



PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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270-684-6888

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—FEBRUARY 11, 2018

Moved with pity; he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him 'I do will it. Be made clean
Mark 1:41

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.



PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Suneesh Mathew HGN, Pastor, suneesh.mathew@pastoral.org
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MASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday, 6:00 pm Tuesday, Thursday & 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: FEBRUARY 12-18

Tues. 7:00a.m. Eulaine Robertson: dec.
Wed. 7:00a.m. Willett Family
6:00p.m. Ima Axley
Thur. 7:00a.m. Fr. David Willett: dec.
Fri. 7:00a.m. Crowe Family
Sat. 5:00p.m. Mary Jo Meadows: dec.
Sun. 8:00a.m. Jeffrey Cecil: dec.
10:30a.m. OUR PARISH FAMILY

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Weekly Budget to meet Expenses	\$9,000.00
February 4, 2018 Contribution	\$11,437.39
Children's Contributions	\$35.44
Total	\$11,472.39
Under/Over this week	\$2,472.83
Under/Over (July 1, 2017 to present)	
In Regular Collections	\$3,371.03

Parish Renovation Fund

February 4, 2018	\$407.00
Total Parish Renovation Funds	\$68,145.10

(This figure includes Roofing Funds received to date.)

ROOFING FUNDS

Money needed: **\$70,000.00** (Replace roof of Parish Hall/School Building, and replace ceiling tiles.) Money received to date: **\$34,342.00** (104 Families) Thanks for your most generous hearts. God loves a cheerful giver.
Fr. Suneesh Mathew

SPECIAL PRAYERS: Please remember Alice Devine, Ronnie Osborne & sister, Nancy Best, Janie Payne, Glenn Young & brother & sister-in-law, Marie Hester, Betty Murphy's brother, Ima Axley, Lois Sims' nephew & brother, Cheryl Gabbert's daughter & mother-in-law, Becky Bowlds, Steve Cecil, Bonnie Glenn, Jerry Blandford, Mary Ann Postelewaite's son, Mary Ellen VanVactor's brother, Anna Carol Murphy, Mary Murphy's son, Dot Hodges' grandson, James P. Bowlds, Sharon Bumm's mother, Karen Osborne, Mary Kittinger & brother, Janie Howard's brother, Lynda Trogden's son, Bill Johnson, Christine Stanfel's father, Sherman & Dolores Roberts' grandson, Lisa Shivley, Michelle Howard, Paul Westerfield, Libby Girten, Ray Jones' aunt, Charlene Meadows, Kristen Powers, Tony Powers, Tony Gilmore's mother, Matthew Molnar, Martha Stites, Marie Montanez's friend, Eric Wedding's mother, Jeremy Vowels, Eva Gentry, Jewell Brown's nephew, Rose Chapman, Sr. Rosanne's aunt, Steve & Carol Crisp's son-in-law, Henry Schwartz, Tim Blandford's cousin, Jeff Moss, Guy Connor, Earl Hayden, WaNell Lanham's nephew, Bill Elder, Pat Roby, Ron Roberts, Sarah Camp, Mary June Cecil's great-niece, Andy & Kyle Johnson's father, Jocelynn Herrmann **ASSISTED LIVING:** Please remember: Elizabeth Mattingly, Rose Slone, David Vowels, Shirley Jarboe, Doug & Betty Howard

Called to *Serve*

MINISTRIES: FEBRUARY 17—5:00PM

SERVERS: Shelbee & Mackenzie Ayers
LECTORS: Linda Connor, Dan Chelstrom
CHILDREN LITURGY OF THE WORD: Virginia O'Connell
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: John & Kristy Fulkerson, Guy Connor, Logan Jones, Margaret Lancaster, Mamie McDaniel, Michael Murphy
COMMUNION TO THE SICK: Michael Murphy
GIFT BEARERS: Stefanie, Addi & Tucker Oller
VOCATION STATUE: Susan Jones
USHERS: Joe & Deanna Newton, Brad O'Connell, Tony Powers
STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Parish Pastoral Council
SACRISTAN: Chrissy Axley

MINISTRIES: FEBRUARY 18—8:00AM

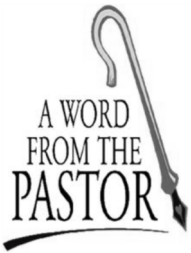
SERVERS: Ethan Daugherty, Natalie Goodwin
LECTORS: Joyce Riney, Stehanie Millay
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Kim Collignon, Cindy Schwartz, Kaleb Daugherty, Jim & Rose McCarter, Sr Mary Diane Taylor
GIFT BEARERS: Steve & Kathy Phillips
VOCATION STATUE: Steve & Kim Collignon
USHERS: Brett, Julie & Austin Stallings, Diann Shock
STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Andrea Finley
SACRISTAN: Jeanette Ebelhar

