



PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—JULY 23 2017

I will open my mouth in parables, I will announce what has lain hidden from the foundation of the world.

Matthew 13:35

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: JULY 24-30

Tues. 7:00a.m. Daniel Blandford: Birthday
Wed. 6:00p.m. Kuriakose Kavanal: dec.
Thur. 7:00a.m. Mr. & Mrs. James Cecil
Fri. 7:00a.m. Anna Kulathanapatikal: dec.
Sat. 5:00p.m. OUR PARISH FAMILY
Sun. 8:00a.m. Charlie Ebelhar: dec..
10:30a.m. Nicky Hayden: dec.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Weekly Budget to meet Expenses	\$9,000.00
July 16, 2017 Contribution	\$8,147.54
Children's Contributions	\$3.50
Total	\$8,151.04
Under/Over this week	-\$848.96
Under/Over (July 1, 2017 to present)	
In Regular Collections	\$15.76
Parish Renovation Fund	
July 16, 2017	\$495.00
Total Parish Renovation Funds	\$29,048.61

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Good stewards in a parish are like the yeast in today's Gospel. Their selfless gifts of time and talent help the parish grow and thrive, and their example inspires others to become good stewards, too.

SPECIAL PRAYERS:

Please remember Alice Devine, Ronnie Osborne, Nancy Best, Janie Payne, Jewell Brown's grandson, Doris Westerfield's sister, Glenn Young, Doug & Betty Howard, Marie Hester, Betty Murphy's brother, Ima Axley, Lois Sims' nephew, Eddie Schrecker, Charles Connor, Cheryl Gabbert's mother-in-law, Becky Bowlds, Steve Cecil, Bonnie Glenn, Rita Hill, Jerry Blandford, Mary Ann Postelewaite's son, Mary Ellen VanVactor's brother, Anna Carol Murphy, Mary Murphy's son, Dot Hodges' grandson, James Patrick Bowlds, Helen Schwartz, Gene Thompson, Ronnie Osborne's sister, Sharon Bumm's mother, Karen Osborne, Mary Hartz, Mamie McDaniel's nephew, Sandra Posey, Mary Kittinger, Janie Howard's brother, Jane Johnson's brother, Lynda Trogden's son, Vickie Osborne, Earl Hayden, Libby Girten, Sr. Rosanne Spalding's great-niece, Sissy Allen, Bill Johnson, Phil & Kathy Carr's daughter-in-law, Christine Stanfel's father, Tim Blandford, Penny Blandford' niece, Sherman & Dolores Roberts' grandson, Jim McCarter, Cheryl Gabbert's daughter

ASSISTED LIVING:

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

Called to *Serve*

MINISTRIES: JULY 29— 5:00PM

SERVERS: Ashton Logsdon, Rose Larsen
LECTORS: Chrissy Axley, Dan Chelstrom
CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Sr. Rosanne Spalding
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Margaret Lancaster, Charlene Meadows, Mamie McDaniel, Jeff & Norma Moss, Amanda Murphy, Mike Howard
COMMUNION TO THE SICK: Mike Howard
GIFT BEARERS: Michael, Elly & Maddie Murphy
VOCATION STATUE: Bob & Sandy Devine
USHERS: Michael & Pauline Langdon, Mary Kittinger, Emma Lanham
COMMUNAL ROSARY: Knights of Columbus
SACRISTAN: Chrissy Axley

MINISTRIES: JULY 30—8:00AM

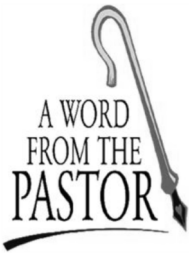
SERVERS: Ethan Daugherty, Megan Goodwin,
LECTORS: Andrea Finley, Joyce Riney
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Monti Millay, Betty Murphy, Jim & Rose McCarter, Vickie Osborne, Cindy Schwartz
GIFT BEARERS: Louis & Cathy Travis
VOCATION STATUE: Dorothy Wathen
USHERS: Cheryl Gabbert, Natalie Ewing, Jeanette & Lauren Goodwin
COMMUNAL ROSARY: Knights of Columbus
SACRISTAN: Sr. Rosanne Spalding

