


<p><i>In Loving Memory of Lusk, Baker, McCaleb, Ryan, & Aken Families</i></p>	<p><i>In Memory of Kathy Theriot 11/27/45-12/28/20</i></p> <p><i>We love you a bushel and a peck and a hug around the neck. You are forever in our hearts. Love, Bubba and your family</i></p>	<p><i>In loving memory of Nicolas & Loyce Hire Oct 2, 1921-Mar 9, 2021 & Feb 10, 1933-Oct 7, 2022</i></p> <p><i>Together in Heaven</i></p>	<p><i>Always in our hearts Stanley "Rook" Kopszywa Sr, Lola Broussard Derouen, Victoria "Tori" Felsher, Rogers "Poochie" Broussard, Aldo & Anna Caprari, Everise Boudreaux Broussard, Wayne Kopszywa, & Cyrus A. Broussard</i></p>
<p>In Loving Memory of Berniece Louise Garner Dec. 8, 1932— Dec. 22, 2022</p> <p>Truly an example of "Amazing Grace"</p>	<p>NEW TO THE PARISH: If you are a recently registered new parishioner or if you are interested in joining our community – we extend a very warm word of "Welcome!" to you. We would love the opportunity to speak with you! Please contact the Office at 228.435.5578 and leave your name and contact information so we can contact you. We are delighted that you are with us!</p>	<p>Available on the App Store ANDROID APP ON Google play</p> <p>myParish The App for Catholic Life Every Day™</p> <p>Have you downloaded this app yet? It's a one stop shop for real time information about St. Michael via your cell phone. Consider downloading today and select our Parish after opening.</p>	<p>WE ARE ALL GIVEN TALENTS TO SHARE.</p> <p>The Lord has told us that he will come again at the end of time to judge the living and the dead. Though the timing is unpredictable, this end is inevitable and inescapable. Let us be prepared to give an account of the ways in which we have used our gifts for the benefit of others.</p>
<p>WORD on FIRE. Word on Fire harnesses <i>beauty, goodness, and truth</i> to draw people into or back to the Catholic faith.</p>	<p>Stay in the Know with the Diocese of Biloxi Friday Email Newsletter</p> <p>GULF PINE FRIDAYS</p>	<p>Your ad here</p>	<p>Your ad here</p>
<p>HOST AN EXCHANGE STUDENT! Open your heart, home, and family to a foreign exchange student for the 2025-2026 school year! International Cultural Exchange Service is looking for loving families to host students from across the globe. If you would like more information please contact Emily Aldrich at 228.234.6613 or ealdrich@icesusa.org</p>	<p>SUE STONE Owner</p> <p>EVENT PLANNING AND DESIGNS OF BILOXI</p> <p>228-233-6074 228-223-4024</p> <p>Your ad here</p>		
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St. Michael Catholic Church

Weekend of February 8 & 9, 2025

Established 1917




Confessions

Saturday 4 - 4:30 pm
or by appointment

Office Hours

Tuesday–Thursday
8:30 - 2:30 pm
or as posted

Prayer to
St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Mass Schedule

Weekends
Saturday 5 pm
Sunday 10 am

Weekdays
Tuesday - Friday 8 am

Monsignor Dominick Fullam, Pastor

Robert Wescovich Jr., Deacon | Jessica Gollott, Administrative Assistant



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MASS INTENTIONS

Sat, Feb 8.....For the people
 Sun, Feb 9.....+Bernard & +Inez Senseney
 Tue, Feb 11.....+Patsy Kuluz
 Wed, Feb 12.....+Pete Jurich, Jr
 Thu, Feb 13.....+Stanley Wayne Kopszywa
 Fri, Feb 14.....+Katie Lynn Pizzetta &
 +Mary Beth Cvitanovich

IN OUR PARISH

OCIA, FEB 11, 7pm: The theme is: Introduction to the Sacraments.

CARD MINISTRY: If you are interested in donating postage for our card ministry, please contact the church office.

BULLETIN ADS: If you would like to run a on the back of our bulletin please contact the church office for more information.

MASS INTENTIONS: Please call the church office to request a Mass for your special intention (s).

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: First Holy Communion will be celebrated on May 3 at the 5pm Mass. To register your child, please take a *Childhood Sacrament Registration* form from the table in the vestibule and return it to the parish office by March 18. Questions may be directed to Ashley Rodriguez, 410.693.8825 or rodfamily2015@gmail.com

CHILDREN'S CHOIR: If your child is interested in singing with the choir please contact Cherie Prentiss 228.365.4017.

WEEKLY OFFERING

Feb 1 & 2.....\$4911.00

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

Feb 8 & 9.....St. Vincent De Paul
 Feb 15 & 16.....St. Michael Parish

MINISTRIES: God is calling YOU. Can you answer the call? We are in need of Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Altar Servers, Greeters, and Altar Society members. Prayerfully consider God's calling to serve your St. Michael Family. Call 228.435.5578

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY The SVDP provides assistance each Wednesday from 10—11 am. We value your time and your donations! Your continued support helps to ensure SVdP is able to provide support for those in need.

STELLA MARIS EXPLORERS HOMESCHOOL GROUP: Stella Maris Explorers is hosting a draw-down to raise money for their art, faith, and science Lending Library initiatives on Feb 21st! Tickets (\$60) admit two for dinner, dancing, drinks and the chance to win \$1500. Visit stellamarisexplorers.com to purchase or see Ashley Rodriguez 0.693.8825).

