



PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—SEPTEMBER 9, 2018

He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak. Mark 7:37

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.



Pictures are the sacristans of the parish along with some of their spouses and those who helped to serve their appreciation dinner at the Rectory on August 23rd.

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: SEPT. 10-16

Tues. 7:00a.m. Bernie Peralta: dec.
 Wed. 6:00p.m. Rick Kamuf: dec.
 Thur. 7:00a.m. Bill McGovern: dec.
 Fri. 7:00a.m. Margaret Opiola: dec.
 Sat. 5:00p.m. Louis Cecil: dec.
 Sun. 8:00a.m. Katherine Bickwermert: dec.
 10:30a.m. OUR PARISH FAMILY

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Weekly Budget to meet Expenses	\$9,000.00
August 26, 2018	\$9,260.07
September 2, 2018 Contribution	\$8,915.39
Children's Contributions	\$19.53
Assumption of Mary	\$50.00
Total	\$18,244.99
Under/Over this week	\$244.99
Under/Over (July 1, 2018 to present)	
In Regular Collections	-\$3,425.62
Parish Renovation Fund	
August 26, 2018	\$372.00
September 2, 2018	\$278.00
Total Parish Renovation Funds	\$71,082.10
Kerala, India Flood Relief:	\$5,161.96

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The good steward must not show favoritism. The rich may have many material gifts to share, but St. James reminds us in the second reading that God has chosen the world's poor to be rich in faith and inheritors of God's kingdom.

SPECIAL PRAYERS: Please remember Ronnie Osborne & sister, Nancy Best, Janie Payne, Glenn Young, Marie Hester, Betty Murphy's brother, Lois Sims' nephew & brother, Bonnie Glenn, Jerry Blandford, Mary Ann Postlewaite's son, Mary Ellen VanVactor's brother, Anna Carol Murphy, 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, Susan Wedding, Jewell Brown's nephew, Steve & Carol Crisp's son-in-law, Guy Connor, Earl Hayden, Bill Elder, Pat Roby & son-in-law, Mary June Cecil's great-niece, Doris Schrecker, Jim Head, Liz Hawkins, Mike Thompson, Jess Lowe, Ray Jones' brother, Regina Young, Charles & Sandra Posey's granddaughter, Margaret Lancaster's brother, Jamie Berry, Robbie Stinnett, Paul Bickwermert Jr., Tony & Donna Gilmore's niece, Dale & Kristie Meserve's daughter-in-law, Cindy Schwartz's friend, Pat Fogle, Lynda Trogden's son, Joe Cecil's father, Ruth McCarty's sister, Linda Jackson's son, Shirley Ralph **ASSISTED LIVING:** Please remember: Rose Slone, Shirley Jarboe, Doug & Betty Howard, Linda Ziegler, Debbie Sapp, Helen Schwartz, Clara Gilles, David Vowels



MINISTRIES: SEPTEMBER 15—5:00PM

SERVERS: Luke Larsen, Ben Murphy
LECTORS: Linda Connor, Dan Chelstrom
CHILDREN LITURGY OF THE WORD: Sarah & Gavin Herrmann
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Olivia Hayden, Michael Murphy, John & Kristy Fulkerson, Logan Jones, Mary Kittinger, Gene Roberts
COMMUNION TO THE SICK: Michael Murphy
GIFT BEARERS: Peter & Sarah Herrmann Family
VOCATION STATUE: Carol Riney
ROSARY LEADER: Charlotte Powers
USHERS: Michael & Pauline Langdon, Rhonda & Ashton Logsdon
SACRISTAN: Chrissy Axley

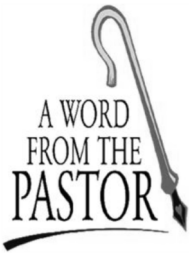
MINISTRIES: SEPTEMBER 16—8:00AM

SERVERS: Megan & Natalie Goodwin
LECTORS: Kaleb Daugherty, Andrea Finley
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Kim Collignon, Sarah Calvin, Jeanette Ebelhar, Tony Gilmore, Donald & Jennifer Thompson
GIFT BEARERS: Bryan Lanham, Vickie Osborne
VOCATION STATUE: George & Anna Carol Murphy
USHERS: Melissa Daugherty, Melanie & Natalie Ewing, Vanessa & Ava Calvin
ROSARY LEADER: Vickie Osborne
SACRISTAN: Cindy Schwartz

