



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
Russ Hayden, Administrator, phone ext. 21
Brett Ballard, Music/Liturgy Director, phone ext. 27
Roman Osowicz, Maintenance Mechanic, phone ext. 20
Darlene Quinn, Office Assistant, phone ext. 25
Nicholas Hardesty, Director of Religious Education ext. 26
Christina Best, Youth Director, phone ext. 28

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

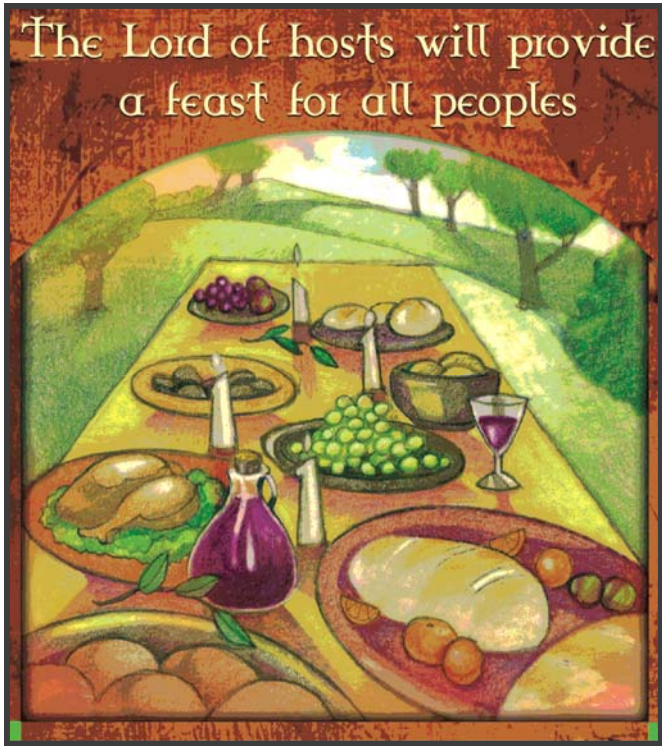
BEREAVEMENT DINNERS

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,** October 10th
6:30 AM NO MASS
- Tuesday,** October 11th
6:00 PM NO MASS
- Wednesday,** October 12th
6:30 AM NO MASS
- Thursday,** October 13th
9:00 AM NO School Mass
Noon NO MASS
- Friday,** October 14th
Noon Phylis Newton Ragland (dec)
- Saturday** October 15th
4:00 PM Simon, Haddad, Meredith Family
- Sunday,** October 16th
7:00 AM Blessed Mother Parish
10:00 AM W A Mattingly Jr. (dec)
5:30 PM Mary C. Morton (dec)

Liturgical Ministers for October 15th & 16th

Eucharistic Ministers

SATURDAY 4PM Bonnie Snyder, Shirley Kent, Joyce Pearl, Jeff Williams, Sandra Henry, Jennifer Jones, David Jones, Joan Collins, Karen Dueker

SUNDAY 7 AM Randy Lee, Angie Lee, Don Cecil, Dennis Sandefur, Bill Bach, Joy Bach

SUNDAY 10 AM Liza Brown, Katie Brown, Jenny Glaser, Sharon Bell, John Bell, Becky Hargitt, Phil Hagan, Josie Hagan, Carol Goedde

SUNDAY 5:30 PM Sam Lilly, Jessica Carmon, Christina Best, Deanna Brasher, David McBride, Bev Payne

Readers

Sat 4:00 PM Fran Watrous
Sun 7:00 AM Charlie Castlen
Sun 10:00 AM Troy Haleman
Sun 5:30 PM Rick Moman

Servers

Sat 4:00 PM Gabe Fillman, Nicholas Jackson
Sun 7:00 AM Harper Dotsey, David Dotsey
Sun 10:00 AM Jacob Johnson, Raychel Bahnick
Sun 5:30 PM Christopher Hayden, JT Hayden

Families to Take Up Gifts

Sat 4:00 PM Kenny Blandford
Sun 7:00 AM Jane Settles
Sun 10:00 AM Diane Fulkerson
Sun 5:30 PM Bobby Bastin

