

## PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH 3306 FENMORE STREET, OWENSBORO, KY 42301 PHONE: 270-684-6888 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 9,2025



**Robert Steelman** 

Robert Steelman. I'm from Bowling Green, Kentucky and moved to Owensboro in 2019. I was inspired by my wife and son to embark on a spiritual journey that led me to join the Catholic Church. There's this journey, OCIA has held a special place in my heart, as it allows me to connect on a deeper level with God and form, meaningful relationship relationships with other who share my faith. For me this experience is not just about learn-

ing the teachings of the church but about becoming a part of a community that upholds and supports one another during my walk of faith I hope to find guidance ,encouragement and the opportunity to grow spiritually, but also opportunities to give back to the church that has welcomed

me from day one.

Joseph Tyler Dant, originally from Owensboro, Kentucky, joined the OCIA program at Precious Blood Parish to deepen his relationship with

God. Inspired by the faith of his family and his girlfriend, Joseph has found his journey to the

Catholic Church profoundly meaningful. As he continues through the OCIA process, he feels his relationship with Jesus growing ever deeper. Joseph is most excited about receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation and fully entering into the life of the Church. He is grateful for the prayers and support of the parish community and asks for continued prayers as he continues his journey of faith.



Joseph Tyler Dant

Meet our Catechumen Robert Steelman and our Candidates Tyler, Kaylee and Chloe. Sunday March 9th, at 1030 Mass they will receive the Rite of Sending whereby the Parish sends the candidates and catechumen forth to the Bishop who welcomes them within the rite of election (catechumen) and rite of continuing (candidates) at the Cathedral.



**Kaylee Steelman** 

I'm Kaylee Steelman, born and raised in Owensboro, KY. I was inspired by my son JB to reconnect with my Catholic faith and embark on a journey of spiritual renewal. For me, OCIA holds a profound meaning as it allows me to deepen my relationship with God, was surrounding myself with the community of like-minded individuals who share my beliefs and values. this experience not only about rediscovering my faith, but also about building meaningful connections with others who uplifted inspired me. During this walk of faith I ask for guidance & support, hoping to grow spiritually and contribute to the community that has welcomed me with open arms

Chloe Kays, from Owensboro, Kentucky, found inspiration in her family to embrace the Catholic faith, drawn to its deep traditions and sense of community. My journey has been profoundly shaped by OCIA, which holds great significance in my life. Through OCIA, I have gained a deeper understanding of Catholic teachings while strengthening my personal connection with God. This process has



not only deepened my faith but also guided me in seeking the Church's support during my spiritual journey. For me, my walk of faith is about growing closer to God, embracing the teachings of the Church, and fully immersing myself in the Catholic community. 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 at 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: MARCH 10 – 16,2025

Tuesday	March 11,2025	7:00am	Paul & Gertrude Castlen 🕏
Wednesday	March 12, 2025	6:00pm	Robby McIntosh
Thursday	March 13,2025	7:00am	David Sapp ₩
Friday	March 14,2025	12:00pm	William Sapp Sr. 🕸
Saturday	March 15,2025	5:00p.m	George Lanham₩
Sunday	March 16, 2025	8:00a.m	Jeffrey Cecil 🕸
		10:30a.m	OUR PARISH FAMILY

Sympathy

"EJ" Thompson husband to June Thompson who died on Feb. 26, 2025 with services held at Precious Blood on March 03,2025.

Terri Herndon wife of John Herndon and daughter to Otis Weber who died on March 1, 2025 with Services held at Glen Funeral Home on March 06,2025.

Attention all Liturgical ministers: Please provide Ray Jones with any dates that you will be unavailable for ministry during the period of April– June 2025 by March 11, 2025



Katie Basham Jamie Berry Kay Berry Louis Beldotti Lauren Bertke Glen Bickwermert Marvin Bickwermert Nelda 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 Ginger Drake Huberta Edge Tim & Maude Fornes, Frank Fraize Jesse Fulkerson Angela Gentry Terri Girten Debby Glenn Tonya Hamilton's friend

Terri Hendon Adriana Hentz Marie Hester Bob Holt Heather Hudson Willie Hudson Lenox Hughes Robert Jackson June Johnson Linda Jollav 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 Barbara Magan Donna Mason Verbal Mahoney Carolyn McDaniel Mamie McDaniel's great niece Ray McDaniel Jordan McIntosh Charlene Meadows Mary Miller's son Charles Miller