MINISTRIES: SEPT. 16—10:30AM

SERVERS: Braxton & Briley Powers
LECTORS: Joe & Mary June Cecil
CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD:
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Sandra Midkiff, Tom Peak, Mike Head, Elaine Johnson, Kristen Powers, Theresa Skaggs, Jennifer Schmalz
COMMUNION TO THE SICK: Tony Gilmore
NURSING HOMES: Davco: Vickie Osborne
 Twin Rivers: Gene Roberts
GIFT BEARERS: Otis & Rita Webb
VOCATION STATUE: Travis VanBussum
USHERS: Danny Triplett, Charles Posey, Charley Small, Travis VanBussum
ROSARY LEADER: Joe & Mary June Cecil
SACRISTAN: Sandra Midkiff

CHURCH CLEANERS: Sept. 9-15: Linda Jackson, Sue Thomas, Susie Westerfield, Betty Whitehouse, Pauline Langdon, Bridgett Larsen



Compassion To The Voiceless: Today’s Scripture readings offer us an invitation to become humble instruments of healing in Jesus’ hands by giving voice to the voiceless, the needy and the marginalized in our society. The readings invite us to open our ears to hear the word of God and to allow the Holy Spirit to loosen our tongues to praise and worship Him and to convey the Good News of God’s love and salvation to others. Today’s section from Mark’s Gospel begins with the healing of a deaf man with a speech impediment and ends with the healing of a blind man in the non-Jewish area of the Decapolis. (Mark 7:31-10:52). In a culture where physical disabilities and sickness were commonly interpreted as signs of a person’s sinfulness (as a “curse” from God), many Jews would have considered this man to be stricken by God -- a sinner. Hence, Jesus shows his tender consideration for the weak by leading the man away from the crowd so as not to embarrass him. What we see is not simply the healing of a physical defect, but a concrete sign of the transforming power of God's Love. The power of God's Love is working in our lives to transform sorrow into joy, sickness into health, death into new life. Let us allow ourselves at every Mass to be transformed by the Lord that we can be a voice for the voiceless and healer to the sick in our own way.

Life Is Short: A young lady sat in a bus. At the next stop a loud and grumpy old lady came and sat by her. She squeezed into the seat and bumped her with her numerous bags. The person sitting on the other side of the young lady got upset, asked her why she did not speak up and say something. The young lady responded with a smile: "It is not necessary to be rude or argue over something so insignificant, the journey together is so short. I get off at the next stop." This response deserves to be written in golden letters: "It is not necessary to argue over something so insignificant, our journey together is so short “ If each one of us realized that our time here is so short; that to darken it with quarrels, futile arguments, not forgiving others, discontentment and a fault finding attitude would be a waste of time and energy. Did someone break your heart? Be calm, forgive; the journey is so short. Did someone provoke or intimidate you? Be calm, forgive; the journey is so short. Did someone betray, bully, cheat or humiliate you? Be calm, forgive; the journey is so short. Whatever troubles anyone brings us, let us remember that our journey together is so short. No one knows the duration of this journey. No one knows when their stop will come. Our journey together is so short. Let us cherish friends and family. Let us be respectful, kind and forgiving to each other. Let us be filled with gratitude and gladness. After all, our journey together is so short!

A Year Older: Every birthday remind us that we are not growing younger but older. As you can see I now have 35 wrinkles on my face. I want to thank everyone who took your precious time to wish me a happy birthday either through text, call, face book, birthday cards etc. It means a lot and I am beyond blessed by you all.

What Will You Do: A Bible Study Group leader says to his group, “What would you do if you knew you only had four weeks left before the great Judgment Day?” A gentleman says, ”I would go out into my community and minister the Gospel to those that have not yet accepted the Lord into their lives.” “Very good!” says the group leader. One lady speaks up and says enthusiastically, “I would dedicate all of my remaining time to serving God, my family, my church, and my fellow man with a greater conviction.” “That's wonderful!” the group leader comments. One gentleman in the back finally speaks up loudly and says, “I would go to my mother-in-laws house for the four weeks.” The group leader asks, “Why your mother-in-law’s home?” “Because that will make it the longest four weeks of my life!”

