

March 28, Palm Sunday, The Journey Begins



“It is finished”

Intention for the Week

Monday, March 29

6:30 AM David Finley (dec)

Tuesday, March 30

NO 6:00 PM

Chrism Mass, 6:30 Sportscenter

Wednesday, March 31

6:30 AM Chalmus Henderson (dec)

Holy Thursday, April 1, Mass of the Lord’s Supper

7 PM Paul Roberts (dec)

Good Friday of the Lord’s Passion

7 PM Good Friday Services

Easter Vigil, April 3

8 PM Jim Jackson (dec).

Easter Sunday, April 4

7:00 AM Charles M. Crowe (dec)

9:00 AM Rose Cecil (dec)

11:00 AM Blessed Mother Parishioners

“Were you there when they crucified my Lord? “

Liturgical Ministers for Easter

Eucharistic Ministers

8 PM Jeannie Best, Sabrina, Scott Johnson, Lahoma Stinnett, Liz Francis, Ruth Bittel-Nunez, Bill, Joy Bach, Carol Murphy

7 AM Mike Thompson, Carolyn Taylor, Don Cecil, Angie, Randy Lee, Dennis Sandefur

9 AM Russ Hayden, John, Raymunda Calhoun, Katina Hayden, Eric Vaughan, Jim Hagan, Kim Barnett, Sam Lilly, Olivia Hardesty

11 AM Janice Bumm, Sandra, Dan, Rachel Thomas, Lori, Richard Whitehouse

Readers

8 PM Darryl Murphy, Doug Dunn, Carol Goetz, Karissa Riter

7 AM Dennis Sandefur

9 AM Troy Halem

11 AM Lindsey Whitehouse

Servers

8 PM Daniel Best, Daniel Castlen, Christopher Hayden

7 AM Will Sandefur, Sam Thompson

9 AM Olivia, Elizabeth Cason

11 AM Mason Miller, Nicholas Russell

Families to Take Up Gifts

8 PM RCIA

7 AM Mike & Mary Wade

9 AM Dennis Fulkerson

11 AM Paul Thompson

No Children’s Liturgy Easter Sunday

No Religious Ed, No Youth Group

Vocation Cross Family

Marty Bumm, John Calhoun, Greg Carmon

Hillcrest: Denny Mann, Charles Zambrano

Ministers of Hospitality for April

4 Tim, Josh, Eric, Rebecca Goetz

7 Russ Corley, Bernie, Alex Dotsey, Tom Foster

10 Bob, Alex Bahnick, Chris Shaver, Bill Young

5:30 Pat, Isaac Hardesty, Matt Howard, Alex Johnson

Ushers for Holy Saturday

4 covers 8PM

7 covers 7AM

10 covers 9AM

5:30 covers 11 AM

Test Your Knowledge



Holy Thursday, 7 PM

Euch Ministers: Jay, Susie Fillman, Shirley Kent, Pete, Michelle Linn, Ethel, Fran Watrous, John, Raymunda Calhoun

Reader: Fran Watrous **Gifts:** Bobby Bastin Family

Servers: Emily Linn, Emily Marshall, Nicholas Jackson

Good Friday, 7 PM

Euch Ministers: John, Sharon Bell, Rose, Mike Clark

Readers: Jim Mattingly, Mike Clark

Servers: Kevin, Tricia Thompson, Collin Higgins

Ushers: Tom Foster, Jolene White, Ben Miller, Will Wigginton

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil 8 PM

Easter Sunday Masses 7, 9, 11 AM

(no 5:30 PM Mass)

Laugh for the Week

It was Palm Sunday, and the family's 6 year old son had to stay home from church because of strep throat. When the rest of the family returned home carrying palm branches, the little boy asked what they were for. His mother explained, "People held them over Jesus' head as he walked by." "Wouldn't you know it, the one Sunday I don't go to church, and Jesus shows up!" the boy fumed.

From Death to New Life

Our prayers and sympathy are extended to:
Vincent Dick and family on the death of his wife, Jeanette.

May she rest in the love and the peace of the Lord!

Life Line Screening

Could you be at risk of vascular disease? On Monday, May 10, Life Line Screening will be at Blessed Mother Church in our Hall to offer screening test. There will be 4 life saving tests offered and the cost is reduced to less than \$50 each, (\$129 for all 4). Please call 1-800-679-5609 regarding questions and appointment time.

