



**FIRST SUNDAY
OF
LENT**

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**FEBRUARY 14,  
2016**



# Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church

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

**Parochial Vicar: Reverend Adam Urbaniak**

**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).

*Come to worship—leave to serve!*

### Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.

(5:30 p.m. for the Summer)

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

Every Weekday: 7:00 a.m.

Tuesdays & Wednesdays: 6:00 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 Saturday morning Mass

*Other times by appointment*

*Communal Penance celebrations held during Advent and Lent*

**ADORE GULF COAST  
RETURNS TO OLG CHURCH**

Thursday, February 18th

At 6:30 p.m.

Visit <https://vimeo.com/149770827>

To watch a trailer on their upcoming

*Even Now Series*



*"Even now return to me with all your heart." Joel 2:12*

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday of Lent at 5:30 p.m.

With a Lenten Reflection

by

Fr. Adam Urbaniak



Each Friday of Lent  
(excluding Good Friday)

5:00—7:00 p.m.

OLG Parish  
Community Center

**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) or fill out the Quick Registration below.

**Baptisms:** The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated the third Sunday of each month after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. At least one parent or guardian must be (or become) a regular attending member of OLG parish. Non-parishioners who wish to have their child baptized here must provide a letter from their pastor. Parents and Godparents are required to attend a “baptism class”. (Visitors may attend class at their home parish). We offer the class the first Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Catholic Life Center or by appointment. Godparents must be at least 16 years old, confirmed Catholics, who practice the faith. At least one Godparent is needed.

**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 First Holy Communion:** The First Communion program of OLG parish is now be a 2-year program (1st and 2nd grades). Please contact Kathleen LeBlanc for info or questions.

**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.

**FINANCES WEEK OF FEBRUARY 7, 2016**

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| Offertory:                     | Envelopes    | \$ 2,997.00 |
|                                | Loose        | \$ 5,344.10 |
|                                | Direct Debit | \$ 925.00   |
| Extra & Other Donations        |              | \$ 1,201.00 |
| St. Vincent de Paul Conference |              | \$ 423.00   |

Number of Identifiable Contributions . . . . . 194

***Thank you for your continued support!***

**Hearing Impaired?** OLG has available special headsets for those in need of greater sound levels. Please see an usher or sacristan at Mass to get details and borrow one for your use during Mass.

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**MINISTRIES & CONTACT INFO**

- Altar Server Training:** Mr. Ivo Prikasky  
[veryluckydad@yahoo.com](mailto:veryluckydad@yahoo.com)
- 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 Parish Facilities:** Jo Sharp
- CCD & Religious Education:** Kathleen LeBlanc, Chris Austin, Patricia LaFontaine, and Shannon Collins
- Choir Practice:** Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the church
- Crab Festival:** Pamela Metzler 467-6509
- Electronic Transfer (Direct Debit):** Jo Sharp
- HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL (PreK3-6):**  
Janet Buras, Principal—[principal@holyltrinitycatholic.net](mailto:principal@holyltrinitycatholic.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
- Ladies’ Prayer Group:** First Monday of every month at 6:00 p.m. in the Christian Life Center
- Men’s Night Out with Deacon Eddie Renz:** Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Christian Life Center
- Novena of Perpetual Help:** Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m.
- OUR LADY ACADEMY (Girls Grades 7-12):**  
Mrs. Darnell Cuevas, Principal  
467-7048 [www.ourladyacademy.com](http://www.ourladyacademy.com)
- Perpetual Adoration:** James San Fillippo 228-671-1835
- Praise & Worship Music:** Shea Ladner & Miles Ladner
- 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:** Call 342-1545 on Mondays from 9-11:30 am to make an appointment.
- Together Forever Marriage Prep:** Deacon Mike Harris
- Wedding Coordinators:** See Wedding Guidelines Packet at [www.olgchurch.net](http://www.olgchurch.net).
- Youth Ministry:** Shannon Collins 228-671-9767

**LENTEN FASTING & ABSTINENCE**

**Fasting:** Catholics 18-59 years of age who are in good health are obliged to fast and abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On all the weekdays of Lent the U.S. Bishops strongly encourage the faithful to participate in Mass and to observe a self-imposed fast. The law of fasting allows only one full meal a day, but does not prohibit taking some food in the morning and evening. Customarily, the two smaller “collations,” when considered together, should not equal the main meal-and ideally should be eaten only if needed to maintain one’s strength.

**Abstinence:** All Catholics 14 years of age and older are obliged to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent, unless the Friday is a solemnity (there are no Friday solemnities in 2016).