MINISTRIES: JULY 30—10:30AM

SERVERS: Hunter Wimsatt, Elise Beaty, Samira Crowe
LECTORS: Betty Howard, Scott Lowe
CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Amanda VanBussum
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Ruth McCarty, Sandra Midkiff, Elaine Johnson, Scott & Tami Norris, Kristen Powers, Theresa Skagg
COMMUNION TO THE SICK: Cindy Schwartz
NURSING HOMES: Davco: Vickie Osborne; Twin Rivers: Kay Berry
GIFT BEARERS: Scott & Kim Quinn Family
VOCATION STATUE: Mary Barham
USHERS: Bridgette, Tim & Matthew Molnar, Tom Peak
COMMUNAL ROSARY: Knights of Columbus
SACRISTAN: Michelle Baize

CHURCH CLEANERS: July 23-29: Betty Whitehouse, Carol Riney, Katie Rudy, Sherman & Dolores Roberts, Anna Marie Roberts

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Weekend Ministries: Thanks to all of you for your wonderful participation in the weekend Masses whether as a Eucharistic Minister, Usher, Lector or Altar Servers, etc. I am sure all of you have gotten your ministry schedule for the months of July, August and September. Also the bulletin always lists all the ministers for the next week's Masses. I know things happen and sometimes you don't get to go to the Mass where you may be a Lector or Eucharistic Minister, etc. Anytime you know that you won't be able to attend the Mass and if you are assigned for a ministry please try to find a sub. If you don't get a sub please let the Sacristan for that Mass or me or Sr Rosanne know. When the Sacristan approaches you for subbing, please be kind enough to help.

Anniversaries and Birthdays : One of my joys is to see in the bulletin the wedding anniversaries and birthdays of our parishioners. I place the list of anniversaries and birthdays of the week on the Altar and pray for you at Mass. Unfortunately we have missed listing several people's anniversaries and birthdays in the bulletin and they have informed us and we are truly sorry for it. We print out the anniversary and birthday list from the Parish Data System (PDS) in our office.. For some reason some anniversaries and birthdays are not included in this list. Please let us know if your birthdays or anniversaries have not been listed in the bulletin so we can take care of it. We are trying to rectify the PDS error.

NCYC: The National Catholic Youth Conference is held every other year and usually it is attended by over 25,000 youth from all over America. Almost 400 youth go from our diocese. This year it is in Indianapolis from November 15-19. We have 11 of our youth registered along with Sr. Rosanne and myself for this year's NCYC. The cost for each student to attend this event is \$485.00 which makes the total cost \$6,305.00 We are asking the youth to pay the \$100.00 deposit and the parish will take care of the rest. Funds come from different fundraisings and from your generous contributions. The youth have made some funds through their different fundraisings and we also got a \$1,025.70 grant from the Catholic Youth Foundation. We have to make \$2,600.00 more for this trip. If anyone would like to help with this youth event, please make your check payable to Precious Blood and write NCYC in the memo. Thanks for your continuous generosity. If there is anyone who would like to attend, please contact Sr Rosanne or myself and let us know as soon as possible. This is for youth 14 to 18 years of age.

Weeds in the Field: Today's readings tell us about a very patient and compassionate God Who is hopeful that the so-called "weeds" among us will be converted. Through the parable of the wheat and the weeds, Jesus presents a wise and patient God who allows the good and the evil to coexist in the world. "Let the wheat and the weeds grow together till the harvest time." In other words, God awaits repentant sinners, giving them the strength to acknowledge their weakness. He calmly recognizes that there is evil in the world, but He sees that evil is no excuse for the good people not to do good with the power of God at their disposal. Through this parable Jesus calls us to be patient with those who fail to meet the high ethical standard expected of a Christian. Let us patiently and lovingly treat the "weeds" in our society as our brothers and sisters and do all in our power to put them back on the right road to Heaven, especially by our good example, encouragement and our fervent prayer for their conversion. Let us remember that most of us have been "weeds" in God's field more than once, and God has showed us mercy. God is so merciful that He allows evil to exist in order that what is good may grow. He allows evil to exist also because He can turn it into good. Through the power of the Spirit, God can change even the ugliest thorn into a blossom of Faith. In God's field, we have two responsibilities: to grow in grace and to share His Word and love with others.

