



PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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JANUARY 29, 2017—FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs.

Matthew 5:3



Pastoral Staff

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Mass Schedule

Monday, Wednesday, 6:00 pm Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 7:00 am

Saturday, 5:00 pm Sunday, 8:00 am & 10:30 am

Holy Days—See bulletin for Mass schedule

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MASS INTENTIONS

JANUARY 30-FEBRUARY 5

Mon. 6:00p.m.	David McIntosh: dec.
Tues. 7:00a.m.	Dorothy Calhoun: dec.
Wed. 6:00p.m.	Betty Jane Corbett: dec.
Thur. 7:00a.m.	Thomas Drury: dec.
Fri. 7:00a.m.	Steve McCarty: dec.
Sat. 5:00 p.m.	Vic Jr. & Mark Stallings: dec.
Sun. 8:00a.m.	OUR PARISH FAMILY
10:30a.m.	Edith Conkright: dec.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Weekly Budget to meet Expenses	\$9,000.00
January 22, 2017 Contribution	\$6,681.40
Children's Contributions	\$14.43
Total	\$6,695.83
Under/Over this week	-\$2,304.17
Under/Over (July 1, 2016 to present)	-\$3,007.23

Parish Renovation Fund

January 22, 2017 Contributions	\$90.00
Total Parish Renovation Funds	\$20,976.73

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Blessed are they who are what they are and do what they do *for the sake of the kingdom!* The Gospel today assures good stewards that their suffering and their services on behalf of the Kingdom *will* be rewarded!

SPECIAL PRAYERS

Please remember Alice Devine, Ronnie Osborne, Nancy Best, Janie Payne, Trino Martinez, Mamie McDaniel's brother, Jewell Brown's grandson, Doris Westerfield's sister, Rita Webb's sister & nephew, Glenn Young, Doug & Betty Howard, Marie Hester, Gary Murphy's sister-in-law, Betty Murphy's brother, Mary Kittinger's son-in-law & brother, Judy Osborne's mother & son, Ima Axley, Janet Lawrence's brother, Lois Sims' nephew, Eddie Schrecker, Linda Clark & son, Charles & Ann Connor, Cheryl Gabbert's mother-in-law, Becky Bowlds, Steve Cecil, Bonnie Glenn, Libby Girten, , Mamie McDaniel, Mary Hartz, Rita Hill, Jerry Blandford, JB Smith, Mary Ann Postlewaite's son

ASSISTED LIVING

Please remember: Gloria Conrad, Bernadette Howard, Elizabeth Mattingly, Rose Slone, David Vowels

FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

We wish to express our deepest sympathy to Pat Roby and family on the death of her brother, Joseph "Jack" Higdon; to Ruth McCarty and family on the death of her sister-in-law, Mary Frances Fogle; to Betty Howard and family on the death of her brother, Gene Settles. May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed Rest In Peace!



MINISTRIES: FEBRUARY 4 – 5:00PM

SERVERS: Sam & Will Fulkerson
LECTORS: Molly & Terry Ward
CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Chrissy Axley
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Mary Kittinger, Gene Roberts, Guy & Linda Connor, Michael & Amanda Murphy, Carol Riney
COMMUNION TO THE SICK: Michael Murphy
CROSS BEARERS: Macy Ward
GIFT BEARERS: Deanna Newton, Mary Ellen VanVactor
USHERS: John & Kristy Fulkerson, Peter & Sarah Herrmann
COMMUNAL ROSARY: Mike Howard
SACRISTAN: Chrissy Axley

MINISTRIES: FEBRUARY 5— 8:00AM

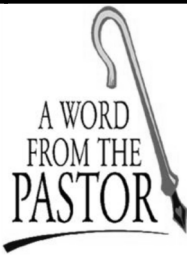
SERVERS: Ethan & Kaleb Daugherty
LECTORS: Kim & Steve Collignon
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Katie Rudy, Sr. Mary Diane Taylor, Jeanette Ebekhar, Lauren Goodwin, Rose McCarter, Monti Millay, Sr. Rosanne Spaldiing
GIFT BEARERS: Eddie & Monti Millay
USHERS: Tony Payne, Jim & Joyce Riney, John Rudy
COMMUNAL ROSARY: Sr. Rosanne Spalding
SACRISTAN: Jeanette Ebelhar

