

# Blessed Sacrament

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#### **Mission Statement:**

Established in the Spirit of Jesus Christ with an Afro-centric focus, Blessed Sacrament Chapel is committed to spreading the "Word" through fellowship and good works.

### Sunday Mass: 10:00AM Reconciliation: 1st Sunday 9:30AM

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#### **TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — As long as Moses' hands were kept uplifted, Joshua and his men had the better part of the battle with Amalek (Exodus 17:8-13).

**Psalm** — Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth (Psalm 121).

**Second Reading** — Remain faithful; proclaim the word; be persistent whether it is convenient or not

(2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:2).

**Gospel** — God will secure the rights of the chosen who call out day and night (Luke 18:1-8).



Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 16, 2016

I lift up my eyes toward the mountains; whence shall help come to me? My help is from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.



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### Lectors

October 23 Sylvia Coleman

Greg Gough

October 30: Adaira Hatchett Charles Brown

### **Eucharistic Ministers**

.October 23: Marsha Allen

Cindy Clark

**Diane Hatchett** 

October 30: Payton Sanford

Misty Sanford

Mary Katherine Gough

### Ushers

October 23: Lori Carman

Norwetta Taylor

October 30: Michael Brown

Justin Coleman

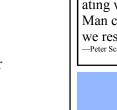
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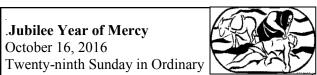
October 23: Frank Adams

Gloria Adams

October 30: Ethan Gough

Justin Coleman





Though Jesus told today's parable more than two thousand years ago, human nature hasn't changed: we recognize both characters instantly. The merciless judge represents the corruption that has short-circuited justice throughout history; the distraught widow, society's perennially powerless, marginalized to what Pope Francis calls the "peripheries" by those who wield power but lack the mercy that could transfigure society with compassion. To confront such reality, Jesus bids us, "pray always without becoming weary" (Luke 18:1). Prayer opens our eyes to see others from Jesus' perspective, and leads us to work for justice by coming to the aid of others with what Pope Francis extols as a higher standard, mercy. Thus, when Jesus asks, "Will not God secure the rights of [God's] chosen ones? Will [God] be slow to answer?" (18:7). We respond by making God's liberating work for others our own. "[W]hen the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?" (18:8). Yes, we respond—and mercy! -Peter Scagnelli, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

.Jubilee Year of Mercy

October 16, 2016

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### **IMP—Kroger Update**

Each August Kroger requires all supporters to re-enroll. Anyone who does not re-enroll by August 31 will be dropped from the program.

Go to www.Kroger.com Click the blue Sign in tab at the top of the page. Enter your email address and password and click the blue Sign-in tab.From the department menu, click Community and then Community Rewards. From Community Rewards, click on the Edit or Re-enroll button. Find Organization. Select Organization. Save Your selection. Questions call 1-800-KROGERS

Blessed Sacrament's # is 30623

### **Diocesan Response Fund:**

In this year of Mercy, give generously to the Disciples Response Fund. As you know, we are implementing a new way to increase support of the Disciples Response Fund and to assist our parish by returning to us 50% of all funds raised over our target.

Support of the work of our Diocese is important. There are many things that even the largest parishes cannot do on their own. For example, the Disciples Response Fund puts money into an endowment for the care of retired priests. Also the fund assists with the expenses for the education of our seminarians.

Pope Francis has designated 2016 as a "Year of Mercy." He instructs us to open our hearts. The diocese helps to make God's mercy present throughout Western Kentucky.

If you received a letter today from Bishop Medley asking for your support of the DRF, please make a generous gift today.

### Our thoughts and prayers are with:

SICK: Les Bumm, Beverly Chilton, Philip Moorman, Sr., Veronica Wilhite, Eric Holder, Martha Bellew, Jim Moorman, Bernice Williams, Charlene Meadows, Sarah Bumm, Yvonne Hatchett, Birdie Coleman, Camilla Washington Greer (niece of Joyce Moorman), Dorothy Fulton, Louise Johnson, Larry Allen, Betty Clark, Phillip Moorman, Jr., Carol Hatchett

If you know of anyone seriously ill who is in need of prayer or visitation, please notify the office.

