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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 — God exalted Jesus as leader and savior (Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41).

Psalm — I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me (Psalm 30).

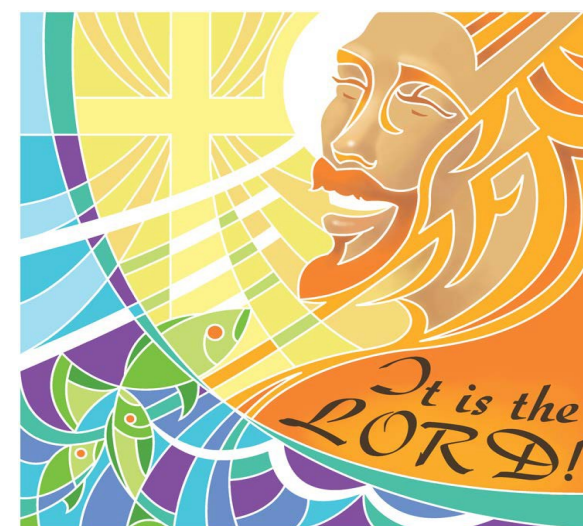
Second Reading — To the Lamb be blessing and honor, glory and might (Revelation 5:11-14).

Gospel — When the disciples came ashore, they saw a charcoal fire with fish on it and bread (John 21:1-19)



Third Sunday of Easter May 5, 2019

"Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches, wisdom and strength, honor and glory and blessing."



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Lord, you know I love you.



From the desk of Father Jerry Riney

An Inspiring & Honorable Witness! A young priest from Belgium requested to be stationed on the island of Molokai, where the lepers and the diseased were “dropped-off” to die. Outraged by the deplorable conditions of the island, he sought to restore a sense of dignity to the “un-touchables” discarded there. Within a short period of time, the sick were living in clean houses instead of caves, and were given a proper burial upon death rather than being “dumped” into mass graves. Even though the leprosy was highly contagious, Fr. Damien chose to remain in close contact with his people, and align himself even more with the crucified in society. Damien de Veuster (1840-1889) eventually contracted the disease and died from it. So fully did Fr. Damien immerse himself in the grim world of Molokai, that he could say not “You lepers” but “We lepers!” With Jesus praying for us, we serve the world not by setting ourselves apart from others, but by witnessing in their midst.

*In the first reading this Sunday, Peter and the apostles pay the price of being jailed and interrogated for their witness to Jesus’ death and Resurrection. They defend themselves by declaring that such public testimony is more imperative than obedience to human authority. They rejoice in the ill treatment received. **They know that death lasts a moment; God’s love lasts for life eternal.***

(^^:^^) Always
^: (^:^^) Keep
(^^:^^),^^ Smiling!
^:^^

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



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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:

Brad Boarman (Marsha Allen’s brother), Stephanie Higdon, David Carter, Philip Moorman, Sr., Mary Hagan, Larry Allen, Martha Kramer, Ruth Coble, Carol Hatchett, Beverly Chilton, Sarah Carman, 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.

Each person on this planet is here for a purpose...That purpose is to care for other people and to help this world become a better place through service to others.

---Gary Sinise

Coming Events
CALENDAR



Blessed Sacrament Chapel
May 5, 12 Scripture Study 9:20

May 5 Recognize Von on his graduation.

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

Diocesan/Community Happenings

May 13-15 Parish Mission at Precious Blood Church 7-8:30. Deacon Strohn, a deacon for the Archdiocese of Chicago, will be the speaker.

July 12-13 IAACEC in Cincinnati



Thank you for your contributions.

April 28--\$681.50

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YTD Budget—\$37,625

YTD Collection \$39,647

Candles \$6

Debt Reduction--
\$2

Home Missions
\$20



WELCOME BACK: Would you like to reconnect with the Catholic Church? Or connect more deeply to our faith community? Do you know someone in this position? Why not invite a neighbor, or friend? Come with them. No matter how long you have been away and no matter the reason, we invite you to consider renewing your relationship with the Catholic Church now. We miss you and we would like to welcome you home. Join us for an evening designed to help people return to the regular reception of the sacraments: Monday, May 6th, at 6:00 p.m. in St. Stephen Cathedral Media Center (located in the parish office—enter through the back door from the rear parking lot). For more information, please contact Rick Rhodes, 270/683-6525,

Count Your Blessings

An American soldier was taught a valuable lesson by a South Sea Islander during WWII.

The friendly host, trying to assure the visitor that they had many things in common, brought a copy of the Bible out of his hut and said: “This is my most prized possession.”

With obvious disdain, the soldier replied: “We’ve outgrown that sort of thing.

