

**“You shall love the Lord, your God,
with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind”**

Mass Intention for the Week

Monday, October 27

6:30 AM Jerry Blandford (dec)

Tuesday—Thursday No Mass

Fr. John on Retreat

Friday, Oct. 31

Noon Nicholas Johnson (birthday)

Saturday, Nov. 1, All Saints Day

10:00 AM Joe Early (dec)

4:00 PM Johnny Payne (dec)

Thirty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time

7:00 AM Joe & Tillie Fono (dec)

10:00 AM Lloyd Farmer (ann of death)

5:30 PM Blessed Mother Parishioners

**Fr. John Appreciation Celebration
October 26, after 10 AM Mass
Sandwiches, Veggies, Fruit, Desserts**

All are invited to come!

Thank you, Fr. John, for all you do for us!

We love you!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Liturgical Ministers for Nov. 1, 10 AM

EM Mike, Joyce Pearl, John, Raymunda Calhoun, Bill, Joy Bach, **Reader:** Charlie Castlen

Servers: Daniel Castlen, Drew Fulkerson

Gifts: Bill, Martha Hayden

Liturgical Ministers for Nov. 1/2

Eucharistic Ministers

4 PM Maggie, Joe O'Bryan, Jeanne Pointer, Chris McBride, Mary Ava Jackson, Bonnie Snyder, Janet Ruth, Lucy Harpe, Cecelia Hamilton

7 AM Joy Bach, Carolyn Taylor, Sr. Mary Timothy, Mike Heard, Dorothy Aud, Don Cecil

10 AM Jenny Glaser, Mark Church, Mary Howard, Jeannie Best, John, Raymunda Calhoun, Bill Hayden, Ed Higdon, Kim Barnett

5:30 PM Olivia Hardesty, Garrett Smith, Rick, Leesa Moman, Connie Morgan

Readers

4 PM Ruth Bittel

7 AM Bill Bach

10 AM Denny Mann

5:30 PM Martha Estes

Servers

4 PM Sam Aull, Cameron O'Nan

7 AM Collin Higgins, Brendan Higgins

10 AM Billy Cason, Natalie Newton

5:30PM Sara Brown, Alex Smiley

Families to Take Up Gifts

4 PM David O'Nan

7 AM Dorothy Aud

10 AM Chris Glaser

5:30 Pat Hardesty

Children's Liturgy:

Kelly Trogden, Kara Trogden, Alexandria Lynn

Vocation Cross Family

John Judd, Charlie Kase, Shirley Kent

Hillcrest: Susan Hale, Phyllis Bastin

**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 channel 11) 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**

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The whole of the law and the prophets depend on these two commandments." Matthew 22:34-40

Pope Benedict XVI tells the great story of the man who went to Rabbi Shamai and asked if he could recite all of the laws and the prophets of Israel while standing on one foot. Rabbi Shamai said it was impossible. So the man went to Rabbi Hillel and asked him the same question. Rabbi Hillel lifted one foot and said, "You shall love the Lord, your god, with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind. You shall love your neighbor as yourself." then he put his foot down. Both Hillel and Jesus quote Deuteronomy 6:5 and Leviticus 19:18 to their questioners. Both Hillel and Jesus knew that their questioners knew the law and the prophets, but that they were looking for a way out, a way around the law, a loophole. But there is none. In fact, Jesus ups the ante. He commands us to love our enemies. And just before he goes out to be brutally tortured and crucified, he says, "Love one another as I have loved you." when we see Jesus face to face, what will we say to Him about how well we have done?

Water Wells in Nigeria

Fr. Julian will be returning to Nigeria for a visit in Dec. If you would like to send a donation with him for gas for the water wells, please mail your contribution to: Fr. Julian Ibemere, 116 So. 6th Street, Paducah, Ky. 42001 Fr. J sends his love to all at Blessed Mother and says to tell you that he misses you!

Eucharistic Adoration at The Carmel Home

In need of adorers on Sunday 3-4 AM
Call Marti at 929-5839 or 683-9627

Word of Life

Faith teaches us that we are God's creatures, made in his image and likeness, endowed with an inviolable dignity, and called to eternal life. Wherever man is diminished, the world around us is also diminished; it loses its ultimate meaning and strays from its goal. What emerges is a culture, not of life, but of death. How could this be considered "progress"? It is a backward step, a form of regression which ultimately dries up the very sources of life for individuals and all of society. Pope Benedict XVI



Let the Sun shine in your life!

