



Precious Blood Catholic Church

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Website: precious-blood.net

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Saturday 8:00 am & 5:00 pm Weekdays: Wednesday, 6:00 pm
Sunday 7:30 am & 10:30 am Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 7:00 am

Staff

Rev. Bruce McCarty, Pastor
Sr. Rosanne Spalding, Pastoral Associate
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Our Mission

We are a Catholic Community of Faith, called to be Jesus to all people, striving to live the Gospel message through the Eucharist and the sharing of our time, talent and treasure.

BLESSING OF THROATS

Next weekend, January 31st & February 1st, we will have the Blessing of Throats as we remember St. Blaise. Blaise is the patron of people who suffer from illnesses of the throat. It is custom to pray for good health with a blessing of throats on this day.

TOWN HALL MEETINGS

Bishop Medley invites your input at Town Hall Meetings to be held across the diocese. In preparation for the October 2015 Synod of Bishops, Pope Francis is encouraging widespread consultation in dioceses around the world on questions concerning marriage and family life. The Town Hall Sessions will be held at the following locations:

Tues., Jan 27 – St. Francis de Sales, Paducah, 6:30-8:30pm
 Thurs., Feb. 12 – Holy Spirit, Bowling Green, 6-8:00 p.m.
 Thurs., Feb. 19 – Blessed Mother, Owensboro 6-8:00 p.m.

WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

Saturday, February 7th at St. Stephen Cathedral. Cost is \$30 for adults and \$15 for students. Lunch included. Open to men who are high school seniors or older. For more information visit www.kycatholic.com or call Randy Clemens at 270-316-5067.

"COME AFTER ME"

"Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." Called by Jesus to "come after me," Simon and his brother Andrew abandoned their nets and followed him. That is to say they gave their lives to him. Jesus is calling each of us to "come after me." If you feel that God is calling you to follow him as a Catholic Priest, contact the vocations office and let us help you with your discernment. 270-683-1545, www.owensborovoacations.com or jason.mcclure@pastoralk.org.

PRAYER REQUEST

Fr. John Meredith has been assigned to prayer and penance and would like to be of assistance to people of the diocese. If you would like to send him a prayer request his email address for your intention is letmeprayforyou54@gmail.com. Thank you for considering this and let us pray for each other.

2013-2014 PARENT TUITION SUPPLEMENT 200 CLUB FUNDRAISER

Congratulation to Bobby & Dot Lomax, this week's winner of the Parent Tuition Supplement 200 Club drawing.

2014 CONTRIBUTION REPORTS

The 2014 Contribution Reports are available for pick-up in the Gathering Space.

BULLETIN COVER

This week's bulletin cover features OCMS students, Caleb Wimsatt, Kaitlyn Durbin, Aliyah Berry and Griffin Rudy who attended the March for Life in Washington this past week.

SPECIAL THANKS

Martha and son, Cecil and all of our family would like to thank the Choir for the beautiful prayer service and Kay and others that provided the meal after the funeral. We want to thank Fr. Bruce and Sr. Rosanne for bringing communion to the house during Larry's illness, Thanks again for your kindness and prayers during this difficult time. It's been greatly appreciated.

Martha Stites & Family of Larry Stites

OVER 50'S BUNCO

Friday, January 30th, 6:00 p.m. in Meeting Room 2. Bring your own refreshments.

PARISH SALAD LUNCHEON

Wednesday, February 11th, 11:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall. The parish will provide lettuce, salad dressings, crackers and drinks. You are invited to bring salad fixings (ham, cheese, carrots, onions, croutons, cucumbers, radishes, tomatoes, green peppers, sunflower seeds, etc.). Come and enjoy each other's company! Door prizes available.

PRECIOUS BLOOD REVERSE RAFFLE

The Fundraising Committee is planning a Reverse Raffle – Grand Prize is winner's choice of either a Honda 420 2WD Rancher 4 Wheeler or \$5,000.00 cash. There will be approximately \$3,000.00 in other prizes given away during the event. We plan to sell 300 tickets at \$70.00 per ticket. Included with your ticket are a Dinner, All Beverages and your chance in the Raffle. Watch the bulletin for more details.

PILGRIMAGE TO CATHOLIC SHRINES OF FRANCE

You're invited. Please join Bishop Medley on a pilgrimage to the Catholic shrines of France. Does visiting Lourdes, Nevers, Lisieux, Normandy Beaches and Paris, France interest you? Bishop William Medley will be leading a pilgrimage to these locations on October 8th – 17th of this year. For more information please visit: www.pilgrimage.com/bishopmedley. To book or for questions, please contact Liz or Natasha at 1-800-206-8687.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR PARISHIONERS

01/26: Theresa Skaggs
 01/28: Charles Roberts
 01/29: Jami Johnson, Larry Mullen
 01/30: Tony Gilmore, Vicky Payne
 02/01: Kasey Estes, Nathan Jacobs