Children's Liturgy

Preschool Ellen Hayden, Beth Allen (Asst)
K-3rd Grade Diane Fulkerson, Angela Bell (Asst)

Vocation Cross Family

Steve Wall, David Ward, Mike Ward

Hillcrest: Charles & Dana Zambrano

Ministers of Hospitality for October

4:00 PM Keith Best, Jackie Russell
William Shelton, Tony Fiorella

7:00 AM Russell Corley, Bernie Dotsey
Alex Dotsey, PJ Ebelhar

10:00 AM John Bell Sr., John Bell Jr.
Bruce Martin, Ed Higdon

5:30 PM Kenny Buckman, Aaron Buckman
Caleb Buckman, Logan Buckman

Catholic Q & A

What are some examples of sins against the Holy Spirit?

The primary sin against the Holy Spirit is the act of disbelief of the Spirit's divinity and His working in Christ and through the Church. This can also take the form of despair over one's soul, in which a person considers oneself beyond the saving power of the Holy Spirit.

What did Jesus mean when he said that heaven and earth would pass away but his words would last forever? (cf. Mt 24:35)

When Jesus comes again, heaven and earth will pass away. He will usher in a **new** heaven and a **new** earth, in which all evil, and sin, and suffering, and weakness, and temptation, and hunger, and every ill-effect of sin and the devil on earth will be definitively destroyed. On that day, heaven and earth will come together to be one place of perfect peace and happiness where Jesus reigns forever and ever (cf. Rev 21:1-5). By saying that His words will outlast even the entire created order as we know it, He is emphasizing the permanent relevance and power and timelessness of His word.

I've heard that Jesus could've been as old as a toddler or possibly even older when the 3 wise men came. Does the church have an age range established?

The Church usually does not define incidental matters of history like this. So, there is no authoritative teaching on the matter.

When and why did the Orthodox churches branch away? Why is Catholicism broken up? Why wouldn't the pope unite them?

Well, it isn't that Catholicism is broken up, it's that several groups of Christians have separated themselves from Her over the years. There had been many years of theological disputes and hurt feelings between Christians in Western and Eastern Europe leading up to 1054 AD, when representatives from both sides excommunicated each other. This was the "straw that broke the camel's back", so to speak, and was the impetus for many churches in the East to form what would be known as the Eastern Orthodox Church. However, since the Eastern Orthodox Church maintains a valid apostolic succession and all seven sacraments, there are still many ties that bind us and, since the Second Vatican Council, the Popes of the Catholic Church and the Patriarchs of the East have made every effort at reunification.

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

Young Disciples (Grades 7-12)

Coming Soon...

Sunday, Oct. 9: Fall Break- No Youth Group

Sunday, Oct. 16: "Seek and Find"

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:

Oct. 9: No Team Needed!

Oct. 16: Gail Williams, Leiann Lashbrook, Sharon Johnson

The Tuffest Job You'll Ever Love!!

"St. Vincent de Paul"

Have you ever stopped to think about the one thing Jesus talks about most in the Bible? Helping the poor & needy. Have you ever thought how you may help the poor & needy? Donations are great, but your time & compassion are also truly needed. In today's economy the Vincentians help is needed more than ever. So far this year we have helped more than 351 families & individuals with, utilities, rent, and food. We also have a Bible reading daily with a number listed in the Thrifty Nickel, in which individuals can call & hear Scripture. Some Vincentians make hospital visits to fellow parishioners, which may be their only visitors. If this is something you Men & Women may feel interested in, PLEASE come sit in on a meeting and see what we are about. Meetings are Monday's at 7:00PM, approximately 1 hr, in the St. Anthony room of the parish center. Remember, we all need Bonus Points for the Big Picture. At least I know I do.

With Love in Christ,
Jim Hagan
President, Blessed Mother
St. Vincent de Paul

Laugh for the Week

"Not Bothered"

Two friends Jim and Jack were out golfing one beautiful Monday morning as they usually do each Monday. This particular Monday Jim was struggling to keep the ball in the fairway.