MINISTRIES: FEBRUARY 5—10:30AM

SERVERS: Ethan & Hunter Wimsatt
LECTORS: Bob Wimsatt, Betty Whitehouse
CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Danielle Durbin & Sr. Rosanne Spalding
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Tom Peak, Susie Westerfield, Scott & Tami Norris, Kristen Powers, Theresa Skaggs, Travis VanBussum
COMMUNION TO THE SICK: Tony Gilmore
NURSING HOMES: Davco: Katie Rudy; Twin Rivers: Gene Roberts
CROSS BEARERS: Lance Dickens
GIFT BEARERS: Shane & April Dickens Family
USHERS: Brad, Paula & Madison Martin, Danny Triplett
COMMUNAL ROSARY: Joe & Mary June Cecil
SACRISTAN: Sandra Midkiff

CHURCH CLEANERS: January 29-February 4: Robbie, Michelle, Marley & Linkin Baize, Bridgett Larsen, Susie Westerfield

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—JANUARY 29, 2017



Vocation Statue: The word “vocation” comes from the Latin word meaning “to call.” It is a call from God to serve Him more perfectly. It is important to remember, however, that a vocation does not always come in the way it came to the Apostles, where Our Lord verbally called them as they were out fishing or mending their nets. God calls each one of us through different events and people in our life. There are many ways through which we serve our Lord; it could be the vocation to marriage, single life or religious life. Our Lord extended the invitation to all people: “If any one wishes to follow Me, let him deny himself, take up his cross, and follow Me.” Whatever vocation we chose or God calls us to, we are called to take up the crosses in that vocation joyfully and face them courageously instead of running away from it. As we know there is a more particular vocation given to certain individuals whom God calls specifically that is the vocation to priesthood and religious life. As per today we know the vocation to priesthood and religious life is decreasing. Let us continue to pray for all vocations especially for the vocation to priesthood and religious life. At the beginning of this Lent which starts on March 1st we will be giving out a Vocation Statue along with a prayer card to a family at each weekend Mass to take to their home and pray for all vocations during that week. We would like to have families volunteer to take the Vocation Statue and pray for vocations. If you are interested please email Penny at pblandford77@gmail.com or call the Parish Office at 270 684 6888. We want to thank those who made donations to sponsor the Vocation Statues for our parish. These were done in memory of Brent Trogden. “For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.” Jeremiah 29: 11

Christ in Everyone: A certain monastery discovered that it was going through a crisis. Some of the monks had left, There were no new candidates joining, and people were no longer coming for prayer and spiritual direction as they used to. The few monks that remained were becoming old, bitter, and depressed. Even the relationships between the monks were becoming stressed and unkind. The Abbot had heard about a holy man, a hermit living alone in the woods and decided to consult with him regarding their problem. The Abbot told the hermit how the monastery had dwindled and diminished and now looked like a skeleton of what it used to be. Only seven old monks remained. The hermit told the Abbott that he had a secret for him. He informed the Abbott that one of the monks now living in his monastery was actually Jesus, but He was living in such a way that no one could recognize him. With this revelation, the Abbott went back to his monastery, summoned a community meeting and recounted what the holy hermit had told him. The aging monks looked at each other in disbelief, trying to discern who among them could be the Christ. Could it be Brother Mark who prays all the time! But has a “Holier-than-thou” attitude? Could it be Brother Joseph who is always willing to help? But who is always eating and drinking and can’t fast. The Abbott reminded them that the Messiah had adopted some bad habits as a way of camouflaging his real identity. This only made them more confused and they couldn't make any headway figuring out who was the Christ amongst them. At the end of the meeting what each of the monks knew for sure was that any of the monks, excluding himself, could be the Christ. From that day, the monks began to treat one another with greater respect and humility, knowing that the person they were speaking to could be the very Christ. They began to show more love for one another, their community life became more brotherly, and their prayers more fervent. Slowly people began to take notice of the new spirit in the monastery and began coming back for retreats and spiritual direction. Word began to spread and before long candidates began to show up and the monastery began to grow again in numbers as the monks grew in zeal and holiness. All this because a man of God drew their attention to the truth that Christ was living in their midst as one of them, actually, that Christ was present in all of them. How awesome if all of us can know and realize that Christ is present in everyone

