



PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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FEBRUARY 26, 2017
EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given you besides.
Matthew 6:33

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

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

Office Hours

Monday—Friday, 8:00 am—2:00 pm
Closed on all Holy Days

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are usually celebrated during one of the regularly scheduled Masses. Parents are encouraged to call Sr. Rosanne at the Parish Office to make an appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples wishing to share their lives with one another in the Sacrament of Marriage are asked to call the Parish Office for an appointment with Fr. Suneesh Mathew or email suneesh.mathew@pastoral.org for marriage preparation. The first appointment must be scheduled six months before the proposed date of marriage.

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MASS INTENTIONS

FEBRUARY 27—MARCH 5

Mon.	6:00p.m.	Josh Gilmore: Birthday
Tues.	7:00a.m.	Bill Speer: dec.
Wed.	7:00a.m.	Ann Connor: dec.
	6:00p.m.	Gene Settles: dec.
Thur.	7:00a.m.	Peggy Hill: dec.
Fri.	7:00a.m.	Leo Castlen: dec.
Sat.	5:00 p.m.	Margaret Opiola: dec.
Sun.	8:00a.m.	Tony Gilmore: Birthday
	10:30a.m.	OUR PARISH FAMILY

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Weekly Budget to meet Expenses	\$9,000.00
February 19, 2017 Contribution	\$9,231.54
Children's Contributions	\$1.00
Total	\$9,232.54
Under/Over this week	\$232.54
Under/Over (July 1, 2016 to present)	-\$1,725.67

Parish Renovation Fund

February 19, 2017 Contributions	\$625.00
Total Parish Renovation Funds	\$25,457.73

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Stewards of the mysteries of God—that's what St. Paul says we are in today's second reading. And the first requirement, he says is that we be trustworthy. Entrusted with the gift of faith, do I share it as gratefully and as generously as I do my time, talent, and my treasure?

SPECIAL PRAYERS: Please remember Alice Devine, Ronnie Osborne, Nancy Best, Janie Payne, Jewell Brown's grandson, Doris Westerfield's sister, Rita Webb's sister & nephew, Glenn Young, Doug & Betty Howard, Marie Hester, 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 Connor, Cheryl Gabbert's mother-in-law, Becky Bowlds, Steve Cecil, Bonnie Glenn, Rita Hill, Jerry Blandford, Mamie McDaniel, Mary Ann Postlewaite's son, Randall & Leo Schwartz, Sharon Bumm, Mary Ellen VanVactor's brother, Guy Connor, Doris Westerfield, Carol Crisp, Anna Carol Murphy, Mary Murphy's son, Dot Hodges' grandson, Bill Elder;s brother, Bill Allen, James Patrick Bowlds, Helen Schwartz, Paul Bickwermert, Gary & Stephanie Millay's son

ASSISTED LIVING: Please remember: Gloria Conrad, Bernadette Howard, Elizabeth Mattingly, Rose Slone, David Vowels, Shirley Jarboe

FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

We wish to express our deepest sympathy to Tim (Penny) Blandford and family on the death of his aunt, Helen Elizabeth Mattingly. May her soul and the souls of the faithful departed Rest In Peace!



MINISTRIES: MARCH 4 — 5:00PM

SERVERS: Ben & Nolan Murphy
LECTORS: Dianne Kelly, Bobby Lomax
CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Amanda Murphy
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Logan Jones, Bruce & Sharon Tucker, Michael Murphy, Carol Riney, Gene Roberts, Taylor Sturgeon
COMMUNION TO THE SICK: Michael Murphy
CROSS BEARERS: Will Fulkerson
GIFT BEARERS: Jarred & Andrea Jones Family
VOCATION STATUE: Volunteer
USHERS: Jeff & Norma Moss, Joe & Deanna Newton
COMMUNAL ROSARY: Judy Osborne
SACRISTAN: Chrissy Axley

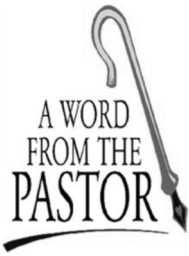
MINISTRIES: MARCH 5— 8:00AM

SERVERS: Kaleb & Ethan Daugherty
LECTORS: Sr. Rosanne Spalding, Bill Calhoun
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Kim Collignon, Lois Sims, Lauren Goodwin, Rose McCarter, Monti Millay,, Sr. Mary Daine Taylor, Katie Rudy
GIFT BEARERS: Monti & Eddie Millay Family
VOCATION STATUE: Volunteer
USHERS: Bryan Lanham, Cheryl Gabbert, Joyce Riney, John Rudy
COMMUNAL ROSARY: Jeanette Ebelhar
SACRISTAN: Cindy Schwartz