THE HOMEBOUND: Stan Howard at Bishop Soennecker Home, Knottsville, Donald Moorman room 40 at Wellington Park. 2885 New Hartford Rd, Maggie Howard at Twin River Nursing Center, A phone call or a card can cheer the homebound if you can't visit.

### **SEWMUCHLOVE Sewing Pro**iect

SEWMUCHLOVE PROJECT presents an opportunity to participate in a Corporal Work of Mercy. The group makes simple clothing for boys and girls, Rosaries, make and/or dress dolls. Meetings will be at Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall, 602 Sycamore Street, Owensboro, on the second Tuesday of the month at 1 PM, September 13 through November 8.

How did Jesus persevere? There were several ways, including humor and help from friends. But ultimately, it was prayer. If opened the Scriptures can show us how to pray.

### From the desk of

### Father Jamie

I am composing this reflection as I sit in the cab of my locomotive on my farm. It is such a beautiful day today. However, there is change in the air. The smells of the summer trees are beginning to change as the plants prepare to go to sleep for the winter. The humidity is beginning to become less and less each day. We finally have chilly nights. Some of us look forward to the changes of fall. I know that I do.

In the Gospel today, Jesus mentions the end times. As fall points to winter, our current age is always pointing ahead towards the end of times. However, we never know exactly when winter will finally make its presence known. We are never quite for sure when that first frost and freeze will happen until it does, The same is with the end times, since we never know when Jesus will finally arrive. What we do know, is that we must pray just as Jesus asks us to do in the Gospel today. We must be persistent in our prayer. God always listens to us.

We must always fight the good fight on earth until the end comes. We hear about a great battle in the first reading for Sunday. During the battle, Moses struggles to keep his arms and hands raised and so he is assisted. We must hold each other up in prayer. The battles that we fight today are not much different than the ones that the Israelites had to fight. What we forget, historically, one of the main reasons that the Israelites killed off the neighboring cultures as they invaded land, was because most of these pagan cultures practiced sacrifice of their children. At that time, the only way to get rid of these practices, was to get rid of the culture that these practices originated from. Today, we have a modern version of children sacrifice in the practice of abortion. Of course, we Christians cannot go around killing people that run abortion clinics, but we can pray for the conversion of hearts.

May we try our best to be persistent in prayer and pray on behalf of those who are defenseless so that we may be ready when Jesus Christ arrives. May we love God alone and our neighbor as ourselves. God loves us and will take care of us

Father Jamie will be praying Vespers, part of the Divine Office that priests and religious pray daily, on Tuesdays and Thursdays at St. Stephen Cathedral at 5:30 PM.

### **OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**

9—Beverly Chilton

10—Jacques Williams III

13—Vicki Leonard

20—Dorothea Melton



Especially during this Respect Life Month, we are called to see Christ in everything living : the elderly, the handicap, the unborn, the marginal, all of creation and in ourselves. Respect all life as it is a gift from our Heavenly Father. October 2 Sonny Schwartz October 9 Fennewald Family October 16 Michael Carrico October 23 Kenneth Higgs October 30 Frances Johnson *Remember to pray for the souls in purgatory.* 

Mass Intentions:

### **Owensboro Diocese Youth Confer-**

**ence!** This event is open to all youth of the Diocese, grades 7-12. It will be held in Bowling Green KKY November 18th and 19th . If you register before October 19th, there is a discounted fee. Tee shirts are available. The theme this year is "Rich in Mercy." Contact Corey Bruns or Father Jamie to register. 683-6525 or corey.bruns@pastoral.org

Funds are available to assist BSC parishioners.

### Blessed Sacrament Hall Rental Policy

At the last Parish Council meeting the topic of hall rental came up. Some decisions were made and I was asked to publish them so parishioners are aware of them.

For active registered members of the parish the cost to rent is \$105. \$95 of this has to be sent into the Diocese for Special Event Coverage at least 15 days prior to rental. The other \$10 goes toward lights and water for the event. If maintenance is needed to set up or clean up after, there is an additional \$50 charge. There is \$150 security deposit due at the time of the rental contract. This is returned after the event as long as there has been no damage or extra costs incurred by BSC. A registered member is someone who has filled out registration papers since Sept, 2015, and attends Mass on a regular basis (not just Christmas and Easter) and participates in BSC events.

If alcohol is served, there are additional regulations.

Non-parishioners may rent the hall for \$200 in addition to the cost of the Special Events Coverage.

