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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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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 8, 2018

I will rather boast most gladly of my
weaknesses, in order that the power of
Christ may dwell with me.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — They shall know that a prophet
has been among them (Ezekiel 2:2-5).

Psalm — Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading
for his mercy (Psalm 123).

Second Reading — I am content with weaknesses
and hardships for the sake of Christ (2 Corinthians
12:7-10).

Gospel — The people said: "Where did this man
get all this? Is he not the carpenter, the son of
Mary?" (Mark 6:1-6).

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Coming Events

CALENDAR



Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

July 15 Welcome Father Sinoj, Picnic meeting

August 3 Set-up for picnic

August 4 Picnic 10 AM– 4PM
5 PM Mass

August 5 no 10 AM Mass

Community Bar-B-Q's

July 14 St, Alphonsus 4: PM

Thank you for your contributions..

July 1—NA—

Weekly Budget —\$865

Year-to-date \$42, 326.82

YTD Budget—\$43,250

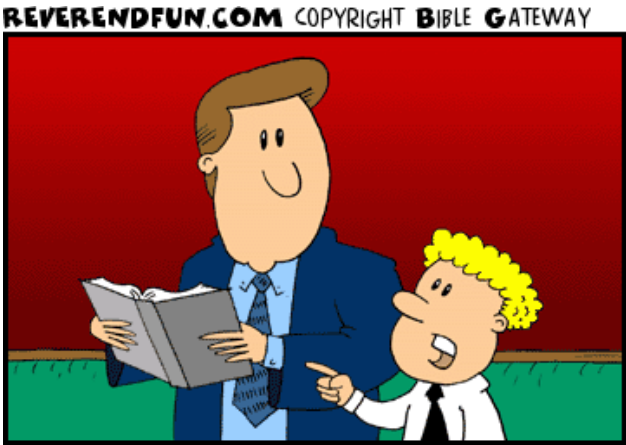
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Candles \$2



Memorial Gifts

\$140



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WHY DO WE HAVE HIM AND NOT HERS?

.Discipleship Reflections

Today's readings highlight some rather unflattering qualities: "hard of face and obstinate of heart," weakness, lack of faith. If we're honest with ourselves, we can admit we have exhibited at least one of these characteristics at some point. During those times, we can be oblivious to God's will for us, as well as the beauty and holiness present in everyday life.

What keeps us from seeing how God works in our lives? What can we do to better listen to and discern God's will for us? Perhaps we can reduce distractions by detaching ourselves from constant use of phones, television, or electronic games. Listen for God's voice and strengthen your faith by spending quiet time in prayer and participating in the sacraments. Begin each morning by asking for God's will for that day, and end your day with prayers of gratitude (gratitude is a wonderful antidote for envy and despair). We can open our minds and hearts to the needs of others whether in our family, parish, or greater community. Offering ourselves in service and generosity helps us grow as mature disciples and benefits those in need as well as ourselves—*giving is good for the giver.*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22; Ps 145:2-9; Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Ps 115:3-10; Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Ps 105:2-7; Mt 10:1-7

Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16; Mt 10:7-15

Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-14, 17; Mt 10:16-23

Saturday: Is 6:1-8; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Mt 10:24-33

Sunday: Am 7:12-15; Ps 85:9-14; Eph 1:3-14 [3-10]; Mk 6:7-13

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

.Sunday: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions

Wednesday: St. Benedict

Friday: St. Henry

Saturday: St. Kateri Tekakwitha

ONLY HALFWAY

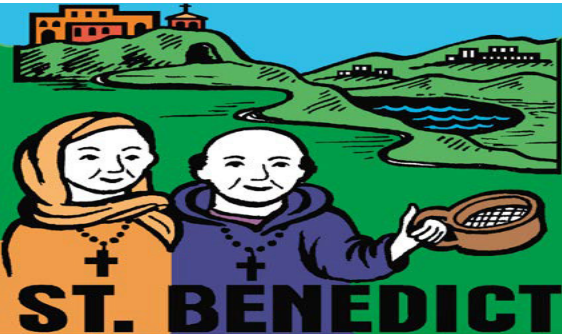
You can only go halfway into the darkest forest; then you are coming out the other side.

—Chinese proverb

OBSTACLES

The prophet Ezekiel, Saint Paul, and the Lord Jesus share something in common in today's scripture readings. They all experience obstacles to their ministry. Ezekiel is summoned to prophesy to the Israelites, who are "[h]ard of face and obstinate of heart" (Ezekiel 2:4). Saint Paul recounts how he has been given a "thorn in the flesh" (2 Corinthians 12:7). The Lord Jesus is unable to perform many signs in his native place. The Gospel tells us that "[he] was amazed at their lack of faith" (Mark 6:6). We too sometimes encounter obstacles as we travel along the journey of faith. So often we experience weakness on this journey. Let the words of the Lord to Saint Paul encourage us today: "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness" (2 Corinthians 12:9).

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From the desk of Father Sinoj, HGN



Dear Friends in Christ,
Greetings!!!

