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# Blessed Sacrament Chapel

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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**

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

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## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — If you share your food with the hungry, provide housing for the homeless, then light shall break forth upon you (Isaiah 58:7-10).

**Psalms** — The just man is a light in the darkness to the upright (Psalm 112).

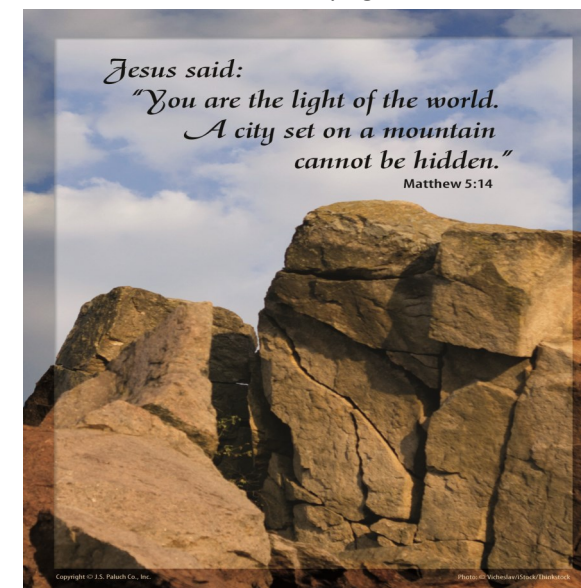
**Second Reading** — My message to you, says Paul, was the proclamation of Christ crucified (1 Corinthians 2:1-5).

**Gospel** — You are the salt of the earth, the light of the world. In your good deeds your light shines before others, leading them to glorify God (Matthew 5:13-16).



**5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Feb. 9, 2020**

Light shines through the darkness  
 for the upright.



# Your light must shine before others.

## From the desk of Father Jerry



**I. Saint Valentine of Rome**, is a third-century Roman saint widely celebrated on February 14 and commonly associated with “courtly love.” In 1969, the Roman Catholic Church removed St. Valentine from the General Roman Calendar, because so little is known about him; however, it is highly agreed that St. Valentine was martyred and then buried on the Via Flaminia to the north of Rome. St. Valentine is the Patron Saint of engaged/betrothed couples, bee keepers, epilepsy, fainting, greetings, happy marriages, love, lovers, plague, travelers, and young people. This day might be a good opportunity to ask myself: do I express my love to those who mean so much to me? How do I express my love to God for all the good done for me?

**II. Congratulations to our Shepherd, Bishop Medley**, as he celebrates the 10th Anniversary of his ordination as the fourth Bishop of the Diocese of Owensboro. You are invited to Vespers (official Evening Prayer of the Church) at our Cathedral on Monday, February 17, at 6:00pm. A reception will follow in the Community Center. We have no idea the burden that accompanies the role of Bishop in our Church today.

**III.. How Does One Grow Faith?** One way for men (includes Seniors in High School) is to commit seven hours (seven hours may seem like a lot of time, but not if we consider how much time we spend golfing, watching TV or on Multi-media, etc.) to the Men’s Conference on Saturday, February 15 at the RiverPark Center downtown Owensboro. I have had many men to tell me how this conference over the past several years has made a difference in their faith commitment. Pick up registration form at doors of the Cathedral or sign up on-line. Visit [kycatholic.com](http://kycatholic.com) online for more information.

**IV. The World Day of Prayer for the Sick**, Tuesday, February 11, is also the Feast of our Lady of Lourdes. It is the role of the entire community of faith to care for those who are sick, homebound, or confined to a nursing home. Never underestimate what a phone call, note, or a short visit can mean.

### February Birthdays

- 2--Nancy Bumm
- 3--Jacques Williams (Sr.)
- 6--Philip Moorman
- 8--Karen Terry
- 9--Beau Bisel
- 10--Father Jerry Riney
- 23--Larry Allen
- 24--Yasmeen Williams
- 27--Sondra Hibbs



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### Mass Intentions

- February 2--Ray McDaniel
- February 9--Beverly Chilton
- February 16--Clyde G. Coble
- February 23--Donald Moorman
- February 26--Grace Medley Ebelhar

*Let us remember to pray for those who have recently died or those 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: the sick: Kathy Gebhard, Charlene Meadows, Frank and Gloria Adams, Carol Hatchett, Martha Kramer, Ruth Coble, Larry Allen, Camilla Greer, 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: 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.