The following "Test Your Knowledge" questions come from a quiz on the Catechism of the Catholic Church, which you can find online at the USCCB website:

<http://www.usccb.org/catechism/quizzes/index.shtml>

The "Answer Key" is at the bottom of this column. It includes the answer to each question, followed by the paragraph number from the Catechism that you can read to learn more about that question.

1. True or False?: Church teaching on virginity for the sake of the Kingdom denigrates the good of marriage.
2. True or False?: The sins we commit wound not only ourselves and God's honor, but also the spiritual well-being of the Church.
3. True or False?: A person will be forgiven of a sin that he confesses, even when he fully intends to keep sinning in that way.
4. True or False?: The Church requires both the confession of mortal and venial sins.
5. Which of the following are true? Choose all that apply:
 - a. Bishops and priests have the power to forgive all sins.
 - b. Bishops, as successors to the apostles to whom was given the ministry of reconciliation, have the principal power of reconciliation.
 - c. For some sins, priests cannot ordinarily grant absolution.
 - d. Serious sins concerning possible grave harm to others can be communicated by the confessor to the proper authorities.
 - e. To exercise the power of forgiveness, priests need a commission to do so according to the law of the Church.
6. True or False?: An indulgence is the right of the Church to declare what is or is not a sin.
7. True or False?: Prayer is the man-initiated way of seeking communion with the living God.
8. True or False?: From the experiences of Abraham and Jacob the Church sees that prayer can be a test of faith and requires perseverance.

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

- 1.) False; cf. no. 1620. 2.) True; cf. nos. 1440, 1487. 3.) False; cf. nos. 1451, 1490. 4.) False; cf. no. 1493. 5.) a, b, c, e.; cf. nos. 1461-1463, 1467. 6.) False; cf. nos. 1478, 1498. 7.) False; cf. no. 2567. 8.) True; cf. no. 2592

Young Disciples (Grades 7-12)

Coming Soon...

**Sunday, March 28th~ Safe Environment Video...I need you to return your "opt out" form if your parents don't want you seeing the video, or you plan not to attend! We'll have some game time when the video ends...
Sunday, April 4th~ HAPPY EASTER!!
NO YOUTH GROUP TONIGHT!!**

Questions, concerns, comments: come by, call, or e-mail me @: Christina Best: bmcyouth@bellsouth.net or 683-8444 Ext. 28

Cooking Teams up to bat: THANK YOU!!

1. **Sunday, March 28th**~ Diane Hoffman, Michele Linn, Katie Ballard, Sharon McPherson
Sunday, April 4th~ NO COOKING TEAM NEEDED!!

Social Concerns

Let us remember our homeless brothers and sisters in Christ of Chile, Haiti and Owensboro. St Francis of Assisi, pray for us.

The Social Justice Committee of Blessed Mother meets at 6:30 PM on the third Tuesday of each month. The Prayer Blanket Committee meets at 6:30 PM on the second Wednesday of each month.

A Lenten Prayer

I was hungry and you gave me food. I was thirsty, and you gave me drink. I was a stranger, and you welcomed me. I was naked, and you clothed me. I was ill, and you comforted me. I was in jail, and you came to me.



Lord, Jesus Christ, may our Lenten fasting turn us toward all our brothers and sisters who are in need. Send us through Lent with good cheer, and bring us to the fullness of your Passover. Amen.

Forming Good Stewards

March 28, 2010

Palm Sunday

"Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet, not as I will, but as you will"

Luke 22:14 - 23:56

Msgr. Winus Roeten says that when we are in prayer and we hear ourselves saying "No!" we probably just heard from God. Prayer is not so much about what we say to God, but about what we are willing to *hear from* God. When we are in true communion with God to discern his will for us He may ask us to do something difficult or unpleasant; something we have not done before; something that may antagonize our family and friends; something involving financial or physical risk. And it is okay, as Msgr Roeten suggest, if our first answer is "No!" But, if we are good stewards of our prayer life, growing constantly in our communion with God to discern his will for us, we must ultimately say "Yes Lord!" Only a fool would want to accept the cup that Jesus knew was in front of him. Jesus was no fool. But Jesus was in full communion with the Father, so he was willing to accept the cup, to do God's will, not his own will. What are we willing to hear from God? Whatever our initial interest, what will be our final answer?

Sunday Collections

Actual	Budget	MTD	YTD
\$18,365	\$21,058.	\$23,533.	\$22,691.