God’s blessings,
Fr. Suneesh Mathew

<i>Parish Pastoral Council</i>	<i>Committee Chairpersons</i>
Joe Cecil, Chair 270-231-5111	Education/Formation - Lori Beaty 270-316-7815
John Fulkerson, Vice-Chair 270-993-4203	Family/Social Life - April Dickens
Bridgette Molnar, Secretary 270-686-3737	Family/Social Life – Andy Johnson 270-314-3534
Carrie Ebelhar, Finance 270-929-6724	Finance/Stewardship - Tom Durbin 270-688-0729
Andrea Jones, Social Justice/SVDP 270-316-4134	Fundraising - Danny Triplett 270-993-2866
Dale Meserve, Family/Social Life 270-314-3473	OCS Board Rep - Alissa Wimsatt 270-993-7267
Tami Norris, Education/Formation 270-993-9274	Picnic Committee - Michael Murphy 270-689-2145
Brad Wimsatt, Worship/Spiritual Life 270-993-7287	Social Justice/ SVDP - Tony Powers 270-691-6337
	Worship/Spiritual Life - Ed Sullivan 270-570-3192

PARISH WISH LIST

Three drawers (to store stoles and other items) in the sacristy—Cost approximately \$375.00. Donations can be dropped in the collection basket or brought by the Parish Office

MEN'S CLUB BURGEOO SALE

The Men's Club are selling burgoos (\$17.00 per gallon) and Boston Butts (\$30.00 each) to be ready for pick-up on Saturday, February 4th at 4:00 p.m. Sign-up sheets are available at the entrances of church for anyone wanting to place an order or you may call Steve Cecil at 270-926-1163, Gary Murphy at 270-302-1440, or Bruce Tucker at 270-771-0095. Check with people you work with or family members to see if they would like to place an order. **Order Deadline: January 29, 2017.** All proceeds go to help with our general operating expenses.

6TH ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE OF WESTERN KY

Saturday, February 11th at the RiverPark Center - Registration begins at 8:30 am and the first Conference begins at 9:30am. Tickets: \$30 Adult, \$15 Student (Grade 12+), Priests & Religious Free—Lunch provided. For updates, details and ticket sales visit our website : www.KyCatholic.com.

PRECIOUS BLOOD REVERSE RAFFLE

Saturday, March 18th at Sts. Joseph & Paul Parish Hall (609 E. 4th St.). Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Dinner served at 6:30 p.m. Raffle drawings will start at 7:00 p.m. Grand Prize is \$5,000.00 or a John Deere Gator. Must be 18 or older to attend. Only 250 tickets will be sold at \$70.00 per ticket (includes Steak Dinner, Beverages/ Open Bar, Raffle Chance). To purchase tickets you may contact Danny Triplett 270-993-2866, Rita Jacobs 270-302-2142, Bruce Tucker 270-929-5071 or stop by the Parish Office during office hours. (If you would like to help the Fundraising Committee sell tickets, please contact Danny Triplett.)

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITY

Morgan Rudy is taking orders for *Walking with God in the Season of Motherhood* after masses this weekend. It is an eleven week bible study that can be done with others or in the privacy of your own bedroom. It focuses on praying for your children, husband and family and gives insight on how to be a more God-focused woman. Each book is \$10 a piece. Make checks payable to Morgan Rudy and mail to 5370 Lee Rudy Rd. Owensboro, Ky 42301. Deadline to order is Tuesday, Jan. 31st. Sign-up sheets are available at the entrances of church.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Readings for next weekend will be Isaiah 58:7-10; 1 Corinthians 2:1-5; Matthew 5:13-16. We invite you to read and study these passages for your own reflection as we prepare for the liturgy we will celebrate as a parish community.

BULLETIN MATERIAL DEADLINE

The deadline for bulletin announcements is Tuesday afternoon. Please submit, in writing, any announcement to the Parish Office or email pblandford77@gmail.com

OPPORTUNITIES FOR LIFE

Opportunities for Life, the Kentucky Catholic Bishop's life-affirming ministry to women and families dealing with untimely pregnancies, is welcoming new volunteers. OFL volunteers offer hope, compassion, options counseling and resources to callers who find courage to seek help. Volunteers are needed to staff the 24 hour helpline from their homes. If you have a heart for life affirming ministry service, you are invited to contact OFL for more information. Please call 1-888-496-3638 to learn more about this ministry and the upcoming training workshops.

