



PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD—JANUARY 6, 2019

We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage. Matthew 2:2

Our Mission: We are a Catholic Community of Faith, called to be Jesus to all people, Striving to live the message through the Eucharist and the sharing of our time, talent and treasure.

EPIPHANY

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MASS INTENTIONS: JANUARY 7-13

Tues. 7:00a.m. Helen Sosh: dec.
 Wed. 6:00p.m. Willet Family
 Thur. 7:00a.m. Murphy Family
 Fri. 7:00a.m. Alma Haire: dec.
 Sat. 5:00p.m. Jeff Moss: dec.
 Sun. 8:00a.m. OUR PARISH FAMILY
 10:30a.m. James Ellis: dec.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Weekly Budget to meet Expenses	\$9,000.00
December 23, 2018 Contribution	\$10,267.49
Children's Contributions	\$39.81
Nativity of the Lord	\$2,811.47
Total	\$13,118.77
Under/Over this week	\$4,118.77
Under/Over (July 1, 2018 to present)	
In Regular Collections	\$3,969.61
Parish Renovation Fund	
December 23, 2018	\$265.00
Total Parish Renovation Funds	\$8,091.76

(Financial info. for Dec. 30, 2018 not available due to early bulletin deadline for New Year's)

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WORD

The three kings in today's Gospel traveled a great distance at considerable cost to offer their richest gifts to the Infant Jesus. How far will I go and what will I offer to do homage to this newborn King and Savior?

SPECIAL PRAYERS: Please remember Ronnie Osborne & sister, Nancy Best, Janie Payne, Glenn Young, Marie Hester, Bonnie Glenn, Jerry Blandford, Mary Ellen VanVactor's brother, Sharon Bumm's mother, Karen Osborne, Mary Kittinger & brother, Janie Howard's brother, Bill Johnson, Paul Westerfield, Libby Girten, Charlene Meadows, Tony Powers, Tony Gilmore's mother, Matthew Molnar, Steve & Carol Crisp's son-in-law, Guy Connor, Earl Hayden, Bill & Rita Elder, Pat Roby, Doris Schrecker, Jim Head, Liz Hawkins, Mike Thompson, Jess Lowe, Ray Jones' brother, Charles & Sandra Posey's granddaughter, Margaret Lancaster's brother, Jamie Berry, Robbie Stinnett, Tony & Donna Gilmore's niece, Dale & Kristie Meserve's daughter-in-law, Pat Fogle, Joe Cecil's father, Ruth McCarty's grandson-in-law, Barbara Mingus, Marion Willett's brother, Neil Rudy, Tony Payne's sister, Ron Boarman, Travis VanBussum, Kathy Carr's nephew, JB Smith, Mary Byrne, Helen Byers, Gary Millay's sister (DiAnn Millay), Vicki Howard, Maxine Smith, Anna Carol Murphy, Judy Fischer, Linda Jackson, Declan Fogle

ASSISTED LIVING: Please remember: Shirley Jarboe, Doug & Betty Howard, Debbie Sapp, Helen Schwartz, Clara Gilles, David Vowels, Lois Sims, Mary Ann Postlewaite



MINISTRIES: JANUARY 12-5:00PM

SERVERS: Sam & Will Fulkerson, Rose Larsen
LECTORS: Vickie Payne, Stefanie Oller
CHILDREN LITURGY OF THE WORD: Madison Chino, Virginia O'Connell
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Amanda Murphy, Mamie McDaniel, Mike Howard, Mary Kittinger, Charlene Meadows, Margaret Lancaster, Shirley Ralph
COMMUNION TO THE SICK: Mike Howard
GIFT BEARERS: Bruce & Mary Kittinger
VOCATION STATUE: Michael & Pauline Langdon
ROSARY LEADER: Linda Jackson
USHERS: Don & Janet Keller, Michael & Pauline Langdon
SACRISTAN: Chrissy Axley

