

Christ's Surrender

The eight reasons why Jesus Washing His Disciples' Feet Matter

1. **Jesus is our hope.** Even while the cross was looming, Jesus willingly walked toward it. He knew He had to die and went to His death undeterred. He is the perfect sacrifice and when we put our trust in Him, we experience freedom from the bondage of sin and death. ***This give us incredible reason for hope, even when times seem as dark as they did for Jesus.***
2. **Jesus was not caught off guard by Judas's plans.** Jesus knew in advance who was going to betray Him. He wasn't surprised, and He doesn't even appear to be upset. The entire time, He was confident in His Father's plans. ***Clearly no one took His life, Christ laid it down of His own accord.***
3. **Jesus has the authority to forgive sin.** When Jesus washes the disciples' feet, it is a symbolic reminder about His authority to forgive sin. The disciples, just like any of us, were sinful and in need of redemption. ***Thankfully, Jesus knelt to show that He is more than willing to wash us clean.***
4. **Jesus wants us to know Him personally.** Judas was not saved by association with the other disciples. Unless we make a personal decision to trust in Christ, we cannot have any assurance that we will be with Him in heaven. ***We must come to Jesus ourselves with faith, vulnerability, surrender, and authenticity.***
5. **Jesus points us to the real problem.** Your greatest problem today is not financial, racial, medical or relational. Your greatest problem is spiritual: sin and eternal separation from God, that brings about a separation of faith in Christ. We are all in need of the free gift of grace. We all need to be washed by the work of Jesus on the cross. Like Peter, ***we should react to Jesus washing our feet by desiring that our hearts – our whole selves – be cleaned by the sacrifice of Christ.***
6. **Jesus is OUR Savior.** Even though our justification occurs in a moment, we are constantly being sanctified. The story of Jesus washing His friend's feet should remind us that we are fully washed clean when we trust in Christ. ***We need Him to save us.***
7. **Jesus calls us to a life of surrender.** This life starts by acknowledging who Jesus is and your need for Him. Christian life is marked by a daily surrender as we continue to become more like Him. This surrender is not going to be easy, but it will transform how we live. ***Our service should always remind people of who our Savior is.***
8. **Jesus is our example.** In a time of scarcity, fear and anxiety, our flesh and the world tell us to look inward, to look out for ourselves. Jesus has another message: He tells us to look outward, to surrender and to serve others. In God's economy, the path to greatness comes from serving others. ***We, too, should look for ways to serve those around us.***

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Christ, Commitment, Community, Courage and Love...

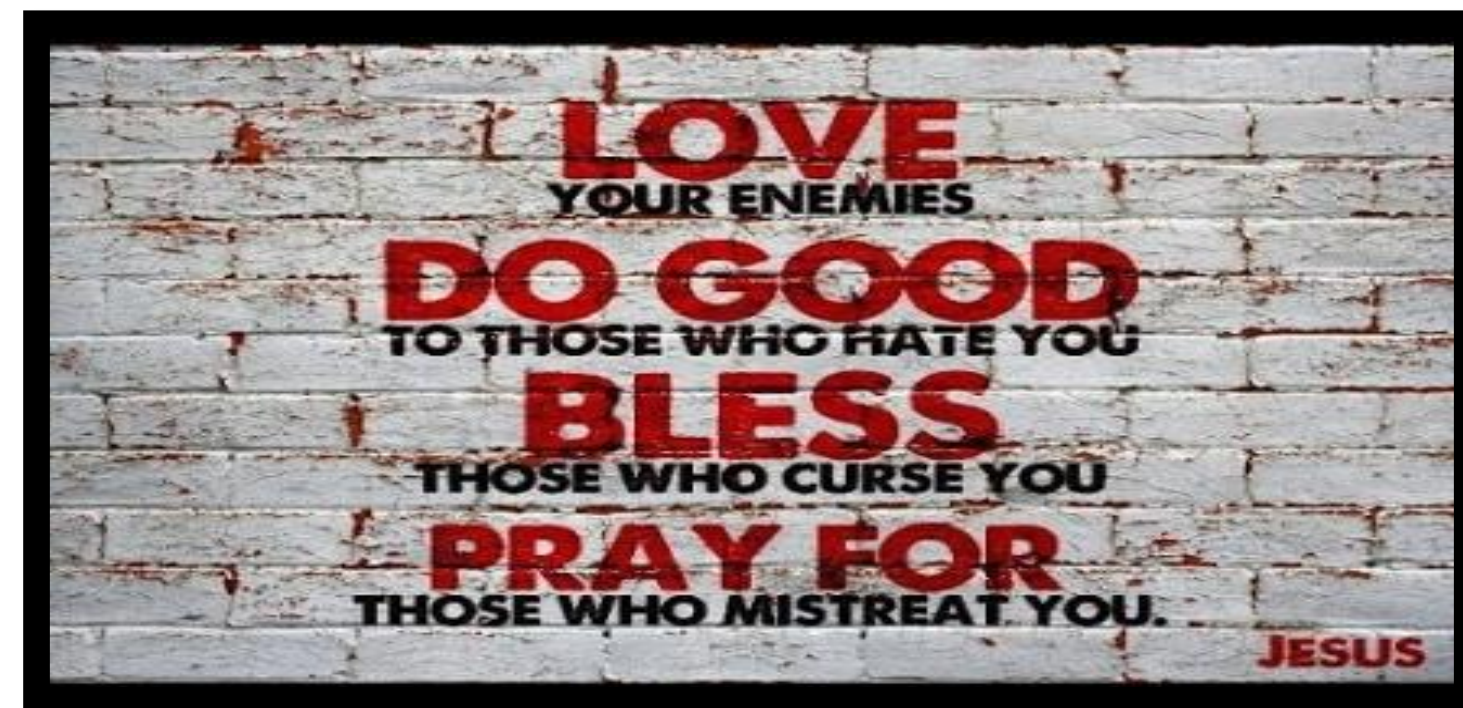
Living Committed, Living Catholic...