God’s blessings,
Fr. Suneesh Mathew

ANNUAL PARISH ANNIVERSARY COOKOUT

We have cancelled the Parish Anniversary Cookout that was scheduled for September 16th until after renovations have been completed on the Parish Hall. Please watch the bulletin for more details.

<i>Parish Pastoral Council</i>	<i>Committee Chairpersons</i>
Joe Cecil, Chair 270-231-5111	Education/Formation - Mike Head 270-724-0836
John Fulkerson, Vice-Chair 270-993-4203	Family/Social Life - Kristie Meserve 270-302-1397
Bridgette Molnar, Secretary 270-686-3737	Family/Social Life – Andy Johnson 270-314-3534
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SCRIPTURE READINGS

Readings for next weekend will be Isaiah 50:5-9a; James 2:14-18; Mark 8:27-35. 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.

RIGHT TO LIFE OF OWENSBORO ANNUAL WALK FOR LIFE

Saturday, September 15, 2018

9:00 Registration, 10:00 Walk begins—

Rain or Shine at Our Lady of Lourdes

Parking Lot. Prizes: Youngest Walker, Oldest Walker, Most Money Raised by an Individual, Largest Group. Collect money for this 3 mile event and help support community pro-life education! If you cannot walk, but would like to donate, please send your contribution to Right to Life of Owensboro, 1115 Tamarack Rd., Suite 200, 42301. For more info. or for sponsorship forms call the Right to Life of Owensboro at 270-685-4922.



ICON MEN'S RETREAT

@ GASPER RIVER RETREAT CENTER

Join men from around the diocese on Saturday, September 15 through Sunday, September 16 at Gasper River Youth Camp & Retreat Center for a retreat unlike any other. This retreat dives into, unpacks, and processes the topics of prayer, who we are as men made in God's image ("icon") and our mission to love. We are all created to be in communion, in personal relationship with God. Each of us is created as a unique, unrepeatable man or woman with a vocation to love like God. We will pose the questions: "What does it mean to be human? What does it mean to be a man, a woman? What does it mean to love like God? To learn more, email joe.bland@pastoral.org.

THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Special thanks to Anna Marie Roberts, and Sherman & Dolores Roberts for cleaning church the week of August 19; to Natalie Davis, Marie Montanez, Karen Osborne, and Doris Westerfield for cleaning church the week of August 26; to Jeanie Wahl for watering plants. 3

Thanks to the following volunteers who helped answer the phone and the door while Penny was out of the office for vacation last week: Katie Rudy, Kristie Meserve, Joyce Riney, Stephanie Millay, Sharon Bumm, and Jeanette Ebelhar.

PARISH PICNICS

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

ATTN: SEPTEMBER USHERS

The Diocese asks all parishes to count attendance at each mass during the month of September. We ask the ushers to be responsible for doing this.

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL FUNDRAISER NIGHT @ FREDDY'S

If you haven't tried Freddy's on Frederica yet (or if you have), your support for Blessed Sacrament Chapel on Thursday, September 13th between the hours of 5:00-9:00 pm is greatly appreciated. You must mention Blessed Sacrament for us to get the proceeds. Thank you in advance for your support.

MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

Join Bishop Medley for "Mary, Mother of the Church," presented by the Diocese of Owensboro Marian Conference on Sat., Sept. 29th. 8:00am—7:00pm at the Owensboro Convention Center. This engaging event will be headlined by acclaimed author Fr. Donald Calloway, whose amazing conversion story and path to Marian devotion is a story you can't miss! Teresa Tomeo, the inspiring and informative EWTN star, will also be speaking. Tickets available at Owensboro Convention Center Box Office at 270-297-9932. For more information go to www.marianshrineky.org

DIOCESAN MARRIAGE CELEBRATION

Join Bishop Medley and celebrate your marriage on Sunday, September 30 at 2:00 p.m. at St. Stephen Cathedral for the annual Marriage Celebration. Mass begins at 2:00 p.m. with a reception immediately following in the Fr. John Vaughan Community Center. All are invited and families are welcome; we only ask that those coming RSVP to Charlotte Hedges at 270 683-1545 or charlotte.hedges@pastoral.org. Sponsored by the Office of Marriage and Family Life.

