



# Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



September 21, 2014



## Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church

*Come to worship—leave to serve!*

228 South Beach Boulevard ~ Bay St. Louis, MS 39520

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**Pastor: Reverend Michael P. O'Connor**

**Deacons: Mike Harris & Eddie Renz**

### Our Mission Statement

Our Lady of the Gulf Parish was established in 1847 for the Salvation of Souls (Matthew 6:20) and the Greater Glory of God (1 Corinthians 10:31).

### Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 p.m.  
(4:00 p.m. in Winter)

Sunday: 8 & 10:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Every Weekday: 7:00 a.m.

Monday, Thursday & Friday at 8:15 a.m.

Tuesdays: 6:00 p.m.

Wednesdays: 5:30 p.m.

Saturdays: 7:30 a.m.

### Confession Schedule

- ◆ One hour before Saturday Vigil Mass
  - ◆ 30 minutes prior to all Sunday Masses
  - ◆ 30 minutes prior to the Tuesday & Wednesday evening Masses
  - ◆ 30 minutes prior to the Monday, Thursday and Friday 8:15 a.m. Masses
  - ◆ 30 minutes prior to Saturday morning Mass
- Other times by appointment*

*Communal Penance celebrations held during Advent and Lent*

**CATECHETICAL  
SUNDAY  
2014**

# Teaching about God's Gift of Forgiveness



*Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect upon the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is also an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith. Those who have been designated to serve as catechists in our parish will be called forth to be commissioned for their ministry.*

**What is Catechism if not the memory of God's loving mercy? And what is a catechist if not a witness to the peace and joy of his forgiveness through the Sacrament of Reconciliation?** *-The Effective and Indubitable Sign of Forgiveness: Reflections on John 20:21-23 by Pierre-Marie Dumont (the article can be read in its entirety at <http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/how-we-teach/catechesis/catechetical-sunday/sacramental-forgiveness/theological-reflection-dumont.cfm>)*

**New Parishioners:** To register call the parish office and request a parish registration form or download our parish registration form from our website at [www.olgchurch.net](http://www.olgchurch.net).

**Baptisms:** The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated the third Sunday of each month after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Baptism classes for parents and godparents are held the first Monday of every month at 6:00 p.m. in the Catholic Life Center.

**Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:** Those who are seriously ill should be given the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick as soon as possible. Communal celebrations are held during Advent and Lent.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Arrangements for weddings must be made at least six months ahead of time. A pre-marriage preparation program and individual counseling with the parish priest are required for all.

**House Calls:** Please notify the parish office of the names of any who desire to receive Holy Communion, the Sacrament of the Sick or the Sacrament of Reconciliation at home.

**St. Joseph Perpetual Adoration Chapel:** We welcome you to visit our chapel as a guest or a committed adorer. Call the parish office for questions or to sign up for an hour.

**St. Mary Cemetery:** A sacred enclosure to receive those who have lived within the faith. For information or questions, call Joe Monti at 228-216-7409.

**Continuing the Church:** Please remember Our Lady of the Gulf Parish and its schools in your will.

**Church Support:** Parishioners are encouraged to base their giving on the principles of stewardship and sacrifice. Please use your envelopes or sign up for Direct Debit.

***OLG Status Update Quick Registration Form***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

- New Parishioner     Updated info listed above  
 I would like a call from Father     Address change

***Please return to the parish office or place in the collection basket at any Mass. Thank you!***

**FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION PROGRAM**

The First Communion program of Our Lady of the Gulf Parish will now be a 2-year program (1st and 2nd grades) beginning this year. If you have any questions or need further information, please contact Kathleen at 467-6509 or [kmleblanc@bellsouth.net](mailto:kmleblanc@bellsouth.net).

