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20th Sunday in Ordinary Time August 16, 2020

MASSES

SATURDAY VIGIL: 4:00PM

SUNDAY: 8:00AM & 10:30AM

WEEKDAY MASS: CHAPEL

MONDAY-FRIDAY 8:00AM
(ROSARY AFTER)

FIRST SATURDAY 8:00AM
ANNOINTING OF THE SICK &
NOVENA TO MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY: 3:00-3:45 PM

SUNDAY: 9:45-10:15 AM

OTHER TIMES BY APPOINTMENT

ADORATION

TUESDAY: 8:00AM-8:00PM

FRIDAY: 8:30AM-9:30 AM
(DEVOTION TO SACRED HEART)

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY-FRIDAY: 8:00 AM-12:30 PM

LAURA E. RHODE, SECRETARY

AUGUST 16, 2020

*O woman,
great is
your faith!*

MATTHEW 15:28



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TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Gospel Reflection

Today's readings bring whole humanity under one umbrella. Jesus demonstrates that salvation was meant not only for Jews but also for the Gentiles by healing the daughter of a Gentile woman as a reward for her strong Faith. Jesus proves that God's mercy and love are available to all who call out to Him in Faith.

There are three steps that work towards a harmonious relationship with all: 1) Worship of one God breaks barriers of hatred and builds strong bonds of love: The Lord's compassion goes beyond the chosen people of Israel. Keeping the greatest commandment 'love of God and love of neighbor' was considered as one of the demands in being part of God's chosen people. The Lord considers the gentiles as his chosen people if they follow these commandments. "My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples." (Isaiah 56:7)

2) Rejection of the gentiles is friendship with the evil but acceptances of them is salvation of the world: St. Paul explains to the Romans "For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, enriching all who call upon him. For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." (Romans 10: 12,13)

3) Faith helps one to overcome the social stigmas: Jesus's ministry of healing surpasses the boundaries of race and culture as he perceives the persistence of a Canaanite woman (gentile). The gentiles were considered as dogs. But the faith of the woman overcomes such social stigmas. The woman was humble enough to accept even the crumbs falling from the master's table. As was evident, her humility won for her the necessary favor.

Today's Readings

Entrance Chant: Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

First Reading (Isaiah 56:1,6-7)

Thus says the Lord: Observe what is right, do what is just, for my salvation is about to come, my justice, about to be revealed. The foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, ministering to him, loving the name of the Lord and becoming his servants—All who keep the sabbath free from profanation and hold to my covenant, them I will bring to my holy mountain and make joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and sacrifices will be acceptable on my altar, for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.

Responsorial Psalm (67:2-3,5,6,8)

R: O God, let all the nations praise you

May God have pity on us and bless us; may he let his face shine upon us. So may your way be known upon the earth, among all nations, your salvation.

R: O God, let all the nations praise you

May the nations be glad and exult; because you rule the peoples in equity, the nations on the earth you guide.

R: O God, let all the nations praise you

May the peoples praise you, O God; may all the peoples praise you! May God bless us, and may all the ends of the earth fear him.

R: O God, let all the nations praise you

Second Reading (Romans 11: 13-15,29-32)

Brothers and sisters: I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch as I am the apostle to the Gentiles, I glory in my ministry in order to make my race jealous and thus save some of them. For if their rejection is the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead? For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable. Just as you once disobeyed God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now disobeyed in order that, by virtue of the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God delivered all to disobedience, that he might have mercy upon all.

Gospel (Matthew 15:21-28)

At that time, Jesus withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman of that district came and called out, "Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David! My daughter is tormented by a demon." But Jesus did not say a word in answer to her. Jesus's disciples came and asked him, "Send her away, for she keeps calling out after us." He said in reply, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But the woman came and did Jesus homage, saying, "Lord, help me." He said in reply, "It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour.

Men, Could God be calling you to the diaconate?