MINISTRIES: MARCH 5—10:30AM

SERVERS: Aubrey Johnson, Luke Larsen
LECTORS: Bridgette & Tim Molnar
CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: April & Lydea Dickens
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Michelle Baize, Caleb, Bob & Lisa Wimsatt, Tom, Debbie & Kailtyn Durbin,
COMMUNION TO THE SICK: Tony Gilmore
NURSING HOMES: Davco: Joni Blair; Twin Rivers: Gene Roberts
CROSS BEARERS: Jacob Payne
GIFT BEARERS: Eric & Lisa Fulkerson Family
VOCATION STATUE: Volunteer
USHERS: Danny Triplett, Henry Schwartz, Yvonne & Griffin Rudy
COMMUNAL ROSARY: Susie Westerfield
SACRISTAN: Michelle Baize

CHURCH CLEANERS: February 26—March 4: Anna Marie Roberts, Sherman & Dolores Roberts, Tricia Scott, Carol Riney, Kathy Phillips



He Couldn't Fight, Either: One day a truck driver stopped at a restaurant for dinner and ordered a steak. Before he could eat it, in walked a motorcycle gang, with dirty leather jackets and long, unkempt hair. They took the man's steak, cut it into six pieces, and ate it. The driver said nothing. He simply paid the bill and walked out. One of the gang members said, "That man couldn't talk. He didn't say a word." Another one said, "He couldn't fight, either; he didn't lift a hand." A waiter added, "I would say that he couldn't drive either. On his way out of the parking lot, he ran over six motorcycles crushing all of them." Something in us loves that story, because we like retaliation. But in the Sermon on the Mount Jesus prescribes forgiving love as the Christian model. It is possible to forgive people who have offended us but it's hard to forget. When the memories come back we should tell ourselves, each time, that I have already forgiven.

Catholic School Parent Meeting: Catholic education addresses the development of the whole person through spiritual and academic formation based on the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We recall the statement made by the Second Vatican Council, "Holy Mother Church must be concerned with the whole of man's life, even the secular part of it insofar as it has a bearing on his heavenly calling. Therefore she has a role in the progress and development of education." We have 67 students who go to the Catholic School System. On the 6th of March I invite all the parents of these Catholic School students to join me for an hour of prayer and sharing in the Church at 7:00 pm. Each family will be given their voucher for the year 2017- 2018 school year. Hope everyone can make it to the meeting.

With A Grateful Heart: Unselfish and noble actions are the most radiant pages in the biography of souls. ~David Thomas. My heartfelt thanks to Michael Howard for his voluntarily service to our parish. The Church and the surroundings are kept very clean and he over sees all the maintenance work with deep love for this parish. May God continue to bless you for your service to this parish. "For as in one body we have many parts, and all the parts do not have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually parts of one another. Since we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us exercise them: if prophecy, in proportion to the faith; if ministry, in ministering; if one is a teacher, in teaching; if one exhorts, in exhortation; if one contributes, in generosity; if one is over others, with diligence; if one does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness. Romans 12: 4- 7

Lover of Children: There was a man who was always bragging about his love for children. One day he was pouring a new driveway of cement and some of the little kids in the neighborhood came running through his yard and ran right through his freshly poured driveway. In fact, this occurred while he was gone, and some even wrote their initials and names in the cement. By the time he got back it had hardened that way with the footprints and the initials and the names hardened for all to see. This man went into a tirade. He was screaming and yelling at the top of his lungs; pacing back and forth about to explode. One of his neighbors came over and said, "I thought you said you loved children." The man said, "Well, I do love them in the abstract, but I don't love them in the concrete."

God's blessings,
Fr. Suneesh Mathew

<i>Parish Pastoral Council</i>	<i>Committee Chairpersons</i>
Joe Cecil, Chair 270-231-5111	Education/Formation - Lori Hodskins 270-316-7815
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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
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	Worship/Spiritual Life - Ed Sullivan 270-570-3192

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PARISH MARDI GRAS POTLUCK

Join us on Fat Tuesday, February 28th at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall for a fun-filled Mardi Gras Potluck. Families with last names beginning with A-M please bring a side dish (vegetable, casserole, etc.). Families with last names beginning with N-Z please bring a main dish (ham, lasagna, fried chicken, etc.).

ASH WEDNESDAY COLLECTION

“Go out to all the world and tell the Good News!” Our Diocese is in partnership with our Sister Diocese of Mandeville Jamaica to make those words a reality. Your contributions aid the Mandeville Diocese to share the Gospel with all the people in their region in both word and deed. Please consider a generous response to this collection 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 US—in a life changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl. Don't forget to download the CRS Rice Bowl app! May these 40 days better prepare us to encounter ourselves, our neighbors and our God.

LENTEN FISH FRYS

Every Friday of Lent (March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, and April 7) 5:30 pm in the Parish Hall. Menu: fried tilapia, French fries, hush puppies, coleslaw, white beans, baked beans, cornbread, dessert, drink (tea or 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.

