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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**

**St. Stephen Cathedral Parish Office:** 270-683-6525

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**Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**August 26, 2018**

As for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.

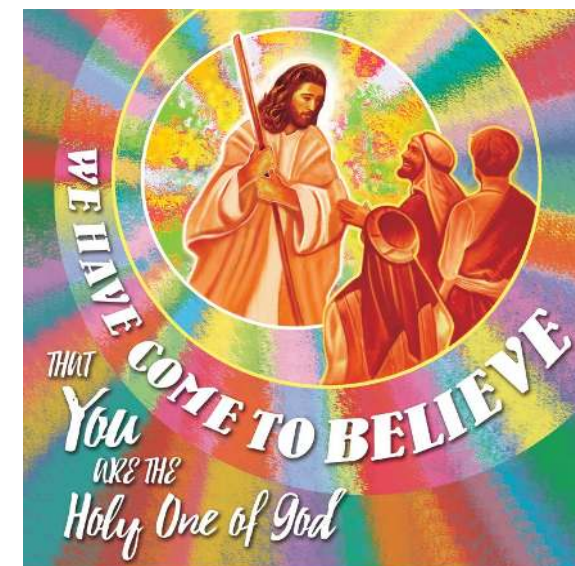
## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The LORD, our God, protected us along our entire journey (Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b).

**Psalm** — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34).

**Second Reading** — Christ nourishes and cherishes the church because we are members of his body (Ephesians 5:21-32 [5:2a, 25-32]).

**Gospel** — We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God





*“Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you.”*  
John 6:53

## From the desk of Father Sinoj



Dear friends in Christ,

Greetings! Hope you are all keeping well with the grace of the Most Holy and Blessed Sacrament. I would like to thank all of you for your concern and support you showed to express your solidarity with the people who suffer due to the unprecedented flood and landslides back in Kerala, India my homeland. I am sure your prayers and support helped them in their times of despair and especially me as I was worried about my family particularly my sister. I request your continued prayers as they are to rebuild their lives from zero. May Christ, living in the Blessed Sacrament be their strength and hope.

Jesus’ teaching on the Eucharist made many of his disciples anxious. When Gospel states their words “this saying is hard,” it means that it was hard for them to accept, not understand. A life of challenge, we all know, is true but hard for us to accept. It is circumstances like these which reveal men’s hearts and show them in their true colors. For some of the disciples of Jesus it was not possible to challenge the authorities as he was doing and get away with it. He was heading for disaster and they were getting out in time. They were fair-weather followers. For some, when it came to suffering for him and giving to him, they quit.

It has been said that the test of an army is how it fights when it is tired. Those who drifted away would have stuck by Jesus so long as his career was on the upward way, but at the first shadow of the Cross they left him. Our call to be His followers is a challenge for us to hold fast to him in times of turmoil. When we, “the Body of Christ” the Church face suffering, shameful, “hard to accept” situations we shall not go away. The man who would follow Jesus must remember that in following him there is always a Cross.

(☺) Always

☺(☺) Keep

(☺)☺ Smiling!

Fr. Sinoj Pynadath, HGN

24—Celena Hagan

30—Hank Pardon

### September Birthdays

1— Norwetta Taylor

2—Emma Latta

3—Joseph Johnson, Venice  
Higgs, Father Suneesh



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### Mass Intentions:

August 26—Barbara Horsley

September 2—Les Bumm

September 9—Kenneth Higgs

September 16—Sandra Brown

*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.*

**Our thoughts and prayers are with: SICK Dorothy Fulton, Ruth Coble, Carol Hatchett, Loretta Wathen, Beverly Chilton, Larry Clark, Shelby Webster, Frank Adams, Rose Chapman, Father Pat Ryan, Charlene Meadows, Larry Leachman, 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.**

### Mark the Date

The Diocesan Youth Conference will be Nov. 9 and 10 at the Convention Center. It is for youths grades 6-12. Deadline September 30th.

### **Marian Conference | “Mary, Mother of the Church”**

The Marian Shrine Committee is sponsoring a Marian Conference on Saturday, September 29 at the Owensboro Convention Center. Speakers are Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC and Teresa Tomeo. Music by Maria Spears. Tickets are available at the Owensboro Convention Center box office. Call 270-297-9932 or stop at the box office Monday through Friday from 8-5 PM. Tickets are \$30 per person. Students and children 21 and under are free.



Coming Events  
CALENDAR



**Blessed Sacrament Chapel**  
**September 13** Fundraiser Night at  
Freddy’s 5-9 PM  
**September 19** Finance Mt. 4:30 PM

Diocesan Happenings

**September 14** Vocare 6 PM at Convention  
Center  
**September 29** Marian Conference at Ow-  
ensboro Convention Center

Upcoming Bar-B-Q

**September 15** Blessed Mother 4 PM



Thank you for your  
contributions..

July’s Contributions—  
\$3831

July Budget \$4375

Weekly Budget —\$875

August \$1186.10

August Budget \$1750

Candles .—\$5

Year to  
Date—  
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et—\$6125



Congratulations

**To Marsha Allen on receiving the 1st Annual Silver  
Salute Faith Award given at the Munday Center  
Recognition Dinner. She was chosen for living the  
ideals of her spiritual creeds. She was one of five  
nominees.**

Register now for Branson Christmas  
Extravaganza!