MINISTRIES: JANUARY 13-8:00AM

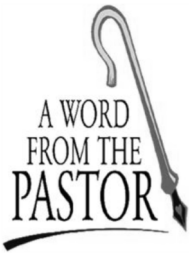
SERVERS: Danyelle & Zack Thompson
LECTORS: Kim & Steve Collignon
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Jeanette Ebelhar, Tony Gilmore, Jim & Rose McCarter, Monti Millay, Stephanie Millay
GIFT BEARERS: Sherman & Dolores Roberts
VOCATION STATUE: Steve Cecil
USHERS: Melanie & Natalie Ewing, Melissa & Kaleb Daugherty
ROSARY LEADER: Andrea Finkey
SACRISTAN: Sr. Rosanne Spalding

MINISTRIES: JANUARY 13-10:30AM

SERVERS: Jeremy Gillihan, Luke Quinn
LECTORS: Bridgette & Tim Molnar
CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Leslie Clark, Maddie Roberts
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Theresa Skaggs, Jared Wink, Michelle Baize, Caleb Wimsatt, Bob & Lisa Wimsatt
COMMUNION TO THE SICK: Tony Gilmore
NURSING HOMES: Davco: Melissa Coomes
 Twin Rivers: Mamie McDaniel
GIFT BEARERS: Brian & Kristen Powers Family
VOCATION STATUE: Derek Schmalz
USHERS: Ashley & Aliyah Berry, Robin Bartlett, Joe Bittel
ROSARY LEADER: Susie Westerfield
SACRISTAN: Michelle Baize

CHURCH CLEANERS: January 13-19: Kelly Vanover, Donna O'Flynn, Linda Jackson, Sue Thomas, Bridget Larsen, Imelda Madison

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Feast of Epiphany: Today we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany. The name "Epiphany" comes from the Greek word Epiphania, meaning "to show, make known, or reveal." The Feast of the Epiphany, commemorates the visit of 'Magi' as the first manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles. According to medieval legends, the three wise men were named Melchior, Balthazar and Gaspar. Each of them came from a different culture: Melchior was Asian, Balthazar was Persian and Gaspar was Ethiopian, thus representing the three races known to the old world. Epiphany shows to the world that Christ is for everyone. Their journey of a thousand miles or more westward from their countries in the East which could have taken almost three months is really a symbol of the inward journey they made in their hearts, a journey from paganism to belief in Jesus as the Savior of the world.. The Gospel say that The Magis returned home in a different way. When we find Jesus in our life, we are to take a new route. A route with the Lord. Let us be the stars, leading others to Jesus, as the star led the Magi to Him. We can help to remove the darkness of evil around us by being like burning candles, radiating Jesus' love in selfless service, unconditional forgiveness and compassionate care.

Thanks, and Gratitude: What a great celebration of Christmas we had. Beautiful liturgy. As I always say we have a wonderful parish filled with very beautiful, hardworking, simple and humble people. I want to thank everyone who took part either for decorating the church, assisting with Christmas liturgy, choir, bellchoir etc. You all did wonderful. Thanks to the Parish Council, the Family/Social Life Committee and the Education Committee for taking care of the Open House on both Saturday and Sunday. And thanks to all of you for taking time to come to the rectory. Thanks to everyone for your thoughtful Christmas cards and gifts. I am beyond blessed to be here in the parish.

Baby Jesus' Growth: A four-year-old girl went with a group of family and friends to see the Christmas lights, displayed at various locations throughout the city. At one church, they stopped and got out to look more closely at a beautiful nativity scene. "Isn't that beautiful?" said the little girl's grandmother. "Look at all the animals, Mary, Joseph and the baby Jesus." "Yes, Grandma," replied the granddaughter. "It is really nice. But there is only one thing that bothers me. Isn't Baby Jesus ever going to grow up...? He's the same size he was last year!"

God's blessings,
Fr. Suneesh Mathew

YOUNG ADULT HOLY HOUR

Young adults ages 18-39 from all over the diocese are invited to attend a Young Adult Holy Hour on Monday, January 7, 2019 at St. Stephen Cathedral in Owensboro. The holy hour will go from approximately 6-7 p.m. and will include adoration, a scriptural reflection and confessions. Please join us for dinner at a local restaurant afterwards! For more information, email robin.tomes@pastoral.org or visit [Facebook.com/OwensboroYoungAdults](https://www.facebook.com/OwensboroYoungAdults).

