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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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### The Transfiguration of the Lord August 6, 2017

The heavens proclaim his justice;  
all peoples see his glory.  
Psalm 96:7

### TODAY'S READINGS

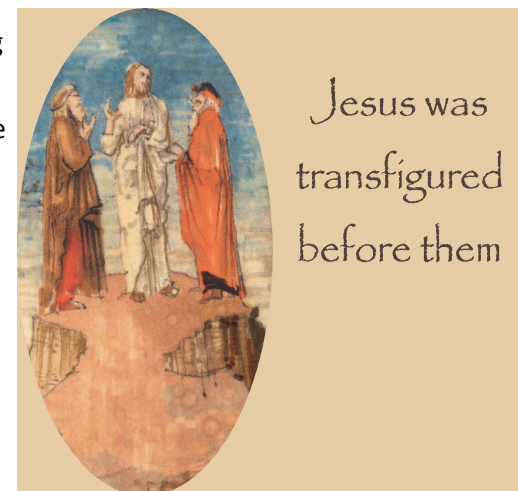
**First Reading** — I saw one like a Son of man coming on the clouds of heaven (Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14).

**Psalms** — The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth (Psalm 97).

**Second Reading** — Be attentive to the prophetic message, as to a lamp shining in a dark place (2 Peter 1:16-19).

**Gospel** — Jesus was transfigured, and his clothes became white as light (Matthew 17:1-9).

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Coming Events

CALENDAR



Blessed Sacrament Chapel

- August 6—no 10 AM Mass
- August 13—Blessing of students, teachers, aides. Parish Council Mt.
- August 14—6 PM Mass (Assumption)

Community Events

August 13—8 AM to 12:30 Pancake break-fast at St. Stephen’s

Catholic Women’s Retreat: Friends, Faith & Flip Flops | Aug. 25-26

Join women from around the Diocese of Owensboro for a women’s retreat at Kentucky Dam Village. This is an opportunity to be spiritually and emotionally refreshed. Learn more, register and pay online at [owensborodiocese.org/womens-retreat/](https://owensborodiocese.org/womens-retreat/).

Sept. 22 Diocesan Vocare 5 PM

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Upcoming Bar-b-q’s

Sept. 5 Blessed Mother Parish 4 PM

Sept. 8-10 “Maple Fest” at Mount Saint Joseph

IMP—Kroger Update

Blessed Sacrament’s # is 30623

Kroger has changed their Community Rewards program so that you no longer need to re-register each August. You will automatically roll over and stay enrolled.

Do you shop at Kroger? Are you signed up? Your contribution which costs you nothing is greatly appreciated. It does not affect your fuel points. You can make Blessed Sacrament your community rewards recipient and get fuel points for yourself. You can enroll at [www.kroger.com](http://www.kroger.com) or call 1-800-KROGERS , option 3

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-17; Mt 14:13-21
- Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13; Ps 51:3-7, 12-13; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
- Wednesday: Nm 13:1-2, 25 — 14:1, 26-29a, 34-35; Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-23; Mt 15:21-28
- Thursday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26
- Friday: Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-16, 21; Mt 16:24-28
- Saturday: Dt 6:4-13; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; Mt 17:14-20
- Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9-14; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: The Transfiguration of the Lord
- Monday: Eighteenth Week in Ordinary Time; St. Sixtus II and Companions; St. Cajetan
- Tuesday: St. Dominic
- Wednesday: St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein)
- Thursday: St. Lawrence
- Friday: St. Clare
- Saturday: St. Jane Frances de Chantal; Blessed Virgin Mary

TOTALITY

Totally love him, who gave himself totally for your love. —St. Clare

EYEWITNESSES

Today, the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord, is a day of eyewitness accounts. The first, a vision reported by the prophet Daniel, was well known to Jesus and his apostles. The vision account was written in quite mystical and figurative language. It is a vision of heaven, powerful and memorable. There are flames of fire, burning wheels, the Ancient One, and a Son of Man. Clearly, Daniel saw something. But was it a dream? Was it real? Was it merely a clever myth?

Peter wants no such confusion about his vision! We are told in Matthew’s Gospel what he and his friends James and John saw when they went up on the mountain with Jesus one day. Jesus warned the three witnesses to tell no one until “the Son of Man has been raised from the dead” (Matthew 17:9). Lest readers of one of the Gospels discount the story or simply write it off as a pious myth, Peter gives his own account of the Transfiguration of Jesus in his second letter to the church. He writes with authority, as an eyewitness. He reports this message from God concerning Jesus: “This is my Son, my beloved, with whom I am well pleased,” and he assures us that the message is “altogether reliable” (2 Peter 1:17, 19).

Write in your heart that every day is the best day of your life.

