



“Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit”

Intention for the Week

Monday, June 8

6:30 AM Basilio Az (seminarian)

Tuesday, June 9, St. Ephrem

6:00 PM William Kathman (dec)

Wednesday, June 10

6:30 AM Bill Yancy (SI)

Thursday, June 11, St. Barnabas

Noon Thanksgiving to St. Anthony

Friday, June 12

Noon Simmon-Haddad-Merediith Family

Saturday, May 6, St. Anthony of Padua

4:00 PM Shirley Hayden (dec)

Corpus Christi Sunday

7:00 AM Mildred Bittel (ann of death)

10:00 AM Dorothy Clem (dec b'day)

5:30 PM Blessed Mother Parishioners

**“Glory be to The Father, and to The Son,
And to The Holy Spirit,
As it was in the beginning, is now,
And ever shall be.
Amen.”**

Liturgical Ministers for June 13-14

Eucharistic Ministers

4 PM Shirley Kent, Sandra Henry, Marjorie Early, Lannie Pearl, Mary Ava Jackson Joyce Pearl, Cecelia Hamilton, Lahoma Stinnett, Jack Wilson

7 AM Dorothy Aud, Carolyn Taylor, Mike Thompson, Sr. Mary Timothy, Randy, Angie Lee

10 AM Sharon, John Bell, Brenda Millay, Ed Higdon, Bill Hayden, Jeannie Best, Debbie Ward, Carol, Darryl Murphy

5:30 PM Olivia Hardesty, David McBride, Sandra Thomas, Dan Thomas, Deanna Brasher, Sarah Blanford

Readers

4 PM Kim Williams

7 AM Ruth Bittel

10 AM John Mattingly

5:30 PM Melinda Thompson

Servers

4 PM Kyra Vanover, Billy Cason

7 AM Alex Johnson, Jack Eblehar

10 AM Dylan Miller, Brittany Murphy

5:30 PM Logan Buckman, Sara Brown

Families to Take Up Gifts

4 PM David Lyons

7 AM Bill Wathen

10 AM Steve Frey

5:30 PM Vincent Dick

Children's Liturgy

Diane Fulkerson, Barbara Cecil

Vocation Cross Family

Joe Carr, Kevin Carrico, Patrick Csson

Hillcrest: Debbie Ward, Donna Powers, Carol Goedde

Ministers of Hospitality for June

4 Keith Best, Larry Franey, Mike Hays, Tom Wedding

7 Clarence Elder, Randy, Angie Lee, PJ Ebelhar

10 Dan Johnson, Bryan Jones, Eddie Jackson, Jim Clark

5:30 Michael Bastin, Nathan Newton, Matt Howard, Jenna Laboy

Catholic Q&A

How does the Church believe a person receives salvation?

One would think that such a simple question would have an equally simple answer. But, it doesn't. That's because the object in question – salvation – is itself a mysterious reality. Before we can answer this question, we must attempt to define what we mean by the word *salvation*. We must grasp hold of both its **present** and **future** significance.

The "Glossary" in the back of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* defines *salvation* as "The forgiveness of sins and restoration of friendship with God, which can be done by God alone." This definition draws out the **present** significance of salvation, as something that can take place here now. After all, any time we receive the sanctifying grace of the sacraments (which happens daily all over the world), we receive "the forgiveness of sins and restoration of friendship with God."

However, Fr. Peter Stravinskis in his *Catholic Dictionary* defines *salvation* as "The result of being released from death through the passion, death, and resurrection of Christ, which brings us to the newness of life **in heaven**." Did you catch that last part? According to this definition, salvation is something that has **future** significance. It is something that takes place later, when you die and consequently gain victory over death and receive eternal life in heaven.

So, which one is it? Does salvation take place now or later? I think it's both. By God's grace, we are every day being saved until we come to that day when God declares us fit to live with Him forever in heaven. That is why, in the Bible, salvation is referred to in the past tense (as something that has already taken place), in the present tense (as something that is taking place), and in the future tense (as something that will take place). Here are a few examples of each:

Past Tense: "in this hope we were saved" (Rom 8:24); "by grace you have been saved" (Eph 2:8).

Present Tense: "to us who are being saved" (1 Cor 1:18); "those who are being saved" (2 Cor 2:15).

Future Tense: "we shall be saved" (Acts 15:11); "he himself will be saved" (1 Cor 3:15).

Now that we know what salvation is, we can answer the question at hand. The Church believes that a person receives salvation both in this life, by living a life of faith and reception of the sacraments, and in the future, by persevering to the end (cf. Rom 11:22; Gal 5:1; Phil 2:12; Col 1:22-23; Heb 3:14) and standing before God with grace and faith intact. May we all "run with perseverance the race that is set before us" (Heb 12:1).

Peace of Christ to you,
Nicholas Hardesty, Director of Religious Education
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Forming Good Stewards

In today's Gospel and reading from the letter of St. Paul we hear Jesus commanding the wind and sea to be at peace, to be still. The Gospel scene depicting Jesus and his disciples on a boat seems appropriate for the summer. It is a season to contemplate nature and to find God in the wonders of His creation. It is also a time to contemplate, as stewards of the Lord's abundant gifts, all of creation as God's gift and that ultimately it is God who has control over the world and not us.

Sunday Collection	Budget	MTD	YTD
\$21,070.	\$20,577.	\$19,953.	\$21,546.

Bishops Retirement Picnic

June 20th

Gasper River

10:30-3:00PM

Please call the office if you plan to attend
683-8444 ext 21

June is Abortion And All Acts of Violence Awareness Month

Prayer for Life

God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, gaze upon us as we pray for an end to violence and a halt to abortion among us. Touch our minds and hearts, and fix them on love and life. Turn us to seek the wisdom of our ancestors.