The Farmers Prayer: A visiting Priest was attending a men's breakfast in Ohio Farm County. He asked one of the impressive older farmers in attendance to say grace that morning. After all were seated, the older farmer began--- "Lord, I hate buttermilk," The Priest opened one eye and wondered to himself where this was going. Then the farmer loudly proclaimed, "Lord, I hate lard." Now the Priest was overly worried. However, without missing a beat, the farmer prayed on, "And Lord, you know I don't care much for raw white flour." Just as the Priest was ready to stand and stop everything, the farmer continued, "But Lord, when you mix them all together and bake them up, I do love fresh biscuits. So Lord, when things come up we don't like, when life gets hard, when we just don't understand what you are saying to us, we just need to relax and wait 'till You are done mixing', and probably it will be something' even better than biscuits. Amen."

God's blessings, Fr. Suneesh Mathew

<i>Parish Pastoral Council</i>	<i>Committee Chairpersons</i>
Joe Cecil, Chair 270-231-5111	Education/Formation - Lori Beaty 270-316-7815
John Fulkerson, Vice-Chair 270-993-4203	Family/Social Life - Kristie Meserve 270-302-1397
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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
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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 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12; Romans 8:28-30; Matthew 13:44-52. 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.

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"I will announce what has lain hidden from the foundation of the world"

When we respond to our vocation, what has lain hidden becomes visible. Others come to know Jesus through us when we live our lives for Him. If you've ever thought you might have a vocation to priesthood, contact the vocations office for resources to assist you with your discernment: www.owensborovocations.com, or call 270-683-1545, or jason.mcclure@pastoral.org

DISCIPLES RESPONSE FUND

Thank you for your generosity. Following are the totals for the Disciples Response Fund Appeal for our parish as of July 12, 2017:

Parish Target Amount: \$10,207.40

Pledged: \$9,051.00

Paid: \$8,641.00

Remaining Balance: \$410.00

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Precious Blood Youth Group will meet Sunday July 23rd from 5:00-7:00 pm for more fun, fellowship and good food. The Director from Habitat for Humanity will be there to give the youth more information about how they can continue to reach out to the Habitat Community. Youth Group meetings are open to all middle and high school-aged youth from the parish and we ask that you bring a friend.

ST. BENEDICT HOMELESS SHELTER

Feed the Hungry—Saturday, July 29, 2017

Volunteers scheduled: Kay Berry, Jeanette Ebelhar, Cheryl Gabbert, Tony Payne, Tony & Charlotte Powers, Danny Triplett, Dolores & Sherman Roberts,, Anna Marie Roberts, Morgan & Griffin Rudy, and Lisa Paul—Meet in the Parish Hall after the 5:00 p.m. Mass to prepare the meal.

THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Special thanks to Marie Montanez, Linda Jackson, & Sue Thomas for cleaning church the week of July 9th; to Guy Connor & Mike Howard for changing the light over the Blessed Mother statue; to Mike Howard & Ed Sullivan for repairing Fr. Suneesh's sliding glass door in the Rectory..

BULLETIN COVER

This week's bulletin cover features our Sacristans at their Appreciation Dinner that was held on July 11th.

BILLBOARDS FOR LIFE

Thanks to your tremendous generosity Billboards for Life collected \$836.50 from the Precious Blood community. Thanks for a job well done!

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

An Inquiry Session will be held on Thursday, July 27th at 6:30 p.m. in the Library, for anyone who may be thinking about becoming Catholic. Come and see what we have to offer you. If you know of someone please invite them and come with them. This is a time to come and ask questions

RELIGIOUS ED NEWS

Catechists Meeting – Wednesday, August 2nd at 6:45 p.m. in Meeting Room 2.

Classes will begin on Wednesday, August 16th at 6:45 p.m. for any child in the city and county schools. This is for Kindergarten to Grade 8. We will have registration on this night and the students will attend their first get acquainted class. If you have questions, please contact Sr. Rosanne at the Parish Office at 270-684-6888.