Easter Flower Memorial



We invite you to place the names of your loved ones on the envelope for the Easter Flower offering. Your loved ones will be remembered at the Masses throughout the Easter Season. The collection will be used to decorate the Church for Easter and special occasions during the year.

Words of Life

Mother Teresa said that Christ comes to us in the disguise of the poor. She also said that it is terrible poverty that a child must die so that people might live as they wish. Taken together, I believe that the poorest of the poor are those whose poverty lies in the loss of a child. We should consider them the face of Christ in our lives and help them with a kind word, a listening ear, a healing embrace. Only love can overcome the tragedy of abortion, and that love must begin with each of us.

**Remember in prayer those
sick in our community:**

Frances Ballard, Herman Barr, Joey Barr, Harry Baumgarten, Helen Bellwoord, Eva Birkhead, Liz, Logan Brown, Tony Brown, Frances Carrico, Maria Castlen, JB Cecil, Joe Cecil, Vincent Cecil, Joyce, Paul, Paul Jr., Christian, Ann Clark, Clifton Clark, George Clark, James Clark, Alice Cole, Jake Conder, Amy Cox, Hettie Crask, Ben Crump, Leoma Daly, Philip Demarest, Evelyn Denton, Sheila Duncan, Emma Dunbar, John Duncan, Kinsey Dunn, Angela Farmer, Maria Finley, Matt Gabis, Rita Gabis, Lauren Girten, Lucille Goetz, Brenda Goodman, Luke Gray, Josh Griffith, Janice Goins, Donna Hamilton, Mary Hardesty, Jr. Harpe, Ann Havener, Lucy Harpe, Martha Hayden, Martha Faye Hayden, Madalyn Marie Hayden, Janet Haynes, Hayden Head, Mike Head, Beverly Heppler., Mary Elizabeth Hill, Thelma Hinton, Mildred Howard, Margaret Isbell, Mary Ava Jackson, Betty Jo Johnson, Edith Johnson, Gertrude Jones, Jo Ann Kauffeld, Joann Knott, Debbie Koenig, Connie Krusick, John Krusick, Bob Lawrence, Travis Martin, Helen Matheny, Margaret Mattingly, Mildred McCarthy, Margie Meredith, Mary L. Millay, Virginia Millay, Mary Miller, Conner Mills, Dena Montgomery, Mary Morton, Alma Mulligan, Carter Wayne Murphy, Nancy Murphy, Cindi Neuner, Lee Newton, Shirley Olliver, Joann Ogle, Ethan Payne, Helen Payne, Jerry Payne, Lura Payne, Mary Payne, Carolyn Pierce, Brenda Pitt, Lawrence Quinn, Paul Raley, Geraldine Ralph, Joyce Rangel, Otto Reisz, Vincent Reynolds, Paul Robertson, Darla Robinson, Beck Roby, Larry Roby, Janet Schartung, Dorothy Schell, Jessica Seymour, Herman, Mary Simmons, Becky Smith, Elizabeth Sosh, Rose Stepp, Susan Stersman, Onora Stone, Melissa Sullivan, Teresa Taucher, Larry Taylor, Mary Hilary Taylor, Joyce Thomas, Angela, Leo Thompson, Betty Thompson, Charles Thompson, Martha Towery, Anita Travis, Tammy Tucker, Glynda Turner, David Vasterling, Hubert Vowels, Dianne Walsh, Kenny Ward, Scott Ward, Teresa Ward, Katherine Whittinghill, Jack Wilson, Bea Wooldridge, Bill, Flora Yancy, Randy Zarembo

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

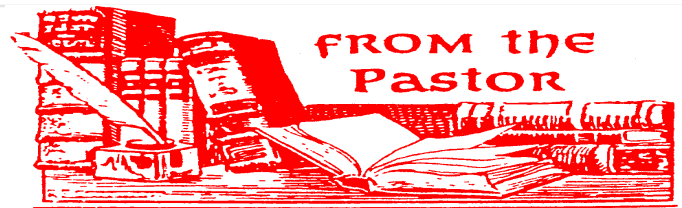
Iraq: SGT Jeremi Bosley, National Guards
Brandon Mattingly, US Army, Baghdad
Spec. Daniel Nugent, Iraq
Sgt. David Farley, US Army
Ryan Hofmann, Iraq (grandson of Al & Joan Hofmann)

Afghanistan

Jeremy Ballard (grandson of Frances Ballard)
1st Lt William Cory Newton (grandson of Dorothy Schell)

Other

AIC Austin Eckstein, USAF, grandson Henrietta May
CSSR Justin Mills, Japan, grandson of Dessie Clark
SN Jason Bishop, US Navy, son of Linda & Dan Pearl



I hope you had a good week. Today is Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion. This begins the holiest week of our faith life. Today we begin our walk with the Lord to Calvary. The Gospel is the reading of the passion account according to Luke. We listen to the story with open minds and hearts that His great act of love will move us to be more like Him.