Mary saw many difficult moments in her life, from the birth of Jesus “no place in the inn” to Calvary. And like a good mother, she is close to us, so that we may never lose courage before the adversities of life; she gives us strength; she shows us the path of her Son.

Preacher went to visit one of o the little, old saints of the church. In conversation he asks her if she ever thought of the hereafter. She said, my yes! Every day! Every time I go into another room I ask myself, now what am I here after!



Coming Events

CALENDAR



Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Feb. 16--Ladies of Wisdom Tea

Feb. 29--Italian Dinner

April 3--Fish Fry 5-7 PM

Diocesan Community Happenings

Feb. 15--Catholic Men’s Conference.

Feb. 17-- Bishop Medley’s 10th anniversary celebration Vespers 6 PM at SSC



Feb. 2--\$962.40

Weekly budget--\$933

MTD collection--\$962.40

MTD budget--\$933

YTD collection--27,235.72

YTD budget \$27,990

Debt Reduction--\$11



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



Discipleship

In today’s Gospel, Jesus inspires us with simple wisdom and guidance for our journey to becoming mature disciples. *“You are the salt of the earth.”* Salt was highly valued in Jesus’ time to enhance flavor and to preserve. We are reminded of our value, our usefulness in enhancing the lives of others by sharing the messages of the Gospel. This is accomplished not only with words but with our actions! *“You are the light of the world.”* As good stewards of the gifts and talents we receive (and we all receive them), we are called not to hide those gifts or use them to shine light on ourselves, but to share them willingly to serve others. In doing so, we reflect His light.

To be able to give of ourselves—to be salt and light for others—we need to ensure we stay replenished. Prayer is essential for recognizing our gifts, for recharging ourselves to be able to illuminate, and for keeping our flavor.

Tables for the Italian Dinner are going quickly. If you want a table or seat, please reserve one soon.

How are you participating in the night? If you haven’t volunteered, please consider doing so.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10; Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84: 3-5, 10-11; Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-37, 40; Mk 7:24-30

Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-15; Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-22; Mk 8:1-10

Sunday: Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 33 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

Sunday: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Marriage Day

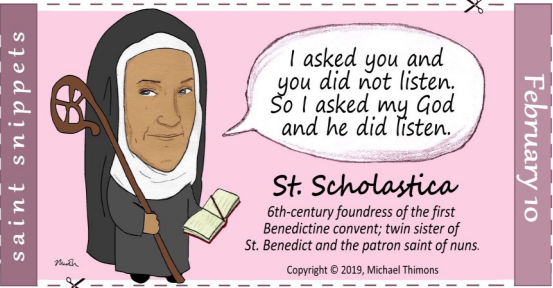
Monday: St. Scholastica

Tuesday: Our Lady of Lourdes; World Day of the Sick

Wednesday: Lincoln’s Birthday

Friday: Ss. Cyril and Methodius; Valentine’s Day

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary



GOD’S CALL

The person who has been “saved,” who has “heard the good news of salvation,” still lives in an unsaved world, a world sadly oblivious to the presence of God. Today’s readings outline how the disciple is present in the world.

The outline begins with Isaiah: “Share your bread . . . shelter the oppressed . . . clothe the naked” (Isaiah 58:7). Those who hear the word of salvation are not insensitive to the urgent needs of others. Then Paul reminds his flock that he brought Christ to them not in eloquence or wisdom, but by being with them in the “weakness and fear” of their daily lives (1 Corinthians 2:3). Finally, Jesus tells his disciples to go out into the gloom and darkness of the streets of the world and let God’s light shine through their good deeds.

We disciples don’t save the world. To the extent, however, that we have heard the word of God and been awakened to God’s presence, we may spread that word and bring that presence to others.

Please remember in your prayers Beverly Chilton and Jim McCarter who have died recently.

PRESIDENTIAL GARDENING

After I die, I want it said of me that I plucked a weed and planted a flower wherever I thought a flower would grow.


