



Blessed Mother Catholic Church

601 East 23rd Street
Owensboro, KY 42303

Our Mission Statement

Blessed Mother catholic church is a faith-filled community inspired by the Holy Spirit. Our parish family worships and grows together to accomplish the same God-given mission as Jesus through evangelization and active concern for all.

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PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. John Meredith, Pastor, phone ext. 22
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Darlene Quinn, Office Assistant, phone ext. 25
Nicholas Hardesty, Director of Religious Education ext. 26
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OFFICE PHONE: 683-8444

OFFICE ADDRESS: 601 East 23rd Street

OFFICE HOURS: 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Monday at Noon

PRAYER LINE NUMBERS:

E-mail Line: Barbara Cecil - bwcecil@tds.net
or phone 929-3690

BAPTISM: Parents must be registered in the parish and attend the Baptism Class. Call Nicholas Hardesty, the Director of Religious Education to set up an appointment for the Baptism Class. Arrangements for the Baptism may be made at that time.

MARRIAGES: Arrangements must be made six months in advance of the ceremony with Fr. John.

ADULT CATECHUMENATE: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is open for all who would like to inquire into our Catholic Faith. Call the Parish Office.

CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME: A program for returning Catholics
Contact Josie Hagan, 926-1483

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

WEEKEND: Saturday 4:00 P.M.
Sunday 7:00 & 10:00 A.M.,
5:30 P.M.

WEEKDAYS: 6:30 A.M. Monday
6:00 P.M. Tuesday
6:30 A.M. Wednesday
Noon Thursday and Friday

HOLY DAYS: 6:00 P.M. Vigil Mass
9:00 A.M., 12:00 P.M.

ALL FRIDAYS: Eucharistic Adoration
6:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 12:30 - 2:00 P.M.
Any time by appointment.

VISITATION OF THE SICK: In order to meet the spiritual needs of our sick we ask that you please keep us informed of those who are ill at home, in the hospital, or a nursing facility. Our priest visits the hospital on a weekly basis. Arrangements may be made for Communion calls to the homes of our homebound parishioners on First Friday by the priest and/or weekly Communion calls made by lay ministers to parishioners who are unable to attend Mass.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

During the school year for grades Kn-8th

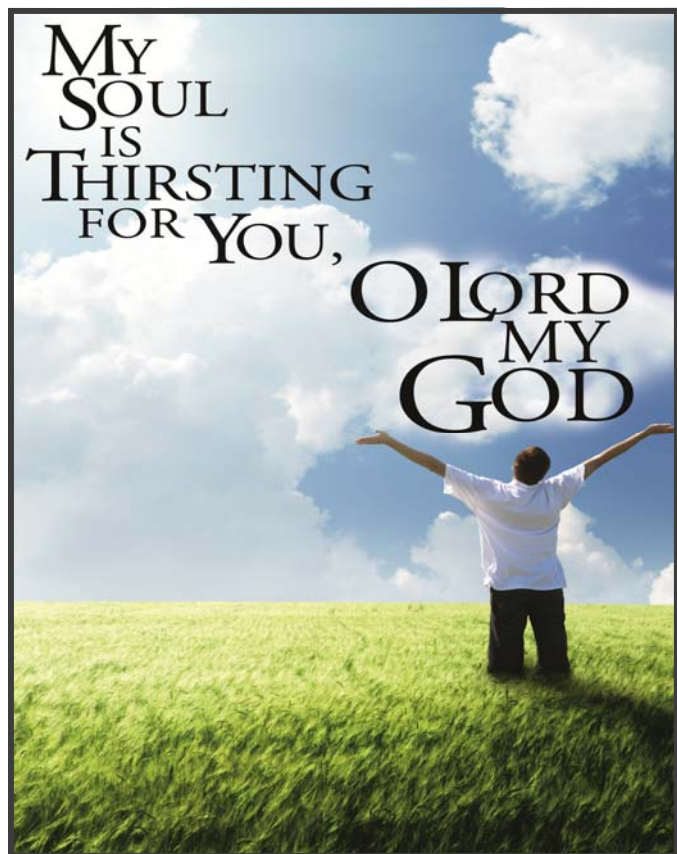
BEREAVEMENT DINNERS

Dinners for family and friends after the Funeral.
Contact the Parish Office.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Blessed Mother welcomes all newcomers to our Parish Family. We would be honored to have you as a member. Please fill out this section, cut out, and turn it in or mail it to the Parish Office. We will send you papers for membership and we will also have a member of our Welcoming Committee call you.

