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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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**19th Sunday in Ordinary Time Aug. 9, 2020**

Truth shall spring out of the earth,  
and justice shall look down from heaven.

## Today's Readings

**First Reading** — The LORD said to Elijah:  
"Stand on the mountain; the LORD will be passing by" (1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a).

**Psalm** — Lord, let us see your kindness,  
and grant us your salvation (Psalm 85).

**Second Reading** — To the Israelites belong the covenants, the law, and the patriarchs;  
and from them comes the Christ (Romans 9:1-5).

**Gospel** — As Jesus walked on the sea, the disciples were terrified (Matthew 14:22-



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.



August 2--\$957

Weekly budget: \$952

MTD collection--\$957

MTD budget--\$957

YTD collection--\$5286

YTD budget--\$4760 Candles--\$1



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: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26
- Tuesday: Ez 2:8 — 3:4; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
- Wednesday: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22; Ps 113:1-6; Mt 18:15-20
- Thursday: Ez 12:1-12; Ps 78:56-59, 61-62; Mt 18:21 — 19:1
- Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 [59-63]; Is 12:2-3, 4-6; Mt 19:3-12
- Saturday: Rv 11:19, 12:1-6, 10; Ps 45:10-12, 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
- Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 6, Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Nagasaki Memorial Day
- Monday: St. Lawrence
- Tuesday: St. Clare
- Wednesday: St. Jane Frances de Chantal
- Thursday: Ss. Pontian and Hippolytus
- Friday: St. Maximilian Kolbe
- Saturday: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

GOD’S IMAGE

Nature has perfections in order to show that she is the image of God, and defects to show that she is only God’s image.

THE PRESENCE OF GOD

After the miracle of Jesus walking on water, the disciples exclaimed, “Truly, you are the Son of God” (Matthew 14:33). Most Christians will probably never experience such a dramatic miracle. Like Elijah, we await the manifestation of God in other moments. Perhaps the biggest challenge for the believer is to be constantly attuned to the possible presence of God in the everyday events of life. This is a stance that takes some people years to develop. Others seem to find the Lord easily in the simple things. As the week unfolds, let us look for the presence of God in the little things around us. Perhaps, like Elijah, we will be surprised at what we find. And, like the disciples, we can add our voice to the confession, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

Today is the anniversary day of the bombing of Nagasaki. 40,000 people were killed that day and thousands more would die of radiation exposure. Please pray for an end to the threat of nuclear warfare and the threat of war. We have not experienced this first hand like many others have. **Lord, help us work for peace.**



Chelis and Britney Carmo-  
na are expecting their 1st  
child on August 26th.  
Keep them in prayer and  
maybe we can have a card  
shower since we can’t wish  
them congratulations in  
person. 1232 Rose Hill Dr., Owensboro  
42303 Britney and her mom Pam McCarter  
take up the offertory sometimes.



# Take courage. It is I.

*From the desk of Father Sinoj*



.Greetings!

Today August 9<sup>th</sup> is the 45<sup>th</sup> Ordination Anniversary of Fr. Jerry Riney our Pastor. Let us try to convey our appreciation and good wishes to him and praise and thank God for this gift of Fr. Jerry and support him with our prayers for more and more glorious years of fruitfulness in the service of the Lord. Happy Anniversary, dear Father!

This weekend's liturgy reminds us to believe in the saving presence of God among us, and our need for prayer in storms of life. The Gospel episode presents the account of Jesus' walking on the Sea of Galilee. As He walked towards the Apostles Jesus alleviated the fear in them by saying "It is I." We also find the flickering of Faith in Peter as he failed to walk on water and was rescued by Jesus when he called for help.

We are called to be aware of the consoling and strengthening presence of Jesus amidst the storms of our lives. This time of pandemic is the best and most challenging opportunity for us to experience and witness to the Peace and Trust in Christ present amidst the storms of anxiety, uncertainty, tension, doubt, sorrow, anger, despair, temptations, etc. In that trust let us take steps forward towards His Peace and when we feel weak shout to Him "Lord save us!."

(^^.^^) Always  
^.(^^.^^) Keep  
(^^.^^).^ Smiling!  
^..^

God Loves You!!

Fr. Sinoj Pynadath, HGN

## August Birthdays

24--Celena Hagan

30--Hank Pardon



## Assumption--August 15

Mary was "assumed body and soul into heavenly glory" several years after her son, Jesus, ascended into heaven. The importance of this event in Mary's life is only surpassed by her role in the virgin birth of Jesus Christ. In the Eastern Orthodox Church, the miracle of the Assumption is called the [Dormition](#) and also celebrated on August 15. By either name, the day marks Mary's triumph over earthly existence as she is transported body and soul into heaven by her son, Jesus Christ.

