

**“Do you not know that you are the temple of God,
and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?”**

Mass Intention for the Week

Monday, Nov. 10, St. Leo the Great
6:30 AM Lloyd Farmer (dec)

Tuesday, Nov. 11, St. Martin of Tours
6:30 AM Connie Powers (dec)

Wednesday, Nov. 12, St. Josaphat
6:00 PM Robert Berry (ann of death)

Thursday, Nov. 13, St. Frances Xavier
9:00 AM School Mass
Noon Bittel-Hurm Family

Friday, Nov. 14
Noon Charles Payne (dec)

Saturday, Nov. 15, St. Albert the Great
4:00 PM Johnny Payne Family (L&D)

Thirty-Third Sunday of Ordinary Time
7:00 AM Blessed Mother Parishioners
10:00 AM Van & Shirley Brown (35th Wedding Ann)
5:30 PM Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Craycroft (dec)

Pray for the Souls in Purgatory!

**Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, O Lord,
And Let the Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them!**

Liturgical Ministers for Nov. 15/16

Eucharistic Ministers

4 PM Chris McBride, Joe, Maggie O'Bryan, Jay, Susie Fillman, Rose, Mike Clark, Ethel, Fran Watrous

7 AM Don Cecil, Dorothy Aud, Mike Head, Bill, Joy Bach, Darlene Kazlauskas

10 AM Elaine Williams, Herman Barr, Jim Bittel, Darryl, Carol Murphy, Debbie, Kerry Riney, Darlene Church, Eric Vaughan

5:30 PM Garrett Smith, Olivia Hardesty, Janet Ruth, Bobby, Phyllis Bastin, Janice Bumm

Readers

4 PM Fran Watrous

7 AM Charlie Castlen

10 AM Barbara Cecil

5:30 PM Laura Young

Servers

4 PM Kyra Vanover, Allison Williams

7 AM Jack Ebelhar, Daniel Castlen

10 AM Dylan Miller, Alyssa Ralph

5:30PM Mason Miller, Kendall Payne

Families to Take Up Gifts

4 PM Bucky Coomes

7 AM Vincent Dick

10 AM David Ralph

5:30 Ben Miller

Children's Liturgy:

Michele Sandefur, Katelyn Blanford, Ruth Schrecker

Vocation Cross Family

Martha Lockett, Jim Mattingly, John Mattingl

Hillcrest: Carol, Darryl Murphy

Ministers of Hospitality for Nov.

(Note: This Is A New Schedule)

4 Tim, Josh, Eric Goetz, Taylor Wells

7 Russ Corley, Bernie dotsey, Mike Wade, Jack Murphy

10 Steve Fry, John Bell Jr. & Sr., Jerry, Emily Goetz

5:30 Jose, Miguel Laboy, Luke Robertson, Wil Wigginton

TV Mass

Mass will now air on Channel 72 at 10:30 am. If you have Time Warner's digital cable the Mass can also be seen at 11am on Channel 311. It also broadcasts from News 25 (cable chaneel11) at 6am. All those with satellite can get the Mass on local Channel 25 at 6am.

**Donations may be made to Gideon Productions.,
515 East 22nd St.
Owensboro, Ky. 42303**

Forming Good Stewarts

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome

"Stop making my Father's house a marketplace."

John 2:13-22

The world is the creation of a loving and self-giving God who gave us all that we are, all that we have, and all that we ever will be. Our response to such a great gift should be acknowledgment and gratitude expressed in generosity and sharing with others. The Israelites repeatedly "forgot their God" but God repeatedly forgave them. Then He sent His Son to save us and to leave for us a memorial of His life, death, resurrection and ascension to return to the Father. Jesus found the Temple full of profiteers that He drove out of "my Father's house." Have we turned God's house—our world—into a marketplace in which the prevailing mentality is "he who dies with the most things wins!" Have we dialed to acknowledge and be grateful for all God has given to us by being generous and sharing with others? Do we ask, What's in it for me? And How much is that going to cost me? Before we do something for others? When we Jesus face to face, will He be holding out His hand in welcome or will his hand be holding a whip made out of cords?

