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Mission Statement:

Established in the Spirit of Jesus Christ with an
Afro-centric focus, Blessed Sacrament Chapel is com-
mitted 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 — The people of Nineveh believed God
and turned from their evil ways (Jonah 3:1-5, 10).

Psalm — Teach me your ways, O Lord (Psalm 25).

Second Reading — The world in its present form is
passing away (1 Corinthians 7:29-31).

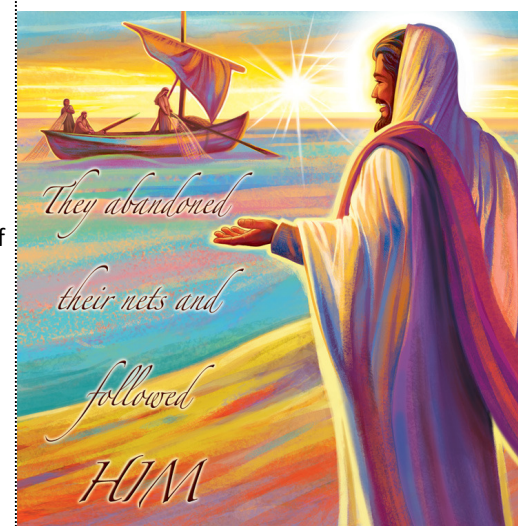
Gospel — This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of
God is at hand (Mark 1:14-20).

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 22, 2012

The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent,
and believe in the gospel. Mark 1:16



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Coming Events

CALENDAR



Blessed Sacrament Chapel

- ♦ Jan. 25 Chick-Fil-A Night 4-8 PM (Benefits BSC)
Need eaters and workers.
- ♦ Jan. 31 Finance meeting 4:30 PM
- ♦ Feb. 10 Italian Dinner 6 PM
- ♦ Feb. 14 Ash Wednesday Mass at BSC at 6 PM
- ♦ March 23 Fish Fry 5-7 PM

Upcoming Diocesan/Community Events

- ♦ Feb. 17 Diocesan Men’s Conference
- ♦ Cursillo Men—March 1-4 and Women March 8-11
- ♦ March 9-11 Youth 2000 at Brescia
- ♦ April 21 Annual Black Catholic Gathering 10 AM at Precious

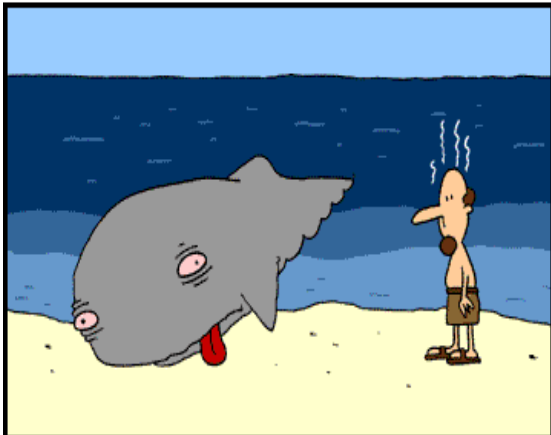
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Weekly Budget \$865
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Thanks to Dave Andres (See Jonah 1-4) 01-27-1999

JONAH REALIZED TWO THINGS THAT DAY ... YOU CAN'T ESCAPE GOD'S WILL AND THAT IF HE HAD SHOWERED LAST WEEK HE MIGHT HAVE BEEN IN THE WHALE FOR A WHILE LONGER

Upcoming Events at Mount St. Joseph

- ♦ Feb. 6 Jesus the Bridegroom.

Sessions start at 5 PM and conclude by 6:30 PM The cost is \$20. Preregistration is required. Contact KathyMcCarty at 270-229-0206 or Kakthy.mccarty@maplemount.org

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Ps 89:20-22, 25-26; Mk 3:22-30, or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer
Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Ps 24:7-10; Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-30; Mk 4:1-20
Thursday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18
Friday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 51:3-7, 10-11; Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-17; Mk 4:35-41
Sunday: Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28

Saints and Special Observances

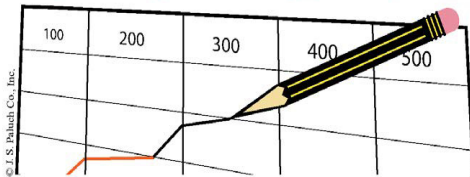
Sunday: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
Tuesday: St. Vincent; Saint Marianne Cope
Wednesday: St. Francis de Sales
Thursday: The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle
Friday: Ss. Timothy and Titus
Saturday: St. Angela Merici; Blessed Virgin Mary

Remember to pray for your prayer partner.

