



# Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

## February 19, 2017

Be holy, for I, the LORD, your God, am holy.  
-- Leviticus 19:2b

### TODAY'S READINGS:

**First Reading** – Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18

**Psalms** – Psalm 103

**Second Reading** – 1 Corinthians 3:16-23

**Gospel** – Matthew 5:38-48



Matthew Develle, Evelyn Durst, Missy Goodman, Corey Granier, Julie Harkins, Helen Machost, Louis Ray Martin, Robert Perlick, Bill Rush, Diana Sanders, Hazel Sanders, Tom/Brenda Steen, Jeanette Therman, Montana Thomason Smith, James Wink 2/12; Dr. Maria Luisa Alvarez Harvey, Elijah, Sharron Sumrall, Janna/Billy Avalon, Tommy/Traci Avalon, John/Teresa/Mark Bradshaw, Theresa Cannon, Cathy/Mike/Michael Eaves, Grace Jeadron, Frank Machost, Clara McWilliams, Ursin Oubre, Jr., Brenda Williams, Sonny/Veronica Womack 2/5; Leslie Alcorn 1/29; Sr. Lourdes Gonzalez, Leo Hornkohl, Natalie Jones, 1/22; Brock Chapman, Lucrecia Gibson, Linda Fitzgerald, 1/16; Homebound/Nursing Homes: Sandra Elliott, Abron Haymond, Peggy Huffman, Ernestine Lindsay, Anna Starr, Sue Trebotich; Priests/Religious: Brian Carroll, Xavier Colavechio, Tom Delaney, Robert Oliver, Lenin Vargas, Retired Bishop Joseph Latino. *Persons wanting to be added to the Prayer List need to contact the parish office – Names will stay on for one month.*



**Prayers for Safety** for all service men and women at home and abroad, who give of their lives daily in order that we may enjoy our freedom: Preston Blocker, David Brooks, William Aaron Burks, Michael P Collins, Nathan Darnell, Lee Greco, Michael Jessie, Kimberly Johnson, Joe Hayes, Derek Lieding, Michael Machost, Jr., Steven P. Meadows, Blake Nations, Nick Pendleton, Brooks Stevens, James (Alec) Ponder and Nathan Waltman, Austin White. You may place a picture of the individual on the military bulletin board located in the parish hall.

### Sacrificial Giving this past week:

<b>Budget Needed Weekly</b>	<b>\$6,000.00</b>
<b>Regular Tithe</b>	<b>\$4,967.23</b>
"Take a Step"	\$130.00
Coffee & Doughnuts	\$9.00
Food Pantry	\$10.00
Youth	\$87.00
Parish Priest Retirement	\$20.00
Directory Advertising	\$25.00
MSCatholic Subscription	\$100.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*

### Upcoming Collection

February – Mississippi Catholic Subscription

## February Month of: *The Holy Family*



### WEEKLY SCHEDULE & MASS INTENTIONS:

▶▶▶ Changes or Additions	
STT – St. Therese	CTK – Christ the King
OLOG – Our Lady of Guadalupe	
MFCC – Christian Catholic Family Movement	
MSJLOG – MARIAN SERVANTS® Jesus the Lamb of God	

#### Saturday, February 18 – Vigil Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

9am-1:30pm Leaders for V Encuentro – parish hall  
3:00pm Confession  
4:00pm Mass – Mary Lou Moran; People of the Parish

#### Sunday, February 19 – Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:15am RCIA – parish hall  
9:30am Mass – Billy Hutchins.  
10:45am-12:15pm Parish School of Religion, Confirmation  
12:30pm Spanish Mass  
3:00pm Vietnamese Mass

#### Monday - Friday 7:30am Mass -- Carmelite Monastery

#### Monday, February 20– NO MASS - *President's Day*

#### Tuesday, February 21 – St. Peter Damian

5:00pm Cursillo Group – parish hall  
5:30pm Mass – June Coughlin  
6:00pm Rosary, Prayer Meeting  
6:00pm MSJLOG – parish office

#### Wednesday, February 22 – *The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle; Washington's Birthday*



8:30am Mass – Extension Society Intention  
9am – 8pm Adoration – chapel  
6:00pm Knights of Columbus – parish hall

#### Thursday, February 23 – St. Polycarp

5:30pm Mass – Extension Society Intention  
6:00pm Pastoral Council – parish office