Sunday

February 18th 2023

The Seventh Sunday in
Ordinary Time



St. Ann Catholic Church & Our Lady of Chartres Mission

Pastor: Reverend Fr. David Milton – Office Administrator: Mary Beth Stillwagon

Office phone: 228.832.2560 Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00am-2:00pm

FIRST Friday Adoration:

Join us the first Friday of each month in Adoration of the Eucharist after the 8:00am mass in the Chapel. The next first First Friday Adoration **March, 3rd 8:30am-12:00pm**

We welcome new members to our Parish. Please fill out a new member registration form and submit to the parish office, or Fr. David Milton. Fr. David would be happy to visit with you and help you assess your spiritual needs.

St. Ann Mass Schedule:

Saturday – Feb. 18th 5:00pm-OPEN

Sunday – Feb. 19th 9:00am-Parish

OLC Mass Schedule:

Sunday – Feb. 19th 7:30am-Parish

SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION

Before Mass and by
Appointment

Monday – Feb. 20th 8:00am-NO MASS

Wednesday – Feb. 22nd Ash Wednesday

Thursday – Feb. 23rd 8:00am- OPEN

Friday – Feb. 24th 8:00am- OPEN

Sat – Feb. 25th 5:00pm- Parish

Sunday – Feb. 26th OLC 7:30am-OPEN

Sunday – Feb. 26th 9:00am-Jonathan K.

Lenten Season Begins:

“If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet. For I have given an example, that you should do as I have done to you. Most assuredly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master: nor is He who is sent grater than He who sent Him. You know these things; Blessed are you if you do them.”

John 13:14-17

Humility –The Art of Foot Washing

Foot washing is a ritual of humility, helping to cleanse Christians affected by living in a world of sin.

“Humility is the foundation of all the other virtues, hence, in the soul, in which this virtue does not exist there cannot be any other virtue except in mere appearance.”
St. Augustine

Following the customs of the time, it was not necessary for Jesus to clean the disciple’s feet, they would have already been washed by a servant when they entered the Upper Room. Jesus’ choice to wash the feet was to make a point about humble service towards others.

This was a strange time for the disciples because while waiting for Jesus to arrive, they had been arguing over who was the greatest one among them. Instead of tending to each other, they were comparing and competing. When Jesus stepped in to wash their feet, all the disciples were stunned into silence. Peter was profoundly against the Lord washing his feet, to which Jesus responded, “Unless I wash you, you have no part with me” (John 13:8). This allowed Peter to be accepting of Jesus’ humility and love.