Sunday Collections

	Regular	Budget	Mo. Average	YTD Ave.
11/2	\$ 23,468	. \$20,577.	\$23,468.	\$20,703.

Words of Life

God's creation is one and it is good. The concerns for non-violence, sustainable development, justice and peace and care for our environment are of vital importance for humanity. They cannot, however, be understood apart from a profound reflection upon the innate dignity of every human life from conception to natural death: a dignity conferred by God himself and thus inviolable. Pope Benedict XVI



Let the Son shine in your life!

Laugh for the Week

An elderly woman had just returned to her home from an evening of Church services when she was startled by an intruder. She caught the man in the act of robbing her home. "Stop! Acts2:38!" (Repent and be baptized, in the name of Jesus so that your sins may be forgiven.) the burglar stopped in his tracks, The woman calmly called the police and explained what she had done. As the officer cuffed the man to take him in, he asked the burglar: "Why did you just stand there? All the lady did was yell a scripture to you." "Scripture?" replied the burglar. "She said she had an Ax and two 38s!"

The Giving Tree

Our Giving Tree goes up on Thanksgiving Day. If you know of a family or person needing help this Christmas, please call Jan at the Parish Office.

Deadline for taking applicants will be Nov. 17th.

Catch the Spirit Party

Our annual Catch the Spirit will be held on **Sunday, Dec. 7th**. There will be a **Craft Show, Visit by St. Nicholas, and lunch**. Booths for the show are available for **\$20**. Call Jan to reserve a table for your crafts! The Church will have a **Silent Auction** for the event. If you have an **item you would like to donate**, please call Jan.

Winter Warmth Clothes Drive

This weekend and next weekend we will be collecting **Winter coats, gloves, hats** for children and adults. Please leave in the box at the main entrance. Please do not leave other clothing items.

Scripture Study

St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians

Our first meeting is **Tuesday, Nov. 18, 7-8 PM** in the Parish Hall of the Family Life Center. If you have not yet paid the \$20 for your study materials, please bring that to the first session.

Catholic Q&A

I have a Protestant friend who is considering becoming Catholic. I've taken him to Mass and we've had a few conversations about our beliefs. But, usually when I ask him about converting, he just says, "I'm still thinking about it." Is there anything more I can do?

Well, patience is key. If it was up to us, we would have everyone convert this very instant. We would have them knocked down and blinded like Paul was (cf. Acts 22:6-11). But, for whatever reason, God usually doesn't work that way. Conversion has to be the heartfelt, earnest decision of each individual or it will not be a true and lasting conversion. This usually takes time to nurture and to develop. So, patience is important, but there are other things you can do too.

For one, I think it would be good to plug your friend into a group of good, Catholic young adults. Give him a chance to have fun and socialize with Catholics. Go out to eat, or to a movie, or to a concert. Show him that Catholicism is more than the observance of rules and the upholding of certain beliefs. Show him that it's actually fun to be Catholic. It's cool to be Catholic. It's good to be Catholic. Catholicism is a way of life, and it's a life worth living.

Secondly, you need to bone up on your theology and your apologetics. Dust off your Bible and your *Catechism* and start reading them. You never know when your friend is going to ask you a question about why Catholics believe and do certain things. You need to "always be prepared to make a defense to any one who calls you to account for the hope that is in you" (1 Pet 3:15). If you can take advantage of these teaching moments, then you will be able to share your faith and bring him closer to Christ.

Thirdly, put some good Catholic resources in his hands. Give him books that provide solid introductions to our faith. In the "Catholic Q&A" for Oct. 5th, I listed several such books that you could use. Go to our parish website (www.blessedmotherchurch.com) and click on "Church Bulletins" to download the bulletin for that week. You can also direct him to websites like *Catholic Answers* (www.catholic.com) and *EWTN* (www.ewtn.com) where he can learn more.

