

2023 Preservation in May

CELEBRATING AND HONORING BILOXI'S HISTORY



May 4 SNEAK PEEK

Mississippi Gulf Coast Historical and Cultural Exposition

5:30-7 p.m. at the Biloxi Visitors Center, 1050 Beach Blvd.

Preview the annual Mississippi Gulf Coast Historical and Cultural Exposition where historical and cultural organizations from all along the Coast share the history and traditions of our region.

The expo will be open May 5 and 6, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

May 11 DOWNTOWN MURAL WALK

5:30-7 p.m. – The tour gathers at the Bond House, 932 Howard Avenue

Take a guided tour of the public murals throughout downtown Biloxi to learn the stories behind these unique works of art.



May 18 BILOXI: THE SEAFOOD CAPITAL OF THE WORLD

5:30-7 p.m. at the Maritime and Seafood Industry Museum, 115 First Street

This community has always relied on the water as a source of food, livelihood and recreation. This event celebrates seafood and the traditions and techniques developed in collecting and enjoying the Gulf's bounty.



May 25 MEMORIAL MASS

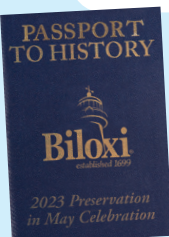
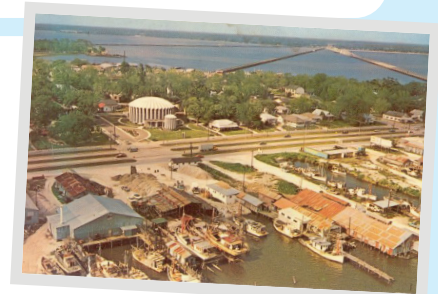
Memorial Mass for Deceased Fishermen and Cultural and Heritage Boards Presentations

Mass at St Michael Catholic Church begins at 6 p.m.

with board presentations to follow in the Parish Life Center, 177 First Street

As long as our area has been populated, gathering the Gulf's bounty has been a source of sustenance and livelihood for many in our community. To remember and honor the individuals who have paid the ultimate sacrifice in pursuit of a living on the water, the annual Blessing of the Fleet celebration, which began in 1929, kicks off with a mass at St Michael Catholic Church. Following the mass, the Shrimp Queen Pageant contestants will display their cultural and heritage boards in the Parish Life Center next to the church.

The Cultural and Heritage Boards are an integral part of the Shrimp Queen Pageant, an 85-year-old Biloxi tradition.



Participants at the Preservation in May programs will be given a Biloxi Passport through History which can be stamped at each event. For everyone who collects at least three stamps and attends the May 25 program, will receive a special gift.

All events are free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

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