



PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT—MARCH 10, 2019

You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test. Luke 4:12

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

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MASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday, 6:00pm; Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 7:00am; Saturday, 5:00pm; Sunday, 8:00am & 10:30am
Holy Days—See bulletin for Mass schedule

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MASS INTENTIONS: MARCH 11-17

Tues.	7:00a.m.	Anna R. Payne: dec.
Wed.	6:00p.m.	Mary Orth: dec.
Thur.	7:00a.m.	Linda Ziegler: dec.
Fri.	7:00a.m.	Robert Bumm Family
Sat.	5:00p.m.	Ima Axley: dec.
Sun.	8:00a.m.	Marvin Morris: dec.
	10:30a.m.	OUR PARISH FAMILY

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Weekly Budget to meet Expenses	\$9,000.00
March 3, 2019 Contribution	\$10,728.44
Children's Contributions	\$4.24
Total	\$10,732.68
Under/Over this week	\$1,732.68
Under/Over (July 1, 2018 to present)	
In Regular Collections	\$7,117.76
Parish Renovation Fund	
March 3, 2019	\$276.00
Total Parish Renovation Funds	\$11,937.68

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WORD

Today's first reading describes the offering of first fruits the people of Israel were to present to the Lord in thanksgiving for their deliverance from Egypt and the gift of the promised land. Is my offering at today's Mass an appropriate response to the many blessings the Lord has given me?

SPECIAL PRAYERS: Please remember, 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 & mother & 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, Jamie Berry, Tony & Donna Gilmore's niece, 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 & Amanda VanBussum, Kathy Carr's nephew, Vicki Howard, Maxine Smith, Anna Carol Murphy, Declan Fogle, Gary Murphy's brother, Judy Fischer, Helen Byers, Tim Blandford's sister, Kristen Powers, Joe Bittel, Luke Dickens, Clint Howard, Paul Bickewermert Jr., Dennie Blair, Judy Sullivan

ASSISTED LIVING: Please remember: Shirley Jarboe, Doug & Betty Howard, Debbie Sapp, Helen Schwartz, Clara Gilles, Lois Sims, Mary Ann Postlewaite, JB Smith, DiAnn Millay



MINISTRIES: MARCH 16-5:00PM

SERVERS: Daniel Herrmann, Ben & Nolan Murphy
LECTORS: Charlotte Powers Shirley Ralph
CHILDREN LITURGY OF THE WORD: Chrissy Axley
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Mamie McDaniel, Vickie Payne, Charlene Meadows, Michael Murphy, Carol Riney, Taylor Sturgeon, Travis VanBussum
COMMUNION TO THE SICK: Michael Murphy
GIFT BEARERS: William & Susan Wedding
VOCATION STATUE: Mary Murphy
ROSARY LEADER: Charlotte Powers
USHERS: William & Susan Wedding, Mary Ellen VanVactor, Jeanie Wahl
SACRISTAN: Chrissy Axley

MINISTRIES: MARCH 17-8:00AM

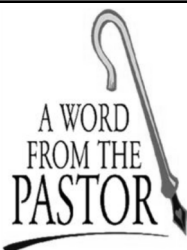
SERVERS: Danyelle & Zack Thompson
LECTORS: Kim & Steve Collignon
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Natalie Goodwin, Stephanie Millay, Jim & Rose McCarter, Monti Millay, Cindy Schwartz
GIFT BEARERS: Gary & Betty Murphy
VOCATION STATUE: Stella Kaelin
USHERS: Alexis, Michael, Carrie & Carson Ebelhar
ROSARY LEADER: Vickie Osborne
SACRISTAN: Cindy Schwartz

