



**FIRST
SUNDAY OF
LENT**

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**February 18, 2018**



# Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church

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

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Podcast Site: <http://olgpastor.podbean.com/mobile/> ~ [formed.org](http://formed.org) (Parish Code: WX8YKK)

***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).

*Come to worship—leave to serve!*

**Confession Schedule**

- ◆ One hour before Saturday Vigil Mass
- ◆ 30 minutes prior to all Sunday Masses
- ◆ 30 minutes prior to the Tues. evening Mass
- ◆ 30 minutes prior to Saturday morning Mass
  - ◆ Other times by appointment

*Communal Penance celebrations held during Advent and Lent*

**Mass Schedule**

- ◆ Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
- ◆ Sunday: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.; 5:00 p.m.
  - ◆ Every Weekday: 7:00 a.m.
  - ◆ Tuesdays: 6:00 p.m.
  - ◆ Saturdays: 7:30 a.m.

**2018 CSA—Prayer and Our Call  
to Discipleship**

*Dear Parishioners,*

*Today is Commitment Sunday for the 2018 Catholic Sharing Appeal. The CSA is an appeal from the Bishop, directly to the parishioners of the diocese, to ask for financial help in funding over 30 ministries of our diocesan Church that address the basic needs of many of our brothers and sisters in Southern Mississippi. Please consider joining Bishop Kihneman and me in reaching out to help those in need through our prayers and support. ~Fr. Mike*



***Pray,  
Fast,  
Give***

**New Parishioners:** To register call the parish office and request a parish registration card.

**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 Christian 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 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. Our Wedding Guidelines Packet is available on our web site at [www.olgchurch.net](http://www.olgchurch.net) or upon request at the parish office.

**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. Contact: Joe Monti 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.

| <b>FINANCES: FEBRUARY 11, 2018</b>                  |                             |             |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Offertory:                                          | Envelopes                   | \$ 3,968.25 |
|                                                     | Loose                       | \$ 7,028.83 |
|                                                     | Direct Debit                | \$ 2,543.00 |
|                                                     | Extra & Other Donations     | \$ 1,465.00 |
|                                                     | St. Vincent de Paul Society | \$ 428.00   |
| Number of Identifiable Contributions . . . . .      |                             | 206         |
| <b><i>Thank you for your continued support!</i></b> |                             |             |

Make sure you celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation this Lent. And when you do, know that the grace of this sacrament is there to cleanse you and to fill you with God’s power. It is an ongoing grace that brings you closer to Jesus and strengthens you against any and all temptation. ([www.catholiclane.com](http://www.catholiclane.com))

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- Secretary to the Pastor,** Jo Sharp.....ext. 101  
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**MINISTRIES & CONTACT INFO**

- Altar Servers:** Mr. Ivo Prikasky [veryluckydad@yahoo.com](mailto:veryluckydad@yahoo.com)
- Altar Society:** Meets Second Monday of every month 5:30 pm in Christian Life Center. Kathy Donner 363-1838
- Angel Ministry & Groups:** JoAnn Hille 467-6169
- Annulment Counseling:** Deacon Eddie Renz
- Booking of Parish Facilities:** Jo Sharp
- CCD & Religious Education:** Kathleen LeBlanc, Chris Austin, and Karli & BJ Corr
- 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):**  
Mrs. Desiree Lizana, Principal  
[dlizana@holytrinitycatholic.net](mailto:dlizana@holytrinitycatholic.net)  
467-5158 [www.holytrinitycatholic.net](http://www.holytrinitycatholic.net)
- For Better & For Ever Marriage Prep:** Deacon Harris
- K of C Ladies Auxiliary:** Sue Brocato 342-2902
- Knights of Columbus:** Mak Kersanac 228-216-2442
- Ladies’ Prayer Group:** First Monday of every month at 6:00 p.m. in the Christian Life Center
- ‘Sunday Connections’ Prayer Group:** Third Monday of month at 6:00 pm 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):**  
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 (Bereavement) Ministry:** Suzi Lee 493-3449
- RCIA, RCIC:** Deacon Mike Harris
- Sacramental Preparation:** Kathleen LeBlanc
- ST. STANISLAUS COLLEGE (Boys Grades 7-12):**  
Bro. Barry Landry, President—Mr. Gary Blackburn, Principal  
467-9057 [www.ststan.com](http://www.ststan.com)
- St. Vincent de Paul Conference:** Call 228-342-1545 on Mondays from 9-11:30 am to make an appointment.
- St. Vincent de Paul Pharmacy:** Meets in Bay St. Louis on the 1st Monday of each month. Call 228-374-9097 for information.
- Wedding Coordinators:** See Wedding Guidelines Packet at [www.olgchurch.net](http://www.olgchurch.net).
- Youth Ministry:** Karli & BJ Corr 228-332-0081

- **Sunday Connections:** Monday, February 19th at 6:00 p.m. in the Christian Life Center. If you are looking for a way to deepen your connection to the Sunday readings, please join us as we “sneak-a-peek” at the following Sunday’s readings.
- **FORGIVEN:** Explore the grace and healing offered in Confession and how this sacrament of mercy reveals the depth and bounty of God’s love. Five sessions beginning February 22nd, 6:30-8:00 pm in the OLG Christian Life Center.
- **Volunteers Needed!:** The OLG Angel Ministry is in need of volunteers for the March 19th **St. Joseph Altar** for the following: Setting Up and Decorating, Making Meatless Dishes, Baking Italian Cookies and Cakes, Lilies and Palms, Ironing Table Cloths for the Altar, and Candles. If you can help in any of these areas, please call Jo Ann Hille asap at 228-222-0209.
- **Pictorial Directories Are In:** If you had your portrait taken last summer for our new parish pictorial directory, please stop by the parish office during the week to pick up your complimentary copy of the directory.

