



# PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER—APRIL 29, 2018

*I am the vine, you are the branches.* John 15:5

**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.



Pictured are First Communion candidates displaying their banners. They participated in a Prayer Morning the day before receiving the Sacrament of First Holy Communion.

### **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: APRIL 30-MAY 6**

Tues. 7:00a.m. Frank Hayden: dec.  
 Wed. 6:00p.m. Marion & Mary Roby Living &  
 Deceased Family Members  
 Thur. 7:00a.m. Mary Valeria Sims: dec.  
 Fri. 7:00a.m. Jeremy Vowels: dec.  
 Sat. 5:00p.m. Alberta Allgood: dec.  
 Sun. 8:00a.m. Charlie Ebelhar: dec.  
 10:30a.m. OUR PARISH FAMILY

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE**

Weekly Budget to meet Expenses	\$9,000.00
April 22 2018 Contribution	\$6,052.89
Children's Contributions	\$10.80
Total	\$6,083.69
Under/Over this week	-\$2,916.31
Under/Over (July 1, 2017 to present)	
In Regular Collections	\$3,638.64

**Parish Renovation Fund**

April 22, 2018	\$290.00
Total Parish Renovation Funds	\$84,945.10

(This figure includes Roofing Funds received to date.)

**STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

The good steward lives the advice of St. Paul, loving in deed and in truth, rather than just talking about it.

**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, 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, 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, Charlene Meadows, Tony Powers, Tony Gilmore's mother, Matthew Molnar, Marie Montanez's friend, Eric Wedding's mother, Eva Gentry, Jewell Brown's nephew, Rose Chapman, Sr. Rosanne's aunt, Steve & Carol Crisp's son-in-law, Tim Blandford's cousin, Jeff Moss, Guy Connor, Earl Hayden, WaNell Lanham's nephew, Bill Elder, Pat Roby, Jerry Ezell Sr., Mary June Cecil's great-niece, Doris Schrecker, Joyce Young, Cherlyn Blum, Jim Head, Liz Hawkins, Mike Thompson, Sharon Tucker, Jess Lowe, Ray Jones' brother, Rita Elder, Regina Young, Sandra Posey's granddaughter, Rita Webb's brother

**ASSISTED LIVING:** Please remember: Rose Slone, David Vowels, Shirley Jarboe, Doug & Betty Howard, Linda Ziegler, Debbie Sapp, Helen Schwartz



**MINISTRIES: MAY 5—5:00PM**

**SERVERS:** Olivia Hayden, Macy Ward  
**LECTORS:** Vickie Payne, Charlotte Powers  
**CHILDREN LITURGY OF THE WORD:** Amanda Murphy  
**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** Carol Riney, Sharon & Bruce Tucker, Mamie McDaniel, Scott & Tami Norris, Jennifer Wedding  
**COMMUNION TO THE SICK:** Mike Howard  
**GIFT BEARERS:** Stefanie, Addie & Tucker Oller  
**VOCATION STATUE:** Jeanie Wahl  
**USHERS:** Michael & Susan Johnson, Don & Janet Keller  
**ROSARY LEADER:** Charlotte Powers  
**SACRISTAN:** Chrissy Axley

**MINISTRIES: MAY 6—8:00AM**

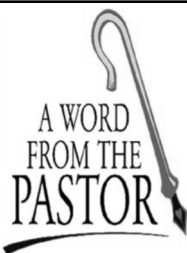
**SERVERS:** Danyelle & Zack Thompson  
**LECTORS:** Stephanie Millay, Andrea Finley  
**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** Jeanette Ebelhar, Kim Collignon, Kaleb Daugherty, Tony Gilmore, Monti Millay, Betty Murphy  
**GIFT BEARERS:** Sherman & Dolores Roberts  
**VOCATION STATUE:** Sherman & Dolores Roberts  
**USHERS:** Tony Payne, Gary Murphy, Jim & Joyce Riney  
**ROSARY LEADER:** Sr. Rosanne Spalding  
**SACRISTAN:** Jeanette Ebelhar

**MINISTRIES: MAY 6—10:30AM**

**SERVERS:** Denver Dickens, Matthew Molnar  
**LECTORS:** Bridgette & Tim Molnar  
**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD:** Lydea Dickens, Sr. Rosanne Spalding  
**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** Kaitlyn Durbin, Jeff Hagan, Debbie & Tom Durbin, Mike Head, Bob Wimsatt, Vickie Belcher  
**COMMUNION TO THE SICK:** Tony Gilmore  
**NURSING HOMES:** Davco: Melissa Riney  
 Twin Rivers: Mamie McDaniel  
**GIFT BEARERS:** Robbie & Michelle Baize Family  
**VOCATION STATUE:** Marie Montanez  
**USHERS:** Leslie Clark, Jerry Blandford, Cheryl Blum, Cindy Dowell  
**ROSARY LEADER:** Joe & Mary June Cecil  
**SACRISTAN:** Michelle Baize