—Abraham Lincoln

<u>Feb. 16:</u>	Kathi Skidd
	Jacques Williams
<u>Feb. 23:</u>	Greg Gough
	Barbara Bisel
	<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>
<u>Feb. 16:</u>	Marsha Allen
	Tina Gough
	Barbara Bisel
<u>Feb. 23:</u>	Vivian Higgs
	Cathy Kramer
	Charlene Meadows
	<b>Ushers/Offertory</b>
<u>Feb. 16:</u>	Robert Hagan
	Lea Ann Johnson
<u>Feb. 23:</u>	Jacques & Whitney Williams
	And sons
	<b>Thank you for your ministry!</b>

LATER . . .

One who waits to do a great deal of good at once, will never do anything.

—Samuel Johnson



Thanks to all who participated in the McDonald's Night on Jan. 28th. We made \$333.60

Special thanks to the helpers at the restaurant:

Greg and Ethan Gough, Connie Clary, and Stephen Coble. Without you this fundraiser could not happen.

Who is Jesus to Me?

Jesus is the Word--to be spoken

Jesus is the Life--to be lived--

Jesus is the Love--to be loved.

Jesus is the Joy--to be shared

Jesus is the Sacrifice--to be offered

Jesus is the Peace--to be given

Jesus is the Bread of Life--to be eaten.

Jesus is the Hungry--to be fed

Jesus is the Thirsty--to be satiated

Jesus is the naked--to be clothed

Jesus is the Homeless--to be taken in

Jesus is the Sick--to be healed

Jesus is the lonely--to be loved.

--Mother St. Teresa of Calcutta

### Black History Month---Inventors

- ◇ Benjamin Banneker--wooden clock which struck the hour (1st clock built completely in USA)
- ◇ Henry Blair--corn harvester
- ◇ Otis Boykin--artificial heart control unit. Also invented device used in IBM computers
- ◇ Frederick Jones--1st truck refrigerator system
- ◇ Lewis Latimer--process for carbon filaments for incandescent lamps. Installation of electric lights in NYC, Philadelphia., London.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

SAINT JOSEPHINE BAKHITA (c. 1869-1947)

February 8

“Save Darfur!” That cry echoes around the world and in the heart of the Church, where a child of Darfur is one of our newest saints: Josephine (her baptismal name) Bakhita (“Lucky One,” the slave-traders’ nickname). Kidnapped at nine, sold in Sudan’s slave-markets, flogged daily till covered with scars, Bakhita was finally bought by Italians and taken to Italy. There Bakhita discovered a “Master” who had himself been flogged to redeem her from slavery! “I am truly loved,” she thought, “and awaited by this Love.” Baptized, she often kissed the baptismal font, exclaiming, “Here I became a daughter of God!” For fifty years as a Daughter of Charity, Bakhita provided cheerful hospitality to all who knocked at the convent door. In her final illness, she relived slavery’s horror: “Please, loosen these chains,” she begged the nurse. “They are so heavy!” Her last words were: “Our Lady! Our Lady!” John Paul II canonized her in the Jubilee Year 2000, praising God for leading her “from abject slavery to the dignity of being your daughter and the Bride of Christ.”

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**The Sunday School teacher** was describing that when Lot's wife looked back at Sodom she turned into a pillar of salt, when Bobby interrupted. "My mommy looked back once while she was driving," he announced, "and she turned into a telephone pole."

**Lot again...** A father was reading Bible stories to his young son. He read, "The man named Lot was warned to take his wife and flee out of the city, but his wife looked back and was turned into a pillar of salt."  
His son asked, "What happened to the flea?"

Church Mice

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"...THERE WAS A MAN IN JERUSALEM WHOSE NAME WAS SIMEON; THIS MAN WAS RIGHTEOUS AND DEVOUT, LOOKING FORWARD TO THE CONSOLATION OF ISRAEL, AND THE HOLY SPIRIT RESTED ON HIM."

WE ALL NEED TO BE MORE LIKE SIMEON IN THE NEW YEAR...

THE VIEW IS SO MUCH BETTER WHEN WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD AND NOT BACKWARD!

Luke 2:25

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