—Ralph Waldo Emerson



<u><b>MINSTERS</b></u>	
<u><b>Lectors</b></u>	
<u>August 13</u>	Kathi Skidd Greg Gough
<u>August 20</u>	Marsha Allen Austin Gough
<u><b>Eucharistic Ministers</b></u>	
<u>August 13:</u>	Payton Sanford Marsha Allen M.K. Gough
<u>August 20:</u>	Gloria Adams Misty Sanford Charlene Meadows
<u><b>Ushers</b></u>	
<u>August 13</u>	Yvonne Mundy Dorothea Melton
<u>August 20</u>	Von Williams Buddy Brown
<u><b>Offertory</b></u>	
<u>August 13</u>	Yvonne Mundy Dorothea Melton
<u>August 20</u>	Von Williams Buddy Brown

SING YOUR SONG

Alas for those who never sing, but die with their music within them.

—Oliver Wendell Holmes

The Holy Spirit Annoys Us

The Holly Spirit annoys us because He moves us; He makes us travel; He pushes the Church forward. And we are like Peter at the Transfiguration: “Oh, how wonderful it is for us to be here, al together!” as long as it does not inconvenience us.

We would like the Holly Spirit to doze off. We want to subdue the Holy Spirit. And that just will not work. For He is God, and He is that wind that comes and goes, and you do not know from where. He is the strength of God; it is he who gives us consolation and strength to continue forward. To go forward! And this is bothersome. Convenience is nicer.

—Pope Francis Feast of Transfiguration

**What inconvenient thing is the Holy spirit asking you to do? How do you try to subdue what He tells you? How can ykou respond in greater freedom?**

**B**asic

**I**nstruction

**B**efore

**L**eaving

**E**arth

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

As the Latin Mass evolved in the first six centuries, the central prayer, what the Greeks called the *anaphora* and what we call today the Eucharistic Prayer, became fairly standard almost everywhere in the West. What we now know as Eucharistic Prayer I, or the Roman Canon, took a complex shape, not at all like the fluid and spontaneous prayers of early Rome, but a real architectural construction.

The city of Rome was in a terrible condition by that time, and a series of political upheavals, plagues, and invasions swept through. Not much of Rome’s former glory was left standing, except for the pope, who became a symbol of protection and hope for the troubled people. The structures of law and administration were swept away in the chaos, and the pope gradually assumed authority to restore and maintain order. Soon, the public liturgy of Rome became the city’s only glory. The Romans wanted “good order” not only in their civic life, but in their liturgy. One prayer, increasingly enriched by music (although when the music tried to overtake the prayer the pope banned musical instruments entirely) was the new rule of the day. That one prayer, the Roman Canon, was solidly in place when the first liturgical book we have, the Leonine Sacramentary of 540, was compiled.

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***Our thoughts and prayers are with:***  
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# From the desk of Father Jamie



Don't you just hate it when you are visiting with a friend or family member, and you find yourself having such a wonderful time and then it is time to leave? It is those moments we cherish and hate to see end. I think this may have been how Peter and the other apostles must have felt on the mountain as they saw Jesus transfigured. It was a moment they did not want to see end.

Of course we hate to see those wonderful moments with our friends end, but we can remember and then strive to make more memories in the future. My best friend Anna and I met when we were in fourth grade. After fourth grade, Anna was pulled out of school to be home schooled. I was one of the few of her classmates who stayed in contact with her. We talked almost every day. Because of her home situation, we did not get to visit one another, but maybe 5 times a year, if that. In those moments when we did visit, which was usually on one of each other's farms, we never wanted those days to end. It was always so difficult to give that last hug before departing.

Last December, Anna accompanied me on my trip to St. Patrick's in New York. As we walked down the streets, I had a flashback to our childhood, of us walking through the woods, talking and processing what we were experiencing, just as we were going down those New York streets. It was as if nothing had ever changed.

I wonder if the apostles had a similar experience after the resurrection of Christ. We know they were sad to have experienced the death of Christ, after witnessing all of the miracles. How overjoyed they must have been to be touched by Jesus again and then to have his miracles working through them after Pentecost. We know that love is real, or we would not have the Church today.

Hold close to those we love. Cherish those moments and memories. Be ready to make new memories. Sit with Jesus as the apostles did, as with a close friend. Take that love to the world.

## August Birthdays

- 15—Whaylon Coleman
- 16—Kamyal Morton
- 23—Nadija Hanley
- 24—Sam Wood
- 27—Travis Higgs,
- 29—Andre Epison



**A huge thank you to our volunteers last Saturday to ready the grounds:** Marsha Allen (and the flowers), Layson Brooks (and the mulch), Stephen Coble, Vivian Higgs, Robert Johnson, and Charlene Meadows,

## Church Mice

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