Finally, and perhaps most importantly, you should pray. Pray that the Lord will grant him wisdom and courage. Pray that God will soften his heart and remove all obstacles to conversion. Pray that God will grant you patience and that His Spirit will give you the right words when you don't know what to say (cf. Exo 4:10-12; Lk 12:11-12). Pray that not only your knowledge but also your **LOVE** of the Church will shine through in everything that you say and do. Pray that the Lord's Will be done. Have your friends and family pray for him too.

Peace of Christ to you,
Nicholas Hardesty, Director of Religious Education

Upcoming Events

November 8-Glenmary Mission Appeal
November 8-16 Winter Warmth Drive
November 27-Giving Tree Goes Up
November 27- Thanksgiving Food Drive
November 30—Advent Begins
December 7– Catch the Spirit Party

Glenmary Mission Appeal

Today we welcome Fr. Fid Levri of the Glenmary Home Missioners, who will be speaking at our Masses, telling us about the missionary work his Society is doing in serving the spiritually and materially poor people right here in the United States. This collection for Glenmary Home Missioners marks the annual Mission Awareness presentation promoted by our diocesan Society for the Propagation of Faith. Glenmary currently staffs over 50 missions and ministries in the small towns and rural areas of Appalachia, the South and the Southwest. The Diocese of Owensboro is among those the Glenmary serve.

Prayer for the Home Missions

Lord Jesus Christ, who for the salvation of all people, founded Your Church in the Blood of Sacrifice, look with mercy on this land of ours where Your truth is unknown to many for whom You endured Your passion and death. We commend to Your Sacred Heart the work of carrying Your gospel to the mission regions of America. Raise up holy and zealous apostles to bring Your words of salvation to souls now thirsting for the truth. Have mercy on them, Lord, and send shepherds to lead them into Your one true fold. Amen.

Book of Life

You are invited to write the names of your loved ones into the Book of Life located at the Main entrance of the church. All entered will be remembered in the Holy Masses during the month of November. All Souls envelopes are in your packets, if you would like to have Masses said, please write the name of the person you wish Mass offered for. Not all Masses can be said at Blessed Mother. We supply Masses to other priest in the diocese if they can not all be said here. Be assured the Masses will be offered.



**Remember in prayer the
many who are sick in our community:**

Judith Arnold, Len Bach, Helen Bellwood, Eva Birkhead, Liz, Tony Brown, Catherine Calhoun, Frances Carrico, JB Cecil, Vincent Cecil, Joyce Christian, Paul Christian Jr., Paul Christian, Ann Clark, George Clark, James Clark, Kevin Coakley, Alice Cole, Arnold Conder, Addie Corley, Hettie Crask, Ben Crump, Leoma Daly, Theresa Dedincent, Philip Demarest, Evelyn Denton, , Evette Duke, Sheila Duncan, Emma Dunbar, John Duncan, Kelsey Dunn, Stacy Foster, Matt Gabis, Lucille Goetz, Brenda Goodman, Luke Gray, George A. Hagan, Dottie Hamilton, Mae Hamilton, Mary Hardesty, Perry Hardesty, Martha Hayden, Janet Haynes, Hayden Head, Mike Head, Beverly Heppler,, Peggy Hicks, Mary Elizabeth Hill, Kenny Hodskins, Mildred Howard, Margaret Isbell, Mary Ava Jackson, Darlene King, Minnie Martin, Helen Matheny, Margaret Mattingly, Helen McCarty, Mildred McCarthy, Nora Mellon, Margie Meredith, Mary L. Millay, Virginia Millay, Conner Mills, Mary Morton, Alma Mullican, Lee Newton, Ethan Payne, Helen Payne, Mary Payne, Paul Payne, Lannie Joe Pearl, Carolyn Pierce, Brenda Pitt, Raymond Prater, Lawrence Quinn, Geraldine Ralph, Joyce Ramos, Isabella & Isaiah Ratliff, Otto Reisz, Vincent Reynolds, Allison Riley & baby, Cecelia Schartung, Herman, Mary Simmons, Becky Smith, Elizabeth Sosh, Susan Stersman, Onora Stone, Teresa Taucher, Larry Taylor, Mary Hilary Taylor, Angela, Leo Thompson, Betty Thompson, Charles Thompson, Martha Towery, Anita Travis, Glynda Turner, Jean Van Meter, Joyce Ventrees, Kenny Ward, Scott Ward, Teresa Ward, Katherine Whittinghill, Bea Wooldridge, Steve Woolen, Bill, Flora Yancy