Laugh for the Week

Ten reasons God created Eve:

10. God worried that Adam would always be lost in the garden because men hate to ask for directions.
9. God knew that Adam would one day need someone to hand him the TV remote. Men don't want to see what's on TV they want to see what else is on!
8. God knew that Adam would never buy a new fig leaf when his seat wore out and would therefore need Eve to get one for him.
7. God knew that Adam would never make a doctor's appointment for himself.
6. God knew that Adam would never remember which night was garbage night.
5. God knew that if the world was to be populated, men could not handle childbearing.
4. As "Keeper of the Garden," Adam would never remember where he put his tools.
3. The scripture account of creation indicates Adam needed someone to blame his troubles on.
2. As the Bible says, "It is not good for man to be alone!"
1. When God finished the creation of Adam, He stepped back, scratched His head and said, "I can do better than that!"

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 our usual Silent Auction for the event. If you have an item you would like to donate, please call Jan.

Bereavement Dinner Sign-Ups

Next weekend we will have some of our Bereavement Committee Ladies at the Main Entrance of the Church looking to sign-up volunteers to bring a dish for the dinners or to work on a Serving Team. Please pray about your involvement this week. The Bereavement Dinners mean so much for families who have lost their love ones. They provide a place for people to gather after the funeral to share their stories and to break bread together.

Catholic Q&A

*Does “ask and you shall receive” mean that we should expect to get **anything** from God as long as we pray for it?*

The passage you are referring to is Mt 7:7 – “Ask, and it will be given you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.” A passage from John’s gospel is similar to it: “if you ask anything in my name, I will do it” (Jn 14:14).

Now, a surface reading may cause someone to believe in a “name it-claim it” or “word of faith” teaching where God is just dying to give us all the riches in the world and if we ask for something, even the most outlandish thing, He will give it to us for the simple fact that we have faith that He will. But, other passages provide the key for the proper understanding of the passages previously cited:

Jas 1:6-8 But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind. **7** For that person must not suppose that a double-minded man, **8** unstable in all his ways, will receive anything from the Lord.

Jas 4:3 You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions.

1 Jn 3:21-22 Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God; **22** and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him.

1 Jn 5:14 And this is the confidence which we have in him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us.

We see from this that we will receive what we ask of the Lord, but only if we meet certain prerequisites:

1. We must ask in faith, without doubting
2. We must not make a request that is rooted in the desires of sinful passions.
3. We must ask out of a pure heart
4. We must be striving to keep His commandments and to do what pleases Him.
5. Our request must be in accordance with His will

This provides the necessary context that keeps us from thinking that Mt 7:7 and similar passages mean that God will just hand over the world to us if we ask Him.

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

Upcoming Events

October 26 Priest Appreciation Luncheon, 11 AM
October 27-30 Priest Retreat
November 1-Bereavement Dinner/Dish Sign-Up
November 8-Glenmary Mission Appeal
November 27-Giving Tree Goes Up
November 27- Thanksgiving Food Drive
November 30—Advent Begins
December 7– Catch the Spirit Party

Josh McCarty to be Ordained Deacon

Nov. 1, 10 AM
Sts. Peter & Paul Church
902 East Ninth St.
Hopkinsville, Ky
All Are invited to share this special day with Josh!

Glenmary Mission Appeal

On the weekend of Nov. 8/9 Fr. Vic Subb of the Glenmary Home Missioners, 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.

First Friday Senior Group

Friday, Nov. 7
Pot Luck, Bunko after Noon Mass
In Family Life Center
Bring a Dish, Meat Provided

Prayer for All Saints

Lord God, whose days are without end and whose mercies beyond counting, keep us mindful that life is short and the hour of death unknown. Let your Spirit guide our days on earth in the ways of holiness and justice, that we may serve you in union with the whole Church, sure in faith, strong in hope, perfected in love. And when our earthly journey is ended, lead us rejoicing into your kingdom, where you live forever and ever. Amen.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.



**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, Connie Greenwell, George A. Hagan, Angela Hamilton, Dottie Hamilton, Mae Hamilton, Mary Hardesty, Perry Hardesty, Martha Hayden, Janet Haynes, Hayden Head, Mike Head, Beverly Heppler,, Peggy Hicks, Mary Elizabeth Hill, Carol Hoskins, 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, Ronnie Osowicz, 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, Jerry Stinnett, 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
Leslie Ralph Brabham & husband Lance Brabham
(Leslie is the daughter Breand & David Ralph)
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

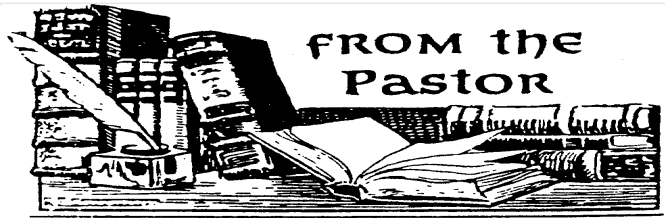
In Afghanistan

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 the 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Jesus gives us the two great commandments – love of God and love of neighbor. The law of love summarizes even the ten commandments. To love God with everything we have is a tall order but one that is possible through grace. Love of neighbor can be done through the grace of God as well.