**PARISH STAFF DIRECTORY**

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**Director of Music**, Ed Grotkowski.....228-493-9010

**Secretary to the Pastor**, Jo Sharp.....ext. 301  
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**Receptionist**, Karen Parker.....ext. 303

**MINISTRIES & CONTACT INFO**

**Altar Server Training:** Rich & Deborah-Mae Kren  
[krenfam@earthlink.net](mailto:krenfam@earthlink.net)

**Altar Society:** Kathy Donner 363-1838  
*Meets 2nd Monday of every month at 6:00 p.m.*

**Angel Ministry:** JoAnn Hille 467-6169 or 467-6509

**Annulment Counseling:** Deacon Eddie Renz

**Booking of Facilities:** Jo Sharp

**CCD & Religious Education:** Kathleen LeBlanc,  
 Chris Austin & Patricia LaFontaine 467-6509

**Choir Practice:** Ed Grotkowski 493-9010

**Crab Festival:** Pamela Metzler 467-6509

**Electronic Transfer (Direct Debit):** Jo Sharp

**HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL (PreK3-6):**  
 Janet Buras, Principal—[principal@holytrinitycatholic.net](mailto:principal@holytrinitycatholic.net)  
 467-5158 [www.holytrinitycatholic.net](http://www.holytrinitycatholic.net)

**K of C Ladies Auxiliary:** Sue Brocato 342-2902

**Knights of Columbus:** Mel Estrade 324-0530

**Men's Night Out (Thursdays):** Deacon Eddie Renz

**Men's Prayer Group (Mondays):** Jay Poolson 760-9823

**Novena of Perpetual Help:** *Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m.*

**OUR LADY ACADEMY (Girls Grades 7-12):**

Tiffany H. Lindmark, Principal  
 467-7048 [www.ourladyacademy.com](http://www.ourladyacademy.com)

**Perpetual Adoration:** James San Fillippo 228-671-1835

**Prison Ministry:** Deacon Mike Harris

**Rabboni Ministry:** Suzi Lee 493-3449

**RCIA, RCIC:** Deacon Mike Harris

**Sacramental Preparation:** Kathleen LeBlanc

**ST. STANISLAUS COLLEGE (Boys Grades 7-12):**

Brother Francis David, President  
 Patrick McGrath, Principal  
 467-9057 [www.ststan.com](http://www.ststan.com)

**St. Vincent de Paul Conference of OLG-St. Clare-St. Rose:** Call 228-342-1545 on Mondays from 9-11:30 a.m. for assistance. Hancock County residents only.

**St. Vincent de Paul Pharmacy:** Meets in Bay St. Louis on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month. Call 374-9097 for more information.

**Together Forever Marriage Prep:** Deacon Mike Harris

**Wedding Coordinators:** See Wedding Guidelines Packet at [www.olgchurch.net](http://www.olgchurch.net).

# Rabboni

Our annual Rabboni Mass of Resurrection will be at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 24, 2014. We will remember all those

who have died in the last year, with their families and members of the Rabboni Ministry. If you have a deceased family member who died in the past year and you would like added to the list, please phone either Suzi at 493-3449 or Kathleen at 467-6509. A dinner in the Parish Community Center will follow the Mass. Please join us for this celebration of life and remembrance.

**Box Tops for Education:** In an effort to raise additional funds, Holy Trinity Catholic School is participating in the Box Tops for Education program. This program has been an easy way for parents and students to earn cash that goes directly to the school. Schools can earn up to \$20,000 by clipping Box Tops coupons from over 240 products. Track our schools progress by signing up at [btf.com](http://btf.com). If community members are interested in contributing to Holy Trinity Catholic School's efforts by donating Box Tops, please put them in the box at the entrance of the church. If you have any questions you may contact the school office at 228-467-5158. All of your contributions are greatly appreciated.

**BLANKET GROUP:** The Blanket Group of the OLG Angel Ministry meets again Wednesday, September 24th, 1-3 p.m. in the Parish Community Center. Please consider joining the group this week to help make blankets for the terminally ill and homebound. Meetings are the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month (starting in October the meetings will be in the Catholic Life Center).

**Adult Catechesis:** Taught by Larry Smith, *Biblical Answers to Common Questions About the Roman Catholic Faith* is an adult catechism using the Bible for defending Catholic teaching. The course takes place every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. until October 7th in the Catholic Life Center. All are invited to attend. The text used for this course is *Unabridged Christianity* by Fr. Mario P. Romero (visit [Amazon.com](http://Amazon.com) for more details). If interested please call or text 228-323-5437 or e-mail [Larrys4260@hotmail.com](mailto:Larrys4260@hotmail.com).