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MASS INTENTIONS

JANUARY 26 – FEBRUARY 1

Tues.	7:00a.m.	Austin Millay: dec.
Wed.	6:00p.m.	Bernice Thomas: dec.
Thur.	7:00a.m.	Henry Orth: dec.
Fri.	7:00am.	Charles Louis Brinley Jr.: dec.
Sat.	8:00a.m.	Rick Thomas: dec.
	5:00p.m.	OUR PARISH FAMILY
Sun.	7:30a.m.	Frank & Bernice Thomas: dec.
	10:30a.m.	Jennifer Gibbs: dec.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Weekly Budget to meet Expenses	\$8,077.00
January 18, 2015 Contributions	\$7,409.28
Children's Contributions	\$2.00
Total	\$7,411.28
Under/Over this week	-\$665.72
Under/Over (July 1, 2014 to present)	-\$13,573.64

Parish Renovation Fund	
January 18, 2015 Contributions	\$560.00
Total Parish Renovation Funds	\$22,656.00

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

There is a certain urgency in today's Gospel as Jesus calls His first disciples – Andrew and Simon, James and John. Each one follows Jesus *immediately*, unhesitatingly abandoning nets and boats and father and fellow-workers. To what is Jesus calling me – at *this* moment, in *these* circumstances? What will I need to abandon in order to follow Him?

SPECIAL PRAYERS

Please remember Jim Head, Jim & Doris Schrecker, Helen Schwartz, Tom Peak's brother, Gary Miller, Steve Crisp, Bruce Kittinger's mother, Gary Murphy's brother, Robert & Maxine Smith, Mary Rita Payne, Eldred Robertson, Rose Slone, Mary Sims, Donna Stuerzenberger, Pat Roby & daughter, Guy Connor, Nelda Bickwermert & family, Virginia Rudy, Elizabeth Mattingly, Ruth Conkright, Cindy Schwartz's sister, Diann Shock's brother, Doug & Betty Howard, Sue Thomas' nephew, Marie Hester & her daughter, Kenneth & Ruth Kelley's daughter, Alma Haire, Tony Carrico Family, Mamie McDaniel's great-nephew & great-great-nephew, Alice Devine, Mary Kittinger's mother & brother, Carolyn McDaniel's brother-in-law, Kathy Small's father, Nancy Wheeler, Ronnie Osborne, Sharon Brown's daughter & grandbaby, Linda Hamilton, Scott Norris' father, Pat Bowlds, Mary Murphy's daughter-in-law, Guy & Linda Connor's grandson, Glenn Young, Mary Jo Meadows, Nancy Best, Tim Blandford's great-nephew, Emmalyn McKenzie Zint, Mellany Hancock, Jeanette Ebelhar's mother, Carole Peak, Janie Payne, David Vowels, Macy Tooley, Tim Blandford, Jeff Moss..

MINISTRIES

SERVERS: Jan 31-Feb 1: 5PM/Mackenzie & Shelbee Ayers; 7:30AM/Caitlin Gillihan; 10:30AM/Caleb & Hunter Wimsatt

LECTORS: Jan 31-Feb 1: 5:00PM/Jeff & Norma Moss; 7:30AM/John David & John Rudy; 10:30AM/Bob Wimsatt, Nancy Wheeler

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Jan 31-Feb 1: 5:00PM/Mamie McDaniel, Mike Howard, Kristy Fulkerson, Bruce & Sharon Tucker, Jeanie Wahl, Margaret Lancaster; 7:30AM/Donald Thompson, Cindy Schwartz, Sr. Rosanne Spalding, Monti Millay, Brandon Sims; 10:30AM/Ron & Lisa Paul, Elaine Johnson, Scott & Tami Norris, Michelle Baize, Tonya Hamilton

COMMUNION TO THE SICK: Jan 31-Feb 1: 5:00PM/Michael Murphy; 7:30AM/Jim McCarter; 10:30AM/Cindy Schwartz

NURSING HOMES: Davco:Christine Stanfel; Twin Rivers:Mamie McDaniel

MUSIC MINISTERS: Jan 31-Feb 1: 5:00PM/Cantors; 7:30AM/Choir; 10:30AM/Cantors

USHERS: Jan 31-Feb 1: 5:00PM/Guy Connor, Ron Evans, Joe Newton, Mary Boling; 7:30AM/Tony Payne, Melissa Daugherty, Melanie Ewing, Diann Shock; 10:30AM/Robin & Jill Bartlett, Lisa & Joseph Kuntz

CHURCH CLEANERS: Jan.29-Feb 4: Gail Mullen, Vicky Rudy, Ashley & Mikayla Berry, John & Kristy Fulkerson

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Mike & Susan Johnson – 1/26/74
John & Terri Hendon 1/27/86
Please pray for these and all married couples.

FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

We wish to express our deepest sympathy to Larry Kamuf and family on the death of his brother, William "Bill" Eugene Kamuf. May his soul and the souls of the faithful departed, Rest In Peace!

BAPTISM

We welcome into our faith community, Kamden James Johnson, son of Arlando & Jami Johnson, baptized 1/11/15.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of Anointing will be held here at Precious Blood on Wednesday, January 29th at the 6:00 p.m. Mass.

PARISH INFORMATION

WELCOME TO PRECIOUS BLOOD CHURCH

If you are visiting our parish, we are happy that you have joined us for the celebration of the Eucharist. If you would like to become a member of Precious Blood or would like information about our parish family, we invite you to call the Parish Office at 270-684-6888.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Individual Confessions at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

By appointment or at weekday Mass.