## **Coming Events** CALENDAR

### **Blessed Sacrament Chapel:**

- 24-26 Tri-Parish Mission (Cathedral, Blessed Mother, Sts. Joseph and Paul)
- **November 1** All Saints Day Mass 6 PM
- 6 Coffee and Donuts
- 12 Clean up Day at BSC 9 AM
- 17 Chick-Fil-A evening for BSC
- **20** Thanksgiving Dinner 12 noon ٠

Blessed Mother Parish, Sts. Joseph and Paul, and St. Stephen's Cathedral will be hosting a mission given by Father John Mark Ettensohn, OMI. The dates are October 24th (St. Stephen's), 25th (Blessed Mother), 26th (Sts. Joseph and Paul) at 6:30 PM. The mission is about listening and reflecting on how we can be better disciples of Jesus Christ in the year 2016 and beyond. Plan to attend one or more nights.

Thank you for your contributions.

Oct. 2 \$1138.60 Weekly need \$818 **McDonalds'** 

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### **Community Events:**

### September

18-Nov. 20 Art Exhibit of Popes 1300-2016 AD at Brescia Ad. Building

### October

20—Human Relations Commission Banquet

23-2016 Marian Congress 2-5 PM

St. Joseph's, Bowling Green, KY

27-Right to Life Banquet 6 PM

### November

5 —Life with the Blessed Mother 9 AM at Blessed Mother Church

### Mount St. Joseph has enrichment offerings. December 10:

Advent Day of prayer 9Am-2 PM Directed by Msgr. Bernard Powers Cost \$25 To register contact Kathy McCarty 270-229-0206

Win a beautiful \$200,000 home for only \$100! Owensboro Catholic Schools and St. Joseph and Paul are having a Home Raffle to raise funds for Owensboro Catholic Schools. The 3 bedroom, 2 bath home is located on the quiet street of 4135 Mayflower Dr. in Bon Harbor Subdivision. The home was built by Martin Custom Building and is staged by Home Inspired. It offers a two car garage, open floor plan, granite countertops. You are invited to one of our many Open Houses on Saturdays from 10-2 and Sundays 12-4. Tickets are available at BSC Parish office or Independence Bank location,

### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Eph 2:1-10; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk Monday: 12:13-21

Tuesday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Lk 10:1-9

Wednesday: Eph 3:2-12; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 12:39-48

Thursdav: Eph 3:14-21; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19; Lk 12:49-53

Fridav: Eph 4:1-6; Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6; Lk 12:54-59

Eph 4:7-16; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 13:1-9 Saturday: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; Ps 34:2-3, Sunday: 17-19, 23; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordi-Sunday: nary Time; Sukkot (Jewish Feast of Tabernacles) begins at sunset

St. Ignatius of Antioch; National Monday: **Boss Day** 

#### Tuesday: St. Luke

Wednesday: Ss. John de Brébeuf, Isaac Jogues, and Companions

Thursday: St. Paul of the Cross

Saturdav: St. John Paul II; Blessed Virgin Mary

### **HAPPY ARE THEY**

Happy are they who grieve not for what they have not, but give thanks for what they do have.

-Anonymous

### **DEPENDING ON GOD**

"Getting by with a little help from our friends" is not an idea that began with the Beatles. Certainly the idea of "getting by with a little help from God" goes back at least to the first reading today from Exodus. How we get that help, however, is the key to this weekend's scriptures.

No matter how inadequate Moses felt to the task God had given him, he persevered even though he needed help from the people around him. The Israelites especially depended on God for freedom. The woman in the Gospel, desperate and destitute, had no one to depend on, but still she would not give up. She could not afford to bribe the unscrupulous judge, but she pestered him into weariness until finally he met her demands.

We sometimes need to turn to others to help us through difficult times; but if we always turn to God, we won't be disappointed, for our help, the psalm assures us, is from the Lord.

### October is the month of Holy Rosary....

Pope Francis has dedicated his pontificate to Our lady of Fatima, who has told us through her message to the visionaries of the importance of praying the Rosary daily.

"Pray the Rosary every day in honor of Our Lady of the Rosary to obtain peace in the world... for she alone can save it. (Our lady, July 13, 1917

God has placed peace in her hands, and it is from the Immaculate Heart that men must ask it. (Jacinta, shortly before her death.)

Take a rosary from the basket and pray for peace.