We live in a world where the 'majority influence' makes a significant impact on the life and convictions of the people. It is very challenging to be a true Christian where most people do not care to be so. Sometimes we are not aware that we are going along with the changes in the society without knowing its meaning and purpose. We become so attuned to the society to the extent that we even ignore the age old Christian values.

Prophet Ezekiel is chosen and sent by God to the midst of the Israelites who were very much derailed from the path of God and were attuned to the whims and fancies of the world. God commissions him with these words, "Whether they heed or resist, they shall know that a prophet has been among them" (Ez 2:5). The villagers of Jesus also could not accept that he who was with them for so long was the Messiah.

Dear Friends, when we see the changes in the society that are not in line with our Christian values, we tend to think that it is the change of time and we need to get along with it. But God always wants us to be true to our faith and preserve it. We shall guard ourselves from the 'majority influence' of evil. Even if the majority go against the will of God, He will raise prophets to show the world that His presence and mercy has been among them. We shall do our best to be those prophets...

Love in Christ
Fr. Sinoj Pynadath HGN.

(^^.^^) Always
^._.(^^.^^) Keep
(^^.^^).^.^ Smiling!

July Birthdays

3—Ray Higgs
8—Alexis Hatchett
10—Chelis Carmona
11—Diane Howard
12—Darlina Etienne
13—Francine Epison
15—Georgia Holland
18—Lori Carman
20—Tina Gough, Isaac Gough
22— Marcia Wilhite
26—Becky Coble
27—Robert Hagan



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Mass Intentions:

July 1—Barbara Horsley
July 8—Michael Carrico
July 15—Les Bumm
22—Bernice Williams
29—Blessings on BSC Picnic/Bar-B-Q

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***

<u>MINSTERS</u>	
<u>Lectors</u>	
<u>July 15:</u>	Barbara Bisel Marsha Allen
<u>July 22:</u>	Greg Gough Von Williams
<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	
<u>July 15:</u>	Yvonne Hatchett Karen Leachman Cindy Clark
<u>July 22:</u>	Charlene Meadows Rita Moorman Cathy Kramer
<u>Offertory/ Ushers</u>	
<u>July 15:</u>	Cathy Kramer Ethan Ashby
<u>July 22:</u>	Austin Gough Ethan Gough

WORDS

Fair words butter no parsnips.

—John Clarke

If you have letters for donors for silent auction, please do follow-up and turn in donations. I really appreciate all your efforts.

Blessed Sacrament Chapel Picnic

August 4, 2018

Pick up your **Raffle Tickets** to sell. Each family is asked to sell at least 25.

The **Silent Auction** is in need of baskets and gift cards. Can you donate items for a basket or ask some business to donate a basket? It is not too early to ask.

The **Cake Wheel** will need home-made cakes. Be thinking about what kind of cake you can bake and donate.

Picnic News

We are hoping to add a couple things for the picnic this year. We need everyone’s assistance to make it work.

- ◆ We would like to sell bar-b-q through a drive-through in the afternoon.
- ◆ A corn-hole contest is in the planning.
- ◆ We would like to sell raffle tickets at Friday after 5. Would you be willing to help?

Plan on how you can help and maybe even ask someone else to join us. Many people believe in Blessed Sacrament. Would they be willing to give us an hour?

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Last week’s Treasure mentioned the “Nuns of the Battlefield,” religious sisters from several communities who served as nurses in the Civil War. Florence Nightingale had only instituted female nurses a decade before in the Crimean War, so the idea of women tending to wounded soldiers was extraordinary. The medical and sanitary conditions on the battlefields were appalling, and the sisters were nearly all teachers. Few had any medical training beyond what they had learned as youngsters in the family. Anti-Catholic prejudice was so deeply entrenched in America that sisters could not wear their habits in public. These sisters were the first, and people on both the Union and Confederate sides soon began to marvel at their bravery, efficiency, and respect for Protestant soldiers. More than six hundred sisters from twenty-one communities went to war, serving in wretched conditions. They were tough and single-minded, efficient and fearless.

After the war, sisters could appear in public everywhere in the reunited nation, and often received the praise and gratitude of grateful soldiers and family members on behalf of their sister nurses. An outdoor monument to the “Nuns of the Battlefield” stands in Washington at M Street and Rhode Island Avenue. The inscription reads: “They comforted the dying, nursed the wounded, carried hope to the imprisoned, gave in His name a drink of water to the thirsty.”

Our thoughts and prayers are with:
SICK Dorothy Fulton, Ruth Coble, Carol Hatchett, Loretta Wathen, Beverly Chilton, Shelby Webster, Frank Adams, Rose Chapman, Father Pat Ryan, Charlene Meadows, Larry Leachman, Blythe Nantz, .Philip Moorman, Sr., Camilla Greer, Jim Moorman, Louise Johnson, Larry Allen, 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:
Ruth Coble is at Heritage Place on Buckland Square. A phone call or a card can cheer the homebound if you can’t visit.

Part Time or Full Time

“Do not be a ‘part-time’ Christian, at certain moments, in certain circumstances, in certain choices. Be Christian at all times! The truth of Christ, that the Holy spirit teaches us and gives us, always and forever involves our daily lives. Let us invoke the Spirit more often, to guide us on the path of Christ Disciples.” —Pope Francis