## 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

August 30---Mary Ann Calhoun

*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: Stephen Hall, Shirley Schmidt, Minola & Lius Aju, Nancy Bumm, Brian Fennewald, 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. Please pray also for all who because they are vulnerable cannot attend Mass. A card or phone call can cheer them up.

## Laugh of the Week

Coming out of church, Mrs. Peterson asks her husband, "Do you think that Johnson girl is putting a rinse on her hair?" "I didn't even see her," Mr. Peterson admits. "And the dress Martha Hansen was wearing," Mrs. Peterson continues, "really, don't tell me you think that's the proper outfit for the mother of two." "I'm afraid I didn't notice that, either," Mr. Peterson says. "Oh for heaven's sake," Mrs. Peterson snaps, "a lot of good it does for you to go to Church."

### Lectors

August 9: Audrey Mezur

Kathi Skidd

August 16: Layson Brooks

Jacques Williams

### **Pray, Believe, Trust**

To embrace a life of discipleship, having trust in God is necessary. However, trusting can be easier said than done! Like Peter, we may experience feelings of doubt, fear, anxiety, or discouragement. But there is hope because despite our doubts, Jesus wants to reach out and save us when we feel like we're sinking. *"Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught Peter..."* We can weather the strong winds and storms of life by learning to trust in God through prayer, listening for how He calls to us in quiet moments, by giving thanks for and sharing our blessings, and by encountering Jesus through Sacred Scripture and the sacraments.

**Discipleship Reflection:** Can you think of times when you have doubted the presence of God in your life?

### **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

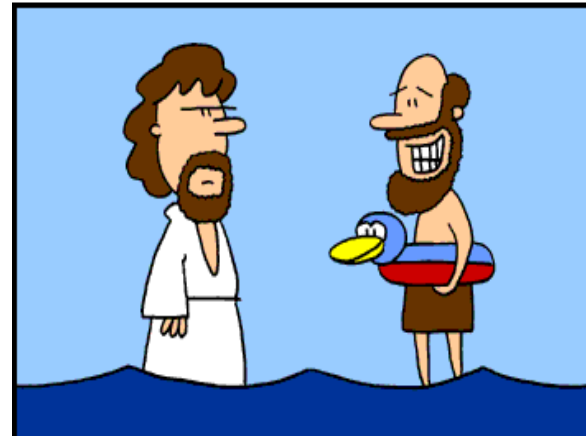
Pianist: Mamie Farish

### **SAINT TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS (EDITH STEIN) (1891-1942) August 9**

"Come," Edith gently whispered, taking her sister Rosa's hand, "let us go for our people!" These were Edith Stein's last words as the Nazis, enraged at the Dutch bishops' condemnation of their genocide, took into custody all Catholic converts from Judaism. Born Jewish, but non-practicing from her teens, Edith's search for truth led to a doctorate in philosophy, a brilliant career as professor and author and, finally, to the *Autobiography of Saint Teresa of Avila*, which she read in one sitting, then declared, "*That is the Truth!*" Baptized on January 1, 1922, observed then as the feast of Jesus' initiation into the covenant of Abraham, confirmed on February 2, the feast of Jesus' Presentation in the Temple, Edith entered the cloistered Carmelites in Cologne, transferring to a convent in Holland when she realized that, because of the Nazi persecution of the Jews, her presence could imperil the safety of the other nuns. She died in the gas chambers of Auschwitz as a daughter of Israel and of the Church.

**"I'll pay it for you."** In 1930 during the Great Depression, a man named Golden Rule Jones was mayor of Toledo, Ohio. During his term of office, he sometimes sat as the presiding judge in night court. One night a man was brought in for stealing money from a grocery store. His defense was that he needed the money for food and that he was simply a victim of hard times. Nevertheless Golden Rule Jones found him guilty. "You did not steal from society", he said. "You stole from a private citizen and you broke the law. I'm fining you ten dollars. However," and he reached for his wallet, "I'll pay it for you." Next he instructed the bailiff to pass the hat around the courtroom. "I'm fining everybody here at least fifty cents. You're all guilty of being members of a society that made it necessary for this man to steal. The collection will go to the defendant.

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(See Matthew 14:21-33)

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PETER'S EARLY ATTEMPTS TO WALK ON WATER WITH JESUS DISPLAYED AN INADEQUATE AMOUNT OF FAITH

### **Feast of the Assumption August 15**

**Christians are joyful; they are never gloomy. God is at our side. We have a Mother who always intercedes for the life of her children, for us, as Queen Esther did in the first reading. Jesus has shown us that the face of God is that of a loving Father. Sin and earth have been defeated. Christians cannot be pessimists.** --Pope Francis

*Do you struggle with pessimism? Read the life of a saint. Ask God to help you see and live out his or her perspective.*