ADORATION

Tuesday evenings from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. in Church.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples call Fr. Bruce at the Parish Office (270-684-6888) or email bmccartylife@gmail.com to arrange for marriage preparation. The first appointment must be scheduled 6 months before proposed date of marriage.

ANNULMENTS

Contact Fr. Bruce at the Parish Office (270-684-6888) or email bmccartylife@gmail.com

CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Persons wishing to inquire about the Catholic Faith are invited to call any member of the pastoral staff for information. The RCIA meets on Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m. Sr. Rosanne directs RCIA.

RETURNING TO THE CHURCH

It's often a simple matter of making a good Confession. Adults who have been Confirmed or made their First Communion are invited to the RCIA.

INFANT BAPTISMS

Parents call for appointment prior to child's baptism.

PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Wednesday evenings. Contact Sr. Rosanne to register.

OWENSBORO CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Register with the Catholic Schools at 270-686-8896.

MEETINGS

RCIA: Mon., Jan. 26th, 6:30 p.m. in Meeting Room 1.

MARY'S APOSTLES OF PRAYER: Rosary - Tuesday, January 27th, 10:00 a.m. in church. All are welcome.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: Tuesday, January 27th, 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Office.

SCRIPTURE STUDY: Wed., January 28th, 1:30 p.m. at the home of Bernadette Howard, 675 Ridgewood St.

RELIGIOUS ED: Wednesday, January 28th, 6:45 p.m.

dear Padre

January 25, 2015

Do votive candles make a difference ?

At my church, some people take the votive candles out of the holders and place them next to the statues and icons. Does this make the saint or God pay more attention to the petition? And isn't it a fire hazard?

Vigil lights, commonly known as votive candles, are usually lit when a person seeks some favor from the Lord or a saint's intercession. Lighting a candle is a way of extending one's prayer and showing solidarity with the person on whose behalf the prayer is offered.

In the lighting of candles we remember and truly live the words of our Lord, "I am the light of the world" (John 8:12). We burn candles to symbolize our prayers' rising to heaven day and night; prayers for the saints' intercession are also common because of their friendship with God in heaven. Saints are powerful intercessors.

God hears all prayers uttered in sincerity. Burning a candle as we pray doesn't make that prayer more important than prayers offered without a candle; neither does moving the candle to the front of the line.

If your church has made sure that the placing of the votive candles complies with local fire regulations, you have no worries about setting a fire with vigil lights.

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SCRIPTURE READINGS

Readings for next weekend will be Deuteronomy 18:15-20; 1 Corinthians 7:32-35; Mark 1:21-28.. 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.

**PRECIOUS BLOOD CHURCH
REPORT
JUL - DEC 2014**

INCOME

	<u>Jul - Dec 14 Actual</u>	<u>Jul - Dec 14 Budget</u>	<u>Over/Short</u>
<i>Collections</i>	\$195,270.02	\$210,000.00	-\$14,729.98
Interest/Fees	\$1,589.50	\$1,200.00	\$389.50
Fundraising - Other	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fundraising - Raffle	<u>\$3,132.18</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$3,132.18</u>
Total Income	<u>\$199,991.70</u>	<u>\$211,200.00</u>	<u>-\$11,208.30</u>

EXPENSES

	<u>Jul - Dec 14 Actual</u>	<u>Jul - Dec 14 Budget</u>	<u>Over/Short</u>
Staff Salaries	\$69,658.23	\$68,947.50	-\$710.73
Staff Benefits	\$13,848.28	\$16,218.76	\$2,370.48
Staff Expenses	\$6,313.12	\$6,240.00	-\$73.12
Property Insurance	\$6,457.26	\$6,100.00	-\$357.26
Utilities	\$19,586.00	\$14,250.00	-\$5,336.00
Repairs/Maint.	\$8,282.06	\$7,797.00	-\$485.06
Office supplies	\$9,010.45	\$7,750.00	-\$1,260.45
Worship/Ed. Materials	\$4,382.91	\$5,900.00	\$1,517.09
Misc Outreach	\$1,196.56	\$1,400.00	\$203.44
Fundraising Expense - Other	\$1,430.36	\$0.00	-\$1,430.36
Fundraising Expense - Raffle	\$894.63	\$0.00	-\$894.63
Schools Assessment	\$42,500.00	\$69,000.00	\$26,500.00
Diocesan Assessment	<u>\$24,527.62</u>	<u>\$24,573.50</u>	<u>\$45.88</u>
Total Expenses	<u>\$208,087.48</u>	<u>\$228,176.76</u>	<u>\$20,089.28</u>
Income minus Expenses	<u>-\$8,095.78</u>	<u>-\$16,976.76</u>	<u>\$8,880.98</u>

Regular collections are down \$14,729.98 from the budget. Please continue to tithe so our Parish can continue to meet our financial obligations.

We would want to thank the parishioners who are using Scrip for Precious Blood Church. We have received \$343.72 from Scrip. If you are interested in using Scrip, please contact Penny.