MINISTRIES: MARCH 17-10:30AM

SERVERS: Kambri Hamilton, Briley Powers, Hunter Wimsatt
LECTORS: Morgan Brown, Phil Roberts
CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Leslie Clark, Aliyah Berry
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Lisa Fulkerson, Mike Head, Jeff Hagan, Tonya Hamilton, Charlie Johnson, Elaine Johnson, Sandra Midkiff
COMMUNION TO THE SICK: Cindy Schwartz
NURSING HOMES: Davco: Katie Rudy
Twin Rivers: Mamie McDaniel
GIFT BEARERS: Linda Clark, Carmen Cruz
VOCATION STATUE: Joe & Mary June Cecil
USHERS: Vickie & Bill Pennington, Jared wink, Tom Peak
ROSARY LEADER: Marie Montanez
SACRISTAN: Michelle Baize

CHURCH CLEANERS: March 10-16: Geri Jones, Sandra Midkiff, Melissa McIntosh, Kathleen, Madison & Camille Chino

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Vacation to India: I had a great time being with my parents, siblings, nieces and nephews, friends and relatives. Each year as I see them I can see the differences in their physic; my parents getting older and nieces and nephews becoming more young and smart. The highlight of this year’s vacation was that my parents, siblings and nieces and nephews spent four days in Goa, which is a state in India which is 400 miles away from my home. Goa is a beautiful place filled with lots of beaches. We visited the shrine of St Francis Xavier who came to India from Spain in 1506 and died in 1560 and whose body is mostly incorruptible and is preserved in Goa. The highlight of my coming back to the parish was that last Sunday a little girl named Ava Jones, aged 3 hugged me and said I missed you, which melted my heart. I am very happy to be back to this beautiful family of Precious Blood.

Study on the Bible and the Sacraments: During this Lent I invite you to join me for a deeper study on the Bible and the Sacraments. This program certainly looks at the basic teaching of the Church as to their meaning and origin. It investigates the deeper mystery of the sacraments as illuminated by Sacred Scripture. Examining the rich relationship between the Old and New Testaments, it reveals the sacraments as more than mere earthly rituals. They are incredible “‘powers that come forth’ from the Body of Christ”. The study will begin in the Parish Hall from 9:00-10:00am during the Sundays of Lent. Most welcome to join.

What to Give Up During Lent: GIVE UP grumbling! Instead, “In everything give thanks.” Constructive criticism is OK, but “moaning, groaning, and complaining” are not Christian disciplines. GIVE UP 5 to 10 minutes in bed! Instead, use that time in prayer, Bible study and personal devotion. GIVE UP looking at other people’s worst points. Instead concentrate on their best points. We all have faults. It is a lot easier to have people overlook our shortcomings when we overlook theirs first. GIVE UP speaking unkindly. Instead, let your speech be generous and understanding. It costs so little to say something kind and uplifting. Why not check that sharp tongue at the door? GIVE UP any hatred of anyone or anything! Instead, learn the discipline of love. “Love covers a multitude of sins.” GIVE UP your worries and anxieties! Instead, trust God with them. Anxiety is spending emotional energy on something we can do nothing about, like tomorrow! Live today and let God’s grace be sufficient. GIVE UP judging by appearances and by the standard of the world! Instead, learn to give up yourself to God. There is only one who has the right to judge, Jesus Christ.

God’s blessings,
Fr. Suneesh Mathew

Precious Blood Church Finance Report (July 2018—February 2019)

INCOME

	Actual	Budget	Over/Short
Collections	\$320,431.14	\$312,000.00	\$8,431.14
Parish Building Fund	\$87,876.03	\$13,333.33	\$74,542.70
Interest/Fees/Other Income	\$8,273.03	\$5,999.97	\$2,273.06
Fundraising - Other	\$3,636.58	\$0.00	\$3,636.58
Fundraising - Raffle	\$8,470.00	\$0.00	\$8,470.00
Total Income	\$428,686.78	\$331,333.30	\$97,353.48

