



PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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DECEMBER 29TH, 2024

**HAPPY NEW YEAR
A BLESSED 2025
TO YOU & YOUR FAMILY**

On behalf of all of us on staff here at Precious Blood Catholic Church I would like to extend a blessed New Year to you and your family. Together, let us pray that this New Year of 2025 will be one of health, peace, and love for all of our world. Through the intercession of Mary, the Mother of God may war cease, violence be cast aside, and hearts again turn to the love of her Son, and our Savior, Jesus Christ.

In Peace, The Precious Blood Parish Staff





Whether you are a first-time visitor or a returning parishioner, we are glad you are here! Welcome Packets with registration forms are available at both entrances. For more information about Precious Blood, please contact the office 270.684.6888. We would love to hear from you!

OFFICE HOURS: M-TH 8-2pm & Friday 8-12pm
SVDP OFFICE HOURS: M & TH 9-11am

MASS INTENTIONS: DEC. 31ST– JAN. 5TH

- Tues. 6:00pm Evelyn Mattingly ✕
- Wed 9:00am Shane & April Dickens Family ✕
- Thurs 6:00pm Brenda Oswalt ✕
- Fri 12 :00pm Ralph Ramirez ✕
- Sat 5:00p.m. Mamie McDaniel
- Sun 8:00a.m. OUR PARISH FAMILY
- 10:30a.m Helen & Thomas Joyce ✕

Stewardship not available at time of print

We pledge to our ongoing formation as stewards and our responsibility to call others to that same endeavor. Almighty and ever-faithful God, it is our fervent hope and prayer that You who have begun this good work in us will bring it to fulfillment in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

PRAYER requests

Katie Basham, Jamie Berry, Nelda Bickwermert, Kay Berry, Louis Beldotti, Lauren Bertke, Glen Bickwermert, Marvin Bickwermert, Larry Boswell, Christine Brown, Shirley Brown, Mary June Cecil, Shelby & Breanna Clark, Joseph Paul Clements, Tony Clayton, Rachel Ann Cline, Darrell Connor, Guy Connor, Goretti Coomes, Rosa Cruz, Tonie Denton, Shane Dickens, Huberta Edge, Bill Elder, Tim & Maude Fornes, Jesse Fulkerson, Angela Gentry, Terri Girten, Debby Glenn, Sheila Head, Terri Hendon, Tonya Hamilton's friend, Charles Henderson, Adriana Hentz, Marie Hester, Bob Holt, Heather Hudson, Willie Hudson, Lenox Hughes, Robert Jackson, June Johnson, Linda Jollay, Elaine Johnson, Robert Johnson's mother, Randall Jones, Kenny Kelley, Ruth and Kenny Kelly's daughter, Mary Kittinger, Francie Lanham, Janet Lawrence, Bailey Lindsey, Theresa Lowe, Donna Mason, Carolyn McDaniel, Mamie McDaniel's great niece, Ray McDaniel, Barbara Magan, Jordan McIntosh, Charlene Meadows, Mary Miller's son Charles Miller, Raden Poll, Anna Carol Murphy & her daughter Oleta, Gary Murphy's John Patton, brother, Mary Murphy, Karen Osborne's mother, Janie Payne, Mary Edna Payne, Phil Phelps, Sandra Posey, Tony Powers, Shirley Ralph, Frank Riney, Michael Roach, Doris Schrecker, Tommy Schwartz, Mike Sims, Bob Slack, Ed Sullivan's brother, Lillian Taylor, Eugene and June Thomp-sons daughter Debra Peach, Steve Tuttle, Dorothy Wester-field, Joey Westerfield, Dorothy Wathen and her daughter, and Kirsten Wood.