DASK (DIVORCED AND SEPARATED KOINONIA)

Mount St. Joseph Retreat Center (April 5-7 2019) - Many people have encountered Jesus during Koinonia retreats in parishes throughout the Diocese of Owensboro. DASK is a Koinonia specifically for those who are divorced or separated. Several members of the Owensboro Koinonia community are collaborating with Springfield, Ill Koinonia to bring DASK to our Diocese for the first time. This will be an overnight, spiritual retreat focused on the resurrection and new life.

The team is now forming. If you are involved in your parish Koinonia community and would be interested in serving on the team for DASK, please contact Danny May in the office of Marriage & Family Life at 270-852-8336 or familylife@pastoral.org.

Participants can register for DASK on the Diocese website at owensborodiocese.org/dask/. The cost to attend is \$150, which includes lodging and meals. Scholarships available upon request.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Precious Blood welcomes all newcomers to our Parish Family. We look forward to having you as a member. Please fill out this section, cut it out, and turn in or mail it to the Parish Office (3306 Fenmore Street, Owensboro, KY 42301). We will send you papers for membership.

Name _____

Address _____ Phone _____

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SCRIPTURE READINGS

Readings for next weekend will be Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11; Timothy 2:11-14; Luke 3:15-16, 21-22. 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.

GIVING TREE THANKS

Thank you so much for your generous giving. You have blessed so many Audubon students this Christmas. I appreciate your help meeting the needs of our sweet children!

Kelly May, Family Resource Center

Merry Christmas! Thank you for your continued support!

Birthright

BIRTHRIGHT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Birthright, located at 512 W. 7th St. is a non-profit, nonpolitical, interdenominational organization offering an alternative to abortion and services to those experiencing a crisis pregnancy. Services are free and confidential. Caring, non-judgmental office volunteers are needed to answer calls and greet clients Monday-Friday, 8:00am—12:00noon. Please contact Terri LaHugh at 270-926-7561 or birthright.org

THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Special thanks to Anna Marie Roberts and Sherman & Dolores Roberts. for cleaning church the week of Dec. 16; to Jeanie Wahl for watering plants.

A HUGE THANKS to those who helped to decorate and prepare the Church for Christmas: Bobby & Elaine Johnson, Steve Cecil, Louis & Cathy Travis, Max Baird, Marianne Jones, Jeanie Wahl, Cindy Schwartz, Mike Howard, Brett Stallings, Marie Montanez, Bittel and Fr. Suneesh.



YOUTH GROUP MEALS

Jan. 13: Jeannie Howard, Kristie Meserve
Jan. 27: Donna O'Flynn, Cindy Schwartz

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

CATHOLICS @ THE CAPITOL WESTERN KENTUCKY GATHERING

All Catholics in the Diocese of Owensboro are invited to participate in an upcoming opportunity to learn about critical issues that are likely to be considered in the next legislative session in Kentucky, reflect on them in light of Catholic Social Teaching and engage with your own legislators close to home. **Catholics @ the Capitol: Western Kentucky Gathering** will be held at Immaculate Parish (in the Parish Hall) on Saturday, January 12, 2019 from 9:30 am – 11:30am. This is a wonderful opportunity for Catholics to meet their state legislators and discuss upcoming legislation related to life, economic justice, immigration, criminal justice and education. Light refreshments will be served. The day will focus on Catholic social teaching as it relates to critical issues likely to be discussed in the upcoming Kentucky General Assembly. Catholic laity, students, and clergy are invited to participate in a constructive dialogue with their legislators. Area Legislators representing the following counties have been invited to attend this Owensboro Regional Gathering: Breckinridge, Daviess, Grayson, Hancock, Henderson, Hopkins, McLean, Muhlenberg, Ohio, Union, and Webster. If you live in one of these counties please make an effort to attend. For more information please contact Richard Murphy at (270) 683-1545 or richard.murphy@pastoral.org.

CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

The Catholic Men's Conference of Western Kentucky is hosting their 8th Annual Conference on Saturday, February 2, 2019 at the RiverPark Center. Men from all around the diocese are encouraged to attend. Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$15 for students. Guest speakers this year are Dr. Edward Sri, Kevin Reilly and Mike Michalak. Read the speakers' biographies, find more information and purchase online tickets by visiting kycatholic.com.

JOB OPPORTUNITY

Mary Carrico School, 9546 Kentucky 144, Philpot, KY is accepting applications for full time staff to be a part of their team. The Daycare/After-School is seeking an enthusiastic, caring and reliable individual to care for children. Interested candidates can complete an application at Mary Carrico School or Saint William Parish - Monday thru Friday from 8:00am until 4:00pm. Any questions please call Mary Carrico School at 270-281-5526 or Saint William Parish at 270-281-4802.

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THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, January 6—Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

Masses: 8:00am, 10:30am

Confirmation Formation: 9:00-10:15am

Knights of Columbus: 6:00pm

MONDAY, January 7

St. Raymond of Penyafort, *Abbot Confessor*

Picnic Committee: 6:00pm

TUESDAY, January 8

St. Severin of Noricum, *Abbot*

Daily Mass: 7:00am

Parish Staff Meeting: 9:00am

WEDNESDAY, January 9

St. Adrian of Canterbury, *Abbot Confessor*

Daily Mass: 6:00pm

Communion to the Homebound: 9:00am

Adoration & Confession: 5:00-5:45pm

Choir Practice: 6:45pm

Religious Ed: 6:45pm

THURSDAY, January 10

St. Agatho Thaumaturgus, *Pope Confessor*

Daily Mass: 7:00am

RCIA: 6:30pm—Topic: The Early Church, Church History

FRIDAY, January 11

St. Theodosius the Cenobiarch, *Confessor*

Daily Mass: 7:00am

SATURDAY, January 12

Confessions: 3:30-4:30pm

Mass: 5:00pm

Confirmation Afternoon with Bishop Medley: 12:30-4:30pm at St. Stephen Cathedral

SUNDAY, January 13—Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

Masses: 8:00am, 10:30am

Youth Group: 4:00-6:00pm



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Larry & Rhonda Logsdon (26) - 1/08/93

Ryan & Ali Crowe (6) - 1/11/13

Thomas & Frances Murray (10) - 1/11/09

Please pray for these and all married couples.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY PARISHIONERS

01/09: Larry Abel, Michelle Baize, Libby Girten, Elizabeth Schwartz

01/10: William Bellmar, Linda Hodskins, Luke Larsen, John Mark Madison, Norma Moss

01/11: Becky Bowlds, Mason Cecil, Gene Roberts, Lisa Ward, Regina Young

01/12: Helen Byers, Danny Hamilton

01/13: Karen Osborne



FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

We wish to express our deepest sympathy to Cathy (Louis) Travis, Mary Mills and family on the death of their sister-in-law, Deanna Mills. May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed Rest In Peace!

BUNCO NIGHT/REVERSE RAFFLE TICKET SALES KICK-OFF

The Fundraising Committee is hosting a Bunco Night and Reverse Raffle Ticket Sales Kick-off on Saturday, January 19th in our Parish Hall. Everyone is invited to bring pot luck and the beverages of their choice. Doors open at 6:00pm. We will eat and socialize until 7:00pm. Bunco 7:00—9:00pm. Cost is \$15.00 per person. Cash prizes will be awarded. Proceeds from the Bunco event will help with expenses for the Reverse Raffle. **Mark Your Calendars!** Our Reverse Raffle will be held on Saturday, March 16, 2019 at Sts. Joseph & Paul Parish Hall. Tickets will be available at the Bunco event for \$70.00 per person (\$15.00/Dinner, \$55.00/Raffle). Please contact our Parish Office at 270-684-6888; Danny Triplett at 270-993-2866; or Jeanette Ebelhar at 270-684-0932 to reserve your spot for Bunco!



Special thanks to Louis Travis and granddaughter, Jenna Lawson for delivering our Giving Tree gifts to Birthright and St. Ben Homeless Shelter.



Pictured is Sr. Rosanne reading a Christmas story to the children who attended the Christmas Eve Mass.