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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 — We are the clay and you, O LORD, are the potter: we are the work of your hands (Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7).

Psalm — Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved (Psalm 80).

Second Reading — God is faithful; by God you were called to fellowship with the Son (1 Corinthians 1:3-9).

Gospel — Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come. (Mark 13:33-37).

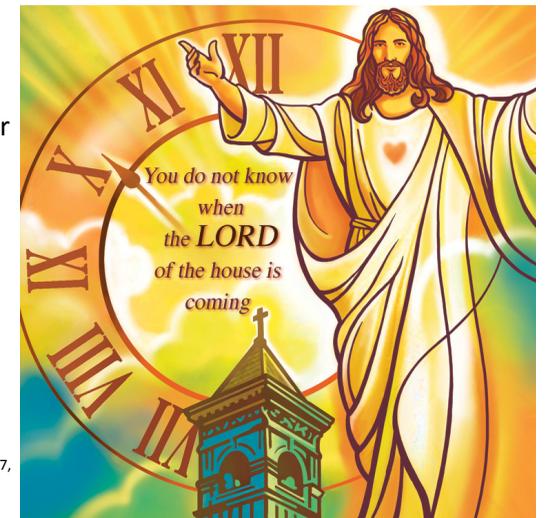
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1st Sunday of Advent
December 3, 2017

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Coming Events

CALENDAR



Blessed Sacrament Chapel

- ◆ Dec. 3—Holy Hour at each parish to start Year of Evangelization in diocese 2-3 PM
- ◆ Dec. 8—Feast of Immaculate Conception Mass 6 PM
- ◆ Dec. 19—St. Nick after Mass
- ◆ Dec. 19—Decorate Church (begin)
- ◆ Dec. 24—Finish Church decorations
- ◆ Dec. 24 10 AM Mass (4th Sunday of Advent)
- ◆ Dec. 24—7 PM Mass Christmas Eve



Upcoming Diocesan/Community Events

- ◆ Dec. 17 Diocesan Men's Conference
- ◆ March 9-11 Youth 2000 Retreat (held at Brescia University)

Thank you for your contributions..

- Nov. 19— \$629
- Nov. 26—\$1387
- Weekly Budget \$865
- Year to date —\$18,269
- YTD budget—\$19,030
(\$761.00)
- Candles—\$7

Thanks for using the Debt Reduction envelope. It helps bring down what we owe.



Advent Reconciliation Schedule

- Blessed Mother—Dec. 10 2 PM
- Precious Blood—Dec. 13 6 PM
- Our Lady of Lourdes—Dec. 13 6:30 PM
- St. Mary Magdalene—Dec. 14 6 PM
- St. Stephen's Cathedral—Dec. 17 2 PM
- Immaculate—Dec. 19 6 PM
- Sts. Joseph and Paul—Dec. 19 6:30 PM
- Mount St. Joseph—Dec. 21 6 PM
- St. Pius Tenth—Dec. 21 6PM
- St. Alphonsus—Wednesday evenings
- St. Martin, Rome—Sunday evenings 4:00-5:45

Prayer Experiences at Mount

- ◆ **Dec. 5** 5-6:30 PM The Mystery of Christmas \$20 includes meal and program
- ◆ **Dec. 9** 9-2 Advent Day of Prayer (Msgr. Bernard Powers \$25 includes lunch and program.

Registration: Kathy McCarty 270-229-0206

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11
- Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24
- Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37
- Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27
- Friday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
- Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8
- Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 85:9-14; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: First Sunday of Advent
- Monday: St. John Damascene
- Wednesday: St. Nicholas
- Thursday: St. Ambrose;
Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
- Friday: Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Saturday: St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin

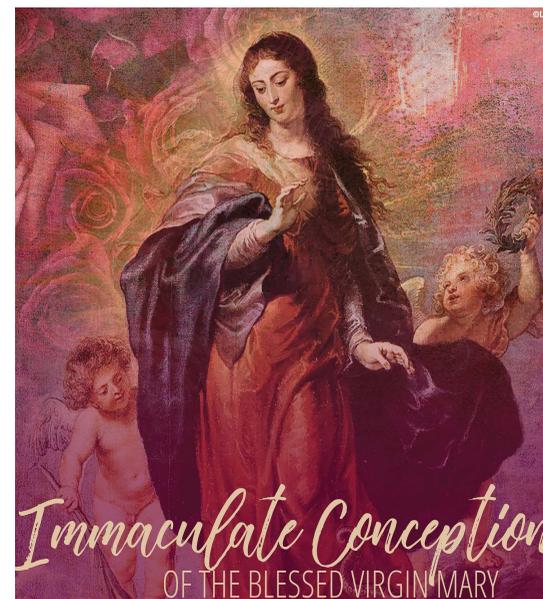
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GOD HAS A DIFFERENT PLAN

We begin the season of Advent with a heartfelt call for our own repentance. We remember God's faithful love for us, and call upon God to help us to turn back. For "behold, you are angry, and we are sinful" (Isaiah 64:4). In the first reading and in the psalm, we recall God's promises and lament our unfaithfulness and our guilt. We call upon God's might and power in order to save us. With Isaiah, we ask God to "rend the heavens and come down, / with the mountains quaking before you" (Isaiah 63:19).

Yes, God is faithful to us, because we are the work of God's hands. God is the potter, we are the clay. And yet, our concept of how God will come to save us is rooted in our own expectations of a warrior God who crushes mountains and thunders into our lives with great noise and glory.



From the desk of

Father Jamie



We have now started the season of Advent. A lot of us begin thinking about Christmas, but we must not lose sight of the fact that Advent is also to help us be reminded of how we are waiting for the second coming of Christ.

The readings for today talk a lot about being watchful and longing for the coming of Christ. We cannot just be watchful, because I think that has a more negative slant. We need to be watchful, but also long for the second coming. The second coming is a good thing, not a bad one. As long as we are trying our best to live a good life in line with God's will and plan, we have nothing to worry about.

Living in fear of the second coming does not bring a longing for the second coming. We know how the story ends, Christ beats death and a new heaven and earth are prepared for us. How much better can we get?

May we strive to watch longingly for our Christ to come. He is coming. May we help to make his kingdom come. He loves us and will fulfill our longing, good measure and flowing over.

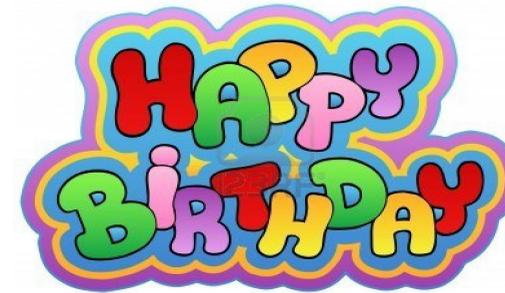
November 19th

Happenings at
Blessed Sacrament



December Birthdays

14—Linda McDonald
16—Yulanda Williams
18—Robert Johnson
20—Cathy Kramer
24—Susan Mutter



E-Giving is Alive!!

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Year End

Many times people are looking to make an end-of-the-year donation for tax purposes. Blessed Sacrament would be honored and happy to be remembered.

Mass Intentions:

Dec. 3—Kenneth Higgs
Dec. 8—Michael Carrico
Dec. 10—Donald Moorman
Dec. 17—Jerry Mezur
Dec. 24 (10 AM)—Barbara Horsley
Dec. 24 (7 PM)—Sandra Brown
Dec. 31—Les Bumm

Let us remember to pray for those who have recently died or those who are in the process of dying. Always remember to pray for the poor souls in purgatory.

Safe Environment

Anyone aware of the abuse of a person under the age of eighteen is required by law to report this to the proper state authorities: local law enforcement (687-8888 or 685-8444) or the Kentucky child Abuse Hotline (toll-free: 1-877-KYSAFE1). The diocese of Owensboro seeks to help all who have been sexually abused and especially those abused by a person working for the church, paid or unpaid, either past or present. To report such abuse, please call the diocesan Pastoral Assistance Coordinator confidential phone line (270-852-8380). The revised sexual abuse policy, which explains fully the diocese's efforts to address sexual abuse in the Church can be found in the back of church on the book rack.

