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MISSION STATEMENT

Celebrating community and cultural diversity, striving to treat everyone as our neighbor, all with the help of the power, love and grace of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 11, 2025

Staff:

Pastor: Rev. Daniel Martinez-Patiño
Pastoral Assoc.: Deacon M.J. Landry
Secretary: Mary Beth Broussard

Pastoral Council:

Meets every 3rd Wednesday
of the month

Religious Education

Charnell Martino and
Deacon MJ Landry

Grades K-5: Nativity Center
Wed. 5:30pm;

Grades 6-11: Lifeteen;
Sun. 6:45 pm at Nativity Ctr.

Mass Schedule

Saturday (Vigil) Mass – 4:00 pm
Sunday Mass – 8:30 am
Sunday Spanish Mass – 11:00 am
Mon. – Thu. Daily Mass – 7:30 am
at the Mercy House Chapel
Our Mother of Perpetual Help
Devotions: Tuesdays at 8 am
Fridays: Communion Service

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 3:15 pm – 3:45 pm
or by appointment

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick and / or emergency:

Communion will be brought to anyone desiring to receive but unable to attend Mass for serious reasons. Please call Fr. Daniel at (228) 860-6377.

Sacrament of Marriage

Engaged couples should call the parish office at least six (6) months prior to the anticipated date of the marriage. At least one member of the couple should be a registered and practicing member of the parish for at least six (6) months.

Sacrament of Baptism

Infant baptism requires that at least one parent is a registered and practicing member of the parish for at least six (6) months. It must be the intent of the parent to actively raise the child in the Catholic faith. Contact the parish office.

Funerals

Contact the Parish Office as soon as possible to make arrangements.

Signs and Symbols of Easter: (part 2)

Wood: On Good Friday two crisscrossed planks of lumber were carried into church. A voice sang out, "This is the wood of the cross, on which hung the Savior of the world." And all of us gathered there stepped forward to give glory to God by venerating this holy wood. For us Christians, wood calls many things to mind: A cypress ark saved creation from the flood. Moses held high his walking stick to divide the sea. When God asked Abraham to sacrifice his son Isaac, the boy carried the wood for his own funeral pyre. But God chose life, not death, for Abraham's beloved son. In your home, honor the life-giving cross. Hang it in the place you pray. During this Easter season keep some spring flowers by it.

Wax: Throughout the Easter season the paschal candle shines in church. This candle is an image of the risen body of Christ. It was kindled and consecrated with great ceremony on Easter Eve. At baptisms the paschal candle is a symbol of receiving the light of Christ. They are told to keep the light burning brightly and the flame of faith alive in their hearts. At funerals the paschal candle shines on the dead, like a pillar of fire to guide them to the promised land. A burning candle is a sign of self-sacrifice. Traditionally, the church's candles are made from beeswax. A beehive is a symbol of the church, where everyone is called to work together for the common good. When you light a candle in prayer you might say, "Jesus Christ is the light of the world, a light no darkness can extinguish." Or say the words proclaimed at the Easter Vigil, "Light of Christ! Thanks be to God!"

MASS INTENTIONS

For the week of May 10, 2025

- Saturday †Tommy Boney
- Sunday †Elbert F. Meaut
- Sun. 11 am Neary Family
- Monday †Benjamin Cannon
- Tuesday †Monique White
- Wednesday †Sarah Stead
- Thursday †Jamie & Dale Cannon
- Friday Our Parish Family

****The Sanctuary Lamp is in memory of Doris C. Penn & Grace G. Cates**

****If you would like to have Masses offered for a loved one or friend, living or deceased, please call the office. The stipend is \$10 per Mass intention.**

PARISH NEWS

Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Thurs.- 8 am – 9 am
in the Mercy House Chapel



HOLY HOUR

Every Thursday
6 pm English
7 pm Spanish

"Mary, give me your Heart: your Heart so full of love and humility that I may be able to receive Jesus in the Bread of Life and love Him as you love Him and serve Him in the distressing guise of the poor."