The islander who belonged to a tribe which had formerly practiced cannibalism, was unimpressed by this lack of courtesy as well as faith. He calmly remarked: “It’s a good thing we haven’t outgrown it here. If we had, you would have been a meal as soon as we saw you.”

READINGS FOR THE WEEK	
Monday:	Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday:	Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday:	Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40
Thursday:	Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
Friday:	Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59
Saturday:	Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69
Sunday:	Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5; Rv 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES	
.Sunday:	Third Sunday of Easter; Cinco de Mayo; Ramadan (Islamic observance) begins
Friday:	St. Damien de Veuster

TALENT

Talent is wanting something bad enough to work for it.

WORDS AND DEEDS

When people hear us speak God’s word, they marvel at its beauty and power; when they see what little impact it has on our daily lives, they laugh and poke fun at us.

LIFELONG SERVICE

“I am going fishing.” What an announcement! If asked who made it, and not told it was a Bible quote, we might guess “Grandpa” or “Uncle Fred,” or admit, “I said that last summer!” But it is a Bible quote, from today’s Gospel. The person who said it also once declared, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” Yes, it’s Peter! So today’s announcement seems quite the come-down. Last Sunday Jesus said, “As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” But Peter seems determined to return to his pre-apostolic occupation, until Jesus intervenes, making Peter’s later announcement deeper, “Lord, you know that I love you,” and Peter’s apostolic calling clearer, “Tend my sheep.” Peter does so. Acts presents the consequences: Peter declares, “We must obey God rather than men.” As Revelation proclaims, “Worthy is the Lamb”—to receive Peter’s lifelong service, and ours.

Please remember in your prayers Alexis Hatchett who will be confirmed on June 8th at the Cathedral .

Confirmation is an affirming sacrament. The Spirit of the Lord is given so that they may be more fulfilled, more alive. The Spirit is given so that they (and us) may know they are love and are precious to God.

Lectors

May 12: Connie Clary
Audrey Mezur

May 19: Von Williams
Marsha Allen

Eucharistic Ministers

May 12: Barbara Bisel
Gloria Adams
Lori Robinson

May 19: Misty Sanford
Tina Gough
Yvonne Hatchett

Ushers/Offertory

May 12: Whitney & Jacques
Williams & sons

May 19: Barbara Hammond
Burnell Hamilton



We made \$179.82 at our night on the 25th. Thanks to each of you who supported the effort.

This weekend's Gospel reading from John enjoys a number of themes not least of which has to do with hearing Christ's call to live differently but returning to our "comfort zones." Even after seeing the risen Lord and receiving his blessing and missionary charge, his disciples go back to what they were doing before Jesus first called them. Instead of continuing Jesus' ministry, they return to the life they knew. When faced with the choice between embarking on a new way of life or staying where life is familiar and comfortable, they chose the latter. Good stewards know that Christ has called them to open their hearts and live in a different way. How often do we retreat from the Lord's call so that we may remain with what is comfortable and familiar?

Follow Me." Are we listening? Do we hear Jesus' invitation to examine our lives, to examine on 'which side of the boat we are fishing'? In today's Gospel Jesus invites us to enjoy abundance, to share hospitality, to feed His sheep, to ponder our love for Him.

What are ways in which we can follow Jesus? We can make time for daily prayer, not only to talk to Him but to spend quiet time listening for His voice. We can do our part to build up His kingdom on earth by returning a generous portion of the gifts we are given (and we all receive gifts) through service in parish ministry and by sharing our treasure.

There are a number of ministry opportunities available! Being involved, in ways large or small, benefits our parish and community and helps you to feel a part of our faith family. The Lord calls each of us to follow Him. Are we listening?

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The Gospel today sees Peter and his colleagues after the Resurrection, returning to Galilee and resuming the family business. They are fishing by night. Although it is true that fish feed by night, the mention of darkness here is more about the human spirit than it is about fishing advice. Modern life keeps darkness effectively under control; much of the world has been glowing radiantly through the night for a century. Yet just as surely as the Risen Christ breaks into Peter's fishing, so does he break into the usual patterns of our own darkness, electric lights notwithstanding. It is Easter, and we are the people of the light.

In our tradition, Evening Prayer, celebrated in monasteries, parishes, cathedrals, and homes everywhere, is a kind of solemn protest against the darkness and its claims, an act of praise for our light-bearing God, and a commitment to carrying that light forward. Sunset is a turning point of our day, felt less acutely in an electrified world, but still an effective reminder that one day darkness overtakes us all. Yet our Eastering has taught us in a hundred ways that the victory belongs to the Bearer of Light. Easter summons us to transform our everyday "blackouts," perhaps in a way as simple as a whispered prayer of thanks at evening for the blessings of the day.

Church Mice

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