The Diocese of Owensboro’s Office of Steward-  
ship presents Branson “Christmas Extravagan-  
za” featuring Daniel O’Donnell on Nov 1-4, 2018.  
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commodations and nine delicious meals!  
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ment will be due Sept 17. Call early to hold your  
reservation-these tours will fill up fast! Insurance  
is available for \$44. For more information, con-  
tact Faith in Travel at 270-389-1002

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12; Ps 96:1-5;  
Mt 23:13-22  
Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Ps 96:10-13;  
Mt 23:23-26  
Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18; Ps 128:1-2, 4-  
5;  
Mk 6:17-29  
Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9; Ps 145:2-7; Mt 24:42-51  
Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11;  
Mt 25:1-13  
Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31; Ps 33:12-13, 18-21;  
Mt 25:14-30  
Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Ps 15:2-5; Jas 1:17-18,  
21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary  
Time  
Monday: St. Monica  
Tuesday : St. Augustine  
Wednesday: The Passion of St. John the Baptist  
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday;  
World Day of Prayer for the Care of  
Creation

OCCUPANCY

The value of life does not depend  
upon the place we occupy. It depends  
upon the way we occupy that place.

HOUSEHOLDS IN GOD’S SERVICE

In the ancient world, “household”  
was a wide-reaching concept. When Josh-  
ua today speaks of his household serving  
the Lord, he meant not just those people  
who lived inside his walls or those related  
to him by blood or marriage; he meant  
slaves or servants and their families, and  
anyone indebted to him in any way. Even  
his livestock and other possessions would  
be consecrated to service of God. In our  
world, we value allowing individuals their  
freedom to choose how they live, and  
wouldn’t think of offering our pets to the  
service of God. But, as we discern our  
vocation as disciples baptized into Christ,  
we can come to realize how far-ranging  
the “households” of our lives still are:  
how we act toward our spouses, children,  
roommates or anyone we live with; our  
behavior with neighbors; or in public as  
we encounter many “strangers” every  
day in stores or traffic who suddenly are  
“next door” to us. How can we use our  
time, our resources, or gifts for selfless  
reasons rather than personal gain? No  
matter what life our witness to the Good  
News calls us to, we all have a  
“household” that must be consecrated to  
service of the Lord our God.

Mandeville, Jamaica

A mission trip to Mandeville is being  
planned for the week of October 7th. If  
interested , call Deacon Richard Murphy.  
Deadline to register is September 10th.



**MINSTERS**

**Lectors**

Sept. 2: Layson Brooks  
Barbara Bisel

Sept. 9: Greg Gough  
Austin Gough

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Sept. 2: Yvonne Hatchett  
Vivian Higgs  
Misty Sanford

Sept. 9: Barbara Bisel  
Tina Gough  
Gloria Adams

**Offertory/ Ushers**

Sept. 2: Shelby Webster  
Robert Hagan

Sept. 9: Robert Johnson  
Wonet Taylor

**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.

**TRUST**

I may trust Jesus too little, but I can never trust him too much.

—Anonymous

**“Master, to whom shall we go?”**

When the disciples realized that Jesus expected them to be like him, to consume him and to be consumed by him, many found that hard to accept. Some abandoned Jesus. Jesus asked his closest friends if they wanted to leave. Peter answered for those who stayed, and for us, “Master to whom shall we go?” When we realize that we are disciples of Jesus as a result of our Baptism, and that we are called to give ALL of ourselves as, Jesus did, we can look to Jesus for our model and our strength. Several years ago people of all ages were wearing bracelets, pendants, hats and shirts with the letters **WWJD? [What Would Jesus Do?]**. That is a very important question for us to ask before we do anything. It is also important for us to constantly grow in our knowledge and understanding of **WDJD? [What Did Jesus Do?]**. We do that by constantly growing in our knowledge and understanding of Revelation in Scripture and Tradition, and the teaching of the Church. That is how we know **WWSD! [What We Should Do!]**.

**OCHS 40<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion**

OCHS Class of 1978 will hold its 40<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion beginning Friday August 31<sup>st</sup> 2018 at the OCHS vs. OHS football game at Steele Stadium. On Saturday September 1<sup>st</sup> beginning at 3pm there will be a potluck dinner with Mass at 4pm at Brenda Clark's Farm. For more information contact Lee Ann Ebelhar Norris at 270-570-3041 or email [leeannnorris@gmail.com](mailto:leeannnorris@gmail.com). Information can be accessed on our Facebook page Owensboro Catholic High School Class of 1978.

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

This is the height of vacation season, but as anyone who has ever been to Rome in the summer knows, no time to visit there! The city is sweltering, and in a pre-air-conditioned world long ago, Romans figured out that they needed a break in the surrounding hills. Even the pope clears out. His destination is usually Castelgandolfo, a lovely little hill town south-east of Rome, overlooking a tranquil lake. It has been a papal possession since about 1600, and in 1929, when most of the papal states were finally lost, the papal dwelling was given “extraterritorial rights,” meaning that it is an extension of Vatican City and not under Italian rule. The Vatican observatory maintained telescopes here for decades, far from the glare of the city lights of Rome, but although the observatory offices remain here year round, the telescopes are in Arizona. Pope Francis spends less time here than his predecessors, though he still slows down the pace of his work in Rome.

Vacations can help us visit friends and relatives, and revive those human contacts that the pace of our lives keeps us from cultivating. The pope needs a break, and so do you. Vacation comes from a word meaning to empty oneself. There's still time to clear the calendar for at least one golden summer day even if you don't have a personal castle in the hills!



**St. Monica—Patron of mothers**

If you have ever spent years praying for something, take heart. Monica spent most of her life praying for her son, Augustine. He became the great St. Augustine who is one of the great Bishops of the Church.

**Church Mice**

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