- Saint Mother Teresa



STEWARDSHIP

Last Week's Collection

Collected: \$ 1,980
Weekly Budget: \$ 3,977

Year to Date Collection

Collected: \$ 126,432
Yearly Budget: \$ 206,804

Catholic Sharing Appeal
"Building a Future of Hope"

We have received \$ 4,900 in pledges and donations from 14 donors. I would like to achieve a 100% participation for our parish! Our goal is \$ 13,745. Please prayerfully consider donating to the CSA. There are envelopes in the back of church. You may also donate online at www.biloxidiocese.org and click on the "Giving" tab.

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

LECTORS

Sat., May 10 th	Johnny Lewis
Sun., May 11 th	Nancy Boney
Sat., May 17 th	Ann Marie Hill
Sun., May 18 th	Charnell Martino

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat., May 10 th	Katie McMahan	Gerard Darnell
Sun., May 11 th	Joe & Nancy Boney	
Sat., May 17 th	David & Ann Marie Hill	
Sun., May 18 th	Charlotte Balias	Gert Newman

SACRISTANS

Sat., May 10 th	Greg & Loretta Eleuterius	
Sun., May 11 th	Angela Cannon	Charlotte Balias
Sat., May 17 th	David & Ann Marie Hill	
Sun., May 18 th	Paul & Dia Perry	

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat., May 10 th	Natelia Mabary	Vada Gates
Sun., May 11 th	Bella Jackson	Zoe Andrews
Sat., May 17 th	Lola Simnicht	Ava Simnicht
Sun., May 18 th	Cobie Martino	Ava Jade Kennedy

****If you are unable to fulfill your duties, please call someone to take your place!**

May Church Cleaning: Newbaker Family

Corporal Works of Mercy Helping the Needy

We are collecting donations of clothing and household items to support the needy in our community. There is an immediate need at the Mercy Cross Center for laundry detergent, liquid or powder (excluding Tide). Your generosity can make a difference for those in need! Please note that this is an ongoing ministry! Please call the office or Deacon M.J. for more information.

YOUTH NEWS

CCD:

Wed. May 14th – 5:30 pm
Family Rosary – Last Class

LIFETEEN: Grades 6th – 12th
Sun. – 6:40 pm



Our Parish requirements for subsidy / financial assistance for grades K through 12th to attend Catholic schools are:

1. You must be a registered member of our parish.
2. You must attend Mass regularly with the child and use your offertory envelopes.
3. The children (of age) are required to be altar servers and parents must participate in church activities.

Share the Good News!!

If you have any “good news” you would like to share about your child / children, please call the office by Wednesday.



A Prayer for all Mothers



Loving God, thank you for all the mothers in the world. Bless them so that they may always give life and nourishment to their children through their firm faith, generous and selfless love. Grant that we, their children, may honor them always with a spirit of profound love, respect and thanksgiving. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Happy Mother's Day!!

Honoring our Mother, Mary

Many things can be said about Catholics, but it can never be said that we don't honor our Mother! May is an ideal time for our thoughts and sentiments to be directed towards this supremely lovely Queen of Heaven and Earth, who busily labors from her heavenly throne to conquer hearts, minds, and souls for the greater glory of her Son. Here are nine ways that you can honor Mary: 1. Flower your Mary statue. 2. Pray a novena to our Lady. 3. Read a book about Mary. 4. Spread devotion to the rosary. 5. Learn about a new Marian devotion. 6. Share the Miraculous Medal. 7. Get invested in the scapular. 8. Memorize a Marian prayer or hymn. 9. Pray the Little Office of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

BLESSED SEELOS MEMORIAL BRICK WALKWAY

Looking for a special way to commemorate your time at St. John Church, St. John School, St. Louis Church, or your fond memories of Blessed Seelos Parish?

You can purchase a personalized memorial brick that will be engraved with your cherished memory. These bricks will be proudly displayed as part of a lasting tribute to the community and moments that mean the most to you. Don't miss out on this opportunity to create a lasting symbol of your connection to these beloved places.

ENGRAVED BRICK DETAILS: The bricks are 4" X 8". The cost is \$100 per brick. Please note that only 169 bricks are available to purchase. The deadline to order is May 31st. Please pick up an order form in the back of church. Please call the office for more information.

A Message from Fr. Daniel: Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Spring Festival has been postponed until further notice!