Please Pray for Our Troops Serving in War. Keep them safe, O Lord, and bring them home soon. Iraq:

PFC 1st Class Bradley Horlander, Iraq
SGT Jeremi Bosley, National Guards
Brandon Mattingly, US Army, Baghdad
Kenneth Smith (grandson in law of Agnes Edge)
Matthew Hoffman, US Army, Baghdad
(great nephew of Camilla Baker)
Spec. Daniel Nugent, Iraq
Sgt. Nicholas Johnson, US Army,
Baghdad (son of Scott & Sabrina Johnson)
Sgt. David Farley, US Army

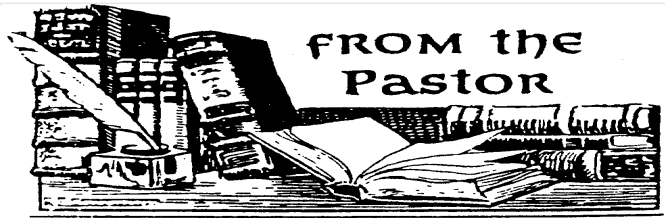
In Afghanistan

Chief Master Sgt. Andrew Reisz, USAF, Khabull
Sidney Hoffman, National Guards (great niece of
Camilla Baker)

Other

AIC Austin Eckstein, USAF, grandson Henrietta May

Daily Bible Reading 683-8524



I hope you had a good week. Today is suppose to be the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time except that a feast day falls on today – again, like last week - the Feast of the Dedication of St. John Lateran. St. John Lateran is the name of the pope's cathedral in Rome. Many people think that St. Peter's is the pope's official church but it is not. As Bishop of Rome, the pope has a cathedral just like St. Stephen's here. It is St. John Lateran. It is called the mother church of Christendom dedicated by the Emperor Constantine. The breviary talks about the feast being extended to the whole Latin Church stating, "This action was taken as a sign and devotion to and of unity with the Chair of Peter which, as St. Ignatius of Antioch wrote, 'presides over the whole assembly of charity.'"

Last Sunday was a great day for me thanks to all of you. I have never felt more appreciated. Thank you so much and thanks to everyone who had a part in the celebration.

Religious Ed is in session today and youth group will meet tonight after the 5:30pm Mass.

Every two years each parish is asked to host a missionary that is asked to come and speak to the parish and collect a donation for his or her efforts in the ministry. And so we welcome Fr. Fidelis (Fid) Levri, a Glenmary who works in our diocese. I know you will be generous as usual to help this mission work.

A future event: Bethlehem Christian Families will be here the weekend before Thanksgiving. They sell olive wood carvings from the Holy Land to help with ministries there. They will have plenty of items on display from rosaries to crucifixes. Something to think about that make great Christmas gifts. November 22nd and 23rd.

It won't be long before the Giving Tree is up – Thanksgiving Day. And the annual food drive also occurs on Thanksgiving.

Have a great week.