Name _____
Address _____ Phone _____



Intention for the Week

- Monday,** November 7th
6:30 AM Lucille Goetz (dec)
- Tuesday,** November 8th
6:00 PM Mary Ava Jackson (dec, b-day)
- Wednesday,** November 9th
6:30 AM Jerry Blandford Jr. (dec, annv)
- Thursday,** November 10th
9:00 AM School Mass
Noon Helen Payne (dec)
- Friday,** November 11th
Noon Angela Thompson (dec)
- Saturday** November 12th
4:00 PM Debbie Ward Terry (dec)
- Sunday,** November 13th
7:00 AM Lucy Goetz (dec)
10:00 AM J T Hagan (dec b-day)
5:30 PM Blessed Mother Parish

Thank You

Thank you to all who helped with the Welcoming brunch. Your hospitality is greatly appreciated. A warm welcome to all new members.

Liturgical Ministers for November 12th & 13th

Eucharistic Ministers

SATURDAY 4PM Jay Fillman, Susie Fillman, Lahoma Stinnett, Janet Ruth, Maggie O'Bryan, Joe O'Bryan, Liz Francis, Cecelia Hamilton, Joan Collins

SUNDAY 7 AM Mike Thompson, Carolyn Taylor, Sr. Mary Timothy, Bill Bach, Joy Bach, Dennis Sandefur

SUNDAY 10 AM Tony Powers, Jerry Millay, Brenda Millay, Jeannette Ward, Drew Ward, Sabrina Johnson, Scott Johnson, Sharon Bell, John Bell

SUNDAY 5:30 PM Jessica Carmon, Mark Potts, Bev Payne, Deanna Brasher, David McBride, Lisa Carmon

Readers

- Sat 4:00 PM** Margaret Kelley
- Sun 7:00 AM** Dennis Sandefur
- Sun 10:00 AM** Molly Thompson
- Sun 5:30 PM** Jack Hamilton

Servers

- Sat 4:00 PM** Matthew Johnson, Gabe Fillman
- Sun 7:00 AM** Kaylin Hagan, Kendra Hagan
- Sun 10:00 AM** Sterling Hardesty, Zachary Hardesty
- Sun 5:30 PM** Caroline Hayden, JT Hayden

Families to Take Up Gifts

- Sat 4:00 PM** Joyce Powers
- Sun 7:00 AM** Ed Hodskins
- Sun 10:00 AM** Joyce Christian
- Sun 5:30 PM** David Harris

Children's Liturgy

- Preschool** Linda Wahl, Molly Aud (Asst)
- K-3rd Grade** Mary Margaret Hayden, Caroline Hayden (Asst)

Vocation Cross Family

Debbie Addington, Mary Donna Aull, Ricky Aull

Hillcrest: Rose Clark, Joan Frey

Ministers of Hospitality for November

- 4:00 PM** Tim Goetz, Eric Goetz
Josh Goetz, Rebecca Goetz
- 7:00 AM** Clarence Elder, Tom Foster
Ed Hoskins, Joe Higdon
- 10:00 AM** Charlie Kase, Janet Kase
Lacy Kase, Steve Frey
- 5:30 PM** Ben Miller, Mason Miller
Lee Miller, Eli Miller

Catholic Q & A

What does it mean that Mary was a virgin “during” the birth of Jesus? Is this something we are required to believe?

That Mary remained a virgin during the birth of Jesus is an aspect of her perpetual virginity that you don't hear a lot about nowadays. But, it is just as important as our belief that Mary was a virgin before the conception of Christ and remained a virgin forever after He was born.

When we say that Mary remained a virgin even *during* the birth of Christ, we mean that there was nothing about the birthing process that caused her pain or that violated her bodily, virginal integrity. Amazing things happen to a woman's body during the birthing process. In a sense, she is forever changed, at a physical level, once this birth has taken place. Mary's experience of this was different and miraculous. Her body didn't undergo these changes. She did not even experience any pain!

Why does all this matter? Well, in the first place, it matters simply because it is true, and we want to affirm all that is true. But, beyond that, this type of radical virginity points to Mary as someone who made a complete and perfect offering of her entire self, even her body and her sexuality, to the Lord. This also highlights the fact that Mary's son is no ordinary son. Both His conception in the womb of Mary and His coming into the world were of a miraculous nature because He is Himself a miracle: the Word of God made man.

