


# Twenty-Seventh Sunday of the Year

## October 1 & 2, 2016

### Mass Intentions



**Saturday**  
5:00 PM Paty Daves / Bubzy & Mary Lou Partridge

**Sunday – Holy Guardian Angels**  
8:00 AM ✠ Johnny Hurst / Skippy Peterson  
10:30 AM ✠ Mary Ann Palmer / Altar Society

**Monday**  
8:00 AM ✠ Larry Bovat / Betty Bovat

**Tuesday – St. Francis of Assisi**  
8:00 AM ✠ Mary Ann Palmer / David & Terry Danson

**Wednesday – Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos**  
8:00 AM ✠ Mary Fincher / B. & M. McCandless

**Thursday**  
8:00 AM Ed & Susan Mulek / B. & M. McCandless

**First Friday – Our Lady of the Rosary**  
8:00 AM Memorial Mass Association Members

**Saturday**  
5:00 PM ✠ Ethel Replogle / Skippy Peterson

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

**WELCOME** to Kay Trattles, Director of Good Council Mary's Shelter Gulf Coast, who will speak at all Masses today.

**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.

Fran Bouchard, Pat Chubb, **Jim** & Dot Davis, **Diane Dickerson**, Lorraine Dellinger, Ed Dubin, Elizabeth Edwards, Nicole Fehn, **Harry Fletcher**, Jo Flynn, Antonietta Geronilla, Rhetta Giuli, **June Henderson**, Margaret Henson, **Judy Jordan**, Joe Lacoy, Cece LaManna, Mary Link, Evan Linville, Monk Manning, **Sara Manning**, Larry Miller, Bob & Margaret Nail, Marsha Porter, **Merlin "Babe" Rohan**, Anita Sanford, Nan Santine, Margaret Schaff, **Rick Van Norden**, Cece Vaness, **Theresa Wilmeth**

**~ Prayer Requests ~**  
Terry Danson – 251-961-2165 or tsdanson@gmail.com


If you are ill or know someone who is ill, due to have surgery, or is in the hospital and would like a visit from the pastor, please call the rectory.

First Friday Memorial Mass Association		
Our Loved Ones – Bob & Margaret Nail	✠ James E. Link	Living & Deceased Kilday Family
Living & Deceased Kaiser, Klein & Murphy Families	✠ Deacon John Cretaro	Living & Deceased Chubb & Burns Families
Living & Deceased Scott & Weiss Families	✠ Anita Warriner	Living & Deceased Lacoy & Clancy Families
Living & Deceased Bush, Alvarez & McAleer Families	✠ Joseph LaManna	Living & Deceased Kearns & Patterson Families
Living & Deceased Mulek & McCandless Families	✠ Doris Mulek	Living & Deceased Altar Society Members
Living & Deceased Patton & Norton Families	Frank Mulek, Jr.	The Baptized Who Do Not Practice Their Faith
Living & Deceased Shields & Self Families	✠ Mignon Kilday	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Living & Deceased Cretaro Family		



## This Week's Schedule

Sunday	9:00 AM	<b>"Coffee with the Padre"</b>
Sunday	2:00 PM	Benedictine Oblate Holy Hour for vocations – Church
		Followed by fellowship – IM Hall
Monday	8:30 AM	Rosary Cenacle – IM Hall
Tuesday	8:30 AM	SVdP Meeting – IM Hall
Tuesday	10:00 AM	<b>Blessing of Pets</b>
Wednesday	9:00 AM	Adult Faith Formation
		Bible Study – IM Hall
		We are studying Exodus.
		All are welcome to come.
Wednesday	10:30 AM	Choir Practice – Church
Wednesday	11:30 AM	Chair Aerobics – IM Hall
Wednesday	4:30 PM	Catechism Class – IM Hall
Thursday	6:00 PM	RCIA – for anyone who is interested in learning about the Catholic Faith – IM Hall



### ATTENDANCE LAST WEEKEND

5 PM = 50   8 AM = 65   10:30 AM = 82   Total = 197

### STEWARDSHIP

Offertory Gift for September 25 = \$1,956.50  
Maintenance = \$123.00

**Special Second Collection – TODAY**  
Good Council Mary's Shelter Gulf Coast  
"Every baby is precious to Jesus."

**Quarterly Offertory Envelopes** - If you did not receive your quarterly offertory envelopes through the mail, they are available at the church office. Welcome envelopes for visitors are also available at church entrances.

◆ **MARK YOUR CALENDAR** ◆

Oct. 16      2:00 PM – Praise and Worship  
              3:00 PM – Rosary Rally / Reception

Oct. 27-29   8:30 AM – 3:00 PM – Rummage Sale

*Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament*

We are offered the gift to adore our Lord in the Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament this Friday. Adoration gives us the opportunity to be face to face with our Lord in silent adoration and prayer or to simply keep Him company, just as we would a dear friend.

