer one Mass daily throughout the month in memory of all our deceased loved ones. Envelopes are available either in your monthly contribution package or at the exits of the Church. Please include the names of your loved ones along with your contribution and return it prior to November 1st if possible. These envelopes will remain on the Altar for the duration of the month of November.

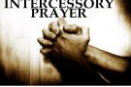
PRAY FOR VOCATIONS



Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be available beginning next Sunday to take home for one week and pray the Rosary for peace, healing and hope; Our Lady also asked us to reflect and pray for conversion, penance and prayer. A sign-up sheet is available at the main entrance of the church. Instructions and an explanation on how to Pray the Rosary will be provided.



The Altar Society will meet on Wednesday, October 15th at 9:00 a.m. in the KC Hall. All are welcome to attend.



EVENING OF INTERCESSORY PRAYER

Please join us on MONDAY, OCTOBER 20th at 6:30 p.m. in praying the SCRIPTURAL ROSARY with EXPOSITION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT and CONFESSION will also be available in the ST. ALPHONSUS CHURCH!

October is the month of the Holy Rosary!

Our Lady is calling us to pray for world peace, the end of wars and violence, for unity, for the salvation of souls, and for our clergy. The world is in desperate need of prayer! Prayer is truly one of the most powerful weapons God gives to mankind. If we want peace to come to earth and morality to return, then all of us must unite in prayer for this to happen. If all the followers of the Lord Jesus Christ will unite in this Rosary prayer, then through those prayers His divine grace will pour out over the world and change it for the better. Each one of His followers is called to persevere in this prayer for mankind and not to give up in the short term when it seems nothing is happening. Let us all embrace now what we should have been doing anyway as part of our faith, let us embrace God in prayerful love of others as we call on God in love to convert the hearts and souls of all people. In light of the dire circumstances transpiring all around us, prayer for peace is needed! We must come together and pray with Our Blessed Mother, our greatest intercessor, with all our hearts!

Elementary Religious Education:

Classes are held on Sunday’s from 10:15 - 11:15 a.m. in school building (enter between Parish Hall and East school entrance). For more information, please contact Jane Sema at jsema@osstalphonsus.org.



Continuing Education for Adults is vital to living out your Catholic faith. Join our group as we enjoy **Coffee, Donuts,** and the study of the **Gospel of Matthew,** presented by Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Michael Barber, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass in the Parish Hall. No registration is required. All are invited to attend. For more information, contact Sue Mihal at 601-573-0020. **October 12:** No Class – Cruising the Coast **October 19:** Continuing Chapter 5



The Foundations Team invites you to join them for Wednesday Night Foundations in the Cafeteria (Parish Hall) on October 15th.

The evening will begin with supper at 6:00 p.m. followed by the Groups Meet from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Come Fall in Love with our faith. For more information, scan the QR code.

Edge: 6th - 8th Grade
LifeTeen: 9th - 12th Grade
OCIA: Adults Interested in Becoming Catholic
Adult Study: Confirmed Adults – Will be starting **33 Days to Morning Glory, a Marian Consecration.** The introductory group meeting will be October 15th, and will consecrate on Friday, November 21st (the Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary). If you cannot join us for the meetings, please join us in this consecration at home, and let us know so we can include you in the consecration with Fr. Mike. For more information, contact Lori Carter at 228-383-1002.