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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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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Paul and Barnabas reported how God had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles Acts 14:21-27).

Psalm — I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God (Psalm 145).

Second Reading — God's dwelling is with the human race (Revelation 21:1-5a).

Gospel — This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another (John 13:31-33a, 34-35).



Fifth Sunday of Easter May 19, 2019

"Behold, God's dwelling is with the human race." — Revelation 21:3



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As I have loved you,
so you also should love one another.

No Vacation from a *Vocation!* Even as you travel this summer, make every effort to participate in Sunday Mass. One of the great things about being Catholic is the universality of the sacraments. To find the closest Mass to your location, remember to check Masstimes.org.

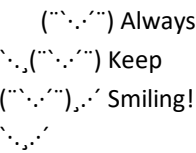
“I give you a new commandment: love one another.

As I have loved you, so you should also love one another.”

Jesus reminds us of the command God gave the Israelites through Moses to “*Love your neighbor as yourself.*” (Leviticus 19:18 / Luke 10:27). Next, Jesus tells us to “*Love your enemies. Do good to those who hate you.*” (Matthew 5:43, Luke 6:27). Psychologists now realize that we must love ourselves to be able to love others. That is how God created us. Sadly, many of us do not love ourselves enough to feel that we can be loved by others, or even by God. And there is the risk that the only one we love is ourselves. Jesus takes love to a new dimension. “*Love one another as I have loved you*” - *unconditionally; without a pre-condition of recognition; without expectation of being loved in return.* God made us stewards of His love for ourselves and for others. Are we ready to give an account of our stewardship when Jesus ask, “What have you done with My love?” How have you loved one another as I love you

Today’s Gospel is so familiar to us, and so simple...or is it? “*Love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another.*” As Christians—as followers of Christ—we are called and challenged to give, share, and love like Christ. We are called to live out sacrificial love in our lives.

As we consider today’s Gospel, we can ask ourselves: Is the love of Jesus reflected in how I live, and how I love? Do I believe others recognize me as a disciple of Jesus through my words and actions? Am I an example of sacrificial love, for the people in my life, for my parish?



God Loves you!!!

May Birthdays

- 7—Connie Clary
- 12—Cindy Clark, Charles Brown, JR, Brent Hatchett
- 14--Steve Coble
- 18—Tina McHenry
- 19--Lad Ottofy
- 20--Christian Trevor
- 22--Charles Brown, SR
- 26--Diane Hatchett
- 30--Karen Leachman,
- 31--Barbara Hammond, Layson Brooks



IMP—Kroger

Blessed Sacrament’s # is
WX799

Blessed Sacrament would appreciate being named as your community reward recipient. You can enroll at www.kroger.com or call 1-800-KROGERS

If you know anyone who does not have a designated charity, ask them to sign up for BSC as their charity.

Mass Intentions:

May 5—Kenneth Higgs

May 12—Betty Clark

May 19—Sandra Brown

May 26--Donald Moorman

Let us remember to pray for those who have recently died or those who are in the process of dying. Remember to pray for the souls in purgatory, especially for those who have no one to pray for them.

Our thoughts and prayers are with: SICK: Hunter Hoskins, Brad Boarman (Marsha Allen’s brother), David Carter, Philip Moorman, Sr., Larry Allen, Martha Kramer, Ruth Coble, Carol Hatchett, Beverly Chilton, Perry Washington, Frank Adams, Camilla Greer, Jim Moorman, Louise Johnson, Phillip Moorman, Jr., If you know of anyone seriously ill who is in need of prayer or visitation, please notify the office.

Please remember our home-bound: Beverly Chilton, who is in her home and Ruth Coble who is at Heritage Park . Georgia Holland who has moved to St. Louis stays in touch with BSC. A phone call or a card can cheer them up.



Precious Blood Parish Annual Picnic will be held on Saturday, June 1st. Booths open at 3 PM. Serving begins at 4 PM. There will be a Drive-through for meat. Live band from 4-6 PM (bring your own chairs). The raffle has prizes totaling approximately \$9,000, including a \$7500 cash prize.

Coming Events

CALENDAR



Blessed Sacrament Chapel

May 19 Recognize Von on his graduation.



June 5 Confirmation at CATHEDRAL 5 PM (Alexis Hatchett)

June 22 St. Meinrad tour (leave 9:30)

Diocesan/Community Happenings

June 12--noon Multi-cultural Mass Sts. Joseph and Paul

July 12-13 IAACEC in Cincinnati



Thank you for your contributions.

May 12--\$725
Weekly budget \$875
MTD budget \$1,750
MTD collection \$1298.50
YTD Budget—\$40,250
YTD Collection--\$41,887.92

Candles-- \$5

May each of us give according to what the Lord has blessed us with.



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 or 1-877-597-2331) or contact your local Commonwealth Attorney. 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, current or past, please call Louanne Payne, the diocesan Pastoral Assistance Coordinator confidential phone line (270-852-8380). You may also visit the Office of Safe Environment (owensborodiocese.org/safe) 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.