EXPENSES

	Actual	Budget	Over/Short
Staff Salaries	\$96,715.30	\$98,263.33	\$1,548.03
Staff Benefits	\$32,607.92	\$9,000.60	-\$880.12
Utilities	\$28,209.32	\$25,333.33	-\$2,875.99
Repairs/Maint.	\$5,230.30	\$19,351.33	\$14,121.03
Office supplies	\$15,906.54	\$11,700.17	-\$4,206.37
Worship/Ed. Materials	\$9,663.59	\$11,199.97	\$1,536.38
Misc Outreach	\$11,893.53	\$999.99	-\$10,893.54
Fundraising Expense - Other	\$476.06	\$0.00	-\$476.06
Fundraising Expense - Raffle	\$843.98	\$0.00	-\$843.98
Schools Assessment	\$108,283.28	\$108,283.33	\$0.05
Diocesan Assessment	\$33,505.13	\$33,505.33	\$0.20
Total Expenses	\$353,215.67	\$349,244.17	-\$3,971.50
Income minus Expenses	\$75,471.11	-\$17,910.87	\$93,381.98

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SCRIPTURE READINGS

Readings for next weekend will be Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18; Philippians 3:17-4:1; Luke 9:28b-26. 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.

THE BIBLE AND THE SACRAMENTS LENTEN BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITY

During Lent Fr. Suneesh will lead a 7 week Bible Study on the Sacraments and their foundation in Sacred Scripture. This will take place in the Parish Hall between the Sunday morning Masses from 9:00-10:00am. See Ray after Masses to sign-up if you are interested in attending.

OPERATION RICE BOWL

Encounter Norma—In Guatemala, we encounter Norma, who as a young mother supports her family and shares her skills with her community. Reflect on the importance of family in your life. How can you contribute to support families in your community? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES

Our Lady of Lourdes—Sunday, March 17, 2:00pm
Mount Saint Joseph—Monday, March 18, 6:00 p.m.
St. William—Tuesday, March 19, 6:00pm
Sts. Joseph & Paul—Thursday, March 21, 6:00pm
Blessed Mother—Sunday, March 24, 2:00pm
St. Mary Magdalene—Sunday, March 31, 6:00 p.m.
St. Elizabeth—Tuesday, April 2, 6:00 p.m.
St. Alphonsus—Thursday, April 4, 6:00 p.m.
St. Pius Tenth—Thursday, April 4, 6:00pm
St. Martin—Sunday, April 7, 6:45 p.m.
St. Mary of the Woods—Monday, April 8, 6:00pm
Precious Blood—Tuesday, April 9, 6:00 p.m.
St. Lawrence—Tuesday, April 9, 6:00pm
St. Peter, Wednesday—April 10, 6:00 p.m.
Immaculate, Thursday—April 11, 6:00 p.m.
St. Stephen, Sunday—April 14, 2:00 p.m.
St. Sebastian—To Be Announced

THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Special thanks to Imelda Madison, Linda Jackson and Sue Thomas for cleaning church the week of February 24; to Jeanie Wahl for watering plants.

Thank you to the following who helped prepare the church for Lent this past Sunday afternoon: Ed Sullivan, Jeanie Wahl, Cindy Schwartz, Louis Travis & Ray Jones.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship forms will be mailed out the week of March 18th. We ask that you review the commitment form, fill it out and return it to Church on Stewardship Sunday, March 23-24.

Please place your forms in the baskets on the Baptismal font when you enter Church. Even if your family is unable to commit time and talent to a ministry, we ask that you still complete the form to verify that our Church records are up to date with your address, phone numbers, email, etc.

VANBUSSUM MEAL TRAIN

Travis and Amanda VanBussum, parishioners of Precious Blood, are recovering from kidney transplant/kidney donor surgery. Amy Pride has started a meal train. If you wish to help out, please go to: <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/20dwwg7>

ACES NIGHT OUT CARNIVAL

Join the Owensboro Catholic School System for a fun night of food, music, silent auction and more. Doors open at 6:00 pm on Saturday, March 23rd at the Brescia University Moore Center. Tickets are available at <https://my.bidpal.net/acesnightout2019>. For questions or to purchase a table of eight, please contact Carlie Shelton at 270- 681-0691.