BRANSON CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA

The Diocese of Owensboro's Office of Stewardship presents Branson "Christmas Extravaganza" November 1-4, 2018. \$799/person. This tour is sure to bring out the magic of Christmas with five Christmas shows. : Haygoods, Christmas Show at Dolly Parton's Stampede, Raiding the Country Vault, Sight & Sound Samson, and the famous Daniel O'Donnell "Christmas with Daniel"! Enjoy your chartered comfortable bus ride, beautiful hotel accommodations and nine delicious meals! (Includes an extra surprise top attraction). Payment due Sept. 17, 2018. Insurance is available for \$44. For more information, contact Faith in Travel at 270-389-1002 or email sophiajourneys@gmail.com

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THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, September 9—23rd Sunday Ordinary
Time—Masses: 8:00am, 10:30am

**Sophia Award: 2:00pm at St. Stephen Cathedral
(Precious Blood Recipient—Marie Montanez)
Youth Group: 4:00-6:00pm**

MONDAY, September 10
St. Nicholas of Tolentino, *Confessor*
St. Vincent de Paul Society: 5:30pm

TUESDAY, September 11
St. Paphnutius the Great, *Bishop, Confessor*
Daily Mass: 7:00am
Parish Staff Meeting: 9:00am

WEDNESDAY, September 12
St. Guy
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, September 13
St. John Chrysostom, *Bishop Confessor, Father and
Doctor of the Universal Church*
Daily Mass: 7:00am
RCIA: 6:30pm—Topic: What is Faith?

FRIDAY, September 14
Triumph of the Holy Cross
Daily Mass: 7:00am
**VOCARE: 5:00-8:30pm at Owensboro
Convention Center**

SATURDAY, September 15
Confessions: 3:30-4:30pm
Mass: 5:00pm

SUNDAY, September 16—24th Sunday Ordinary
Time
Masses: 8:00am, 10:30am

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES



Paul & Carolyn Dornburg (25) - 9/10/93
David & Audra Murphy (31) - 9/12/87
Jeff & Nancy Kamuf Jones (21) - 9/13/97
Dale & Kristie Meserve (27) - 9/14/91
Jeremy & Angela Riney (5) - 9/14/13
Ed & Judy Sullivan (40) - 9/15/78
Please pray for these and all married couples.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
TO OUR PARISHIONERS**



09/10: Abbey Thompson, Eli Zoglmann
09/11: Andrea Finley, Virginia O'Connell
09/12: Megan Goodwin
09/13: Alexis Ebelhar
09/14: Linda Connor
09/15: Allie Belcher, Andrew Clark, Gail Mullen

FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE



We wish to express our deepest sympathy to Linda (Larry) Jollay, Pauline (Michael) Langdon, Laura Langdon and families on the death of their brother/uncle, Larry O. Haire. May his soul and the souls of the faithful departed Rest In Peace!



To benefit the Ursuline Sisters.
Saturday: 10am-6pm,
Sunday: 10am-5pm.

Arts & crafts, food for sale and music. The Ursuline Sisters will be selling quilts, crafts, jams and jellies as well as \$5.00 tickets for their \$10,000 grand raffle.

**OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT
ON THE LAWN**



Saturday, September 22 after Mass—
Join us for a night of family fun!
Bring your lawn chairs, pillows and blankets. Hamburgers, hotdogs, chips, drinks and all the fixings will be provided by the Men's Club. Movie will be cancelled by One Call Now if bad weather.

GARDENING/WEEEDING



Sept. 9-15: Michael & Amanda Murphy

YOUTH GROUP MEALS

Sept. 9: April Dickens, Christie Hayden
Sept. 23: Mary June Cecil, Jeannie Howard



PARISH GOLF SCRAMBLE

Saturday, October 6th at Panther Creek Golf Club starting at 8:00 am. Golfers will pay the regular fee to play at the course. We have six T times reserved. Please contact Danny Triplett at 270-993-2866 or Katie Rudy at 270-314-8028 ASAP if you are going to play.



**PARENT TUITION
SUPPLEMENT
PAINTING PARTY
FUNDRAISER
WITH EARLY BIRD
CRAFTING**



Join us on Thurs. Oct. 18th at 6:00pm in the Parish Hall. Cost is \$30.00. Choose from

one of 12 cut outs. Pay at time of sign-up. Make checks out to Early Bird Crafting. Contact Andrea Jones at 270-316-4134 or sign-up after Mass until October 1, 2018