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

**ALTAR SERVERS
 EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
 GREETERS
 LECTORS**

Sat, Feb 8 5 pm	Jimmy Smith Darnell Schreck & Vicky Wescovich Don & Susan Pizzetta Debbie Smith
Sun, Feb 9 10 am	Doug Roll Noel Aucoin & Kenneth Powell Jacklyn Cummins & Kenneth Girouard Jessica Gollott
Sat, Feb 15 5 pm	Ira Elijah Jones George & Rose Sliman Don & Susan Pizzetta Darnell Schreck
Sun, Feb 16 10 am	Phil Rodrigue Cynthia Powell & Therese Drake Pete Broussard & Larry Girouard Laurri Garcia

THE FLOWER INTENTIONS
 ARE IN LOVING MEMORY OF
 MATTHEW PRESTON GARCIA

**5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Background on Gospel Reading**

Luke 5:1-11
The fishermen (Simon, James, and John) leave their fishing boats and follow Jesus.

Last Sunday, we heard how Jesus was rejected in his hometown of Nazareth. In the verses that follow, Jesus travels to the town of Capernaum and begins his ministry of teaching and healing. While in Capernaum, Jesus cures a man possessed with a demon and heals Simon's mother-in-law. After spending some time there, Jesus prepares to preach in other places. The fact that Jesus had previously been in Simon's home and healed his mother-in-law suggests that this encounter is not the first between Jesus and Simon Peter. We can read today's Gospel, therefore, as a description of the developing relationship between Jesus and Simon Peter.

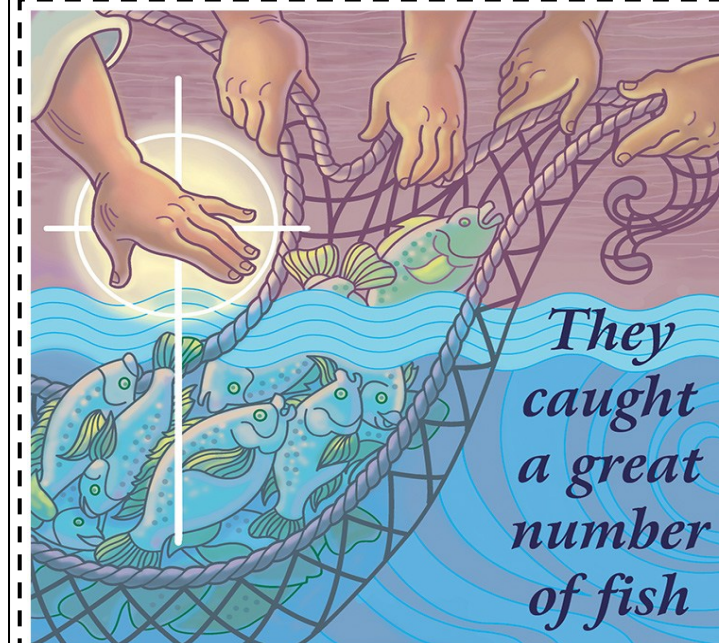
In today's Gospel, Jesus teaches from Simon's boat. Jesus turns to Simon and instructs him about where to lower the fishing nets. Simon and others have been fishing throughout the night and have not caught anything. Simon protests, claiming that such an effort would be futile. Simon ultimately obeys Jesus and lowers his nets into the deeper water as directed. Notice here that Peter calls Jesus by the title "master." He already recognizes Jesus as a person of authority. They catch so many fish that the nets begin to tear; Jesus' presence has created abundance out of scarcity, just as it did at the wedding feast at Cana, which we heard at Mass just a few weeks ago.

Simon Peter becomes a follower of Jesus immediately. He calls Jesus "Lord"—the title given to Jesus after his Resurrection—and protests his worthiness to be in Jesus' presence. Today's Gospel, therefore, marks a turning point in the relationship between Jesus and Peter.

Two of Simon's partners are also named as witnesses to the event described in today's Gospel: Zebedee's sons, James and John. Yet Jesus' words are addressed only to Simon. Jesus gives Simon a new job, telling him that he will become a different kind of fisherman. No longer will he catch fish; instead he will catch people. In these words, we hear the beginning of the leadership role that Peter will have within the community of disciples. Peter was chosen for this role. His task will be to bring others to Jesus. Already he is doing so; the Gospel tells us that all the fishermen with Peter also left their nets and followed Jesus.

We continue to speak of Peter's leadership and influence in the Church today when we call the pope the "successor of Peter." We participate in the mission of the Church when we bring people to Christ through the example and positive influence of our lives.

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IN OUR DIOCESE

NATIVITY BVM CATHEDRAL'S "GLORIA IN EXCELSIS": The Music and Fine Arts Ministry of Nativity BVM Cathedral announces the resumption of their Eighth Season of their Community Chorale: "Gloria In Excelsis." The Community Choir program is open to any interested singers in the Dioceses of Biloxi and the Greater Gulf Coast Area. The Chorale continues to rehearse on Tuesday evenings at 6:45 pm in the Youth Ministry Hall of the Sacred Heart Academy Center directly behind Nativity BVM Cathedral located at 870 Howard Avenue in Biloxi. The Spring 2025 Season works being prepared include Ronald Nelson's "Voices from the Passion", for their Lenten Reflections concert on Saturday, March 5th at 3 pm and the annual Patriotic Concert that will be presented on Saturday, June 28th at 5:30 pm. These are major programs planned for this semester. The Chorale has also been invited to sing the "National Anthem" for the Memorial Day Ceremony at the National Veterans Cemetery in Biloxi and share a Patriotic Program at the National Armed Forces Retirement Home in Gulfport in May. For more information, contact Terry Maddox at 251 406-1454 &/or terrydalemaddox@gmail.com