Jack turned to Jim after about the 4th hole and said, "Jim, is everything OK today, your not hitting the ball the way you normally do.

Jim said, "I am fine, don't worry about my game today"

As they continued to play Jim was still struggling, however it did not seem to bother him.

Finally on the 7th hole Jack could not hold back. He turned to Jim and said, "Are you sure everything is OK?" We have played 7 holes and you have lost a ball on each hole some holes two, and you don't seem to be concerned at all. Why is that?"

Jim turned to Jack and said, "Why be concerned, I have been getting the balls out of your bag!!!!"

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.

On November 27 of this year, the first Sunday of Advent, we will begin to use a new translation of the Mass we celebrate each day. Some of you may be wondering why the words we have used for almost 40 years have to change. The answer to this question dates back a few decades, to the early 1970s. Officially, the language of the Mass we celebrate is Latin, but the Second Vatican Council (which took place in the mid-1960s) gave permission for other languages to be used as well. The work of translating began almost immediately, and English was one of the first to be completed -- in 1974. The work of refining the English translation of the Mass began in earnest in 1989. In the meanwhile, there was also a revised version of the Latin text published in 2001 in order to incorporate the newly-named saints proclaimed by Blessed John Paul II. The English translation was finally approved last year, and is now being implemented throughout the world, in all English-speaking countries.

Forming Good Stewards Sunday Collections

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
"Jesus again in reply spoke to the chief priests and elders of the people in parables . . ."

Gospel Mt 22:1-14

The Gospel passage for today and the past several Sundays have been parables that Jesus used to create images to teach his disciples and challenge the Pharisees, Sadducees and scribes. Jesus used parables because of all of them, including Jesus himself, the scribes were, by definition, the only ones who could read and write. Some parables, such as today's Gospel, had rather harsh sounding messages. Many parables were about the consequences we face if we do not understand and acknowledge God as the source of all that we have and fail to be all that God created us to be. The parable in today's Gospel is addressed to the *leaders* and *elders* of Jesus' day. They may or may not have been able to read and write, but they were intelligent enough to understand that Jesus was challenging them to be responsible *leaders* and *elders*. Are we intelligent enough to understand that God is challenging us to be all that he created us to be?

September 25th, 2011

Actual	Budget	MTD	YTD
\$22,554	\$23,558	\$22,555	\$22,488

RELIGIOUS ED CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER

Oct. 2: Class
Oct. 9: No class (Fall break)
Oct. 16: No class (Fall break)
Oct. 23: Class
Oct. 30: Class

A Biblical Walk Through the Mass

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This 5-part study will reveal the purpose, and meaning, and Scriptural foundation for everything that we do in the Mass, including the new responses by the people that will go into effect on Nov. 27. The cost is only \$10! First session is **Tues., Oct. 11, at 7 PM in the Parish Hall**. Come and find your reason to look forward to Mass on Sunday!

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

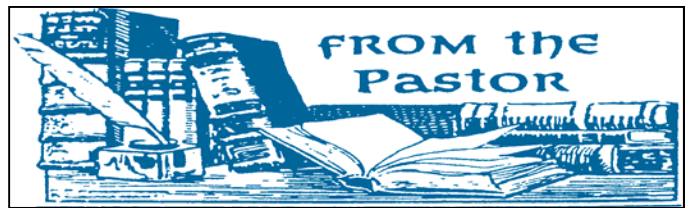
Frances Ballard, Harry Baumgarten, Eva Birkhead, Joe Bowlds, Megan Briggan, Liz, Logan Brown, Tony Brown, Kellie Burch, Frances Carrico, Maria Castlen, Joe Cecil, Melody Cecil, Vincent Cecil, Joyce Paul, Paul Jr., Christian, Dennis Clark, George Clark, James Clark, Alice Cole, Jake Conder, Jeff Connor, Don Cooper, Amy Cox, Chad Crabtree, Hettie Crask, Ben Crump, Mickie Crump, Leoma Daly, Philip Demarest, Evelyn Denton, Sheila Duncan, Emma Dunbar, Kinsey Dunn, Elena Maria Finley, Damon Gillim, Brenda Goodman, Luke Gray, Josh Griffith, Janice Goins, Sheila Gunterman, Joe Hagan, Donna Hamilton, Wilhemenia Newton Hamilton, Martha Faye Hayden, Madalyn Marie Hayden, Phil Hayden, Mike Head, Jim Henry, Beverly Heppler, Mary Elizabeth Hill, Janice Hobbs, Paul Hodskins, Margaret Isbell, Joseph Jarboe, Betty Jo Johnson, Jo Ann Kaufeld, Tony Keller, Joann Knott, Debbie Koenig, Mike Koger, Connie Krusick, Bob Lawrence, Kathlene Leming, Sam Lindsey, 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, Cindi Neuner, 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, Joyce Rangel, 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
PVT Benjamin Sexton (grandson Margie Ashworth)
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