MINISTRIES: FEBRUARY 18—10:30AM

SERVERS: Samira Crowe, Jeremy Gillihan, Jared Wink
LECTORS: Jeff Hagan, Tom Durbin
CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Chelsea Edge, Melissa Riney
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Kristen Powers, Susie Westerfield, Tami Norris, Sandra Midkiff, Tom Peak, Theresa Skaggs, Travis VanBussum
COMMUNION TO THE SICK: Cindy Schwartz
NURSING HOMES: Davco: Katie Rudy;
Twin Rivers: Gene Roberts
GIFT BEARERS: Tim, Bridgette & Matthew Molnar
VOCATION STATUE: Brad & Alissa Wimsatt
USHERS: Bill & Vickie Pennington, Otis & Rita Webb
STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Mike Head
SACRISTAN: Sandra Midkiff

CHURCH CLEANERS: Feb 11-17: Melissa McIntosh, Karen Osborne, Kathy Phillips, Tricia Scott, Susie Westerfield, Donna Gilmore

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Parish Hall Roof: Words can't express my gratitude to you for your most generous hearts. Two weeks ago I talked to you regarding our Parish Hall and the needs to replace roof, ceiling, tiles etc. The total approximate cost will be close to \$70,000.00. Last weekend we brought in \$34,092.00 from 101 envelopes from families with checks starting from \$10.00 dollar to \$5,000.00. What a gesture of love and generosity to the parish. May God bless you for your most generous hearts. Families that haven't gotten a chance to contribute toward this project, I encourage you to take our parish need into consideration. "Sometimes when we are generous in small, barely detectable ways it can change someone else's life forever."

Leprosy Within: All three readings today teach us that we are called to become pure and holy. But we don't become holy by some ritual observances. We become holy by confessing our sins to God and offering our lives for God's glory and by sharing God's love with everyone around us without discriminating against anyone on the basis of color, race, culture, religion, life style or social status. We need to tear down the walls that separate us from others and build bridges of loving relationships. Jesus calls every one of us to demolish the walls that separate us from each other and to welcome the outcasts and the untouchables of society. These include homosexuals, AIDS victims, alcoholics, drug addicts and marginalized groups - the divorced, the unmarried-single mothers, migrant workers and the mentally ill. God's loving hand must reach out to them through us. Jesus wants us to touch their lives. Let us re-examine the barriers we have created and approach God with a heart that is ready to welcome the outcasts in our society. And if we don't treat others we may appear to be clean outside but are Lepers within.

Clever Son in Law: A very successful businessman had a meeting with his new son in law. I love my daughter, and now I welcome you into the family, said the man. To show you how much we care for you, I am making you a 50-50 partner in my business. All you have to do is go to the factory every day and learn the operation. The son in law interrupted. "I hate factories. I can't stand the noise." "I see, replied the father in law, well then you will work in the office and take charge of some of the operations. I hate office work, said the son in law. I can't stand being stuck behind a desk. "Wait a minute, said the father in law. I just made you half- owner of a money making organization, but you don't like factories and won't work in an office. What am I going to do with you? Easy said the young man. "Buy me out."

God's blessings,
Fr. Suneesh Mathew

HOLY FAMILY PRAYER SERVICE

When the Knights of Columbus was founded in 1882 by Fr. McGivney one of his main goals was to strengthen the families of his parish. Today the Knights continue this work with a Holy Family Pray Service. This is a program which travels around the State of Kentucky with a Holy Family Portrait, which has been blessed by Pope Francis. We believe that one of the best ways to strengthen the family is to come together as a parish family and pray to the lord for his blessing and grace. The Portrait and pray service will be here at Precious Blood Parish on February 18th from 2 to 3 pm and the Bishop Soenneker council will host a pray service at that time. Please come together as a parish family and with the knights pray to our Lord to strengthen our family. For there is no better way to build and strengthen the Catholic Church than to help build the parish family so join us in asking the Lord and the Holy Family to strengthen the parish family of Precious Blood Parish.