**CHURCH CLEANERS:** April 29-May 5: Vickie Belcher, Theresa Lowe, Carol Riney, Katie Rudy, Janie Howard, Natalie Davis

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER—APRIL 29, 2018**



**Vine and the Branches:** The readings of this Sunday emphasize the need for us to abide in Christ as a condition for producing fruits of kindness, mercy, charity and holiness. Through the Gospel Jesus uses his favorite image of the Vine and the Branches to help his disciples understand the closeness of their relationship with him and the necessity of their maintaining it. They are not simply rabbi and disciples. Their lives are mutually dependent - as close as a vine and its branches. In fact, in using this image, Jesus is explaining to them and to us what our relationship with him should be like. Personal and liturgical prayers, frequenting of the Sacraments of the Holy Eucharist and Reconciliation, daily, meditative reading of Scripture, and the loving forgiveness of others enable us to abide in Jesus, the true Vine, as fruit-bearing branches. Cutting out of our lives everything that is contrary to the spirit of Jesus and renewing our commitment to Christian ideals in our lives every day, is the first type of self-imposed pruning expected of us. A second means of pruning is to practice self-control over our evil inclinations, sinful addictions and aberrations. Cordial mingling with people of different cultures, races, religions and orientations in our neighborhood and society also enables us to prune away our selfish and prejudicial tendencies as we treat others in the society with Christian charity and openness. In addition, Jesus prunes, purifies and strengthens us by allowing us to face pain and suffering, contradictions and difficulties with the courage of our Christian convictions.

**St. Joseph the Worker:** On May 1, 1955, during a public audience granted to the Catholic Association of Italian Workers, Pope Pius XII instituted the liturgical feast of St Joseph the Worker and assigned it to the 1st day of May. The Pope assured his audience and the “working people of the entire world”: “You have at your side a Shepherd, a defender and a Father.” St Joseph belonged to the working class, and he bore the burdens of poverty for himself and the Holy Family. In a life of faithful performance of everyday duties, he left an example for all those who must gain bread by the toil of their hands. Holy Mother Church directs Christian workers to look up to St Joseph their Patron as model and example of Christian workmanship. Through the intercession of St Joseph, May our Lord bless and protect all of us especially the farmers.

**The Frightened Taxi Driver:** A passenger in a taxi leaned over to ask the driver a question and gently tapped him on the shoulder to get his attention. The driver screamed, lost control of the cab, nearly hit a bus, drove up over the curb and stopped just inches from a large plate glass window. For a few moments everything was silent in the cab. Then, the still shaking driver said, "Are you OK? I'm so sorry, but you scared the daylights out of me." The badly shaken passenger apologized to the driver and said he didn't realize that a mere tap on the shoulder would startle the driver so badly. The driver replied, "No, no, I'm the one who is sorry; it's entirely my fault. Today is my very first day driving a cab...I've been driving a hearse (vehicles used for carrying the dead bodies for funeral) for the past 25 years.

God’s blessings,  
Fr. Suneesh Mathew



One of the best opportunities our Diocese offers for youth is Summer Camp- for grades 3-12. Gasper River Youth Camp can be a life changer. If your child is looking for something to do, Gasper River Summer Camp comes HIGHLY recommend! Information can be found at <http://www.gasperriverretreatcenter.org/>

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### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Readings for next weekend will be Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; 1 John 4:7-10; John 15:9-17. 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.

### FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*“By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples*

Remaining in Jesus means growing, changing, and bearing fruit. By this, the Father is glorified, that we bear much fruit and become Jesus’ disciples. If you would like more information about discerning a vocation to priesthood, contact the vocations office: 270-683-1545, [jason.mcclure@pastoral.org](mailto:jason.mcclure@pastoral.org) or [www.owensborovocations.com](http://www.owensborovocations.com)

### YOUTH GROUP NEWS

The Youth Group meeting for May 13th will be pushed back to May 20th due to Mother's Day. Join us on May 20th for an opportunity to grow deeper in your faith and closer to one another. Stay tuned for our monthly activity update that will take place the following weekend.

### 2018-19 DISCIPLES RESPONSE FUND

As of April 18, 2018:  
Parish Target: \$10,454.06  
Amount Pledged: \$10,558  
Amount Paid: \$9,522

### BBQ FESTIVAL—MAY 11-12

This is a BIG fundraiser for the parish requiring lots of help. If you are interested in helping cook burgers, contact John Rudy at 270-302-5325; cook meat, contact Bruce Tucker at 270-771-0095; helping Parent Tuition Supplement sell sandwiches, contact Andrea Jones at 270-316-4134 or Yvonne Rudy at 270-929-2561 or just show up at the river.

### THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Special thanks to Imelda Madison, Marie Montanez and Sue Thomas for cleaning church the week of April 15.

### 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](mailto:pblandford77@gmail.com)

### PARISH STEWARDSHIP

If you haven't turned in your Stewardship form, we ask that you do so as soon as possible. Staff members will be making calls to those who have not yet turned their forms in.