I hope you had a good week. Today is the Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time. We hear again another parable about a wedding feast. And Jesus tells us that we are invited but we must be prepared. So we recommit ourselves to having hearts for the Lord as we celebrate His banquet today.

RCIA has begun. If you know anyone who might be interested in the Catholic faith call the office and we will contact them. We meet every Thursday at 7pm in the youth room.

I will be away for a few days starting October 9th. Hopefully work on the roofs will begin at the same time. The best estimate on the roofs comes in just under \$50,000 for all three shingled ones.

FYI: next April we are planning a new picture directory of the parish. Plan to have your picture made. More information as the time draws near.

The annual priest retreat is coming up the last full week of October. It is held at the Mount this time every year. The director this year is Arch-abbot Lambert Reilly, OSB.

Inclusive Ministry Meeting

The Inclusive Ministry meeting has been rescheduled for Saturday, October 15th, and Sunday October 16th, when Judy Kapelsohn and James Geraldts will be available in St. Joseph Hall after each Mass to hear any concerns and suggestions for improvement in regard to assisting parishioners who have difficulties worshipping due to any type of disability. Also anyone who wishes to assist us in this ministry is welcome to attend.

Glenmary Sisters”

Glenmary Sisters’ Guild will be selling pumpkins, mums and straw here at Blessed Mother after all masses on Saturday Oct. 15th and Sunday October 16th. All proceeds benefit the Glenmary Sisters missions.

Calendar for the Week

Rosary is prayed Mon.—Thurs, 4 PM

**Mon. NO Mass 6:30 AM
Bunko, 1 PM**

Tues. NO Mass 6:00 PM

Wed. NO Mass 6:30 AM

**Thurs. No 9:00 AM School Mass
NO 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
NO Religious Ed after 10:00 AM Mass
NO BMC Youth Group 6:30 PM
AA Meeting, 7:30pm, Cafeteria**

Readings for the Week

Monday: Rom 1:1-7; Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25; Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday: Rom 2:1-11; Lk 11:42-46

Thursday: Rom 3:21-30; Lk 11:47-54

Friday: Rom 4:1-8; Lk 12:1-7

Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18; Lk 12:8-12

Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96; 1 Thes 1:1-5b;
Mt 22:15-21

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**

**Daughters of Isabella
Card Party/Bunco
Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Hall
Thursday October 13, 2011
10:00 AM—2:00PM
\$6.00 includes lunch**

**"Carmel Home Christmas Bazaar"
October 22, 2011
8:00 AM — 2:00 PM
BBQ Chicken, Eat in or Drive thru
Come join the fun, food, & fellowship
Everyone Welcome!**

Parish Council Members

Camillia Baker	729-9094
Angela Bell	729-9434
Nancy Byrum	729-4362
Charlie Castlen	683-3426
Liz Francis	926-3148
Richard Hayden	689-1422
David Higdon (Chair)	852-5321
Rick Moman	683-6555
Keith Osborne	689-0917
Cliff Russell	685-4793
Tony Powers	926-1803
Dan Thomas	684-2120

Daily Bible Reading: 683-8524

Visit our website!
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