

September 4, 2022
The Twenty-Third Sunday in
Ordinary Time



Saturday
September 3rd & 17th
Vigil mass will be at 4PM

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Mass Schedule

Confessions: Sat. 4:45 – 5:15 PM or by apt.

Vigil: Sat.–5:30 PM, Sunday 8AM, 10:15 AM, 6PM

Weekday Masses:

Mon. – 5:30 PM, Tues. 8:15AM, Wed. – 6:00 PM,
Thur. & Fri. – 8:15 AM

Sacred Heart Mass Schedule: Vigil: Sat. – 4:00 PM,

Sunday 8:00, 10:30 AM; 1:30 PM in Spanish

Holy Rosary Mass Schedule: Sunday: 9:00 AM

St. Fabian Mass Schedule: Vigil: Sat. – 4:00 PM,
Sunday: 10:00AM

August 28th Collection: \$11,117.82

Direct Deposit: \$2,372.00

Online Deposit \$342.00

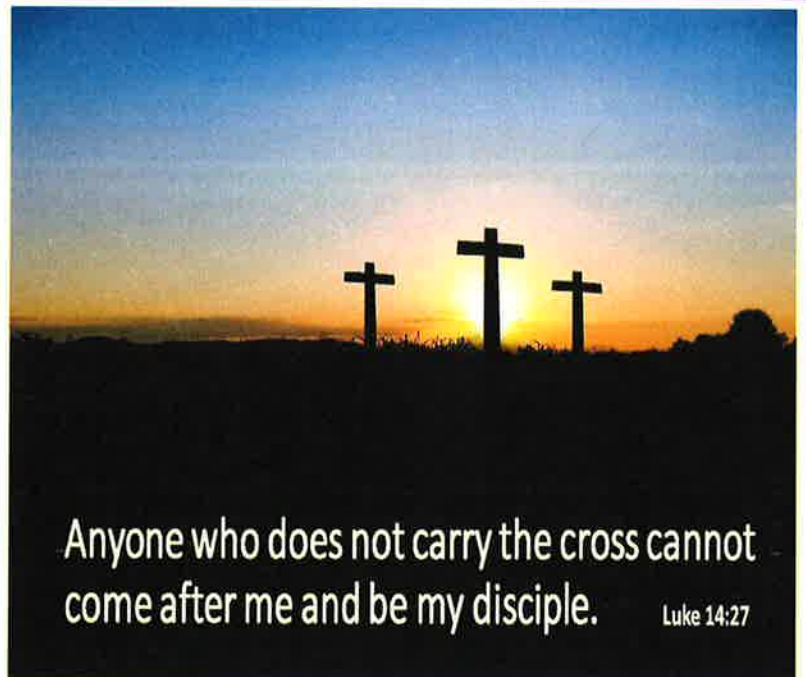
Upcoming Second Collections

September 4th Catholic University

September 11th Building Fund

September 18th Seaman Center

September 25th No Second Collection



Anyone who does not carry the cross cannot
come after me and be my disciple.

Luke 14:27

Adoration

Monday Adoration:

Monday Adoration has been canceled for September 5th due to the Labor Day holiday.

For any questions, contact Pat Peterson at 601-549-4620 by phone or text

Tuesday Adoration

From 9am after daily Mass until 12 noon. Please consider spending an hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament. Please be sure to sign in so we know the hours are covered.

Thursday Adoration

begins after the 8:15 AM Mass and goes until 9:00 PM in the church. At that time Our Lord is moved into the Adoration Chapel and adoration continues through the night until Friday Mass.

We currently need help with the 12am, 1am, and 4am hours.

To offer your help or for information please contact Patricia Burchell at 601-270-4068.

This weekend the diocese is taking up the National Collection for **The Catholic University of America**. By giving to the collection, you are supporting future Catholic leaders, both religious and lay, who are being formed by an exceptional, Faith-rooted education. To learn more visit: collection.catholic.edu
Thank you for your support.

Bishop Kihneman is celebrating a **Red Mass** for the judiciary and legal community on October 16th at Nativity BVM Cathedral. Any parishioners who are judges, clerks, lawmakers, or lawyers; if you are interested in attending, please let Kathy Schimel know so we can send your invitation.

Business Sponsor Spotlight



We would like to thank 1st Dental, LLC for supporting our parish bulletin. They are located at 313 S. 40th Avenue. Dr. Joseph Daho has been practicing dentistry for over 15 years and loves seeing members of our church family in the office. Please come and let our family take care of your family!



Ultreya is Back! Please join us on Wednesday evening, September 14, after the 6:00 PM mass for our first Ultreya is two years. Our speaker will be Michelle Moore. Please bring a dish to share and come hear her powerful story. We will begin about 6:45 and be finished by 8:00 PM. You do not have to have made a Cursillo to attend. Hope you will join us.

Mini-Library:

New Book: The Busy Person's Guide to Prayer by Deacon Greg Kandra. Imprimatur. "Deacon Kandra has become one of the Church's finest spiritual writers...his insights and suggestions on prayer are profound. He offers what we all need: a voice of calm spiritual maturity reminding us of the direct, simple, and loving relationship we have with God. This little book will become a spiritual classic." – Deacon William T. Ditewig. For more information contact Pat Peterson, librarian, by phone or text at 601-549-4620.

