



PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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270-684-6888

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—AUGUST 5, 2018

I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst. John 6:35

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.



Pictured with Fr. Suneesh and Fundraising Committee members are June Johnson, Joan Frey and guests. They were the winners of the Reverse Raffle Indian Meal to be prepared by Fr. Suneesh.

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Suneesh Mathew HGN, Pastor, suneesh.mathew@pastoral.org
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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: AUGUST 6-12

Tues. 7:00a.m. Fr. David Willett: dec.
Wed. 6:00p.m. Marie Murphy: dec.
Thur. 7:00a.m. Jim Bickett: dec.
Fri. 7:00a.m. Thomas Kasey: dec.
Sat. 5:00p.m. Jeffrey Cecil: dec.
Sun. 8:00a.m. OUR PARISH FAMILY
10:30a.m. Catherine J. Ferrell: dec.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Weekly Budget to meet Expenses	\$9,000.00
July 29 2018 Contribution	\$5,597.89
Children's Contributions	\$7.51
Assumption of Mary	\$20.00
Total	\$5,625.40
Under/Over this week	-\$3,374.60
Under/Over (July 1, 2018 to present)	
In Regular Collections	-\$4,748.40

Parish Renovation Fund

July 29, 2018	\$217.00
Knights of Columbus Donation	\$3,000.00
Anonymous Donation	\$20,000.00
Total Parish Renovation Funds	\$69,781.10

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The crowd in today's Gospel demanded a sign of Jesus and wanted to know what "work" He did to inspire their faith. May our faithful stewardship be a sign to others that we, like the Ephesians in the second reading have laid aside our former way of life and acquired a "fresh, spiritual way of thinking" in Christ.

SPECIAL PRAYERS: Please remember Ronnie Osborne & sister, Nancy Best, Janie Payne, Glenn Young & brother & sister-in-law, Marie Hester, Betty Murphy's brother, Becky Bowlds, Bonnie Glenn, Jerry Blandford, Mary Ann Postlewaite's son, Mary Ellen VanVactor's brother, Sharon Bumm's mother, Karen Osborne, Mary Kittinger & brother, Janie Howard's brother, Bill Johnson, Christine Stanfel's father, Sherman & Dolores Roberts' grandson, 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, Steve & Carol Crisp's son-in-law, Guy Connor, Earl Hayden, Bill & Rita Elder, Pat Roby, Mary June Cecil's great-niece, Doris Schrecker, Jim Head, Liz Hawkins, Mike Thompson, Jess Lowe, Ray Jones' brother & aunt, Regina Young, Charles & Sandra Posey's granddaughter, Rita Webb's brother, Margaret Lancaster's brother, Jamie Berry, Tom O'Bryan's brother-in-law, Flossie Walker, Liz Hamilton, Robbie Stinnett, Paul Bickwermert Jr., Tony & Donna Gilmore's great-niece, Tancy Payne, Phil Carr

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

Called to *Serve*

MINISTRIES: AUGUST 11—5:00PM

SERVERS: Audrey Wedding, Jocelynn Herrmann,

LECTORS: Dianne Kelly, Bobby Lomax

CHILDREN LITURGY OF THE WORD: Sarah & Gavin Herrmann

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Guy Connor, Kristy & John Fulkerson, Linda Connor, Mike Howard, Eric & Jennifer Wedding

COMMUNION TO THE SICK: Mike Howard

GIFT BEARERS: Justino & Juanita Cruz Family

VOCATION STATUE: Bridgett Larsen

ROSARY LEADER: Stefanie Oller

USHERS: Bob & Sandy Devine, Heath Devine,

SACRISTAN: Chrissy Axley

MINISTRIES: AUGUST 12—8:00AM

SERVERS: Ethan Daugherty, Megan Goodwin

LECTORS: Joyce Riney, Sr. Rosanne Spalding

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Stephanie Millay, Monti Millay, Tony Gilmore, Jim & Rose McCarter, Betty Murphy