#### Friday, February 24

8:45am School Mass CTK

#### Saturday, February 25 – Vigil Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30am Margaret Major Memorial Mass  
(Family meal directly following in the parish hall)  
3:00pm Confession  
4:00pm Mass – People of the Parish

#### Sunday, February 26 – Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:15am RCIA – parish hall  
9:30am Mass – C. Medric Warren, I  
10:45am-12:15pm Parish School of Religion, Confirmation  
12:30pm Spanish Mass



### Ash Wednesday is March 1, 2017

Please begin bringing your previous year blessed palms to church and place in the basket located in the gathering space. We will burn these palms the Sunday before Ash Wednesday to have ashes this year.  
*Thank you.*

## MARTYRDOM

Live as though today you may die a martyr's death. -- *Charles de Foucauld*

### "SHARE HIS LIGHT"

#### 2017 Catholic Service Appeal

Your gift to the CSA supports the education of our seminarians, promotes the lifelong formation and education for Catholics involved in youth and adult ministry, helps those served by Catholic Charities, and other important ministries of our diocese. God calls each of us in a special way to Share His Light. These needs of our diocesan ministries are real. Your generosity in prayer and through your sacrificial gift, make it possible to provide these services, and more importantly, to bring the message of the Gospel to all people. To date St. Therese Parish has raised \$7,890.00. For more on information about the Appeal or to donate online please visit: [www.jacksondiocese.org/in-action/stewardship-development](http://www.jacksondiocese.org/in-action/stewardship-development).

### Social Justice Ministry

Catholic Charities seeks someone to fill the part-time position of Social Justice Ministry Coordinator. Must have a clear knowledge and experience of work within the Catholic Church and be able to articulate Catholic Social Teachings. To learn about qualifications for this position: [www.catholiccharitiesjackson.org/employment](http://www.catholiccharitiesjackson.org/employment).

### Join our Team!

**April 21, 6pm – Midnight (6hrs)**  
**St. Therese Relay for Life Team**  
**"Standing in the Gap"**

In support of all parishioners, friends and family who have battled cancer, St. Therese will have a team at the "Kick Cancer to the CuRB" (Clinton, Raymond, Byram) Relay for Life. The Relay will begin Friday, April 21st at 6pm and end at Midnight, we will relay at Hinds Community College (Raymond Campus). Please consider joining our team, supporting the team with a donation, or helping us in some way. Register online at:

**My Team URL:**

<http://main.acsevents.org/goto/standinginthegap>  
or contact: parishioner, Gail Clark 601-672-3467.

Relay for Life is a fundraiser for American Cancer Society.

**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO CONTINUES TO SUPPORT THIS WORTHY CAUSE!**



**RCIA Meets in the Parish Hall,**

**Sundays at 8:15am.** Open to (1) any non-Catholic interested in learning more

about the Catholic faith, or (2) any Catholic who wants to update their Catholic faith knowledge.

## SAVE THE DATE:

- ▶ Sat., Feb. 25 – Margaret Major Memorial Mass
- ▶ Wed., Mar. 1 – Ash Wednesday
- ▶ Fri. – Sun., Mar. 3-5 – CWA 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Women's Retreat at Chatawa  
(registration forms located in the gathering space on the information board)
- ▶ Sun., Apr. 2, following the 12:30 Mass – Catholic Charities Migrant Support Center to sponsor "Know Your Rights."
- ▶ Fri., Apr. 21 – Relay for Life

### Diocesan SEARCH Retreat – March 3-5

#### Camp Wesley Pines, Gallman, MS

SEARCH is a unique retreat experience designed for youth/students in grades 11 & 12 who have a strong desire to deepen their faith and relationship with Christ. A retreat "for teens, led by teens" is an experience like none other. Participants may register for the retreat by visiting [www.jacksonsearch.com](http://www.jacksonsearch.com). If you have questions, contact Abbey Schuhmann in the Office of Youth Ministry, 601-949-6934 or [Abbey.Schuhmann@jacksodiocese.org](mailto:Abbey.Schuhmann@jacksodiocese.org).

Lenten Day of Reflection - "God's Abiding Presence" - March 11, 2017 --- 9:30am- 3:00am

St. Mary of the Pines

Presenter: Sister Theresa Khirallah, SSND

Time will be spent in quiet reflection and prayer as we see how God continues to work in our lives day by day.