COLLECTING DONATIONS

I am Danielle Durbin and I will be collecting donations to take to Sunrise Children's Services. In need of toiletry items, shampoo, conditioner, paper towels, baby wipes, laundry detergent, and tissue to be donated, but nonperishable food items will be accepted. The drive ends **March 19th**. Sunrise will accept donations at any time because they give back to those in need in the community. Items can be dropped off in the Gathering Space at Church. Questions, comments, or concerns, please contact Danielle at [270-929-8338](tel:270-929-8338).

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Readings for next weekend will be Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11. 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 COVER

This week's bulletin cover features some of our St. Vincent de Paul Society members attending their monthly meeting.

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

OCS PARENT MEETING

Fr. Suneesh invites all parents of students who attend the Owensboro Catholic School System to join him for prayer and talk on Monday, March 6th at 7:00 pm in Church. Families will be given their Voucher for the 2017-2018 school year during this time. For those parents who won't be able to attend that day, they will meet with Fr. Suneesh personally to get their Voucher. Hope everyone can attend.

PICNIC SUPPLY SALE

The Ursuline Sisters of Mount St. Joseph invite you to a special picnic supply sale on **March 4, 2017**. The Mount Picnic will be replaced with MapleFest at the Mount this Sept. 8-10, so picnic items that are no longer needed are for sale at reasonable prices. Join us in the Mount Saint Joseph Gymnasium from **7:30 a.m. to noon** for a chance to purchase both a piece of history and something to help your picnic.

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. Must be 18 or older to attend. Only 250 tickets will be sold at \$70.00 per ticket - available after all Masses or 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.

THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Special thanks to Norma Moss and Betty Whitehouse for cleaning church the week of February 12.

TUITION SUPPLEMENT 200 CLUB

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

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, February 26—8th Sunday In Ordinary Time

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

Masses: 8:00am, 10:30 am

Children's Liturgy of the Word: 10:30am

Stewardship Lay Testimony: 8:00 & 10:30 am

Baptism: 10:30 am—Henry & Quinn Fain

Seven Deadly Sins: 4:00 pm with Fr. Suneesh

Youth Group: 2:00-4:00 pm Edge Ice Rink,

Meeting 5:00-7:00 pm

MONDAY, February 27

St. Mechtild, *Virgin*

Daily Mass: 6:00 pm

Decorate Church for Lent: 6:30 pm

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting: 6:45 pm

Stewardship Forms will be mailed out.

TUESDAY, February 27

St. Hilarius, *Pope Confessor*

Daily Mass: 6:00 pm

Parish Staff Meeting: 9:00 am

Mardi Gras Party: 6:00 pm

WEDNESDAY, March 1—Ash Wednesday,

Day of Fast and Abstinence

St. David, *Bishop Confessor*

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

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

Communion to the Homebound: 9:00 am

Choir Practice: 6:45 pm

Religious Ed after Mass

THURSDAY, March 2

St. Chad, *Bishop Confessor*

Daily Mass: 6:00 pm

RCIA: 5:00 pm

FRIDAY, March 3

St. Cunegundes, *Empress*

Daily Mass: 6:00 pm

Stations led by Parish Council: 5:00 pm

Fish Fry: 5:30 pm

SATURDAY, March 4

Confessions: 3:30-4:30 pm

Communal Rosary: 4:30 pm

Mass: 5:00 pm

SUNDAY, March 5—First Sunday of Lent

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

Masses: 8:00am, 10:30 am

Confirmation Formation: 9:00-10:20 am

Rite of Sending: 10:30 am

Seven Deadly Sins: 4:00 pm with Fr. Suneesh

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

KC Meeting: 6:00 pm



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Paul & Doris Westerfield (60) - 3/04/17

Please pray for these and all married couples.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
TO OUR PARISHIONERS**

02/27: John Phillips, Brian Powers

02/28: Tim Gabbert

02/29: Mason Clark

03/01: Lydea Dickens, Joe Edge

03/03: Dean Ewing, Bridgette Molnar, Doris
Westerfield

03/04: Curtis King

03/05: Bryan Lanham, Hunter Small



2017 PARISH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

PORTRAIT DATES & TIMES:

Wed., April 19, 2:00-9:00 pm

Thurs., April 20, 2:00-9:00 pm

Fri., April 21, 2:00-9:00 pm

Sat., April 22, 9:30 a.m.—4:00 pm

Fri., April 28, 2:00-9:00 pm

Sat., April 29, 9:30 am—4:00 pm



SIGN UP NOW! Visit our website at precious-blood.net for online scheduling or <https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/9qp1z53v/> **HOW TO**

MAKE APPOINTMENT: (1) Click on Portrait Session tab (2) Click on calendar day to view schedule (3) Click on time of day for desired session time (4) Enter name, phone number, email address and number in group (5) Click on Finalize Portrait Session to schedule.

We will also have signups at Church starting the weekend of March 11th & 12th. in the Gathering Space.



We welcome into our faith community, Anna Belle Taylor, daughter of Justin & Rachel Taylor, baptized 2/18/17.