Since this has been the consistent teaching of the Church, it is a teaching that we should believe. Here are a few examples where the Church has taught that Mary remained a virgin during the birth of Jesus:

"This is the virgin who conceived in her womb and as a virgin bore a son." (Pope Siricius, 390 AD)

"And as the Virgin acquired the modesty of virginity before conception, so also she experienced no loss of her integrity; for she conceived a virgin, gave birth a virgin, and after birth retained the uninterrupted modesty of an intact virgin." (Council of Toledo, 693 AD)

"Besides, what is admirable beyond the power of thoughts or words to express, He is born of His Mother without any diminution of her maternal virginity" (Catechism of the Council of Trent, "The Creed")

"This union of the Mother with the Son in the work of salvation is made manifest... also at the birth of Our Lord, who did not diminish His mother's virginal integrity but sanctified it" (Second Vatican Council, Lumen Gentium, no. 57)

Peace of Christ to you,
Nicholas Hardesty, Director of Religious Education
nicholashardesty@gmail.com

Young Disciples (Grades 7-12)

Coming Soon...

Sunday, Nov. 6: The Meal, The Mass, The Mystery 1

Sunday, Nov. 13: The Meal, The Mass, The Mystery 2

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:

Nov. 6: Bernie & Lisa Dotsey, John & Ashlie Iracane

Nov. 13: Camillia Baker, Nancy Walker, Elizabeth Eaves

The Giving Tree

Its that time again to be thinking about Our Giving Tree. If you know of a family in need of help this Christmas, please contact Russ at the Parish Office. We help families and individuals only if requested by a parishioner. Our tree goes up Thanksgiving Day, so the **Names with clothing sizes need to be turned in no later than Monday November 21st.**

The Book Of Life

We invite you to take a moment and list the names of your deceased loved ones into the Book Of Life. All entered will be remembered in the Holy Masses during the month of November. Envelopes are available for Masses to be offered during the year.

"OCHS FALL PLAY"

OCHS Emerald Productions will perform the murder/mystery/comedy "The Very Great Grandson of Sherlock Holmes" by Bill Majeski on Thursday, Nov. 10 at 7pm, Saturday the 12th at 7pm, and Sunday the 13th at 2pm in Soenneker Hall of Owensboro Catholic High School. It is about Sherwood Holmes, the great grandson of the legendary Sherlock Holmes, and his attempt to prevent a murder from occurring. Run time is approximately 2 hours, including a 15 minute intermission. Cost is \$4 for students & \$5 for adults. No ticket pre-sales.

Laugh for the Week

“THE NEW BABY BROTHER”

Little Johnny’s new baby screamed and cried all the time. Finally, little Johnny asked his mother, “Where did we get him?”

His mother replied, “He came from Heaven, Johnny.”

Johnny replied, “WOW! I can see why they threw him out!”

Mary, Mediatrix of all Grace Marian Conference

Saturday, November 12th, 2011
Blessed Mother Parish Hall

Sponsored by:
The Marian Shrine Committee of the
Diocese of Owensboro

Registration is \$20.00 per person

You may register by phone or by mail:

Lisa Englert—Chairperson
2123 Crestwood Drive
Owensboro, Ky 42301
For more information contact Lisa
684-0096 or 993-8896

The New Roman Missal

On Sunday, November 27 of this year, Catholics in the United States will begin worshiping with the newly-translated texts of the third edition of the Roman Missal.

As we get closer and closer to Nov. 27, archbishops on both sides of the Atlantic have offered words of wisdom on the new English translation of the Roman Missal. In a column for The Tidings archdiocesan newspaper, Los Angeles Archbishop Jose H. Gomez writes about the "wonderful gift" the revised Missal will be for the Church:

“Implementing this new translation means much more than simply memorizing new prayers. I really believe this new translation offers us a special moment of grace. It is a fact of life that anything we do over and over again can become routine, something we just do without paying too much attention. But we can never let the Mass become routine for us. We need to love the Eucharist! We need to live the holy Mass! Our Christian life, our whole life, must be centered in the Eucharist. That is why this new translation is such a wonderful gift. It gives us the opportunity for a new Eucharistic catechesis. It gives us the chance to reflect more deeply on the meaning of our worship — on what we do when we celebrate the Eucharist, and why.”