<i>Parish Pastoral Council</i>	<i>Committee Chairpersons</i>
Joe Cecil, Chair 270-231-5111	Education/Formation - Lori Hodskins 270-316-7815
John Fulkerson, Vice-Chair 270-993-4203	Family/Social Life - Kristie Meserve 270-302-1397
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
Elaine Johnson,, Education/Formation 270-771-5581	Picnic Committee - Stefani Oller 270-302-4926
Brad Wimsatt, Worship/Spiritual Life 270-993-7287	Social Justice/ SVDP - Tony Powers 270-691-6337
	Worship/Spiritual Life - Ed Sullivan 270-570-3192

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SCRIPTURE READINGS

Readings for next weekend will be Genesis 9:8-15; 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:12-15. 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.

SIXTH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

“Moved with pity; he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him ‘I do will it. Be made clean.’”

In this Sunday’s Gospel, Jesus was “moved with pity” for the leper and healed him. The call to priesthood is the call to bring Christ’s healing presence and the truth of the Gospel to a world in need of mercy. The Church needs good, faithful, men to bring Christ’s healing, mercy, and love to the world. If you would like to learn more about discerning a vocation to priesthood, please contact the Office of Vocations: [270-683-1545](tel:270-683-1545), www.owensborovocations.com

ASH WEDNESDAY COLLECTION

We are partners together with our Sister Diocese of Mandeville Jamaica. We share some “seed” or resources and they use them to work with God to bring to life his kingdom. What a joy we share together in seeing the growth in God. Our annual collection on Ash Wednesday allows us an opportunity to help carry out the mission of Jesus to evangelize in word and in deed. Thank you for your past generosity and please consider helping again this year.

LENTEN REGULATIONS

Fasting: Ages 18-59 on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, limiting themselves to one full meal and two smaller meals each day, with no snacking between meals. **Abstinence:** Catholics ages 14 and older abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all Fridays of Lent.

OPERATION RICE BOWL

Encounter Lent: Join our parish community—and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States in a life changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl. During the 40 days of Lent, as companions on the journey, we will encounter our neighbor.

BEST LENT EVER

Don’t give up chocolate for Lent—Instead, take a 40-day journey to become the best version of yourself. Join Best Lent Ever, a free email program designed to help you have a life-changing Lent. Every day you’ll get inspirational videos, practical tips and encouraging stories. Sign up at DynamicCatholic.com/Lent

BULLETIN COVER

This week’s bulletin cover features newly installed Bishop Mark Spalding of the Diocese of Nashville, nephew to Sr. Rosanne & Sr. Laurita Spalding.

CATHOLIC MEN’S CONFERENCE

Hosting the 7th annual conference at the RiverPark Center on Feb. 17, 2018. Tickets \$15/students, \$30/adults. Buy them online at kycatholic.com.

PRECIOUS BLOOD MEN’S CLUB BURGOO & BOSTON BUTT SALE

The Men’s Club will be selling burgoo (\$18.00 per gallon) and Boston Butts (\$35.00 each) to be ready for pick-up on Sat., Mar. 3rd at 4:00 p.m. Sign-up sheets available at the entrances of church starting next weekend or you may contact Steve Cecil 270-926-1163, Gary Murphy 270-302-1440 or Bruce Tucker 270-771-0095. All proceeds go to the Roofing Fund.

FISH FRY VOLUNTEERS: February 16

Larry Abel, Megan, Natalie Goodwin, Jeanette Ebelhar, Kristen, Braxton & Briley Powers, Terry Egde, Rina Coppage, Susie Westerfield, Vickie Payne, Phil, Lori, Madison, Trey & Tanner Roberts

THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Special thanks to Susan & Michael Johnson Pauline Langdon, Doris Westerfield, Joyce Young for cleaning church the week of Jan. 28; to Jeanie Wahl for watering plants.

2018-2019 PRIEST ASSIGNMENTS (Effective June 12, 2018)

Barrera, Rev. Julio—Pastor, Holy Redeemer Parish in Beaver Dam and Holy Trinity Parish in Morgantown,
Harpole, Rev. Ryan—Pastor, St. Joseph Parish in Bowling Green
Johnson, Rev. Brian—Pastor, St. Pius X Parish in Calvert City and St. Anthony Parish in Grand Rivers
Jones, Rev. Tony—Pastor, St. Romuald Parish in Hardinsburg
Kalombo, Rev. Jean Rene—Pastor, Sts. Joseph & Paul Parish in Owensboro
McCarthy, Rev. Carl - Pastor, Christ the King Parish in Madisonville
Ottagan, Rev. Anthoni—Pastor, St. Alphonsus Parish in Owensboro and St. Elizabeth Parish in Curdsville
Thomas, Rev. Shaiju—Continuing as pastor of St. Mary Magdalene Parish in Owensboro.
Vaughan, Rev. John—Pastor, Immaculate Parish in Owensboro, effective June 12, 2018.
Garner, Rev. Andrew—With permission from Bishop Medley, Fr. Garner is accepting a temporary assignment in the Diocese of Lexington, KY

