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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

**Rector:** Fr. Jerry Riney, [jerry.riney@pastoral.org](mailto:jerry.riney@pastoral.org)

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**18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Aug. 2, 2020**

All you who are thirsty, come to the water!

— *Isaiah 55:1a*

## Today's Readings

**First Reading** — All you who thirst, come to the water! You without money, come to the feast! (Isaiah 55:1-3).

**Psalm** — The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs (Psalm 145).

**Second Reading** — Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ (Romans 8:35, 37-39).

**Gospel** — All ate until satisfied; they collected twelve baskets of what was left over (Matthew 14:13-21).



# Coming Events

## CALENDAR



### Blessed Sacrament Chapel

August 2--Picnic donations due  
October 17--Oktoberfest

### Diocesan Community Happenings

Pray for this space soon to be filled with Church activities. Remember in your prayers all who are affected through this pandemic--either with health issues or financial issues.



July 26--\$1098

Weekly budget: \$952

MTD collection--\$4329

MTD budget--\$3808

YTD collection--\$4329

YTD budget--\$3808 Candles--\$3



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



## Pope Francis’s Prayer to Mary During Coronavirus Pandemic

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus’ pain, keeping your faith firm. You know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen. Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

### CONGRATULATIONS!

Father Jerry will celebrate 45 years of ministering as a priest for the Diocese of Owensboro on August 9th.

Father Jerry is a pastoral priest who is constantly searching on ways to better serve his flock--especially the poor and needy. Let us pray that God will flood him with many blessings for all the care that he has shown and will continue to show to all of us. May he enjoy many more years of life and love for those whom God puts in his path.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Jer 28:1-17; Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102; Mt 14:22-36
- Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102:16-21, 22-23; Mt 14:22-36
- Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Mt 15:21-28
- Thursday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9
- Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Dt 32:35cd-36, 39;; Mt 16:24-28
- Saturday: Hb 1:12 — 2:4; Ps 9:8-13; Mt 17:14-20
- Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85: 9-14; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: 18th Sunday in OrdinaryTime
- Tuesday: St. John Vianney
- Wednesday: Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major
- Thursday: The Transfiguration; Hiroshima Memorial Day
- Friday: St. Sixtus II and Companions; St. Cajetan; First Friday
- Saturday: St. Dominic

Laugh of the Week A mother was teaching her three-year old daughter the Lord’s Prayer. For several evenings at bed time, she repeated it after her mother. One night she said she was ready to try it on her own. Mother glowed with pride and listened to each word right up to the end. “And lead us not into temptation,” she said “and deliver us from all emails.”

### OUR DEEPEST NEEDS

The word of God serves up a tremendous feast for us today. Isaiah beckons all who hunger and thirst to come to the Lord for satisfaction. The psalmist cries out, “The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs” (Psalm 145:16). Saint Paul tells us that nothing can separate us from the love of God. Finally, in the Gospel, we hear the story of the miraculous feeding of over five thousand people from a mere five loaves and two fish. Most of us have our material needs met on a day-to-day basis. These scriptures, nevertheless, have much to say to the contemporary believer. We must ask ourselves, “Where are my deepest hungers? Where are my thirsts?” After material needs are satisfied and, in some cases, over-satisfied, many people still experience a deep longing for spiritual balance and well-being. As the loaves and fish are multiplied in today’s Gospel, perhaps our prayer can be a longing for the satisfaction of the deepest needs that only God can fill.

### PRAYER AND HUMILITY

Arm yourself with prayer rather than a sword; wear humility rather than fine clothes. --St. Dominic

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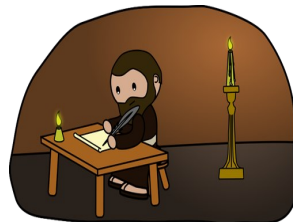
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# The Lord is near to all who call upon Him.

*From the desk of Father Sinoj*



Greetings! Thank you all for your generosity and belongingness you show towards our parish. In this strangely different time when we had to cancel the picnic, the fundraising aspect of the picnic was a concern. You have responded with much thoughtfulness and care. May this communion of ours bring us more and more joy and peace in our lives!

The Gospel message this weekend is drawn from the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fish by Jesus. This narrative teaches us the conviction that through Jesus we share in God’s own abundance and in the promises made to God’s covenant people. This can be regarded as a miracle of Divine Providence and as a Messianic sign. This incident also anticipates the Eucharist. The words and actions of Jesus, and the communal sharing of this event are symbols explaining the meaning of Eucharist. In this time let us take a lesson from this Gospel, that no matter how impossible our life may seem, with Divine help it can be lived because “nothing is impossible with God.”

Aug. 4<sup>th</sup> is the Feast of St. John Marie Vianney, the patron of Priests. Let us remember all the Priests and Deacons who serve us. In a special way let us pray for our Pastor Fr. Jerry Riney. As Aug. 6<sup>th</sup> is the Feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord, forty days before the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, we remember the glory of Christ in our sufferings.

(“.”) Always  
.”(“.”) Keep  
.”.”) Smiling!

God Loves You!!

