



Second Sunday of the Year January 14 & 15, 2017

Mass Intentions

Saturday
5:00 PM † James & Jewel McCall / R. & H. Sullivan
Sunday
8:00 AM † Deacon John Cretaro / Jo Anne Cretaro
10:30 AM † Cece LaManna / David & Terry Danson
Monday
8:00 AM † Mary Hernden / Friends
Tuesday ~ St. Anthony
8:00 AM † Tim Claiborne / SVdP Conference
Wednesday ~ Week of prayer for Christian Unity begins
8:00 AM Edith Scott Ashworth / C. & M. Malone
Thursday
8:00 AM † Ann Shonski / Steve & Peg Misztal
Friday
8:00 AM Edith Scott Ashworth / C. & M. Malone
Saturday
5:00 PM † Fran Bouchard, Jr. / Steve & Peg Misztal

For Mass intentions for a deceased loved one or for a special intention, contact the office at 251-962-3649.

Office Hours: 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Kindly pray for our parish family and all those who are journeying in a special way with Our Lord, Jesus Christ.



Martha Broz, Pat Chubb, Pat & Sheila Clemens, Peter Colombaro, **Diane Dickerson**, Ed Dubin, Barbara & Elizabeth Edwards, Nicole Fehn, **Harry Fletcher**, Jo Flynn, **June Henderson**, Shirley Joffrion, **Judy Jordan**, Mary Link, **Curtis Malone**, Monk Manning, Richard Muller, Bob & Margaret Nail, Arthur Nichols, Richard Peterson, Jerome Radtke, Annie Rutledge, **Anita Sanford**, Harriet Shields, Mary Stenzel, Margaret Schaff, Sr. Thérèse, **Rick** & Pat Van Norden, Cece Vaness

~ Prayer Requests ~

Terry Danson – 251-961-2165 or tsdanson@gmail.com

If you know of someone or if you are homebound, ill, due to have surgery, or in the hospital and would like a visit from the pastor or receive the sacraments, please call the rectory or the office.

First Friday Memorial Mass Association

Our Loved Ones – Bob & Margaret Nail	† James E. Link
Living & Deceased Kaiser, Klein & Murphy Families	† Deacon John Cretaro
Living & Deceased Scott & Weiss Families	† Anita Warriner
Living & Deceased Bush, Alvarez & McAleer Families	† Joseph LaManna
Living & Deceased Mullek & McCandless Families	† Doris Mullek
Living & Deceased Patton & Norton Families	Frank Mullek, Jr.
Living & Deceased Shields & Self Families	† Mignon Kilday
Living & Deceased Cretaro Family	

This Week's Schedule

Monday	8:30 AM	Rosary Cenacle – IM Hall
Monday	6:00 PM	Parish Council Meeting – IMH
Wednesday	9:00 AM	Adult Faith Formation Bible Study – IM Hall
Wednesday	10:30 AM	Choir Practice
Wednesday	11:30 AM	Chair Aerobics – IMH
Wednesday	4:30 PM	Catechism Class – IM Hall



ATTENDANCE LAST WEEKEND

5:00 PM = 83 8:00 AM = 58 10:30 AM = 84 Total = 225

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory Gift for January 8 = \$3,425.06

Maintenance = \$271.00

SVdP Special Collection ~ TODAY ~ Many thanks!

End-of-Year Tax Report ~ Anyone needing their contributions for 2016 may call the church office.

Quarterly Offertory Envelopes ~ If you have not registered as a parishioner or are not receiving your offertory envelopes, please contact the office. Census registration cards as well as welcome envelopes for visitors are available in the vestibule.

Pray for the Dead

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Herndon. Our sympathy to her family. Funeral Mass will be held at St. Lawrence Catholic Church in Fairhope, AL on February 11, 2017 at 11 AM. Visitation is from 9-11 AM. Please send condolences to Andy & Franci (daughter) Bertolla, PO Box 677, Point Clear, AL 36564.

WELCOME ~ Thank you for attending Mass with us today. We welcome all our visitors and new members and invite you to join in the ministries of our parish by sharing your gifts and talents. If you are not currently a registered member and wish to be, please fill out a census registration card in the vestibule or contact the parish office. Offertory envelopes are mailed quarterly and are also available at the office.

ATTENTION: Fr. Joseph Mudavankunnel, MSFS, has a new e-mail address: jmudavan@gmail.com.

