

Twenty-Sixth Sunday of the Year
September 24 & 25, 2016

Mass Intentions

Saturday
5:00 PM † Jerry Chubb / Patricia Chubb
Sunday
8:00 AM Rev. Francis Reque, OSB / Fortunati
10:30 AM † Barbara Lowitz / Skippy Peterson
Monday
8:00 AM **Closing of 2 abortion clinics & conversion of their staff / Archdiocese Mobile**
Tuesday – St. Vincent de Paul
8:00 AM † Deceased Members of St. Vincent de Paul Society / St. Joseph Conference
Wednesday
8:00 AM Special Intention / Anonymous
Thursday ~ SS Michael, Gabriel, & Raphael
8:00 AM Capt. Ian Thomas Friel / S. & P. Misztal
Friday
8:00 AM Edward Hanolt / R. & B. Fortunati
First Saturday
8:00 AM Reparation to Immaculate Heart of Mary
5:00 PM Paty Daves / Bubzy & Mary Lou Partridge

For Mass intentions for a deceased loved one or for a special intention, contact the office (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.



Fran Bouchard, Pat Chubb, **Jim** & Dot Davis, **Diane Dickerson**, Lorraine Dellinger, Ed Dubin, Elizabeth Edwards, Nicole Fehn, **Harry Fletcher**, Jo Flynn, Antonietta Geronilla, Myrtle Graver, 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**, 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

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| 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 Mullek & McCandless Families | † Doris Mullek | Living & Deceased Altar Society Members |
| Living & Deceased Patton & Norton Families | † Frank Mullek, 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

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| Monday | 8:30 AM | Rosary Cenacle – IM Hall |
| 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 = 53 8 AM = 50 10:30 AM = 99 Total = 202

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory Gift for September 18 = \$1,847.00
Maintenance = \$46.00
Catholic University = \$334.12
Special Second Collection – NEXT WEEK
Good Council Mary’s Shelter Gulf Coast

◆ MARK YOUR CALENDAR ◆

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| <u>Oct. 6</u> | 9-10 AM – Coffee with the Padre |
| <u>Oct. 16</u> | 2:00 PM – Praise and Worship |
| | 3:00 PM – Rosary Rally / Reception |
| <u>Oct. 27-29</u> | 8:30 AM – 3:00 PM – Rummage Sale |
| | 8:30 AM – 1:00 PM – Food Court |
| <u>Nov. 5</u> | 8:00 AM – First Saturday Devotion followed by Breakfast |

OUR LADY OF FATIMA APPARITIONS

The three prayers taught by Our Lady:

- 1) “O Most Holy Trinity. I adore Thee; my God, my God, I love Thee in the Most Blessed Sacrament.”
- 2) “O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of Hell, lead all souls to Heaven, especially those most in need.”
- 3) “O my Jesus, it is for love of Thee, for the conversion of sinners and in reparation for sins committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer this sacrifice to Thee.”

The two prayers taught by Our Lord:

- 1) “Sweet Heart of Mary, be the salvation of Russia, Spain, Portugal, Europe and the whole world.”
- 2) By Thy pure and Immaculate Conception, O Mary, obtain for me the conversion of Russia, Spain, Portugal, Europe and the whole world.”

Gospel Reflections

SEEK VIRTUE ~ In today's first reading, Amos condemns a self-absorbed people and their morally corrupt behavior and attitudes, which he warns will bring devastation. In the Gospel, the wealthy man is not given a name; he is simply the epitome of greed and irresponsibility. His lack of caring has created a gulf between him and the beggar Lazarus that not even Abraham can bridge.

In his letter to Timothy, a young bishop in the small Resurrection community of Ephesus, Paul exhorts this leader to seek virtues such as integrity, faith, and steadfastness with great gentleness. Paul also asks Timothy to keep in mind the future life with God who “dwells in unapproachable light.” This is the blessedness of all those who, like Lazarus, were once poor but who are now rich.

WE WELCOME Kay Trattles, administrator of *Good Council Mary's Shelter Gulf Coast*, who will speak at all Masses next weekend.

PRIESTS' BURSE CLUB ~ Dues can be paid at any time during the year to help our seminarians. Envelopes are available in the vestibule. Please continue to pray for our seminarians and priestly vocations.

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.

CHAIR AEROBICS – An exercise class for seniors (men and women) will be held every Wednesday at 11:30 AM in the parish hall. Bring light hand weights and water. There is no charge, but a donation is welcome to pay gas expense for our instructor, Lucile Willis.

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>Oct. 1 & 2</u> | <u>Lectors</u> | <u>Ext. Ministers</u> |
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| Sat.: 5:00 PM | P. Marceau | J. Caudill / Sr. Therese |
| Sun.: 8:00 AM | L. Willis | B. & M. McCandless |
| 10:30 AM | R. Fortunati | B. & W. Zielinski |

ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP RENEWAL SUNDAY – TODAY

Use the talents you possess: *The woods would be very silent if no birds sang except those that sang best.*

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 SUNDAY – TODAY

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 instructions are available in the vestibule after all Masses today.

54-DAY NOVENA TO THE BLESSED MOTHER

asking for God's Mercy on the United States began last Friday, September 16, at St. Joseph. We are praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet followed by the Rosary in church daily at 3 PM from now through election day, November 8. The East and West Wing doors will be open. Please come and pray with us when you can.

NOVENA OF MASSES FOR LIFE

The archdiocese is offering a nine-day Novena of Masses for Life (September 19-27), for the particular intention of “*the closure of the two abortion centers in the archdiocese and the conversion of their staff.*” Each parish is asked to offer Masses during this period.

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 Robertsdale. 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

The Holy Father has attached indulgences to making a pilgrimage to either one of the major Basilicas of Rome or to other churches designated by a Diocesan Bishop. Our Lady of the Gulf has been designated by Archbishop Rodi as a pilgrimage church with the **Jubilee Year Holy Doors**. See brochures in vestibule.

FREE CONCERT – By Dallas Rogers

Lillian United Methodist Church – October 1 – 4:30 PM

The Old Country Philosopher Sez - Bob Nail

When the “Book of Life” is opened,
Will my name be written there?
When the sheep are separated,
Will God’s love for’er I share?

I do not know the answer, but one thing that is true,
I’ll do my best every day, Dear Lord, my God for you.

Gift Bearers

M. & S. Donovan
J. & N. Alemany
T. Bryant / D. Johnson

Ushers

F. Mullek / E. Hasselback
R. Geiger / S. Pinzone
J. Crump / B. Jarveis