MINSTERS

Lectors

- Dec. 8 Sister Jeannette
Dec. 10: Audrey Mezur
Greg Gough
Dec. 17: Mary Katherine Gough
Austin Gough

Eucharistic Ministers

- Dec. 8: Cindy Clark
Tina Gough
Vivian Higgs
Dec. 10: Misty Sanford\
Payton Sanford
Karen Leachman
Dec. 17: Charlene Meadows
Cindy Clark
Diane Hatchett

Ushers/Offertory

- Dec. 8: Steve Coble
Austin Gough
Dec. 10: Jacques and Whitney Williams
Family
Dec. 17: Shelby Webster
Wonet Taylor

LIKE A CHILD

One who aspires to the grace of God must be pure, with a heart as innocent as a child's.

Scrip

Many people give gift cards at Christmas or buy gifts with gift cards. Think about using Scrip. Gift cards to local and national merchants (department stores, restaurants, health care, automotive, sporting goods, just to mention a few) are available. A percentage is given back by the merchant. If you mention Blessed Sacrament Chapel when you purchase them, we will get 75% of the rebate. Some merchants give us much as 20% of the value of the card. You only pay the amount of the gift card. Scrip is available at the Catholic High School Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 8 AM to 5 PM. You can get all your gift cards at one location and not have to go to various stores. If you have any questions, please see Sister Jeannette. (At the school where I was, this was one of our biggest money-maker.) It takes a little effort but is worth it. Cards are available year round. This past July we received a rebate check for \$235.57—a huge increase from the \$19.99 we received in 2016. Would love to see a big increase this next July.

The only thing we take with us when we die is what we have given away. The only things that endure are our relationships with God and with others. We give him all that we have, and he takes the gift and calls us when he is ready to do so. —Cardinal Francis George

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Advent calendars appear now in many homes, and newfangled formats are even available on line. Children have fun opening the doors and windows keyed to the days counting down to Christmas. Behind each door is a picture related to the Christmas mystery, perhaps a scripture verse or saying, but more and more these days something totally unconnected to religious life, like a small toy or a chocolate treat, appears instead. The Advent calendar is not very old as traditions go. We can trace it back to German-speaking Christians, both Protestant and Catholic. Lutherans might have originated the custom by placing chalk marks on doors starting December 1, lighting candles every day, or placing a new religious picture on the wall each day during Advent. The oldest known hand-made calendar goes back to 1851, and the first printed ones appeared in 1908 in Germany with Bible verses behind the doors. By far the most interesting calendar is a building, the town hall (*Rathaus*) of Gengenbach in Germany's Black Forest. Every year the townspeople invite an illustrator of children's books to create twenty-four paintings or motifs for each of the twenty-four main windows of the building. Every night the people gather to see a new window opened and illuminated.

Very few commercial Advent calendars pay much attention to the core values of our liturgical calendar: the pivotal place of Sunday, the importance of Advent feasts like Saint Lucy and Saint Nicholas, and the clear shift in tone on December 17 from Advent longing and preparation toward imminent hope in Christ's coming. That kind of creativity is left up to you!

Our thoughts and prayers are with:

SICK: Frank Adams, Denise Higgs, Ruth Coble, Carol Hatchett, Loretta Wathen, Beverly Chilton, Sister Janice Fennewald, Charlene Meadows, Gloria Adams,, Larry Leachman, Blythe Nantz, . Philip Moorman, Sr., Camilla Greer, Jim Moorman, Sarah Bumm, Dorothy Fulton, Louise Johnson, Larry Allen, Betty Clark, Phillip Moorman, Jr., Linda McDonald
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, A phone call or a card can cheer the homebound if you can't visit.

You are Invited!

Please join Bishop Medley and the faithful around the diocese in prayer and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 2-3 PM on December 3rd as we pray for a New and Engaged Evangelization of ourselves and our families.

“Living as Missionary Disciples.”

We will have Adoration here at BSC just like all the parishes in the diocese. Please plan to be here to pray .