GIFT BEARERS: Donald & Jennifer Thompson Family

VOCATION STATUE: Jeanette Ebelhar

USHERS: Eddie Millay, Bryan Lanham, Imelda Madison, Gary Millay

ROSARY LEADER: Kathy Carr

SACRISTAN: Jeanette Ebelhar

MINISTRIES: AUGUST 12—10:30AM

SERVERS: Briley & Braxton Powers

LECTORS: Bridgette & Tim Molnar

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Hunter Small, Sr. Rosanne Spalding

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Jeff Hagan, Elaine Johnson, Michelle Baize, Lisa Edge, Lisa Fulkerson, Tonya Hamilton, Mike Head

COMMUNION TO THE SICK: Tony Gilmore

NURSING HOMES: Davco: Joni Blair
Twin Rivers: Kay Berry

GIFT BEARERS: Brian & Kristen Powers Family

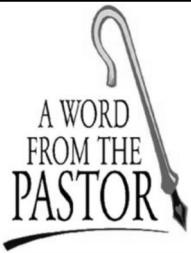
VOCATION STATUE: Ray & Marianne Jones

USHERS: Eric & Jesse Fulkerson, Scott & Nolan Lowe

ROSARY LEADER: Ed Sullivan

SACRISTAN: Susie Westerfield

CHURCH CLEANERS: August 5-11: Susan Johnson, Kelly Vanover, Susie Westerfield, Betty Whitehouse, Linda Jackson, Sue Thomas



Food, Earthly and Heavenly: Today's readings challenge us to be more concerned with spiritual food than physical food and to get our spiritual food regularly from the word of God and from the Holy Eucharist. The two biggest sellers in any bookstore, according to Andy Rooney, are the cookbooks and the diet books. The cookbooks tell us how to prepare the food, and the diet books tell us how not to eat any of it. A California scientist has computed that the average human being eats 16 times his or her own weight in an average year, while a horse eats only eight times its weight. This all seems to prove that if we want to lose weight, we should eat like a horse. That's a subject most of us know too much about. A recent survey found that 41% of men and 55% of women consider themselves overweight. In one way or another, many of us are obsessed with earthly food. Think what a difference it would make in our lives if we were equally obsessed with Heavenly Food, the Food that Christ gives us. In the Holy Mass, the Church offers us two types of bread: the Bread of Life, contained in God's Word and the Bread of Life, contained in the Holy Eucharist. Let us nourish our souls with this Heavenly manna and carry Jesus to our homes and workplaces, radiating his love, mercy and compassion all around us.

St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr: The year 258 A.D. was a difficult beginning for what would become the First Christian Millennium. Hostility against the early followers of Jesus Christ was growing. The barbarism and severity of pagan Rome had begun to reach a fever pitch. It would soon lead to a blood lust. Lot of Popes, Bishops, priests and laity were martyred during this time. St Lawrence is one of those saints whose martyrdom made a deep impression during this time. It's said that he underwent martyrdom in being roasted to death. In 258 Emperor Valeria sentenced all Christians to death and through which he wanted to confiscate all their property. Lawrence, was in charge of all Church property matters and finances, under Pope Sixtus, (who was also martyred) at that time and he was called before the Prefect of Rome to bring all the property of the Church for the emperor's use. Having readily agreed, Lawrence managed to obtain a three days reprieve and went about disposing of all the money he had in hand to the dregs of society, even selling the sacred vessels to increase the sum. Three days later, he gathered a huge number of the blind, lame, maimed, lepers, widows, orphaned and numerous other poor and brought them before the Prefect declaring without fear: "These are the treasures of the Church!" Furious at having been so tricked, he was ordered to be roasted to death over a slow fire. He was only 33 years old when he was martyred. As we honor this great martyr on the 10th of August let us seek his intercession that we too be strong and courageous enough to stand against the evils in our society.

Naughty Boy: A salesman rang the bell at a suburban home, and the door was opened by a nine year old boy puffing on a long black cigar. Hiding his amazement, the salesman asked the young man, "Is your mother home?" The boy took the cigar out of his mouth, flicked ashes on the carpet and asked, "What do you think?"

God's blessings,
Fr. Suneesh Mathew



WANT TO HELP?