In the Garden of Gethsemane during the Agony of Jesus, Peter, James, and John slept. Jesus said to Peter, "So you could not keep watch with me one hour?" We are all called to adore. There should be at least two people in the church at all times.


## Gospel Reflections

**INCREASE OUR FAITH** ~ Today's Gospel passage falls under the category that has come to be known as the "hard sayings" of Jesus—hard to understand and hard to apply to life today. The Apostles' request, "increase our faith," is in response to a previous hard saying about how frequently we are called upon to forgive others. Curiously, Jesus seems rather unforgiving in responding to their request or in describing the manner in which they are to serve others.

Jesus uses exaggerations to wake us up to how God is present in our lives and how we are urged to live if God is with us. None of us is called upon to uproot trees or cast mountains into the sea. The faith we have is adequate for the task we are called upon to do: spread the gospel by our witness. And living that witness is done not for self-gratification or recognition, but out of the joy of helping the world to hear the Good News.

**BLESSING of PETS** – We will bless your pets by the Statue of St. Joseph at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, October 4. Be sure they are properly contained. All denominations are welcome. Bring your own treats and clean-up tools.

**LIBRARY NEWS:** We have a good collection of DVDs, VHS video tapes, CDs and audio cassettes. Come and check them out!



**COFFEE WITH THE PADRE 9 AM–10:00 AM**  
October hosts are our Knights of Columbus Circle.

**RUMMAGE SALE ~ October 27, 28 & 29**. We set up on October 24, 25 & 26. We will not be accepting any donations after October 24. Let us know if you need someone to pick up your items. **Help is needed every Monday from 9 AM - 3 PM**. Contact Harriet Shields at 205-405-7499 or Hannah Gale at 850-766-1645.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Archdiocese of Mobile Children and Adolescents Protection Program retraining session for religious, employees and volunteers with substantial contact with minors will be Wednesday, October 5, at 2:00 PM in Immaculate Mary Hall.

**Church Cleaning Calendar – October**  
Restrooms, etc. – Charlene & Jason Crump  
Floors/Pews – Marlene Fuller & Catherine Williams  
***A revised calendar is posted on the bulletin board. To help anyone who is scheduled, just give them a call.***

<u>October 8 &amp; 9</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Ext. Ministers</u>	<u>Gift Bearers</u>	<u>Ushers</u>
<b>Sat.:</b> 5:00 PM	S. Henkel	M. Donovan / P. Marceau	P. & J. Langan	F. Mulek / E. Hasselback
<b>Sun.:</b> 8:00 AM	J. Ziemann	J. & N. Alemany	S. & M. Hillestad	R. Geiger / S. Pinzone
10:30 AM	R. Fortunati	E. & N. Fehn	B. & W. Zielinski	J. Crump / B. Jarveis

*Welcome New Parishioners*

Robert & Mary Jean Keyser, 118 Horn Dr., Lillian, AL

**RENEW YOUR STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT** – Please pick up a ministry card at church entrances, indicate how you are willing to express your Christian vocation of Parish Stewardship, and place it in the offertory collection or bring it to the office. For more information, contact Harriet Shields at 205-405-7499.

**BOX OF JOY** – Be a part of God's mission to the world and wrap up this Jubilee Year of Mercy with a **Box of Joy**. Boxes and instruction folders with envelopes are in the vestibule and west wing. Please include \$9 for each box, and be sure to follow ALL instructions.

**54-DAY NOVENA TO THE BLESSED MOTHER**  
We are praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet followed by the Rosary in church daily at 3:00 PM through election day, November 8, asking for God's Mercy on the United States. If you cannot come to church, please pray at home.

**NOTE:** 2017 calendars are available at church entrances.

**PET BLESSING** ~ On Sunday, October 2 at 5:00 PM, St. Bartholomew Catholic Church will honor the feast day of St. Francis (October 4) with a pet blessing on the front lawn. All pets of all denominations are welcome as long as they are properly contained, caged, bridled, haltered, or leashed. Treats for all God's creatures will be provided.

**CSS CHRISTMAS SHARING PROGRAM**  
A volunteer training meeting to register families will be held October 5 at 11:00 AM at Catholic Social Services in Robertsedale. We also need volunteers to sort, pack and distribute toys. A light lunch will be served. For more information, call Peggy Peterson at 947-3877.

**2016 – AN EXTRAORDINARY YEAR OF MERCY**  
Our Lady of the Gulf has been designated by Archbishop Rodi as a pilgrimage church with the **Jubilee Year Holy Doors**. The Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel in Pensacola is also a designated Jubilee Church. Brochures are in the vestibule.

"We cannot keep the joy of the faith to ourselves; we must pass it on."  
–Pope Benedict XVI

**The Old Country Philosopher Sez** - Bob Nail  
Words can be comforting;  
Words can cause pain, too.  
Words can be a gift or curse;  
Words come from me and you.