Forming Good Stewards Sunday Collections

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
“Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”

Mt 25:1-13

The parable of the five wise virgins who brought extra oil and the five unwise who did not seems to suggest that Jesus was a Boy Scout and was well aware of their motto, “Be Prepared.” It is more likely that the Boy Scouts were aware of that parable, and others, and based their motto on the teaching of Jesus. People who live in areas prone to hurricanes, earthquakes, tornados, blizzards and other climate or geology related events know the value of being prepared. Jesus clearly meant that being prepared involved more than having an extra vile of oil for a lamp or the right supplies and equipment in the event of an emergency. He intended that we should live our life always prepared to grow in the understanding and use, to the best of our ability, of all the talents abilities and gifts God has given to each of us, for ourselves and for others. That is truly “being prepared,” especially the part about using all that God has given us *for others*.

October 24th, 2011

Actual	Budget	MTD	YTD
\$23,608	\$23,558	\$21,685	\$22,299



Thank You Fr. John for all you do!

Thank You Jan Storm and all who helped
make Priest Appreciation the great
success it was

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

Frances Ballard, Harry Baumgarten, Eva Birkhead, Joe Bowlds, Megan Brigglin, Liz, Logan Brown, Tony Brown, Kellie Burch, Frances Carrico, Maria Castlen, Joe Cecil, Melody Cecil, Vincent Cecil, Joyce Paul, Paul Jr., Christian, Dennis Clark, George Clark, James Clark, Alice Cole, Jake Conder, Jeff Connor, Don Cooper, Amy Cox, Chad Crabtree, Hettie Crask, Ben Crump, Mickie Crump, Leoma Daly, Philip Demarest, Evelyn Denton, Sheila Duncan, Emma Dunbar, Kinsey Dunn, Theresa Feller, Elena Maria Finley, Damon Gillim, Brenda Goodman, Luke Gray, Josh Griffith, Janice Goins, Sheila Gunterman, Donna Hamilton, Wilhemenia Newton Hamilton, Martha Faye Hayden, Madalyn Marie Hayden, Mike Head, Jim Henry, Beverly Heppler, Mary Elizabeth Hill, Janice Hobbs, Paul Hodskins, Margaret Isbell, Joseph Jarboe, Betty Jo Johnson, Jo Ann Kauffeld, Tony Keller, Joann Knott, Debbie Koenig, Mike Koger, Connie Krusick, Bob Lawrence, Kathlene Leming, Travis Martin, Dale Mattingly, Margaret Mattingly, Mildred McCarthy, Margie Meredith, Mary L. Millay, Virginia Millay, Mary Miller, Conner Mills, Dena Montgomery, Roger Morgan, Jayne Morgan, Mary Morton, Alma Mullican, Carter Wayne Murphy, Nancy Murphy, Lee Newton, Ruth Nunez, Shirley Olliver, Katherine Osowicz, Ethan Payne, Jerry Payne, Lura Payne, Mary Payne, Judy Peak, Carolyn Pierce, Brenda Pitt, Paul Raley, Geraldine Ralph, Otto Reisz, Vincent Reynolds, Paul Robertson, Beck Roby, Larry Roby, Lucille Russell, Dorothy Schell, Juanita Sessman, Jessica Seymour, Marge Slack, Becky Smith, Elizabeth Sosh, Rose Stepp, Susan Stersman, Onora Stone, Melissa Sullivan, Jill Tanner, Teresa Taucher, Larry Taylor, Mary Hilary Taylor, Billy Thomas, Leo Thompson, Betty Thompson, Martha Towery, Anita Travis, Tammy Tucker, Lucille Vowels, Glynda Turner, David Vasterling, Dianne Walsh, Kenny Ward, Scott Ward, Teresa Ward, Deny Wheatley, Kamren White, Katherine Whittinghill, Joe Wink, Bill, Flora Yancy, Randy Zaremba

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

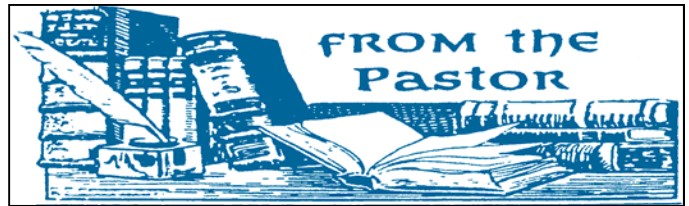
Iraq: SGT Jeremi Bosley, National Guards
Brandon Mattingly, US Army, Baghdad
Spec. Daniel Nugent, Iraq
Sgt. David Farley, US Army
SGT Jerrod Moore, Army, (grandson of
Russell & Virginia Corley)