St. Benedict Homeless Shelter (A temporary refuge for the homeless men in our community.) needs many items including towels, wash cloths, cleaning supplies, 13 and 55 gallon garbage bags, paper plates, paper towels, 8 ounce foam cups, cereal, sugar, razors, deodorant, body wash, shampoo, Tylenol and Ibuprofen.

Donations may be dropped off before noon on weekdays or any day after 6:00pm. at 1001 W. 7th Street.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Precious Blood welcomes all newcomers to our Parish Family. We look forward to having you as a member. Please fill out this section, cut it out, and turn in or mail it to the Parish Office (3306 Fenmore Street, Owensboro, KY 42301). We will send you papers for membership.

Name _____

Address _____ Phone _____

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SCRIPTURE READINGS

Readings for next weekend will be 1 Kings 19:4-8; Ephesians 4:30-5:2; John 6:41-51. 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 JOY OF HOLINESS IN THE MIDST OF LIFE!

Thursday, August 9th from 6:30-8:30pm at the Fr. John Vaughan Community Center (lower level of St. Stephen Cathedral). Take time to discover Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation, Rejoice and Be Glad, on the call to holiness. How does one grow in holiness in the midst of one's everyday life? The mission of every Christian includes the path of holiness, small gestures of great love, and a spirituality of work that can transform our ordinariness into moments of transforming grace. The evening will include a presentation, time for quiet reflection, and faith sharing. Pope Francis advises, "Do not be afraid of holiness. It will take away none of your energy, vitality or joy. On the contrary, you will become what the Father had in mind when he created you, and you will be faithful to your deepest self." (#32). Please register by calling 270-683-6525 or email: beni.howell@pastoral.org

16TH ANNUAL RURAL LIFE CELEBRATION

You are invited to a celebration of rural life in the air conditioned comfort of the Owensboro Convention Center on Sunday, August 12th. 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 Jerry & Vicky Morris with the first "Be Like Rick" Award, Sylvester Fischer with the Lifetime Achievement Award and an audio visual salute of the life work of Tom Curtsinger. Come help us honor their contributions to our community. Event sponsored by the Diocese of Owensboro Rural Life Committee.

THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Special thanks to Vickie Belcher, Theresa Lowe, Karen Osborne, Samira Crowe and Jeanie Wahl for cleaning church the week of July 22; to Jeanie Wahl for watering plants; to Guy Connor for cleaning candle holders; to Carla King for trimming bushes around church..

PARISH PICNICS

August 7-St.Martin (Drive Through Only) 4:00pm
Sept. 15 Blessed Mother 4:00pm
Sept. 16 St. Lawrence/St. William 11:00am
Sept. 22 Immaculate (Drive through only) 1:00-3:00pm
Sept. 30 St. Mary of the Woods 11:00am

UPDATES NEEDED

We would appreciate any updates that you might have on family members who are sick. We also ask that you let us know when a family member is in the hospital. Call the Parish Office at 270-684-6888.

RELIGIOUS ED NEWS

Classes will begin on Wednesday, August 15th 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. Questions, please contact Sr. Rosanne at 270-684-6888.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Fr. Suneesh requests that all servers, new or experienced attend an Altar Server Training which has been scheduled for Saturday, August 18th starting at 9:00am in church. If you can't attend, please contact Fr. Suneesh at 270-684-6888.

CHOIR

The Fall Choir season begins on Wednesday, September 5th at 6:45 p.m. If you like to sing, we'd love to have you join us. Contact Ray Jones at 270-685-4032 for more information.

MOUNT ST. JOSEPH RAFFLE TICKETS

The Ursuline sisters will be selling raffle tickets at all Masses here at Precious Blood the weekend of August 11th & 12th or contact Sr. Rosanne at 270-925-3712. Tickets are \$5.00 each for their raffle to benefit the Retired Sisters.

Prizes: 1)\$10,000, 2)\$3,500, 3)\$1,000, 4)Handmade Quilt (Queen—Value \$1,000), 5)\$500, 6)\$250, 7)\$100. Drawings will take place on Sunday, September 9th at the Eastbridge Arts Festival @ the Mount.