Suggested donation: \$40, includes lunch

Registration: Contact Sister Helen Roper by March 1<sup>st</sup>  
[hroper@ssndcp.org](mailto:hroper@ssndcp.org) or 601-783-0801.

### Question of the Week

Is there a person or situation in my life through which God is calling me to embrace Jesus' revolutionary invitation to transform the world by love?

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**MATTHEY KELLY – "Living Every Day with Passion & Purpose"** will be speaking at the Madison Central High School Auditorium on Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup> from 2-6pm. He is a renowned motivational speaker. You can purchase a ticket on the Dynamic Catholic website: <https://cart.dynamiccatholic.com>, Tickets are \$39 each.



## **Baby Bottle Boomerang**

1. **Take a baby bottle** from a Knight of Columbus after masses Feb 18-19, Feb 25-26
2. **Fill with cash, change, checks!**
3. **Return bottle with donation** to Knight of Columbus after masses March 4-5
4. **How funds will be used**
  1. **Birthright of Jackson 75%**
  2. **KofC State Pro Life programs 25%**
    1. **Bishop Kopacz for pro-life purposes**
    2. **Ultrasound machines for pro-life pregnancy help centers**

Knights of Columbus  
St. Therese Council 8285

**Support. Listening. Hope.**  
**When you give to us, that's what**  
**we can give to them.**

## **B**IRTHRIGHT *of* JACKSON

**"It is the right of every pregnant woman to give birth, and the right of every child to be born."**

Being pregnant brings change, and change can be scary. It can feel like an ending, but it is a beginning, too. We get it. We can help—with love, listening, and friendship. Birthright provides non-judgmental support and love to pregnant women and their unborn children. Birthright is not involved in any religious movements, political activities, or lobbying. Our focus is on loving the mother, and helping her help herself. We help women make a realistic plan for their future. They just need to find us first.

**Our services are quick, confidential, and free.** Our goal for 2017 is to increase public awareness of Birthright's services and location, making it easier for women to reach us for help. We need funds for billboards and local advertising—so they call us before calling the abortion clinic. **Will you pledge to sponsor?**



Online giving available at [birthright.org/jackson](http://birthright.org/jackson)

*Birthright of Jackson is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization. All donations to Birthright are tax deductible!*

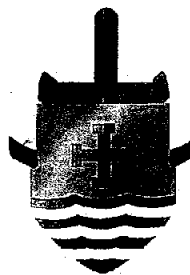
Birthright of Jackson is funded completely by the generosity of individuals, businesses, and private foundations, and is staffed completely by unpaid, trained volunteers. A gift of any amount is greatly appreciated. Birthright maintains a standard of excellence for nonprofit organizations as +80% of our income goes directly to client services. 100% of donations are used towards our mission. Please make checks payable to BIRTHRIGHT OF JACKSON, and use the enclosed return envelope, or donate online.

*Thanks to our new volunteers who answered our plea for help, we are now open on Mon., Tues., Thurs., Sat.!*

*Thank you to all of our sponsors! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!*

*Sincerely for Life, The Board of Birthright of Jackson*

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**February 15, 2017**

***Bishop Kopacz opposes SB 2710, so-called “Sanctuary Cities” bill***

As Christians we are called to welcome the stranger and care for those in need. As citizens, we are called to keep our communities strong and safe. We feel that the so-called “Sanctuary Cities” bill (SB 2710) being debated right now in the Mississippi Legislature damages both of those efforts.

The bill is flawed and not needed. Its language is so broad it will only confuse an already complicated issue and could put already vulnerable people at higher risk. Members of our law enforcement communities work hard to build trust in their communities. Putting them under a vague mandate such as this one would damage that trust. Immigrants, both those who enter this country legally and those who have come here hoping for a path to a new life, may be scared to seek needed help if they believe officers and first responders have been pitted against them.

SB 2710 may confuse those seeking education services for their children or college students who wish to seek help from a counselor or other administrator on campus. All of these unintended consequences make this bill a poor proposal for our state.

We urge lawmakers and advocates to oppose SB 2710. We will, as a Catholic community, continue to work with immigrants and refugees – welcoming their contributions to our community and culture – even as we pray for a just solution to the challenges of immigration and security.

**Bishop Joseph Kopacz**  
Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Jackson