If you need to become safe environment compliance. go to <https://owensboro.cmgconnect.org>

This training is new to the diocese as of this winter. Training is online only. If you need assistance, please let Sister Jeannette know.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5; Jn 15:1-8
Thursday: Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11
Friday: Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-10, 12; Jn 15:12-17
Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21
Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rv 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Easter
Monday: St. Bernardine of Siena
Tuesday: St. Christopher Magallanes and Companions
Wednesday: St. Rita of Cascia
Saturday: St. Bede the Venerable; St. Gregory VII; St. Mary Magdalene de’ Pazzi

IMPENETRABLE

The same fence that shuts others out shuts us in.

MISSIONARIES OF MERCY

Paul’s back! After last week’s “violent abuse,” opponents organized a lynch mob that beat Paul nearly to death. But call Paul the “energizing evangelist,” transforming deadly cruelty into life-giving zeal. Paul’s past courage should inspire our commitment; Revelation’s future “new heaven, new earth” should inspire our optimism. But Revelation’s present assurance, “Behold, God’s dwelling is with the human race,” should challenge us to become “missionaries of mercy.” Because Pope Francis declared that the Church’s credibility is completely dependent on our showing unconditional mercy. Mercy, said Francis, makes the Church, the world, and everyone young again, reawakened to life’s noblest virtues. Fittingly, in today’s Gospel Jesus reinforces that theme: “This is how all will know you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

Twilight Retreat June 12: Creation from Seed.: Father Richard Powers will be presenting, “June Apples: There was Creation... from the Seed Eventually Comes the Gift of Eucharist.” This will take place on Wednesday, June 12 at Mount Saint Joseph Conference and Retreat Center. The event time is 6 p.m.-7:30 p.m. The \$20 fee includes dinner in the Center dining room. To register: 270-229-0206 These Twilight retreats take place on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. Save the dates: Aug. 14, Sept. 11,

<u>Lectors</u>	
<u>May 26:</u>	Gloria Adams Kathi Skidd
<u>June 2:</u>	Austin Gough Layson Brooks
<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	
<u>May 26:</u>	Rita Moorman Charlene Meadows Cindy Clark
<u>June 2:</u>	Greg Gough Marsha Allen Vivian Higgs
<u>Ushers/Offertory</u>	
<u>May 26:</u>	Robert Hagan Yvonne Mundy
<u>June 2:</u>	Pam Wilson Robert Johnson

GARDENING

Kind hearts are the garden,
Kind thoughts are the root,
Kind words are the blossoms,
Kind deeds are the fruit.

—Anonymous

Picnic

It is time to think about the picnic. Please mark the date **August 3** as high priority. We need all parish-ioners to help in some way.

As you shop this summer, please consider buying extra to donate to the parish for our picnic

- Baskets/items for silent auction
- Charcoal
- Rubs for poultry & ribs (Lawry or Grill Mates)
- Large disposable pans with lids for meat.

Flowers

Charlene Meadows (Thank you!!) often brings flowers from her yard to decorate our church. I am sure there are more of you who have beautiful flowers that you could occasionally bring. Please let Charlene or me know so that it could be coordinated and we could have fresh flowers every week.

St. Meinrad Tour

June 22. Plans are to leave Blessed Sacra-ment at 9:30 so we arrive in time for 10:45 tour. We will join the monks for noon prayer. Afterwards there will be time to visit the gift shop and go somewhere for lunch, if you want to. The plan is to carpool. We will have sign-ups the next two weekends. We hope to have a good size group from here.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Frequent fliers today have many ways to accrue air miles, so one doesn't always have to en-dure long hours in cramped seats to earn free hours in cramped seats. In St. Paul's day, there were no such perks, nor would there have been any legal system for him to protest the ship-wrecks he endured. He had other rewards in mind. The churches that he established in the cat-alogue of cities from today's first reading must have been very different from one another. Language, culture, customs, religious history, obstacles to community, social challenges, the places where they met, their clothing, their bread and wine, all distinct, particular to the area.

There were social customs as well: in a Christian household, the only place where a slave would be able to stand legally as an equal with the master would be at the table of the Lord, because at that table a new world of reconciliation was imaged. While Paul revered local cus-toms, he was relentless about challenging the ways that people lived their Christian lives and how their worship reflected them. It is much the same today, as a global Catholic Church seeks to respect local customs and culture, allowing for differences in many things, yet always giving expression to the underlying presence of Christ, who binds us all together into his body.

Failure is an opportunity to begin again, this time more intelligently.

◇ Steve Job (Apple) fired from company he began and worked way back up

◇ Albert Einstein could not speak fluently until age 9, expelled from school

◇ Abraham Lincoln failed in business, suffered nervous breakdown, defeated in first run for president.

◇ Michael Jordan missed over 9000 shots in career, 264 of those were game winning shots

◇ Walt Disney fired from newspaper for not being creative enough