In their Penance and Abstinence pastoral, the U.S. Bishops declared: “the obligation both to fast and to abstain from meat, an obligation observed under a more strict formality by your fathers in the faith, still binds on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. No Catholic Christian will lightly excuse himself from so hallowed an obligation...” They also stated: “we preserve for our dioceses the tradition of abstinence from meat on each of the Fridays of Lent, confident that no Catholic Christian will lightly hold himself excused from this penitential practice.”

- ◆ Retrouvaille Weekend: Is your marriage in trouble? Are you losing hope? Retrouvaille is a ministry of hope for your marriage, a couple to couple ministry. A Retrouvaille will be presented February 26-28 in the William Kelley Retreat Center at the St. Augustine Seminary. For information and/or registration call Chuck and Colleen at 225-261-1901.
- ◆ The Angel Ministry Blanket Group will meet Wednesday, February 24 from 1:00—3:00 p.m. in the Parish Community Center



**PLEASE JOIN US**

**For an evening of  
Worship & Adoration  
Wednesday,  
February 17th**

**The evening will begin at  
6:00 p.m. with Mass**

**(priests will be available for Confessions prior to the Mass), followed by Exposition, Adoration, and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament (priests will also be available for Confessions during the Adoration portion of the evening).**

*We look forward to seeing you there!*



**PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AT OLG**

*We acknowledge Christ really present in the Blessed Sacrament; therefore, adoration of the Incarnate God is most worthy. Eucharistic Adoration is prayer before the Blessed Sacrament exposed in a monstrance, continued by successive worshippers day and night without intermission.*

*Our parish is blessed to have the St. Joseph Perpetual Adoration Chapel located at 107 Union Street and we invite and encourage you to visit Jesus there.*

If you would like to commit to an hour at our St. Joseph Chapel, you may contact James San Fillippo at 228-671-1835.

**Available Hours:**

**Sunday:** 9-10 am & 10-11 am

**Tuesday:** 2-3 am

**Wednesday:** 9-10 pm

**Thursday:** 1-2 pm

**Friday:** 1-2 pm & 11 pm-12 am

**Saturday:** 11 am—Noon; 2-3 pm.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

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| Monday, 2/15    | 7:00 a.m.        | †Jodie Compretta              |
| Tuesday, 2/16   | 7:00 a.m.        | †Shawn Morel                  |
| Tuesday 2/16    | 8:30 a.m.(OLA)*  | †Wilbur“Chubby” Saunders      |
| Tuesday, 2/16   | 6:00 p.m.        | † Mrs. Mary Adams             |
| Wednesday, 2/17 | 7:00 a.m.        | †Arlin Schaap                 |
| Wednesday, 2/17 | 8:15 a.m.        | †Fr. Jack Smith               |
| Wednesday, 2/17 | 6:00 p.m.        | †Gail Thames                  |
| Thursday, 2/18  | 7:00 a.m.        | Inez Marie Rudloff (Sp. Int.) |
| Friday, 2/19    | 7:00 a.m.        | †Ronni Protti                 |
| Friday, 2/19    | 8:30 a.m. (HTC)* | †Olive “Ollie” McKenna        |
| Saturday, 2/20  | 7:30 a.m.        | †Ronnie Protti                |
| Saturday, 2/20  | 4:00 p.m.        | †Louis Stockman               |
| Sunday, 2/21    | 8:00 a.m.        | †Fred M. Cabell               |
| Sunday, 2/21    | 10:30 a.m.       | Mass for the People           |
| Sunday, 2/21    | 6:00 p.m.        | Drew Burnett (Sp. Int.)       |
|                 |                  | †Sallie Saracino              |
|                 |                  | †Beryl & Eddie Murtagh        |

\*School Mass Only

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Beulah Benigno, Jimmy Bermond, Roy Brocato, James Chiniche, Karen Compretta, Jane Corbitt, John Dahn, Rita Dahn, Gracie Dougharty, Louis Doussan, Ethel Favre, Pete Furze, Mark Gonzales, Robert Hill, Gene Hoffmann, Beryl Kidd, Doug Kren, Lynda Lamier, Carolyn Langenbacker, Joan H. T. Mary, Paul Mary IV, Whitney McCardle, Greg McIntyre, Mark Moore, Pam Mauffray Nelson, Eddie O’Connor, Sheila Poolson, Madeline Prendergast, John J. Rossetti, Vicki Rottman, Inez Rudloff, Ezekiel Rutherford, Dr. J. D. Rutherford, Sonny Ryan, Juanita Shiyou, Jessie Aaron, Pete Watson, Evelyn Yarborough, our shut-ins, and all others in our parish and community who are in need of physical, mental, emotional or spiritual healing.