**Rosary Rally:** The annual Rosary Rally will be held at Nativity BVM Cathedral, 870 Howard Avenue in Biloxi, on Tuesday, October 7th at 6 p.m.

**IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT FOR ST. CLARE SCHOOL ALUMNI:** A Reunion of all alumni, former students, faculty, and staff of St. Clare School in Waveland will be held on November 8, 2014 at the St. Clare Community Center following the 4:00 p.m. Mass. Contact information forms are available at St. Clare Church, the OLG parish office, or by e-mail at [larmagnac@charter.net](mailto:larmagnac@charter.net). Spread the word!



Can you spend an hour with Jesus? Please visit our St. Joseph Adoration Chapel located at 107 Union Street. If you would like to commit to an hour, contact James San Fillippo at 228-671-1835.

**Adorers Needed:**

**Sunday:** 3-4 p.m., 4-5 p.m. **Tuesday:** 1-2 a.m., 2-3 a.m.  
**Wednesday:** 1-2 a.m., 2-3 a.m. **Thursday:** 5-6 a.m.  
**Friday:** 5-6 p.m., 9-10 p.m., 11 p.m.-12 a.m.  
**Sat.:** 11 a.m.-12 p.m.; 5-6 p.m., 8-9 p.m. & 9-10 p.m.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Caitlen Saxer Babb & Baby Patrick Saxer Babb, Linda Beauregard, Beulah Benigno, Dot Bermond, Vernon Bermond, Ricky Bouvier, Kaaren Kolodziej Burke, Dick Chapman, Fr. Gerard Cleary, Summer Seymour Cuevas, John Dahn, Sherri Deagano, Louis Doussan, Pete Furze, Margaret Gavagnie, Mark Gonzales, Ed Grotkowski, Buster Heitzmann, Gene Hoffmann, Beryl Kidd, Doug Kren, J. C. Lyons, Edna Moran Lutz, Rodney McGooley, Joan H. T. Mary, Paul E. Mary IV, Paul Mutter, Glen Parker, George Proulx, Terry Rayborn, Walter H. Ross, Sr., Dr. J. D. Rutherford, Arlin Schaap, Poochie Tartavouille, John 'Jack' Taylor, Don Watson, our shut-ins, and all others in our parish and community who are in need of physical, mental, emotional or spiritual healing.

*For our parishioners entering the hospital at any time, please inform the hospital that you are a member of OLG for visitations.*

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday, 9/22	7:00 a.m.	†Frank Langenbacker, Jr.
Monday, 9/22	8:15 a.m.	†Mrs. Mary Adams
Tuesday, 9/23	7:00 a.m.	†Jeff Hunter
Tuesday, 9/23	6:00 p.m.	†Luke Caruso
Wednesday, 9/24	7:00 a.m.	†Craig Waller
Wednesday, 9/24	8:15 a.m.	†Juanita Loup
Thursday, 9/25	7:00 a.m.	†Pat Mashburn
Thursday, 9/25	8:15 a.m.	†Frank 'Breezy' Letellier
Friday, 9/26	7:00 a.m.	The Holley Family
Friday, 9/26	8:15 a.m.	†Jack Sotak
Saturday, 9/27	7:30 a.m.	†Nat & Jimmy Ryan
Saturday, 9/27	5:30 p.m.	†Mimi Jefchak
Sunday, 9/28	8:00 a.m.	†Masson Couture
Sunday, 9/28	10:30 a.m.	†Davis Use
Sunday, 9/28	6:00 p.m.	†Maria Elena Urbina Garcia
		†John Alexander DeMetz
		†Bro. Aquin Gautier

**FINANCES WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 14, 2014**

Offertory:	Envelopes	\$ 3,241.15
	Loose	\$ 4,961.45
	Direct Debit	\$ 980.00
	St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 1,502.00
	Extra & Other Donations	\$ 530.20
Number of Identifiable Contributions		172

*Thank you for your continued support!*