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THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, February 11—6th Sunday Ordinary Time

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

Masses: 8:00am, 10:30am

1st Communion Formation: 9:-10:15am

Youth Group: 5:00-7:00pm

Knights of Columbus: 6:00pm

MONDAY, February 12

St. Gaudentius, *Bishop Confessor*

St. Vincent de Paul Society: 5:30pm

TUESDAY, February 13—Mardi Gras

St. Catherine dei Ricci, *Virgin*

Daily Mass: 7:00am

Parish Staff Meeting: 9:00am

Decorate for Lent: 6:00pm

WEDNESDAY, February 14—Valentine's Day

Ash Wednesday: Day of Fast and Abstinence

St. Valentine, *Priest Martyr*

Daily Mass: 7:00am and 6:00pm

Communion to the Homebound: 9:00am

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

Choir Practice: 6:45pm

Religious Ed: 6:45pm

THURSDAY, February 15

St. Faustinus and Jovita, *Martyrs*

Daily Mass: 7:00am

RCIA: 6:30pm Topic: Way of the Cross

Youth Group Trip—Winter Jam Christian

Concert at Evansville Ford Center: 7:00pm

FRIDAY, February 16

St. Onesimus, *Martyr*

Daily Mass: 7:00am

Fish Fry: 5:30pm

SATURDAY, February 17

Confessions: 3:30-4:30pm

Stations of the Cross: (Parish Council): 4:30pm

Mass: 5:00pm

Rite of Sending: 5:00pm

SUNDAY, February 18—First Sunday of Lent

Stations of the Cross: 7:30am, 10:00am

Masses: 8:00am, 10:30am

Holy Family Prayer Service: Hosted by Knights of Columbus: 2:00pm

Rite of Election: 6:00pm at St. Stephen Cathedral

**RIGHT TO LIFE OF OWENSBORO
ANNUAL CHILI SUPPER**

Saturday, February 17th, 5:00- 7:00pm at Blessed Mother Catholic Church. Adult tickets: \$7.00, Child ren (age3-12): \$5:00, Under 2: Free



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Randall & Susan Jones (34) - 2/17/84

Please pray for these and all married couples.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
TO OUR PARISHIONERS**



02/12: Elanor Crowe, Melissa Riney, Anna Marie Roberts,

02/13: Mary June Cecil

02/15: Ali Crowe, Sandy Devine, Mathias Herrmann, Stefanie Oller

02/16: Donnie Bowlds, Carolyn Dornburg, John Johnson, Jim Mattingly, Zachary Roberts

02/17: Bill Glenn



FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

We wish to express our deepest sympathy to Gary (Betty) Murphy, Jennifer (Donald) Thompson, Michael (Amanda) Murphy, Kannetha (Taylor) Sturgeon and families on the death of their uncle/great-uncle, Joe Bob Murphy; to Joe (Mary June) Cecil and family on the death of his grandfather, Marion Cecil; to Bishop William Medley and family on the death of his brother, Charles D. Ferriell. May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed Rest In Peace!



Precious Blood Fish Fry Schedule:

February 16, 23, March 2, 9, 16 ,23. Serving time 5:30pm in the Parish Hall. Menu: Fried tilapia, French fries, hush puppies, coleslaw, white beans, baked beans, cornbread, dessert, drink (tea & lemonade). **All you can eat!** Prices: Adults: \$10.00, Children under 12: \$4.00, Children under 4: Free. In need of desserts (cookies, brownies, cupcakes, cakes) if anyone would like to make a donation.



**PRECIOUS BLOOD
5TH ANNUAL STEAK
DINNER/JOHN DEERE
GATOR REVERSE RAFFLE**

\$70.00 Ticket Price includes: Steak dinner, beverages and chance to win \$5000.00 or John Deere Gator, and several other fantastic prizes ****Only 250 tickets will be sold. Must be 18 years of age to attend. Attendance not required to win****Please contact Danny Triplett 270-993-2866; Jeanette Ebelhar 270-684-0932, Rita Jacobs 270-302-2142 or stop by the Parish Office (8:00am—2:00pm). Committee members will be available after all Masses if you are interested in purchasing a ticket from them. Sts. Joseph & Paul Parish Hall, 609 East 4th St. Sat., Mar. 17, 2018. Doors Open: 6:00pm. Dinner: 6:30pm. Raffle Starts: 7:00pm.