Finding the means to serve other peoples, we benefit those people in the help we offer them. We benefit ourselves in balancing our interests and energy. And, we benefit the Kingdom of God, simply by living more as Jesus did. When we follow Jesus’ example of humility during Lent – everyone wins.



February 12th 2023

St. Ann Stewardship

Identifiable: \$2418.00 - Loose: \$373.00

Children’s: \$10.00 - (ACH: \$5.00)

Total: \$2801.00

OLC Stewardship

Identifiable: \$115.00 - Loose: \$137.00

Total: \$252.00

The Lenten Season Begins

40 Days of Focus

Ash Wednesday

Come and begin with us your walk through the 40 days of lent with Ash Wednesday mass.

Ash Wednesday masses will be held in the church February 22nd at 8:00am and again at 6:00pm for anyone that was unable to attend the 8:00am service.

The Journey Continues

Stations of the Cross

Come join us as we walk the way of the Cross and reflect all Christ sacrificed for us.

Stations of the Cross will begin Friday, February 24th at 6pm in the church and will continue each Friday through Good Friday.

Join us as we prepare for His coming this Easter.

Many Thanks

Many thanks to all that donated their old Palms to the parish for Ash Wednesday. Next year as we approach the lenten season, we will again collect any old Palms to be used during our masses. Until then, if you should find any old Palms, please drop them off at the office and we will save them for next year.

MASS	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC Ministers	USHERS	SERVERS
Sat. Feb. 18 th 5:00pm	Mike West	Ruth Schonewitz, Wanda Brignac	August Schonewitz	N/A
Sun. Feb. 19 th 7:30am	Eddie Duran	Doug Ladner	Terry Mitchell	N/A
Sun. Feb. 19 th 9:00am	Matt Marchand	William Burke, Robin Peterson Lacy Marchand	William Burke	Cameron, Eliza Audrey
Sat. Feb. 25 th 5:00pm	Jan Estrada	Mike West, Barbara Saucier	August Schonewitz	N/A
Sun. Feb. 26 th 7:30am	Doug Ladner	Janette Dedeaux	Terry Mitchell	N/A
Sun. Feb. 26 th 9:00am	Kim Wood	Sherrie DeMello, Susan Peleaz Lise Cuevas	William Burke	Blane, Paige Wyatt



Lenten Fish Fry

The Altar Society will begin hosting their Lenten Fish Fry, Friday February 24th, between 4:00pm & 7:00pm in the parish hall. Dinners are either “Eat-In” or “Carry-Out.” Children’s dinners are \$7.00 per plate, adult dinners are \$14.00 per plate. With all proceeds going to the Alter Society Ministry for the purchasing of candles, cloths/altar covers, hosts, wine, etc., to sustain St. Ann & Our Lady of Chartres.

Healing Mass Service

Mother of Mercy Catholic Church, 216 Saucier Ave., Pass Christian have invited all that are in need of the healing power of God to join them Friday, March 17th at 5pm in a healing service. All are invited to attend this special service.

Surge of the Heart Parish Mission

Nativity BVM Cathedral is hosting Catholic speaker and best selling author Jon Leanetti. Mr. Leanetti will be leading the way in understanding the story of Jesus Christ and His Catholic Church. All are invited to attend.

Where: Nativity BVM Cathedral

When: Sunday, March 26th, 6:30pm until 8pm

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Monday, March 27th, 6:30pm until 8pm.

DATA Base Updates

If you have any updates for our database; address changes, phone number updates or email information to add, **PLEASE** contact Mary Beth (228) 236-5888 or email. stanngulfport@hotmail.com

Poinsettias

If you haven’t picked up a Poinsettia from our Altar, we have 5-6 in the Sacrasty that are available to you. Please help yourselves to the remaining plants.

Counseling Services

Catholic Charities of South Mississippi are now offering counseling services . Counseling will help you understand and give you the tools to address and navigate the issues that surround your life. Catholic Charities Counseling is here to walk with you through your journey. You will not be turned away because of your inability to pay. All fees are determined on a sliding scale.

Insurance currently accepted; BC/BS of MS, First Choice health plan of MS (SAS), MS Physicians Care Network, & Cigna.

To schedule an appiontment call: (228) 701-0555 or email: meleuterius@biloxidiocese.org.



Prayer Requests

Wanda Carnisi, Carolyn Brewer, Chad Landry