ASSISTED LIVING: Chautauqua: Nancy Best Fern Terra: Clara Gilles. Hillcrest: Marie Hester, Carmel Home: Doug Howard, Lois Sims and Rose McCarter. Hermitage: Tommy Schwartz Cedarhurst: Pat Fogle

Ministry	January 4, 5:00 PM	January 5, 8:00 AM	January 5, 10:30 AM
Ushers	#1 - Michael Murphy Mady Murphy Elly Murphy Michael Johnson	#1 - Jennifer Murphy Jeanette Goodwin Matthew McCarty Michael Thompson	#1 - Tom Bickwermert Kayla Morris John Morris Brandon Ebelhar
Eucharistic Min. (EM's designated #1 and #2 are responsible for cleaning the sacred vessels after mass.)	#1 - Linda Connor #2 - Kristy Fulkerson Vickie Payne John Fulkerson Guy Connor Sharon Tucker Deacon Jay VanHoosier	#1 - Gary Millay #2 - Jeanette Ebelhar Deacon Jay VanHoosier	#1 - Bob Wimsatt #2 - Tom Peak Michelle Bickwermert Matthew Molnar Tim Molnar Lisa Wimsatt Deacon Jay VanHoosier
Servers	Klaudia Hayden Vera Hayden	Kobi Mitchell	Izabella Rogers Havanah Rogers Abram Wimsatt
Lector #1	Chrissy Axley	Stephanie Millay	Rita Jacobs
Lector #2	Christine Stanfel	John Rudy	Bridgette Molnar
Gift Bearers	Danny May Family	Justin Bailey Family	Tom Durbin Family
Vocation Statue	Bob & Sandy Devine	Jeff Danhauer	David Coomes Family
Sacristan	Sharon Bumm	Jeanette Ebelhar	Michelle Baize
Rosary Leader	Shirley Ralph	Kathy Carr	Mary June Cecil
Children's Liturgy	Amanda Murphy		Melissa Huebel

**NEW YEAR'S MASS TIMES
THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY,
MOTHER OF GOD**

- ◆ 6pm – December 31 - New Year's Eve
- ◆ 9am – January 1 – New Year's Day

LOOKING AHEAD TO JANUARY

Epiphany Open House at Fr. Carl's Home – January 5, 2025 after the 5pm Saturday Mass (Jan 4) and Sunday afternoon from 2pm-4pm.

New Year - New Youth Ministry Kick Off – January 19, 4pm-6pm for Youth and Parents starts with a meal prepared by our Men's Group.

PASTORAL TEAM

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SAVE THE DATE

**YOUTH GRADES 6-12TH AND
THEIR PARENTS/GUARDIANS
ARE INVITED TO OUR YOUTH
MINISTRY TRIVIA NIGHT**

DINNER WILL BE PROVIDED
STAY TUNED FOR MORE DETAILS

**SUNDAY,
JANUARY 19TH, 4-6PM**

PRECIOUS BLOOD PARISH HALL

**JOIN
US**



**LIFE-GIVING
Wounds**

HEALING RETREAT FOR

Adult Children of Divorce

MARCH 14 - 16, 2025



Learn more and
register here

**REGISTRATION
NOW OPEN!**

NEW YEARS EVE BUNCO!



Where: Precious Blood Parish Hall

When: After New Years Eve Mass at
7pm

Bring: \$5.00 and a dish or appetizer
to share.

Must be 21 to enter

CHURCH CLEANERS FOR DECEMBER

12/30 Kathy Hayden/ Marie Montanez

Safe Environment The safety of our children is the responsibility of every Christian. Anyone aware of the abuse of a person under the age of eighteen is required by law to report this to the proper state authorities contact the Commonwealth Attorney's 270-685-8429; local law enforcement at 270-687-8888 OPD or Daviess County Sherriff's Dept at 270-685-8444; or the Kentucky Child Abuse Hotline (toll-free: 1-877-597-2331). To report abuse to the diocese, current or past, by anyone acting in the name of the Church (paid or volunteer), call Scott Ingram Assistance Coordinator 270-852-8380.

A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION TO DEEPEN OUR FRIENDSHIPS

A new year is more than a change of calendars; it is a new beginning, a time to start anew.

There is an English writer and poet by the name of Hilaire Belloc who once wrote: "From quiet hours and first beginning, out to the undiscovered ends, there's nothing worth the wear of winning, but laughter and love and friends."