Gospel Reflections

SPEAK, LORD, WE ARE LISTENING ~ In today's first reading, God keeps calling out in the night to a sleeping boy. Neither the boy, Samuel, nor his teacher, Eli, understands who is calling. But God's persistence convinces them. Samuel is then ready—not ready yet to do anything, but ready to listen. “Speak, for your servant is listening” (1 Samuel 3:10).

In the Gospel, Jesus is out teaching. Various people notice him and begin to gather around. They soon become disciples, and like the young Samuel, are ready—not ready to do anything, but ready to listen. “Speak,” they say. “We are listening.”

God's voice is always with us, awake or asleep. It swirls around us like fog on a waterfront, enveloping us, gently urging us to wake up, to listen. Awareness of the voice comes first; then willingness to listen; then, in time, the decision to act, to live according to God's word. Let's ask today for the ability to keep our ears open so we don't miss God's voice.

Living God's Word ~ Spiritual Reflection

“You are rewarded not according to your work or your time, but according to the measure of your love.”

—St. Catherine of Siena

SAINT VINCENT de PAUL FOOD PANTRY NEWS

A basket is provided in the vestibule and IM Hall for your nonperishable donations. Thank you!

PARISH COOKBOOK SPECIAL



One book is \$12, but if you buy two or more, they are only \$9 each! We still have about 100 to sell. Cookbook profit so far is \$800.

Thank you to all who support this project. Great for birthday and wedding gifts! They are available in the office or call Harriet Shields at 1-205-405-7499.

Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (ACCW) Baldwin Deanery Quarterly Luncheon

January 25 – 9:15 AM – St. Agatha Parish, Bay Minette
Luncheon reservations (\$13) are required by January 18. Please call Sr. Therese at 251-279-7285 to register.

Church Cleaning – January 2016

Restrooms, etc. – Charlene & Jason Crump
Floors/Pews – Marlene Fuller

A schedule is posted on the bulletin board. If you are not able to keep your commitment, call Harriet Shields.

Instructions are posted on cabinet door in sink closet.

ATTENTION: Please volunteer to help Marlene for one of the months from January through April.

January 21 & 22 Lectors

Sat.: 5:00 PM	S. Williams
Sun: 8:00 AM	B. Specht
10:00 AM	R. Fortunati

Ext. Ministers

J. Caudill / Sr. Therese
J. & N. Alemany
B. & J. Johnston

86th Annual Catholic Charities Appeal - 2017

You should have received a letter from Archbishop Rodi with a pledge card in the mail this past week inviting your support for Catholic Charities. This appeal supports more than 30 ministries within the Archdiocese of Mobile. Our representatives for Catholic Charities are Hannah Gale and Harriet Shields, who will speak at all Masses this weekend. The basic pledge for one year is \$504.00. Next weekend a speaker from the Archdiocese will speak at all the Masses. Please prayerfully consider supporting this appeal.

54-DAY ROSARY NOVENA ~ for an end to abortion and God's Peace and Justice on the United States continues every day at 3:00 PM in church through February 28.

Saint Benedict Catholic School Is Seeking Alumni

for their newly established alumni directory. Whether you're from the 8th grade of 1921 or the 8th grade of 2010, they want to hear from you. Please e-mail mkellersbcs@gmail.com.

On another note (pun intended), SBCS is much in need of some musical instruments. A set of bongo drums would add to some of their musical endeavors. If you would like to dispossess yourself of a set, please call Marta Coward Glunt at 251-213-4417.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Every year close to the feast of the Conversion of St. Paul on January 25 and before the Feast of the Chair of St. Peter on February 22, the cause of Church unity is commended to Christians everywhere. Sadly, Protestants, Orthodox, and Catholics have settled to a status quo of separation. When baptized people become Catholic, we speak of them as being received into “full communion.” That means we already share a communion in faith in many ways, including the Word of God. Many Protestant denominations have received and revised the 3-year cycle of readings first arranged by Catholics in the early 1970s. Therefore, many of your neighbors who are not Catholic are celebrating and reflecting on the same readings we are savoring on most Sundays of the year. This makes for a new spirit of cooperation among preachers of the gospel and gives hope that the cause of reunion, desired by Christ, has great vitality at the table of God's Word and will one day lead to unity at the table of the Lord's Body and Blood.

The Old Country Philosopher Sez - Bob Nail

The Valley of Kings is not in Egypt's land
But in Christ the King's loving arms and hands.

For it's there you'll find rest from all despair
And His love so great that is beyond compare.

Gift Bearers

T. & H. Shields
S. & M. Hillestad
Jarveis Family

Ushers

F. Mullek / Sal Pinzone
R. Geiger / B. Brennan
J. Crump / B. Jarveis