OWENSBORO CATHOLIC FALL LEAGUE SOFTBALL / BASEBALL

Online Registration Now Open for Ages 4-13

at: www.owensborocatholicleague.com

Pee Wee, 9U Baseball, 12U Baseball, 9U Softball, 13U Softball Registration ends July 27, 2017.

FEE: \$50 per player, \$150 max per family (Includes uniform shirt, no concession buyout required.)

Questions email: info@owensborocatholicleague.com

15TH ANNUAL RURAL LIFE CELEBRATION

Sunday, August 13, 2017, 5:00 pm at the Owensboro Convention Center—You are invited to a celebration of rural life in the air conditioned comfort of the Owensboro Convention Center on West Second St and Locust St. A free meal will be served starting at 5:00 pm with a short program. This year special recognition will be given to the lives of service of Bishop John McRaith and Rick Kamuf, both of which we lost earlier this year. Come help us honor their contributions to our community. Event sponsored by the Diocese of Owensboro Rural Life Committee.

TUITION SUPPLEMENT 200 CLUB

Congratulations to Helen & Henry Schwartz, this week's winner of the Parent Tuition Supplement 200 Club drawing.

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, July 23—16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Masses: 8:00am, 10:30am

Youth Group: 5:00-7:00pm

MONDAY, July 24

St. Francis Solano, *Confessor*

Parish Pastoral Council: 6:00pm

TUESDAY, July 25

St. James the Greater, *Apostle and Martyr*

Daily Mass: 7:00am

Parish Staff Meeting: 9:00am

WEDNESDAY, July 26

Sts. Anne and Joachim, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Communion to the Homebound: 9:00am

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

Daily Mass: 6:00pm

Sacrament of Anointing: 6:00pm

THURSDAY, July 27

St. Innocent I, *Pope Confessor*

Daily Mass: 7:00am

RCIA: 6:30pm

FRIDAY, July 28

St. Alphonsa of the Immaculate Conception, *Virgin*

Daily Mass: 7:00am

SATURDAY, July 29

Confessions: 3:30-4:30pm

Communal Rosary: 4:30pm

Mass: 5:00pm

St. Benedict Homeless Shelter—Feed the Hungry:

After the 5:00pm Mass

SUNDAY, July 30—17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Masses: 8:00am, 10:30am



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Eddie & Monti Millay (14) - 7/26/03

Ron & Brenda Evans (34) - 7/30/83

Please pray for these and all married couples.

Our apologies for omitting Brian & Kristen Powers (14) - 07/19/03.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
TO OUR PARISHIONERS**



07/25: Dennis Blair, Vicki Howard, Crystal Johnson, Lillian West

07/27: Steve Collignon, Carrie Ebelhar

07/28: Dean Hartz, Ronnie Osborne

07/29: Blake O'Bryan, Linda Pinkston

07/30: Rosa Marsh

GARDENING/WEEDING

July 30-Aug. 5: Joe & Andrea Finley Family



PRECIOUS BLOOD GOLF SCRAMBLE

We are going to have a Golf Scramble on Saturday August 26th at Panther Creek Golf Course. Play will begin at 8:00 am. Players pay for their golf and cart. There are no additional charges. Players should contact Danny Triplett at [270-993-2866](tel:270-993-2866) or Katie Rudy at [270-314-8028](tel:270-314-8028) to sign up. We need to know how many players we will have to make sure we have enough T times.



Precious Blood Youth Group members at the Habitat for Humanity Service Project.



Owensboro Catholic Schools

**IMPORTANT
BACK TO SCHOOL
DATES**

August 1 – 7th and 8th Grade Orientation – OCMS

August 2 – Meet Your Teacher – OCES 4-6 Campus

August 3 – Meet Your Teacher – OCES K-3 Campus

August 9 – First Day of school

Registration is ongoing. To provide your child with a 21st century education rooted in the Catholic faith contact Owensboro Catholic Schools at 270-686-8896 – ask for Keith Osborne.

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