This Sunday has been designated as Priesthood Sunday. A time to recognize the gift that priesthood is to the Church. I thank God for sharing His gift of priesthood with me and pray that I will be able to remain faithful to the commitment with which He has charged me.

Religious Ed is back 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. The weekend of November 8th and 9th, Father Vic Subb will be here. He is a priest with Glenmary Home Missioners. He will tell us about his work and the mission of Glenmary and take up a collection.

Speaking of collection, just a reminder that we depend on everyone being consistent with their contributions so that we can stay on budget. Two weekends ago was low because of people being gone on Fall break. Thanks for making up for the shortfall by catching up with your donations.

Have a great week.

[Go to blessedmotherchurch.org](http://blessedmotherchurch.org)

To read the bulletin

We are in the process of developing our own web site.

You can now go online to read the weekly bulletin. The other parts are not working yet, but we hope they will be soon!

Calendar for the Week	
Rosary is prayed Mon.—Thurs, 4 PM	
Mon.	Mass, 6:30 AM Bunko, 1:00 PM
Tues.	No Mass at 6:30 AM Children's Choir Practice, 2:45-3:30
Wed.	No Mass at 6:00 PM
Thurs.	No School Mass No Noon Mass
Fri.	Eucharistic Adoration Mass at Noon
Sat.	<u>Mass for All Saints Day, 10 AM</u> Confessions, 12:30 –2:00 PM Mass at 4 PM
Sun.	31st Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday Masses at 7, 10 AM, 5:30 PM Welcome Brunch after 10 AM Mass Religious Ed Classes, 11:15 AM Coffee and Donuts after 10 AM Mass Youth Group 6:30 PM

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

October 26 through November 2, 2008

Sunday:	Ex 22:20-26 Ps 18:2-4,47,51 1 Thes 1:5c-10 Mt 22:34-40
Monday:	Eph 4:32-5:8 Ps 1:1-4,6 Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday:	Eph 2:19-22 Ps 19:2-5 Lk 6:12-16
Wednesday:	Eph 6:1-9 Ps 145:10-14 Lk 13:22-30
Thursday:	Eph 6:10-20 Ps 144:1b,2,9-10 Lk 13:31-35
Friday:	Phil 1:1-11 Ps 111:1-6 Lk 14:1-6
Saturday:	Rv 7:2-4,9-14 Ps 24:1b-4b,5-6 1 Jn 3:1-3 Mt 5:1-12a
Sunday:	Wis 3:1-9 Ps 23:1-6 Jn 6:37-40

Parish Council Members

Sharon Bell	729-4270
Marty Bumm	926-6443
Charlie Castlen	683-3426
Charlotte Cecil	683-0499
Tim Goetz	684-8275
David Graham	683-4665
Troy Halem	691-0633
David Jarboe	683-5108
Ben Miller	685-2143
Rick Moman	683-6555
Darryl Murphy	683-8437
Phil Riney	926-8945
Elaine Williams	684-5116

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. Anyone interested in donating new items or services to the auction can call 684-7583.

OCS Elementary

Basketball League & Cheerleading

Signups at 4-6 Campus for grades 3-6
Tues, Oct. 21 5:30-6:30pm
Thurs. Oct. 23, 5:30-6:30pm
Athletic physicals on the KHSAA athletic form need to be submitted by Oct. 31.

OCHS Parent-Teacher Conferences

Tues, Oct. 28 & Wed., Oct. 29, 5:30-7:30 PM. Parents should have received a scheduler form mailed home Oct. 10 with book fees to help them in scheduling a conference with their child's teachers., if not, please call the school 684-3215 to get one.

Any student interested in visiting OCHS is welcome to call 684*-3215 to make arrangements.

Holy Souls In Purgatory Novena Nov. 2-10 Mary, Mother of the Church & Model of All Christians

Daily Prayer For the Novena: O gentlest Heart of Jesus, ever present in the Blessed Sacrament, ever consumed with burning love for the poor captive souls in Purgatory, have mercy on the souls of Your servants. Be not severe in Your judgment, but let some drops of Your Precious Blood fall upon our beloved departed, and do You, O merciful Savior, send Your angels to conduct the souls of your sevsnats to a place of refreshment and peace. Amen.

Dear Diocesan Marian Shrine Committee: Please include the names of my deceased family & friends in the prayers of those who gather at the Diocesan Shrine for this Holy Souls in Purgatory Novena. Please accept this donation for my intentions of Holy Souls.

Names to Remember

Donor's Name

Address

Send to Marian Shrine Committee, c/o Jean Fulkerson, 526 E. 13th Ave. Bowling Green, Ky. 42101