OCS REGISTRATION

Online registration begins Monday, March 11. Returning families will be sent a code prior to registration opening giving them access to their pre-populated information. New families will log on to owensborocatholic.org/admissions/admissions-process and create a 'New Account' to begin the registration process.

2019 READER'S CHOICE AWARDS (MOVING FORWARD TO VOTING!!)

Precious Blood has made it through the nomination period and into the voting period for the 2019 Reader's Choice Awards for **BEST BURGOO**. The voting period will begin March 10th and go through to March 23rd.



When the voting ballot goes live on March 10th we ask that everyone visit the Messenger-Inquirer website and place your vote for Precious Blood—Best Burgoo. <http://www.messenger-inquirer.com/>

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

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THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, March 10—First Sunday of Lent

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

Masses: 8:00am, 10:30am

Lenten Bible Study with Fr. Suneesh: 9:00-10:00am in Parish Hall

First Communion Formation: 9:00-10:15am

Youth Group: 4:00-6:00pm

Daylight Savings Time Begins (Clocks Fall Back)

MONDAY, March 11

St. Eulogius, *Martyr*

St. Vincent de Paul Society: 5:30pm

TUESDAY, March 12

St. Theophanes, *Abbot*

Daily Mass: 7:00am

Parish Staff Meeting: 10:00am

WEDNESDAY, March 13

St. Euphrasia, *Virgin*

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, March 14

St. Matilda, *Queen*

Daily Mass: 7:00am

RCIA: 6:30pm—Topic: Holy Orders

FRIDAY, March 15

St. Louise De Marillac, *Widow*

Daily Mass: 7:00am

Fish Fry: 5:30pm

SATURDAY, March 16

Stations of the Cross: 4:30pm

Confessions: 3:30-4:30pm

Mass: 5:00pm

Reverse Raffle: Doors Open 6pm, Dinner 6:30pm, Raffle 7:00pm at Sts. Joseph & Paul Parish Hall

SUNDAY, March 17—2nd Sunday of Lent

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

Masses: 8:00am, 10:30am

St. Patrick's Day

Lenten Bible Study with Fr. Suneesh: 9:00-10:00am in Parish Hall

First Communion Formation: 9:00am—10:15am

Lourdes Lenten Penance Service: 2:00pm



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Dennie & Cindy Dowell (28) - 3/16/91

Justin & Stacy Hentz (7) - 3/17/12

Please pray for these and all married couples.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR PARISHIONERS



03/12: Tim Fairchild, Larry Jollay

03/13: Louis Beldotti, Frances Murray,
Donna Osborne, Joyce Riney, Myra Weis

03/14: Betty Howard, John Rudy

03/15: Sean Borland, Marianne Jones, Paul
Westerfield

03/16: Lee Ann Moss

03/17: Ashley Berry



FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

We wish to express our deepest sympathy to Susan (Randall) Jones and family on the death of her brother-in-law, Danny K. Maglinger Sr.; to the family of David Vowels; to Rita (Bill) Elder, Kathleen (Danny) Hamilton, Tricia (Brad) Scott, and Steven (Leslie) McCarthy and families on the death of their sister-in-law/aunt, Mildred McCarthy. May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed Rest In Peace!

PRECIOUS BLOOD CHURCH 6TH ANNUAL STEAK DINNER/JOHN DEERE GATOR REVERSE RAFFLE



For tickets, 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). Fundraising Committee members will also be selling tickets after all Masses. Event held at Sts. Joseph & Paul Parish Hall, 609 East 4th St. on Saturday, March 16, 2019. Doors Open: 6:00pm. Dinner: 6:30pm. Raffle : 7:00pm.



Fish Frys here at Precious Blood are scheduled for March 15, 22, 29, April 5, and 12. 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: \$11.00, Children under 12: \$5.00, Children under 4: Free. Carry-Out available.

In need of desserts (cookies, brownies, cupcakes, cakes) if anyone would like to make a donation.



YOUTH GROUP MEALS

Mar. 10: Kathleen Hamilton, Christie Hayden

Mar. 24: Joni Blair, Monti Millay