Raden Poll Bob Slack Anna Carol Murphy & her daughter Oleta Gary Murphy's brother Mary Murphy Karen Osborne's mother John Patton Janie Payne Mary Edna Payne Phil Phelps Sandra Posey Tony Powers Shirley Ralph Frank Riney Michael Roach Doris Schrecker Tommy Schwartz Mike Sims Mike Swift Ed Sullivan's brother Lillian Taylor Eugene & June Thompsons daughter Debra Peach Steve Tuttle Dorothy Westerfield Joey Westerfield Dorothy Wathen & her daughter

# Sheila Head ASSISTED LIVING:

Carmel Home: Robert Slack, Lois Sims and Rose McCarter Cedarhurst: Pat Fogle Chautauqua: Nancy Best, Feddy Payne Davco Resthome: Angela Way, Judee Turner Fern Terra: Clara Gilles, Mary Louis Hayden Hermitage: Tommy Schwartz Hillcrest: Marie Hester Twin Rivers: Deborah Bohn, Theresa and James Kinmann, Gregory Johnson, Elizabeth Finch, Barbara Tibian Please call the Parish office if you know of any changes to our list

Ministry	March 15, 5:00 PM	March 16, 8:00 AM	March 16, 10:30 AM
	#1 - John Fulkerson	#1 - Laura Lashbrook	#1 - Tom Bickwermert
Ushers	Kristy Fulkerson	Melissa Daugherty	Michelle Bickwermert
	Deanna Newton	Ethan Daugherty	Ashley Berry
	Margie Robinson	Lovetta Davis	Yvonne Rudy
Eucharistic Min.	#1 - Mary Kittinger	#1 - Taylor Sturgeon	#1 - Tom Durbin
(EM's designated	#2 - Bruce Kittinger	#2 - Jeanette Ebelhar	#2 - Karen Hein
#1 and #2	Vickie Osborne	Deacon Ken Bennett	Sarah Herrmann
are responsible	Norma Moss		Dona Hagerman
for cleaning the	Sharon Tucker		Charlie Johnson
sacred vessels	Bruce Tucker		Theresa Skaggs
after mass. )	<b>Deacon Ken Bennett</b>		Deacon Ken Bennett
	Tucker Oller	Myles Sturgeon	Coen Mejia
	TBD	Maddox Sturgeon	Adalyn Mayfield
Servers			
Lector #1	Tom Millay	Rita Jacobs	Ray Hagerman
Lector #2	Dianne Kelly	Jeff Danhauer	John David Rudy
Gift Bearers	<b>Bob &amp; Sandy Devine</b>	Michael & Gerri Thompson	Brandon McHenry & Jill Castle
Vocation Statue	Danny May Family	Laura Lashbrook	Brad & Paula Martin
Sacristan	Sharon Bumm	Jeanette Ebelhar	Michelle Baize
Rosary Leader	Dot Lomax	Joyce Riney	Mary June Cecil
Children's Liturg	y TBD		Morgan Brown

#### A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

You may have noticed the "new" - well actually, newly refurbished, Sanctuary Lamp in our Altar area. This Sanctuary Lamp was from our original church and was found upstairs in the convent area when we were cleaning out. I am appreciative of Tommy Leonard and Bruce Tucker for finding the right chemical solution to clean up the tarnished brass. Once that was cleaned the color on the lamp holder was touched up, and a new brass chain was added to complete the lamp. The purpose of the Sanctuary Lamp in the church is to burn consistently near the Tabernacle allowing all to know that the Eucharist is present in the church.

Have a blessed first week of Lent.

Fr. Carl McCarthy

#### OUR LENTEN MASS

Throughout the Season of Lent we will be using the Kyrie during in our Penitential Rite. The word Kyrie comes from the Greek and means Lord, have mercy. The Penitential Rite takes place at the beginning of the Mass where we implore he Lord's forgiveness for our sin and seek his love and mercy in our lives. During the Kyrie we will be kneeling as a sign of our sorrow and desire for God's mercy. In addition, during the Lenten Season we will also be using the Apostles Creed as our Profession of Faith. The Apostles Creed is Lenten in its nature as it speaks of the fact that Jesus Christ suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. Here are the words to this Creed. The church actually gives us three options that we can used as our Profession of Faith: the Nicen Creed, the Apostles Creed and the Baptismal Profession of Faith, where we respond "I Do" to the Churches Statements of Faith.

#### Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son Our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and sits at the right hand of God, the Father almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.





Precious Blood Catholic Church Lenten Preaching Series "A Christ Centered Lent"

> A seven-Part Lenten Series Rooted in Scripture and the Parish's Core Values of Christ-Centeredness, Joyful Service, Meekness and Humility

First Sunday of Lent: "Christ-Centered in Temptation"

Opportunities to Grow, Serve, & Celebrate!

Saturday, March 8: Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:30a.m. in Sr. Rosanne Rm Sunday, March 9 – Rite of Sending for OCIA to Bishop at Cathedral 10:30am Mass Rite of Election, St. Stephen Cathedral 6pm

Friday, March 14: Fish Fry 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 25 – Parish Pastoral Council Mtg 5:45-7pm Conference Room

Precious Blood Parish will be collecting for our own St. Vincent de Paul Society. Please note we will not be using the Operation Rice Bowls. We will be using plastic bags to collect change that would have been collected in the Rice Bowl.

Deep Calls to Deep A small Group for women of the Parish. 4 Wednesdays during Lent Beginning March 12, 2025 6:45 p.m.—7:45 p.m. Conference Room



## Easter Flower Fund

Yellow envelopes are available in the pews and gathering spaces for those who would like to make a memorial donation for your departed loved ones. There is no minimum requirement, just give what your budget and heart tell you to give.

## MARCH CHURCH CLEANERS

MARCH 10: KATHY AND PHIL CARR MARCH 17: LOUIS CLEMMENTS & MEGAN MOSS MARCH 24: JANIE HOWARD & NANCY BOYLE

Men's Club will be cooking Where: Precious Blood Church When: MARCH 15 What: Burgoo \$25/gallon PICK-UP WILL BE MARCH 15 @ 3PM Pre-order is available with sign-up sheets at both entrances of church or call Bruce Tucker 270.929.5071 Gary Murphy 270.302.1440 Michelle Clancy 270.684.6888



Monday, March 10, 2025 SVDP - 9-11am No Mass <u>Tuesday, March11, 2025</u> 7am Mass 10am Staff Meeting

Wednesday, March 12, 2025 Extended Adoration 9:00am-9:00pm 9:00am Communion to Homebound 5pm Confessions 6pm Mass 6:45 p.m. Religious Ed 6:45pm Choir Practice <u>Thursday, March 13,2025</u> 7am-Mass SVDP - 9-11am Friday, March 14,2025

12pm-Mass & Stations of the cross

<u>Saturday, March 15,2025</u> 5pm-Mass with Confessions at 4pm

<u>Sunday March 16,2025</u> 8:00am & 10:30am-Mass

Precious Blood Fish Fries Location: Precious Blood Parish Hall Dates: March 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11 Format: Dine in and Carry out Serving time: 5:30 pm to ? Contact Person: Danny Triplett 270-993-2866

### **ANNIVERSARIES**

March 08	Bobby & Dot Lomax	20 years
	Philip & Kelly Thompson	28 years
March 10	Brad & Sandra Hammers	13 years

Please pray for all the married couples in our Parish

**Safe Environment** The safety of *o*ur 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.

## BIRTHDAYS

March 8, 2025: Donna Gilmore March 9, 2025: Rose Larsen, Nolan Murphy March 12, 2025: Jonathan Brown, Larry Jollay March 13, 2025: Louis Beldotti, Aubry Gerteisen, Donna Osborne, Joyce Riney March 14, 2025: John Rudy March 15, 2025: Sean Borland, Marianne Jones March 16, 2025: LeeAnn Day

Dear Precious Blood Parishioners,

Before coming to Precious Blood, several people told me that this parish comprised some of the hardest-working people in Owensboro whose devotion to God and family is second to none. During my short time here, I have found this to be true, so it is with a heavy heart that I must tell you that after much prayer and consultation with my family and my spiritual director, I will be reassigned to Our Lady of Lourdes.

The good news, at least for me, is that I live close by and will still be around. I want to thank you for your acceptance of me and my family and for tolerating my learning curve (especially trying to remember names). Most of all, thank you for your friendship. If I can ever help you with anything or you just want to have a cup of coffee, please don't hesitate. Some of you know where I live, and all of you have my phone number: 270-993-0243. Thank you, and God Bless.

Deacon Ken Bennett

### PASTORAL TEAM

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