Go to blessedmotherchurch.org

Calendar for the Week

Rosary is prayed Mon.—Thurs, 4 PM

**Mon. Mass, 6:30 AM
Bunko, 1:00 PM**

**Tues. Mass at 6:30 AM
Children’s Choir Practice, 2:45-3:30**

**Wed. Mass at 6:00 PM
Finance Meeting, 6:30 PM**

**Thurs. School Mass, 9 am
Noon Mass
RCIA, 7 PM**

**Fri. Eucharistic Adoration
Mass at Noon**

**Sat. Confessions, 12:30 –2:00 PM
Mass at 4 PM**

**Sun. 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time
Sunday Masses at 7, 10 AM, 5:30 PM
Religious Ed Classes, 11:15 AM
Coffee and Donuts after 10 AM Mass
Youth Group 6:30 PM**

Safe Environment

Copies of the Diocese of Owensboro’s policy dealing with sexual abuse of minors or vulnerable person is available in the Parish Office and on the Diocesan web site (www.Owensborodio.org) The Bishop and Diocesan Review Board want to help anyone who has been abused in the past or is currently suffering from abuse. You may phone the Pastoral Center, 683-1545, to report an allegation of abuse. **If you need to attend a Safe Environment Workshop, contact Jan at the Parish Office. You may now take the training online at www.shieldthevulnerable.org**

Catholic Schools News

OCS PTO Auction & Dinner Fundraiser

Nov. 15, Mid America Jet Hanger. Tickets are \$25 now, \$30 at the door, and can be purchased at the K-3 or the 4-6 Center. Doors open, Silent Auction & Dinner 6:30-8:00. Live Auction at 8 PM. Dinner includes pork chops, baked potatoes, salad, dessert, two alcoholic beverages.

OCMS Grandparents Mass Nov. 20, 9am, Immaculate Church. Reception will follow in the hall.

Adults Growing in Faith Together (A Gift)

A GIFT is a study of the US Catholic Catechism for Adults. There will be two sessions each year for 3 years. The first session will be at St. Pius X in Owensboro on Nov. 22, 8:30am-3:00pm. Cost is \$10 which includes lunch and supplies. Registration forms are on the table in the back of church. Send registration and money to Catholic Pastoral Center, Office of Lay Ministry, 600 Locust St., Owensboro, Ky. 42301.

Ursuline Way of Life Weekend, Nov. 21-23

The Ursuline Sisters of Mount St. Joseph invite single women ages 18-30 to learn about the sisters and what they do. Overnight accommodations and meals are provided. Call Sr. Alicia Coomes at 229-4103 Ext 214 or vocations@maplemount.org. A brochure can be found online at www.ursulinesmsj.org/vocations/

Thomas Merton Retreat, Nov. 21-23

Discover the contemplative living as a way of listening and responding to everyday experiences by consciously attending to relationships with self, others, God, and nature. To register call 229-0200 ext. 413 at Mount St. Joseph

One Day Marriage Preparation Program

Pre-Cana held Saturday, Nov. 22, at the Catholic Pastoral Center, 8:30-5:00, Registration fee \$100. For more information contact the Family Life Office 683-1545 ext. 357.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

November 9 through November 16, 2008

- Sunday: Ez 47:1-2,8-9,12 Ps 46:2-3,5-6,8-9
1 Cor 3:9c-11,16-17 Jn 2:13-22
- Monday: Ti 1:1-9 Ps 24:1b-4b,5-6 Lk 17:1-6
- Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8,11-14 Ps 37:3-4,18,23,29
Lk 17:7-10
- Wednesday: Ti 3:1-7 Ps 23:1b-6 Lk 17:11-19
- Thursday: Phlm 7-20 Ps 146:7-10 Lk 17:20-25
- Friday: 2 Jn 4-9 Ps 119:1-2,10-11,17-18
Lk 17:26-37
- Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8 Ps 112:1-6 Lk 18:1-8
- Sunday: Prv 31:10-13,19-20,30-31 Ps 128:1-5
1 Thes 5:1-6 Mt 25:14-30

Parish Council Members

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