Striving to win is not wrong unless we are wearing ourselves out attempting to win the wrong things. Many of us spend New Year's Day watching football games, which at its core is a ritual of competition and the fight to win. Belloc advises us to strive rather to be victorious in winning the goal of "laughter and the love of friends." What better advice could we have at the beginning of the new year to help us to remember what is most important.

In days gone by friendships may have been easier, because people spent most of their lives in the same town or neighborhood. Today our work causes us to move from place to place, and with much greater ease in mobility, it is commonplace to have a large number of acquaintances but fewer friends. While we often use the word "friend" even for people we have known for only a short time, or even the "friends" we have on Facebook, friend seems to imply a deeper and more profound connection. But are we really connected to that many "friends."

In reading the Gospels, it is clear that Jesus had both a profound respect for and a personal knowledge of friendship. However, his use of the word implies the sort of bond which primitive people considered as a sacred and secure bond.

This new year can be a fresh beginning, or it can be nothing more than an overlapping and extension of the past, where the only thing that changes is the page on our calendar. In these first new days of a new year, what better resolution could we make than to deepen our existing friendships into relationships of communion that are truly holy.

Happy New Year, Fr. Carl McCarthy

This New Year's Message was adapted from the book "A Pilgrim's Almanac, Reflections for Each Day of the Year by Edward Hays." – Fr. Cgm

A CHRISTMAS THANK YOU – I would like to offer a word of thanks to all the cookies, candies, cakes, gifts, cards, and wishes of Christmas that I received from all of you this Christmas Season. You care and words of appreciation and joy of this Holy Season are sign of your love and care for the Lord. May God continue to bless you all this Christmas and New Year. – Fr. Carl McCarthy

END OF THE YEAR FINANCIAL GIVING – Your end of the year financial contributions made to Precious Blood Parish by December 31 will be counted towards your 2024 giving. Thank you for each and every gift you have made to Precious Blood throughout this year. Your financial gift helps us to live the mission of Jesus each and every day.

NEW WINDOWS INSTALLED AT THE RECTORY – This fall we were able to install 9 new needed energy efficient windows to the Precious Blood Rectory. The cost for these windows was \$4,708.39 and the money for this building improvement came from our Parish Building Fund. In the future our men's group will be helping to make other needed improvements to our Rectory, which was built in the late 1950's and added onto in mid-1970's. Thank you for you giving.



- **Monday, Dec. 30th**
Office open until noon
SVDP Office open until 11:00
No Mass
 - **Tuesday, Dec. 31st**
Office closed for New Years Eve
6pm New Year's Eve Mass
7pm Bunco in Parish Hall
- Wednesday, Jan. 1st**
Office closed for New Years Day
9am Mass
6:45pm Religious Ed
- **Thursday, Jan. 2nd**
7am-Mass
 - **Friday, Jan. 3rd**
12pm-Mass
 - **Saturday, Jan. 4th**
5pm-Mass with Confessions at 4pm
 - **Sunday Jan. 5th**
8:00am & 10:30am-Mass



- 12/31 Glen Stewart, Brian Huebel, Frances Boarman, Parker Baldwin
- 1/01 Jan Martin
- 1/02 Tony Payne, Sheila Sparks
- 1/03 Kelly May, Sharleen Schwartz , Deacon Jay VanHoosier
- 1/04 Triston Logsdon , Bryan Lanham

ANNIVERSARIES

- 12/31 James & Dorothy Hodges (53)
- 1/01 Bill & Angela Mills (31)
- 1/03 Michael & Karen Hayden (44)



Epiphany Open House

January 4 6PM-8PM

January 5 2PM-4PM

Please join us for cookies and fellowship in the rectory
All are welcome!



**WOULD YOU LIKE MORE
GRATITUDE
GRACE
CONNECTION
IN YOUR MARRIAGE?**

**YOUR MARRIAGE IS WORTHY OF
INVESTMENT**



Register for Grace Marriage today!



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