KC MEMORIAL MASS

Bishop Soenneker Knights of Columbus Council 10725 will have a Memorial Mass for deceased members of our council. on Wednesday, February 1st at 6:00 pm here at Precious Blood. During Mass we will announce the names of our deceased brothers and place a candle on the baptism font for each member. We would like to invite council members with their families and families of all our deceased members to come to Mass and have a family member carry the candle for their departed brother if they wish. If you would like to participate in this Memorial or have questions, please call Grand Knight Tim Molnar at [270-993-8577](tel:270-993-8577). We will have a light meal after Mass in the Parish Hall.

KC SAUSAGE SALE

Knights of Columbus will be making sausage which will be ready for pickup on Sunday, February 19th from 8:30 a.m. - Noon at the burgoos building next to the Parish Hall. Sausage will be \$3.50 per pound and will come in 2 lb. bags, both fresh or smoked or links sold by the pound, both fresh or smoked. Call Tim Molnar at 270-993-8577 or Ed Sullivan at 270-570-3192. If you get no answer, please leave a message and we will get back with you.

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, January 29—4th Sunday In Ordinary Time

Communal Rosary: 7:30 am, 10:00 am
Masses: 8:00am, 10:30 am

Order Deadline for burgoo & Boston Butts

MONDAY, January 30

St. Bathildis, *Queen*

Daily Mass: 6:00 pm

Adult Ed. (Fr. Ray Clark—Pauline Letters): 6:45 pm

TUESDAY, January 31

St. John Bosco, *Confessor*

Daily Mass: 7:00 am

Parish Staff Meeting: 9:00 am

New Families Gathering: 6:00 pm, Rectory

WEDNESDAY, February 1

St. Henry Morse, *Martyr*

Adoration/Confessions: 5:00-5:45 pm

Daily Mass: 6:00 pm—**KC Memorial Mass**

Communion to the Homebound: 9:00 am

Choir Practice: 6:45 pm

Religious Ed: 6:45 pm

Parent Tuition Supplement Meeting: 7:00 pm

THURSDAY, February 2

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

Daily Mass

RCIA: 5:00 pm

FRIDAY, February 3

St. Blaise, *Bishop Martyr*

Daily Mass

SATURDAY, February 4

Confessions: 3:30-4:30 pm

Communal Rosary: 4:30 pm

Mass: 5:00 pm—Blessing of Throats

Pick-up burgoo & Boston Butts: 4:00 pm

SUNDAY, February 5—5th Sunday In Ordinary Time

Communal Rosary: 7:30 am, 10:00 am

Masses: 8:00am, 10:30 am—Blessing of Throats

Confirmation Formation: 9:00-10:00 am

KC Meeting: 6:00 pm

THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Special thanks to Karen Osborne, Carol Riney, Anna Marie Roberts, Sherman & Dolores Roberts for cleaning church the week of January 15; to Jeanie Wahl for watering plants.

TUITION SUPPLEMENT 200 CLUB

Congratulations to Betty Murphy, this week's winner of the Parent Tuition Supplement 200 Club drawing.



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Please pray for all married couples.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR PARISHIONERS



01/30: Tony Gilmore, Vickie Payne

02/01: Kasey Estes, Nathan Jacobs

02/02: Gerald Goetz

02/03: Alice Devine, Betty Murphy, Freddie Quinn

02/04: Robin Bartlett, Logen Dickens, Jarred Mayfield

02/05: Melissa McIntosh, Cathy Travis

WELCOME!

On Tues., Jan. 31st the parish will host a Welcome Gathering in the Rectory at 6:00 pm for families registered in our parish this past year. Please RSVP by emailing Fr. Suneesh at suneesh.mathew@pastoral.org or call the Parish Office at 270-684-6888.

YOUTH 2000

Youth who plan on attending Youth 2000, March 10-12 at the Owensboro Convention Center, need to see Sr. Rosanne for registration forms and pay the \$60.00 fee. Youth must register with the parish as there needs to be one chaperone per seven youth. This being the 20th Anniversary of Youth 2000 in the Diocese, t-shirts are available for sale for \$10.00. You may order and pay for t-shirts online at <https://owensborodiocese.org/youth-2000/>. Our next Youth Group Meeting is Sunday, February 12th and the theme is Prayer. More details to come.



Grant Harrison Hardesty and family. Grant was baptized here at Precious Blood on January 14th.