EASTBRIDGE ARTS FESTIVAL @ THE MOUNT

Mark your calendars for the Sept. 8-9 Eastbridge Arts Festival @The Mount! The former Eastbridge Art Festival that began in downtown Owensboro now becomes a new event at Maple Mount to benefit the Ursuline Sisters, sure to be a fun time for devoted fans and all who love coming to Maple Mount. Booths will be open Saturday from 10:00am - 6:00pm and Sunday from 10:00am—5:00pm The Ursuline Sisters will be selling quilts, jams and jellies as well as \$5:00 tickets for their \$10,000.00 Grand Raffle. Interested in purchasing tickets, please contact Sr. Rosanne Spalding at 270-925-3712.

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THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, August 5—18th Sunday Ordinary Time
Masses: 8:00am, 10:30am

Knights of Columbus: 6:00pm

MONDAY, August 6

The Transfiguration of Our Lord

TUESDAY, August 7

St. Sixtus II and Companions, *Pope and Martyr, Martyrs*

Daily Mass: 7:00am

Parish Staff Meeting: 9:00am

WEDNESDAY, August 8

St. Dominic Guzman, *Confessor*

Daily Mass: 6:00pm

Communion to the Homebound: 9:00am

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

First Day of School

THURSDAY, August 9

St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, *Martyr*

Daily Mass: 7:00am

FRIDAY, August 10

St. Lawrence of Rome, *Martyr*

Daily Mass: 7:00am

Men's Club Appreciation Dinner: 6:00pm

SATURDAY, August 11

Confessions: 3:30-4:30pm

Mass: 5:00pm

Ursuline Sisters Selling Raffle Tickets After Mass

SUNDAY, August 12—19th Sunday Ordinary Time

Masses: 8:00am, 10:30am

Ursuline Sisters Selling Raffle Tickets After Mass



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Bill & Rita Elder (58) - 8/06/60

Jeremy & Ashley Stewart (11) - 8/06/07

Michael & Amanda Murphy (17) - 8/10/01

Larry & Donna Kamuf (46) - 8/11/72

Steve & Donna Cecil (40) - 8/12/78

Please pray for these and all married couples.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR PARISHIONERS

08/06: Shane Dickens, Jeanette Ebelhar
Butch VanVactor, Maggie Ward

08/08: Aiden McBride

08/09: Macy Ward

08/10: Monti Millay

08/12 Chad Quinn



FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

We wish to express our deepest sympathy to Ruth McCarty, Fr. Bruce McCarty and families on the death of their sister/aunt, Mary Catherine Fogle Bosch. May her soul and the souls of the faithful departed Rest In Peace!



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY APPRECIATION DINNER



We invite all St. Vincent de Paul Society members to join us on Friday, August 17th at 6:00pm in the Rectory for an Appreciation Dinner. Please RSVP by calling the Parish Office at 270-684-6888.

SACRISTAN APPRECIATION DINNER



SACRISTAN

We invite all Sacristans to join us on Thursday, August 23rd at 6:00pm in the Rectory for an Appreciation Dinner. Please RSVP by calling the Parish Office at 270-684-6888.

YOUTH GROUP MEALS



Aug. 12: John & Kristy Fulkerson, Amanda Murphy;

Aug. 26: Tom & Debbie Durbin, Bob Wimsatt

GARDENING/WEEDING

August 12-18: Andrea & Ivan
Finley, Randall Jones-



KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS

If you shop at Kroger, you probably have a Kroger Plus Card. When you register your Kroger Plus Card online, you can then select Precious Blood as the organization of your choice. Every time you use your Kroger Plus Card, Kroger will give a portion of your purchase back to Precious Blood. This is a wonderful way for you to help generate revenues that will enable Precious Blood to meet our budgeted expenses for the year. If you do not have a Kroger Plus Card, please ask for one at the customer service desk at any Kroger.

NEW participants can sign up on www.kroger.com or call 1-800-KROGERS, option 3 for assistance in enrolling the first time if needed. Thank you for being part of our Kroger Community Rewards fundraising program! (Precious Blood's Non-profit Organization Number—96232.)