If so, the Biloxi Diocese plans to begin a new Formation Class for the diaconate in 2021. Pre-selection information sessions will be conducted from 8:30-noon on the following days: Sept 19th at St. Clare, Waveland; Sept 26th at Sacred Heart, Hattiesburg and October 3rd at St. Mary, Gautier. For interested men who think you may have a calling, attendance at one of these sessions is mandatory with your wife. Please see your pastor, or call Deacon Mike Saxer, (228)216-8060 or Dea-



Michael & Toddy Arceneaux	Verna Mae Ladner
Ralph Baldwin	James Lovett
Nelsie & Johnny Banks	Layla Mallett
Emilee Battaglia	Sandra Mauffray
Gene Breazeale	Woody Mauffray
Ida Brown	Carol Moragas
Claud Burk	Mary Louise & Sonny Moran
Jaycee & Jaylee Cameron	Warren Moran
Don "Sarge" Carter	Belinda & Kenny Morgan
Eugene, James, Jerry, Gretchen, Tessa,	Shirley Morris
JoAnn, Jude, Shirley Cucurullo	Patrick Murphy
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Peggy Glynn	Janet Necaie
Christine Green - wood	Tyrone & Faye Necaie
Merle Haas	Christopher Nugent
Wayne Hoda	Joy Patin
Amanda Jones	Brooke Rolison
June Kenney	Carla Santiago
Donald Koenenn	Karrie Schultz
Cecile & Willard Ladner	Jerry Shavers
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Patsy Ladner	Timothy Scott Steen
	Maura Strong
	Josie Thomas
	Denise Walker

New Wine Lay Ministry

This ministry is for people who want a basic foundation in theology and pastoral skills. Participant benefits -

- Deeper Faith
- Vision and Skills in Ministry
- Greater effectiveness in Ministry
- Level III Catechist Certification

More information and applications are available in the office.

Financial News

Annunciation Parish

Financial Obligations

Insurance	\$38,245.00
Diocesan Support Tax	\$16,735.00
School Supplement	\$28,270.00
Salaries, Utilities, & Other Operational Expenses (approximate)	\$128,921.00
Total Yearly Financial Obligations	\$212,171.03
Amount needed each week	\$4,080.20
Last Sunday Collection	\$3923.34
WEEKLY SHORTFALL	\$156.86

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday August 15
4pm- Frank & Katherine Coratello †

Sunday, August 16
8:00am - Parishioners
10:30am -Herma & Martha Hoda †
Yvonne & Rusty Nugent †
Karen Hoda Koenenn †
Bobby Hoda †
Deceased Family Members

Monday, August 17
8:00am - Jimmy Ladner †

Tuesday, August 18
8:00am -Clarence † & Jean Lee and Family

Wednesday, August 19
8:00 am -Cleopatra Moran & Family

Thursday, August 20
8:00am -Wayne Hoda

Friday, August 21
8:00am - Robert Sciambra †

PRAY FOR OUE TROOPS:

- Amir Darwis -US Army National Guard
- Drew Ladner-----US Marine
- Darrell Little-----US Army
- Devin Nelson-----US Army
- Brandan Witt-----USAF

Lord, hold our troops in Your Loving Hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need, and bring them home safely. May their sacrifices bring about a lasting and just peace in those lands. We ask this in the Name of Jesus Our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Parish Religious Education and RCIA - Resume

The novel coronavirus, Covid-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic and is extremely contagious. As a result, to resume in person parish religious education and RCIA programs, we follow the guidelines of the Diocese, our federal, state and local health and civil officials. Our parish has put in place reasonable preventative measures and standards of behavior to reduce the spread of Covid-19 at in person, parish religious education and RCIA activities.

Students, RCIA participants, staff and volunteers must stay home for any one of the following criteria:

1. Positive test for Covid-19
2. Individual or any member of the household experiencing symptoms of Covid-19 whether they have a positive test or not.
3. Known close contact (within the last 14 days) with a person who is lab confirmed to have Covid-19. Close contact is defined as within 6 feet for a period of over 15 minutes.

Student and RCIA participant absences for the above reasons will be counted as excused. If a religious education student develops symptoms or suspected symptoms of Covid-19, the parent/guardian will be contacted by parish staff and will make immediate preparations to have student picked up from school. In the event of a medical emergency, parish staff may call 9-1-1 and have student transported to a hospital or healthcare facility. If a staff member, volunteer, religious education student, or RCIA participant suspects or knows they had Covid-19, and had symptoms, they may return to in person parish religious education or RCIA after:

1. 14 days past the onset of symptoms (or test if no symptoms)
2. Symptoms improve, and
3. Fever free for 24 hours without fever reducing medication.

In the case of a staff member, volunteer, religious education student, or RCIA participant who has symptoms that could be Covid-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for Covid-19, the individual is assumed to have Covid-19. The individual may not return to in person parish religious education or RCIA until the individual has completed the same three step criteria listed above. If the staff member, volunteer, religious education student, or RCIA participant has symptoms that could be Covid-19 and wants to return to in person religious education or RCIA before completing the above self-isolation period, the individual must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis or receive two separate confirmation at least 24 hours apart that they are free of Covid-19 via testing at an approved Covid-19 testing

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