Fr. Sinoj Pynadath, HGN

## July Birthdays

30--Yvonne Mundy  
31--Gloria Adams

## August Birthdays

24--Celena Hagan  
30--Hank Pardon



*As we celebrate the feast of St. John Vianney on Tuesday, please lift up our priests, especially Father Jerry and Father Sinoj in prayer. These are difficult times as they try to minister in the most meaningful way to us. We are very blessed to have two priests who care about us spiritually, emotionally, and physically. Thank you for their ministry.*

## Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

## Mass Intentions

August 2--David Boarman  
August 9--Lucian Moorman  
August 16--Betty Clark  
August 23--Kenneth Higgs

*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: Minola & Lius Aju, Nancy Bumm, Brian Fennwald, Stephen Hall, Ruth Coble, Frank & Gloria Adams, Carol Hatchett, Rachel Mattingly 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 and Shirley Schmidt who are at Heritage Park . Georgia Hollland lives in St.. Louis but stays active in BSC happenings.

## THIRST

You have put salt in our mouths that we may thirst for you. --St. Augustine



**Please remember your donation to the picnic fund. We are counting on you.**

### Lectors

August 2: Barbara Bisel

Layson Brooks

August 9: Audrey Mezur

Kathi Skidd

### **Discipleship**

In today's Gospel the familiar story of the miracle of the loaves and fishes tells us how, out of love and compassion, the Lord identifies the needs of the crowd, then cures the sick and feeds the hungry. I've always been a little struck by the challenge of Jesus' words to his disciples, "*give them some food yourselves.*" Perhaps this is a message to each of us to share our gifts to serve others, even though we often don't believe we have much to give "*five loaves and two fish are all we have here.*" What should our motivation be for giving and sharing? Do we give only because our church asks us to do so? Do we serve because we feel guilty or pressed into participating? As disciples, we are called to give back a generous portion of our God-given gifts (and we all receive gifts) because we are thankful for those blessings. When we share our time, skills, and treasure, the Lord accepts those gifts (regardless of the size) and multiplies them. And we may never know how our prayer, acts of kindness, service, or generosity will result in little everyday miracles.

### **Safe Environment**

The safety of our children is the responsibility of every Christian. 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 (270-687- 8888 / or 270-685-8444\_) or the Kentucky Child Abuse Hotline (toll-free: 1-877-KYSAFE1; 1-877-597-2331). To report to the diocese abuse by church personnel (paid or volunteer) either past or present, please call the Pastoral Assistance Coordinator at this confidential phone line: 270-852-8380. The Diocese of Owensboro sexual abuse policy is available at this parish in the back of church, or in the parish office and also on the diocesan web site ([https:// owensborodiocese.org/safe](https://owensborodiocese.org/safe)).

### **Huge Shout Out**

To our faithful ministers :

Cantor: Layson Brooks

Bell ringer and cross bearer: Burnell Hamilton

Hospitality ministers: Cindy Clark, Rita Moorman

Lectors: Barbara Bisel, Layson Brooks, Audrey Mezur, Kathi Skidd, Jacques Williams

Church disinfecting: Cindy and Danny Clark

Flowers: Charlene Meadows

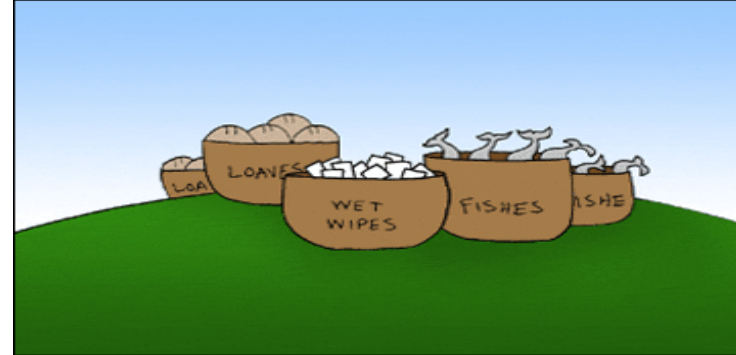
Pianist: Mamie Farish

**SAINT JOHN MARY VIANNEY (1786-1859)**

**August 4**

A busy pastor jokingly suggests the secret of John Vianney's holiness: "He died seventeen years before telephones!" Call they didn't, but visit they did, keeping Vianney eighteen hours a day in the confessional. Stories abound of reading hearts and exorcisms, but Vianney's first miracle was getting ordained. Difficulty with studies delayed him, prompting the rector's apology to the bishop, "So far to ordain just one, especially *this* one!" The bishop, who could not know he was ordaining the future patron saint of parish priests, replied, "No burden to ordain one good priest!" In Ars, only an elderly handful attended Mass, "praying," one told Vianney, "for a priest with brains." But he stayed forty-two years, fulfilling the promise he made the day he arrived. In a sculpture just outside the village Vianney points skyward: "Show me the way to Ars," he tells a boy, "and I'll show you the way to heaven." To someone who feared there was no heaven beyond the grave, Vianney smiled, "My child, it would have been heaven enough to have lived as Jesus' disciple on earth."

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(See Matthew 14:14-21)

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Each year the diocese asks each parish to nominate someone for the **Sophia Award**. This person is someone who sees God as the true owner of everything in their lives. **Rita Moorman** is our choice for the award this year. Rita sees God as instrumental for all the good in her life and shares this belief by reaching out to others.. She helps with all the events at BSC and is a member of the Finance Committee. She is also a Eucharistic minister, usher, and has been welcoming people since our reopening of the church this summer. Due to the virus, the award ceremony at the Cathedral has been postponed for now. Congratulations!

*Prayer is necessary as air to breathe, as necessary as the blood in our bodies, as necessary as anything. We think so many things are necessary, but we are wrong. We have been deceived and we deceive ourselves. So few things are necessary, and prayer is one of them.*

*--St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta.*