THE DEMANDS OF DISCIPLESHIP

Today we encounter readings that already have a Lenten feel about them. Nineveh undergoes a forty-day fast, the psalmist reminds us that God alone can show sinners the way, Paul shows us how fleeting the things and events of this world are, and Jesus cries out “Repent!” before he calls his new followers. “Come after me,” Jesus says, but if we are to truly live out the commands and demands of our discipleship through baptism, we must first know our need for conversion, our repentance, our need to believe in the gospel fully. Today’s Gospel opens with the stark reminder of what befell John the Baptist for completely living out his vocation as the herald of Christ and the gospel: he was arrested, imprisoned, and martyred. Though few of us will experience consequences that extreme, we must all be ready to risk some sort of rejection as, heeding the call of Jesus, we live out the kingdom of God at hand, repent of our sins, and believe in the good news of salvation.

Fund Raiser



Chick-Fil-A on Thursday January 25th 4-8 PM

Bring family and friends Mention BSC

From the desk of Father Jamie



Some of you may have heard that I had the flu not too long ago. Well, I had lots of time to reflect, while I suffered through the illness. I did have a little flashback to my childhood, to when I had chickenpox. I remember being so unhappy and in pain, that I asked my mother, why God allowed such horrible things. I found myself asking that question again while I had the flu.

One of the things that I have figured out over the years is that God has a purpose for everything, even nasty viruses. Yes, they don't feel pleasant, but we can make use of suffering by offering it up to God. God can work even in our weakness. I was so out of it during the flu, that I could not even focus enough to even say my prayers, so I just told God, "I offer this up for you; do what you will with it." Surrender is quite a prayer. Surrender takes a lot of humility and trust though.

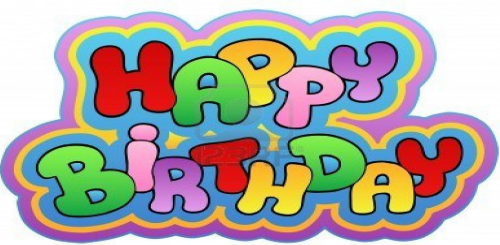
May we have the courage to ask God those hard questions. When we voice our concerns to God, he takes it. He will see us through. Illness can be painful and inconvenient, but it can also be a time to think and just be. God does take care of us.

Simon and Andrew “abandoned their nets and followed him.” It may be more difficult for us to “abandon our nets” so to speak, but it does prompt us that we need to make major changes in our lives if we are going to follow Jesus. Simon and Andrew, and then James and John, were common men, normal people. They had no theological credentials nor did they have any special status in the world.

Most of us are similar. Jesus did not select them (or us) for who they were. He called them for what He could do through them. It is the same with each of us. Yes, we are called, but in order to really fulfill our calling we need to follow and trust in Jesus.

January Birthdays

7—Jacques Williams II
10—Whitney Williams
14—James Hamilton
17—Adaira Hatchett
20—Janet Clark
22—Javaughn Williams
25—Louise Johnson
28—Frank Adams



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GIFT

What I am is God’s gift to me.
What I become is my gift back to God.
—Anonymous

Mass Intentions:

Jan. 7—Michael Carrico
Jan. 14—Donald Moorman
Jan. 21—Barbara Horsley
Jan. 28—Jerry Mezur

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.

Prayer for Evangelization

Diocese of Owensboro

***Our good and gracious God
through your Son Jesus Christ,
pour forth your Holy Spirit upon
the Church of Western Kentucky,
the Diocese of Owensboro.***

***Open our hearts to hear the Word of God
and make fruitful the work of evangelization.
Through our encounter with Christ
deepen our relationship with your Son
so that we may accompany the pilgrims on
their faith journeys.***

***Transform our parishes,
make them places of joy and hope
that welcome the stranger
and search out the lost.***

***May the Word of God
be always in our thoughts, words and deeds
so that all we encounter may find in your Son,
Jesus; the Way, the Truth the Life Amen***