Afghanistan

Jeremy Ballard (grandson of Frances Ballard)
US Navy Lieutenant Commander Michael T. Clark
CPL Whitney Corley (Marines) (granddaughter
Russell & Virginia Corley)
Nicholas Sandefur (Army) (grandson, Dessie Clark)
PFC-NG-NGB Justin McDuffie (grandson
Clarence & Carmen Elder)

Other

AIC Austin Eckstein, USAF, grandson Henrietta May
SN Jason Bishop, US Navy, son of Linda & Dan Pearl
PVT Benjamin Sexton, US Army, USA (grandson
Margie Ashworth)



I hope you had a good week. Today is the Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time. There are only thirty four weeks in Ordinary Time so we are nearing the end of a Church Year. And the Gospel sounds like the end as well. We are to stay awake because we don't know when Jesus is returning. We must always be prepared.

Thanks so much for all the appreciation, cards and gifts. The glider swivel recliner rocker is wonderful. Thanks. I want to thank Jan Storm and Darlene Quinn and the parish council for putting on the reception. It's great being your pastor.

This time last year we sent everyone a "report card" on their financial giving. It is not a bill or a complaint. It is a friendly reminder of where each person stands with their pledges and contributions. Those reports should be coming out soon.

November is the month to pray for our departed loved ones. Check the display board in the back and feel free to write in the book a loved one's name for prayer.

Finance meeting this Tuesday after Mass. Stewardship committee meeting this Wednesday at 6:30pm in parish office.

FYI: Mass responses change Nov. 27th First Sunday of Advent.

Lifting Up Mass

Sunday, November 6th 2:30PM
Wendell Foster's Campus Young Building
7th & Triplett Street Owensboro

Celebrant: Brescia University President
Fr. Larry Hostetter

Reception with Refreshments
Immediately Following

A unique celebration of the Mass for all Persons with Disabilities and their Families, Integrating those with Disabilities into the Liturgy and Worship.

Thank You

The Glenmary Sisters' Guild appreciates your generosity with our pumpkin sales. All proceeds benefit the Glenmary Sisters mission.

Calendar for the Week

Rosary is prayed Mon.—Thurs, 4 PM

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

**Tues. Mass 6:00 PM
Finance Committee Mtg 6:30PM**

**Wed. Mass 6:30 AM
Stewardship Meeting 6:30PM**

**Thurs. 9:00 AM School Mass
Mass 12:00 Noon
RCIA 7:00 PM**

**Fri. Eucharistic Adoration
Mass 12 Noon**

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

**Sun. Mass at 7, 10 AM, 5:30 PM
Religious Ed after 10:00 AM Mass
BMC Youth Group 6:30 PM
AA Meeting, 7:30pm, Cafeteria**

Readings for the Week

Monday: Wis 1:1-7; Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday: Wis 2:23 -- 3:9; Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46;
1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

Thursday: Wis 7:22b -- 8:1; Lk 17:20-25

Friday: Wis 13:1-9; Lk 17:26-37

Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Lk 18:1-8

Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128;
1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]

Check out the NEW Catholic Radio Station!

107.7 WIMM is now on 107.9! New call numbers, **BETTER SIGNAL**, same Catholic truth. For more information, see our website: <http://www.owensborocatholicradio.com>

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.rcdok.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 want to volunteer with minors you must complete the Safe Environment Training, and have a current Background Check. If you have any questions, contact Russ at the Parish Office.**

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 **7 am 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**

OCS Registration

The Owensboro Catholic Schools Registration: Space still available for the 2011-2012 school year. For more information about OCS or to inquire about tuition assistance, contact Karen Gross at 686-8896 or log on to the website at: www.owensborocatholic.org

Winter Warmth

The Social Justice Committee will sponsor the coat drive this year, beginning Saturday October 29th thru November 13th. The box will be placed at the main doors of church. Thank you for your support in this work of charity.

Catholics Returning Home

Have you been away from the Church for a while? Have you ever thought about returning? If so, we would like to welcome you back to Blessed Mother Parish. We have a special ministry for people just like you who have been away from the church. Please join us for a six week series that begins Thursday, Nov. 10th at Blessed Mother Parish Center, 6:30 to 7:30 PM. We would like to address your questions and make you feel at home once more in the Catholic Church. For more information, please call Josie Hagan, 926-1483. after 5PM.

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Rick Moman	683-6555
Keith Osborne	689-0917
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Tony Powers	926-1803
Dan Thomas	684-2120

Daily Bible Reading: 683-8524

Visit our website!

<http://www.blessedmotherchurch.com>

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