Received to date: 64%.

### PRECIOUS BLOOD PICNIC SATURDAY, JUNE 2, 2018

**SELL THOSE RAFFLE TICKETS!!!!** We ask that you return your sold tickets and money to the Parish Office during office hours or put in an envelope marked “PICNIC” and drop in the collection basket. More tickets available upon request.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Gary Blandford, 1st week incentive prize winner. Gary won a gift card to Texas Roadhouse.

**ITEMS NEEDED:** We are asking for donations of tea bags, lemonade mix (no pink), bottled water, canned soft drinks, rolls of clear cellophane wrap (can be found in craft section at Walmart, Hobby Lobby, Party Place, Party Paper Place) or we will accept cash donations to help purchase these items. All items can be placed in the boxes located at the entrances of church or bring by the Parish Office. **We would like to have these items by the weekend of May 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>.**

The **SILENT AUCTION BOOTH** is in need of empty baskets of all sizes. Also be thinking about what type of basket you can put together to donate for the picnic (Sports Theme, Garden, Fishing, Golf, Car Wash, Beach, Laundry, Home Décor, Restaurant, etc.). If you want to donate items for a basket, we can put it together for you, or you can make a cash donation. Questions, call the Parish Office at 270-684-6888.

The **COUNTRY STORE** is in need of donated items such as home décor, birdhouses, yard flags, benches, outdoor games, etc. Any donations are greatly appreciated!

The **CAKE WHEEL** will need cakes galore for us to have plenty to go around. We are asking that **each family bring at least one cake**. Please bring these the morning of the picnic and leave them in the Parish Hall.

**PICNIC SIGNS** are available at the entrances of Church. We ask that families take one and place it in your yard. Thank you for doing your part to help advertise this year's Picnic.

**BOOTHS OPEN AT 3:00PM.  
SERVING STARTS AT 4:00PM**

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**THE WEEK AHEAD**

**SUNDAY**, April 29—Fifth Sunday of Easter  
Masses: 8:00am, 10:30am (Youth Mass)

**MONDAY**, April 30  
St. Pius V, *Pope Confessor*  
**Vacation Bible School Planning Meeting: 6:00pm**

**TUESDAY**, May 1  
St. Joseph the Worker  
Daily Mass: 7:00am  
Parish Staff Meeting: 9:00am

**WEDNESDAY**, May 2  
St. Athanasius, *Bishop Confessor, Father and Doctor of the Church*  
Daily Mass: 6:00pm  
Communion to the Homebound: 9:00am  
Adoration & Confession: 5:00-5:45pm  
**May Crowning: 6:00pm**  
Choir Practice: 6:45pm  
Religious Ed Closing Mass: 6:00pm

**THURSDAY**, May 3  
St. Philip, *Apostle and Martyr*  
Daily Mass: 7:00am  
**Priest Presbyteral Day**  
**Picnic Stand Manager Meeting: 6:00pm**  
RCIA: 6:30pm Topic: Evangelization and Living Virtues

**FRIDAY**, May 4  
St. Florian, *Martyr*  
Daily Mass: 7:00am

**SATURDAY**, May 5  
Confessions: 3:30-4:30pm  
Mass: 5:00pm

**SUNDAY**, May 6—Sixth Sunday of Easter  
Masses: 8:00am, 10:30am  
**KC Meeting: 6:00pm**



All are invited to participate in celebrating May as the month devoted to honoring the Blessed Mother at the 6:00 pm Mass on Wednesday, May 2nd. We will have a crowning of the statue of Mary. We ask that everyone please bring flowers.

**GARDENING/WEEDING**

May 6-12: Andrew & Leslie Clark Family



**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

Don & Janet Keller (36) - 4/30/82  
Gary & Cheryl Blum (5) - 5/01/13  
Shane & April Dickens (21) - 5/02/97  
Pete & Mary Barham (37) - 5/06/81  
Please pray for these and all married couples.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY  
TO OUR PARISHIONERS**



- 04/30: Lucy Taylor
- 05/01: Mary Boling, Jeff Howard, Tami Norris
- 05/02: Jaden Wall, Bob Wimsatt
- 05/03: Marley Baize, Kelsey Brown, Eddie Millay, Ed Sullivan
- 05/04: Gary Blandford, Vanessa Calvin, Mary Ann Postlewaite
- 05/05: Satara Berry, Heath Devine, Lori Roberts, Chance Trembly
- 05/06: Rhea Cooper, Trax Roberts



**FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE**

We wish to express our deepest sympathy to Mike (Kim) Head and family on the death of his mother, JoAnn Head. May her soul and the souls of the faithful departed Rest In Peace!



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**PRECIOUS BLOOD VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** is scheduled for June 25-29, 9:00am—12noon. There will be a Planning Meeting on Monday, April 30th at 6:00pm in Meeting Room 2. Anyone is welcome to come to this meeting. To

have a successful program we need many volunteers, both youth and adult. For more information, please call Sr. Rosanne at 270-684-6888.