Brothers in Christ

men's bible study and prayer group will start it's fall session, Tuesday September, Sept 13th. We meet in the Parish Center and begin at 6:30 AM with a lite breakfast then study from 6:45AM until 7:45 AM.

Mass Intentions

M-Sept 5th Val Ward – RIP
T-Sept 6th Jared Parish Skalko – RIP
W-Sept 7th Italo Subbarao– BD
T-Sept 8th Jude Moreland – Sp. Int.
F-Sept 9th Remedios Parker – BD
Sat-Sept 10th Ginger Meyers – Sp. Int.
Sun-Sept 11th
8:00am Richard Chrosniak – RIP
10:15am Ketcham family – Sp. Int.
6:00pm Parish

Readings Sept 5th - 11th

M 1 Cor 5:1-8/Lk 6:6-11
T 1 Cor 6:1-11/Lk 6:12-19
W Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51
T Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23
F 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Lk 6:39-42
Sat 1 Cor 10:14-22/Lk 6:43-49
Sun Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/1 Tm 1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32 or 15:1-10

September Lector Schedule

3rd 5:30 Patricia Sherman
4th 8:00 Kathy Schimel
10:15 Shelby Miserendino
10th 5:30 Noel Anne Bennett
11th 8:00 Laurie McCarthy
10:15 Carol Soriano Fernandez
17th 5:30 Roger Smith
18th 8:00 Reggie Blackledge
10:15 Italo Subbarao
24th 5:30 Liz Yankay
25th 8:00 Renee Britt
10:15 Valerie Acocella



Welcome to St Thomas,
Nathan LaCroix, our new
Eagle Catholic Director.
It's going to be a great year!



The next **Men's Cursillo weekend, #290**, will be held October 27th - 30th, 2022 and the next **Women's Cursillo weekend, #291**, will be held December 8th - 11th, 2022 both will be at the Sacred Heart Retreat Center, Dedeaux. So, what is a Cursillo you ask? The Spanish word "Cursillo" means "short course" or "little course". The full title is "a little course in living what is fundamental for being a Christian, but everyone simply calls it "Cursillo." For more information you can contact Shelby Miserendino in the church office. De Colores!!

Catholics in Recovery

Catholic in Recovery is cancelled on Monday September 5th (only) due to the Labor Day holiday.

It will resume again on Monday September 12th after the 5:30 mass.

Catholic in Recovery is a ministry that provides healing for those seeking recovery from addictions, compulsions, and unhealthy attachments. Meetings combine the spiritual principles of 12-step recovery with the sacraments of the Catholic Church. Join us as we overlap scripture from Sunday's mass, liturgical themes, and recovery topics with honest discussion and prayer.

Confidentiality is protected.

We meet every Monday night at 6:30 in the parish hall. For more information, please contact Emily at Emilysosbornerhodes@gmail.com or leave a message at the St. Thomas parish office, (601) 264-5192.

LIFE TEEN – No Life Teen this Sunday, September 4th due to the Labor Day holiday.

Our next Family Formation is Sunday, October 2nd, from 11:30-1:30pm.



Save the Date:

Friday, October 21st (6pm – 9pm) and Saturday October 22nd (9am – 3pm) St. Thomas will be hosting Casting Nets Ministry.

Relics at St. Thomas Aquinas

The relics of St. Faustina and Blessed Stanley Rother will be here at St. Thomas from September 6th until October 4th. They will be kept in the ambry holding the Holy Oils, except during Adoration when they will be out on display. There will be some poster boards that come with the relics for your information.

Altar Server Training

Do you have a child that would like to have the privilege of helping the priest on the altar? If your child has received his/her first communion, they are eligible to serve with the priest. We will have two training sessions available. The first will be on Sunday, September 11th following the 10:15 mass. The second training will be on Tuesday, September 20th at 6:00 pm. Pizza will be provided at both sessions, and you only need to attend one. Please call the office to register for either session, so we know how much pizza to order, or if you have any questions.

40 Days for Life

takes a determined, peaceful approach to showing local communities the consequences of abortion through the use of prayer and fasting, peaceful vigil and community outreach. If you'd like more information – and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact: Bryan Shaver at (901) 338-7638 by phone or text or you can email me at byrananthonyshaver@comcast.net



Mass will be at 9AM Monday, September 5th.

The Rosary will be prayed beginning at 8:30am

The office will be closed.

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The ANNUAL MASS OF

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES will

take place on Sunday, November 6, 2022, at 2 p.m. at the Nativity B.V.M. Cathedral. Couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, or 60 years of marriage or more in 2022 are welcome to attend. A registration form is available at the entrance of the church. The deadline for registration is October 14, 2022.

You can return the form by mail to the Diocese of Biloxi, Attn: Deacon Karl Koberger, e-mail it to kkoberger@biloxidiocese.org or FAX it to 228-702-2178. A link for couples to register will also be set up on the Diocese website!

Beginning September 12th we will start the bible study, The Bible, and the Virgin Mary.

The 12 sessions are part of the St. Paul Center's dynamic journey through the scripture bible series. It is based upon Dr. Scott Hahn's book, Hail, Holy Queen. We will meet Mondays from 1pm – 2:30pm and Thursday from 6pm – 7:30pm Sign-up sheets are at both doors. Please sign up so we know how many books to order. You do not need to attend both sessions, but if you miss one day you can catch up in another class.

The cost of the book is \$30.00

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