MINSTERS

Lectors

Jan. 28: Martha Kramer

Austin Gough

Feb. 4: Layson Brooks

Audrey Mezur

Eucharistic Ministers

Jan. 28: Charlene Meadows

Payton Sanford

Cindy Clark

Feb. 4: Misty Sanford

Marsha Allen\

Cathy Kramer

Ushers/Offertory

Jan. 28: Jeff Sanford

Burnell Hamilton

Feb. 4: Barb Hammond

Pam McCarter

Let us remember well that whenever food is thrown out it is as if it were stolen from the table of the poor, from the hungry! I ask everyone to reflect on the problem of the loss and waste of food, to identify ways which by seriously dealing with this problem, convey solidarity with the underprivileged. —Pope Francis

In America we waste 40% of our food. What can you do about this?

9 DAYS FOR LIFE:

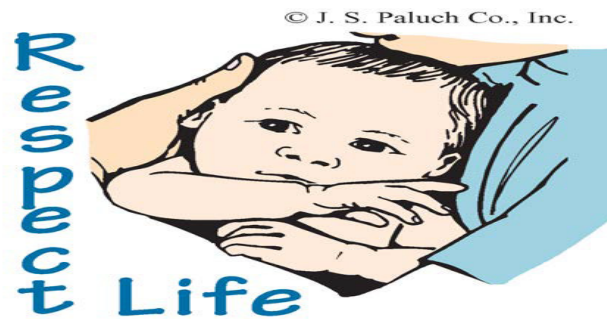
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Sign up to receive the novena through a free app, daily emails, or daily text messages. Visit www.9daysforlife.com to sign up and for information on how else you can get involved!

#9DaysforLife #OurPrayersMatter



“When a woman is facing a difficult pregnancy, the reaction of the first person she tells tends to set the tone for her decision-making. How do we respond in a loving way that is life-affirming for both her and her baby?” Find out in “What to Do When a Friend is Considering Abortion: www.bit.ly/friend-considering-abortion.”

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

One of the most unusual Catholic churches in the world is in Amsterdam: Our Lord in the Attic, or as the locals say, “Ons Lieve Heer op Solder.” What looks like a beautiful narrow brick mansion alongside a canal is a clever disguise for a very well-preserved seventeenth-century home and a secret church. During the Reformation, the Netherlands was divided into Protestant Holland and the Spanish Netherlands, now known as Belgium, a Catholic stronghold. Protestant reformers seized all the Catholic parishes in Holland and “de-Catholicized” them. New laws forbade the celebration of the Mass in public. St. Nicholas Church was renamed “Old Church” by the new owners, and the dispossessed Catholics got to work “hiding” St. Nicholas Parish in the upper floors of this mansion. Other Catholics did the same thing, but this is the only hidden church that survives today. Sunday Mass is still celebrated here.

It’s a beautiful hideaway, with nothing spared in regard to marble, gilding, a pipe organ, and classic Dutch painting. A few steps away, the Old Church, begun in 1250, stands emptied of the statues and carvings of its Catholic days, its windows replaced by plain glass. The new tenants gave up when it came to the ceiling, which is still painted with saints, biblical scenes, and merchant ships. The Dutch reformers were tolerant sorts, and as long as the Catholics kept out of sight, they were out of mind. Catholicism was at last tolerated in Holland after 1853, but in 1924 when the International Eucharistic Congress was held in Amsterdam, processions of Catholics were still forbidden in the streets. Today, Roman Catholics are about 19 percent of the population, and there’s no need for any of them to hide in the attic.

Our thoughts and prayers are with:

SICK: Rose Chapman, Craig Johnson, Frank Adams, Ruth Coble, Carol Hatchett, Loretta Wathen, Beverly Chilton, Denise Higgs, Father Pat Ryan, Charlene Meadows, 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 visita-**

THE HOMEBOUND:

Ruth Coble is at Heritage Place on Buckland Square. A phone call or a card can cheer the homebound if you can’t visit.

Youth 2000

The Youth 2000 Retreat will be held March 9-11 at Brescia University. It is a weekend that includes talks, music, the celebration of Mass, fellowship, and panel discussions. The goal is to draw young people into a relationship with Jesus and to encourage young people to become active in their parishes.

This year the number is limited to 900 youths ages 13-30. You are asked to register soon so you can attend. Your registration must come through a parish so if you are interested in attending, please see Sister Jeannette ASAP.