Tuesday there is no Mass at the parish because of the Chrism Mass at the Sportcenter at 6:30pm. All are encouraged to attend this Mass in which the bishop blesses the sacramental oil for the coming year.

Thursday is Holy Thursday. Mass will be at 7pm. I have asked the parish council members to represent the apostles at the washing of the feet. Then we spend time til midnight in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – this will be in the parish hall.

Friday is Good Friday. There is no Mass anywhere in the world on Good Friday because we are in mourning over Christ's death. Our Good Friday service is at 7pm.

The Easter Vigil will begin at 8pm on Saturday. No scheduled confessions on that day.

We will have the special Easter Mass Schedule again this year: the Vigil on Saturday evening at 8pm and then Easter Sunday morning Masses at 7, 9, and 11am. No evening Mass on Easter Sunday. Let us pray for one another during this busy hectic week ahead that it will be truly a source of holiness for all of us.

Many thanks to all those who have turned in their stewardship commitment forms for this year. The phoning has begun. If you haven't received your call yet, grab a form at the doors and fill it out. Thanks.

Have a good week.

Calendar for the Week	
Rosary is prayed Mon.—Thurs, 4 PM	
Mon.	Mass 6:30 AM Bible Study 10AM Bunko, 1 PM Choristers Practice, 4:30 PM Cherubs Practice, 5:15 PM
Tues.	Chrism Mass, 6:30 PM
Wed.	Mass at 6:30 AM
Thurs.	Holy Thursday Mass at 7PM Adoration Until Midnight
Fri.	No Eucharistic Adoration Good Friday Services, 7 PM Offices Closed in Observance of Good Friday
Sat.	No Confessions, 12:30 –2:00 PM 8 PM Easter Vigil
Sun.	Easter Sunday Mass at 7, 9, 11 AM, NO 5:30 PM No Religious Ed Classes 11 AM No Coffee and Donuts, 11 AM No Youth Group, 6:30-8 PM

Readings

March 28 through April 4, 2010

- Sun: Is 50:4-7 Ps 22:8-9,17-18,19-20,23-24 Phil 2:6-11 Lk 22:14-23:56
- Mon: Is 42:1-7 Ps 27:1-3,13-14 Jn 12:1-11
- Tues: Is 49:1-6 Ps 71:1-4a,5ab-6b,15,17 Jn 13:21-33,36-38
- Wed: Is 50:4-9a Ps 69:8-10,21-22,31,33-34 Mt 26:14-25
- Thurs: Ex 12:1-8,11-14 Ps 116:12-13,15-16bc,17-18 1 Cor 11:23-26 Jn 13:1-15
- Fri: Is 52:13-53:12 Ps 31:2,6,12-13,15-17,25 Heb 4:14-16;5:7-9 Jn 18:1-19:42
- Sat: Gn 1:1-2:2 Rom 6:3-11 Ps 118:1-2,16-17,22-23 Lk 24:1-12
- Sun: Acts 10:34a,37-43 Ps 118:1-2,16-17,22-23 Col 3:1-4 Jn 20:1-9

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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 Background checks must also be done before you are eligible to work with the youth of our parish.**

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**

Catholic Schools News

OCS Pre-Registration Begins Monday, March 15-26
Any family not receiving pre-registration information may call the Central Office at 686-8896.

Win A Home: Catholic Education Partners are giving away a 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage home on Sat. April 10 at 10am. Home located at Meadow Grass Creek. Tickets \$100 can be purchased at the Central Office, Jagoe Homes, Independence Bank, WBKR, or Sts. Joe & Paul Office, or call 683+5641.

Parish Council Members	
Charlie Castlen	683-3426
Charlotte Cecil	683-0499
Tim Goetz	684-8275
David Graham	683-4665
Troy Halemam	691-0633
David Jarboe	683-5108
Rick Moman	683-6555
Darryl Murphy	683-8437
Phil Riney	926-8945
Darlene Kazlauskas	684-3891
Tony Powers	926-1803
Nancy Byrum	729-4362