**LENT AT OLG PARISH**

**Stations of the Cross:** Every Friday of Lent at 5:30 p.m.\* in the church (\*Good Friday Stations will be at 3:00 p.m.)

**School Stations of the Cross:** Presented by Holy Trinity Catholic School, Fridays of Lent beginning February 23 at 1:30 p.m.\* in the church (\*They will no present Stations on Good Friday)

**Fish Fry Dinners:** Every Friday of Lent 5:00—7:00 p.m.\* in the OLG Parish Community Center (\*No dinner on Good Friday)

**Parish Lenten Mission:** March 5-7 at 6:00 p.m. each evening in the church. Featuring Fr. Nile Gross. More information coming soon.

**Parish Lenten Penance Service:** Thursday, March 8 at 6:00 p.m.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

|                 |            |                            |
|-----------------|------------|----------------------------|
| Monday, 2/19    | 7:00 a.m.  | †Martin Fagot              |
| Tuesday, 2/20   | 7:00 a.m.  | †Bill Okonski              |
|                 | 6:00 p.m.  | Billy & Marguerite App     |
| Wednesday, 2/21 | 7:00 a.m.  | Drew Burnett               |
|                 | 8:15 a.m.  | Rebecca Smith Harding      |
| Thursday, 2/22  | 7:00 a.m.  | †Anthony G. Pitalo, Jr.    |
| Friday, 2/23    | 7:00 a.m.  | †Fr. Gerald Michael Cleary |
| Saturday, 2/24  | 7:30 a.m.  | Donna & Gabe Signorelli    |
|                 | 5:00 p.m.  | †Clayton Boyer             |
| Sunday, 2/25    | 8:00 a.m.  | †Juanita Loup              |
|                 | 10:30 a.m. | Parishioners of OLG        |
|                 | 5:00 p.m.  | †Clayton Boyer             |
|                 |            | †Fr. Patick Hayes          |
|                 |            | †Martin Fagot              |

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Brent Anderson, Jr., Ronnie Artigues, Sr., Ken Barbor, Melvin ‘Cuz’ Barnes, Donnie Bennett, Hank Benvenuti, Dewey Bobinger, Mike Carson, Fr. Ronald Caulkins, Martha Chapin, Maci Clarke, Karen Compretta, Gretchen Cumberland, Natalie Duverney, Janelle Forstall, Betty Garcia, Mark Gonzales, Amy Goscinski, Paul Grego, Roger Heitzmann, Jr., Haley Hellmers, Dayle Hille, Suzanne Hinton, Bob Hubbard, Tommy Kidd, Sandy Kolodziej, Celeste Lane, Denise Lartique, Nikki Lizana, Suelin McClaney, Shawn McCloskey, Evelyn Martin, Joan Mary, Paul Mary IV, Dave Moore, Mark Moore, Delores Morreal, Alicia Neubauer, Eddie O’Connor, Gwen Orgeron, Richard Ostenson, Fred Petrie, Pat Pitalo, Dr. J. D. Rutherford, Jim Sager, Barbara Smith, Bill Taylor, David Treutel, Jr., Ted Ursu, Kent Weidie, Bridgette Williamson, Evelyn Yarborough, 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.

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**KNIGHTS**  
**OF COLUMBUS**  
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

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**Annual Lenten Fish Fry**

**Fridays of Lent 5:00—7:00 p.m.\***

**Our Lady of the Gulf Parish Community Center**  
**228 S. Beach Blvd., Bay St. Louis, MS**

*Fried Catfish*

*Green Beans*

*Coleslaw*

*Hush Puppies*

*Tater Tots*

*Dessert*

*Drink*

**\$10.00 per platter**

**Dates:**

**Friday, February 16**

**Friday, February 23**

**Friday, March 2**

**Friday, March 9**

**Friday, March 16**

**Friday, March 23**

*\*There will not be a dinner held on Good Friday, March 30*

**OUR LADY OF THE GULF CHURCH**  
**228 South Beach Boulevard Bay Saint Louis, MS**

**LENT 2018 SCHEDULE**

**Ash Wednesday Masses**

(Ashes will be distributed at all Masses.)

February 14, 2018

7:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.

**Stations of the Cross**

Fridays of Lent at 5:30 p.m. in the church\*

(\*Except for Good Friday Stations which will be at 3:00 p.m.)

**Fish Fry Fridays**

Fridays of Lent\* beginning February 16th

5:00—7:00 p.m.

OLG Parish Community Center

\$10 per dinner for Fried Catfish, Green Beans, Coleslaw, Hush  
Puppies, Tater Tots, Dessert, & Drink

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

(\*There will NOT be a fish fry on Good Friday.)

**Parish Lenten Mission**

March 5—7, 2018

6:00 p.m. each evening

Featuring: Fr. Nile Gross

**Parish Penance Service**

Thursday, March 8th at 6:00 p.m.