Jesus, the Giver of Life, make us a people for life. Bless us, so that we may pass on a legacy of your life and grace. Strengthen us to sacrifice ourselves for each other. Shower us with your grace and mercy so that we may be sources of light and hope to those less fortunate among us.

Jesus, the Giver of Life, make us a People for life. Bless those who are sick, broken, lonely and forgotten. Bring us all to your everlasting arms at the end of our journey with a clean heart, so that we may rest in praise and thanksgiving, joined to all who have gone before us. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen

(Sponsored by the National Black Catholic Apostolate For Life)

From Death to New Life 

Our prayers and sympathy are extended to Sue Hall (wife), Dee Reed Ranson and Shanna Simmons (daughters) and families on the death of Gerald Hall. May he rest in the love and the peace of the Lord!

**Attention:
Parents of Children in Catholic Schools**

If you have children in Catholic Schools, **you are required to turn in the Stewardship Form that was mailed to you** before you can obtain a voucher for the 2009-2010 School Year. You must be in good standing with the Parish according to the commitments that you made. **Vouchers will be mailed out the first week of July.**

Silver Jubilee of Fr. Marty Hayes

Fr. Marty served as an associate at Blessed Mother from 1985-1987, He invites all his friends at Blessed Mother to join him in a Mass of Thanksgiving as he celebrates 25 years in the Priesthood. The celebration is June 7, 3:00pm at St. Elizabeth Parish in Clarkson, Ky. (Exit #107 off Wendell Ford/Western Ky. Parkway to Clarkson and cross US 62. Cross the railroad tracks and road turns to the right. Turn left onto Clifty Ave., between the Methodist Church and the old Baptist Church. St. Elizabeth is about 2 blocks on the right side of the street.

One Day Marriage Preparation Day

Saturday, June 13, 8:30 AM-4:00 PM
Registration Fee \$100
Includes breakfast, lunch, and materials
Call the Catholic Pastoral Center, 683-1545

**Vacation Bible School for Our Youth
At Blessed Mother Church
Week of July 6-10**

**Preschool (5 yr. old) thru 4th grade
If you would like to help give Nicholas Hardesty a
call at the office, 683-8444 ext. 26.**

Catholics Returning Home

Do you know of a relative or friend who might be interested in returning to their Catholic Faith? Tell them about "Catholics Returning Home." Call Liz Francis 926-3148 or Josie Hagan 926-1483 for more information. Visit the website: www.catholicscomehome.org

**First Communion Pictures At Main
Entrance of Church, Please pick up**

**Corpus Christi Prayer Service & Procession
St. Stephen Cathedral
Sunday, June 14, 3PM**

Fr. Chrispin Oneko will be the speaker, Procession of the Most Blessed Sacrament & Benediction, reception follows in the Undercroft.

Congratulations, Fr. Dave Johnson

Fr. Dave is celebrating 20 years in the Priesthood. Fr. is a past associate at Blessed Mother and is currently Pastor of St. Mary of the Woods, Whitesville.

Laugh for the Week

A man and his ever nagging wife went on vacation to Jerusalem. While they were there, the wife passed away. The undertaker told the husband, "You can have her shipped home for \$5,000 or you can bury her here in The Holy Land for \$500." The husband thought about it and told him that he would just have her shipped back home. The undertaker asked, "Why would you spend \$5,000 to ship your wife home, when it would be wonderful to bury her here and you would only spend \$500. The man replied, "Long ago a man died here, was buried here, and three days later, He rose from the dead. I just can't take that chance."

**Power Week
Catholic Summer Camp
June 22-26**

Power Week is a five day camping experience written and sponsored by the staff of Lourdes and Blessed Mother for the purpose of providing an experience of the power of God's love in the lives of young people (those entering 7th and 8th grade). It is intended to foster a greater appreciation of the Catholic faith in a recreational environment. Youth will be transported to Brandon Springs by a charter bus. Parents are responsible for getting their child to Lourdes Church on Monday, June 22 at 12:15pm and picking them up on Friday at 4pm. Cost is \$225. for the week.

OCS Elementary Volleyball Camp

6th Grade & Under boys and girls
Owensboro Catholic High, Mon, June 29-Thurs, July 2
5pm-8:30pm, Fee \$40 (includes t shirt)
Registration will be at first day of camp

Have A Safe



Remember in prayer those sick in our community:

Tommy Askins, Len Bach, Helen Bellwood, Eva Birkhead, Liz, Tony Brown, Frances Carrico, Maria Castlen, JB Cecil, Vincent Cecil, Joyce, Paul, Paul Jr., Christian, Ann Clark, Clifton Clark, Dorothy Clark, George Clark, James Clark, Alice Cole, Addie Corley, Amy Cox, Hettie Crask, Ben Crump, Leoma Daly, Philip Demarest, Evelyn Denton, Andrew Dotsey, Sheila Duncan, Emma Dunbar, John Duncan, Kinsey Dunn, Lucille Goetz, Brenda Goodman, Luke Gray, Janice Goins, Robert Hagan, Robert Hagan, Mary Hardesty, Martha Hayden, Madalyn Marie Hayden, Janet Haynes, Hayden Head, Mike Head, Beverly Heppler,, Peggy Hicks, Mary Elizabeth Hill, Mildred Howard, Margaret Isbell, Mary Ava Jackson, Gertrude Jones, Debbie Koenig, John Krusick, Helen Matheny, Margaret Mattingly, Mildred McCarthy, Margie Meredith, Mary L. Millay, Virginia Millay, Conner Mills, Mary Morton, Alma Mullican, Cindi Neuner, Lee Newton, Joann Ogle, Ethan Payne, Helen Payne, Laura Payne, Lura Payne, Mary Payne, Paul Payne, Philip, Carolyn Pierce, Brenda Pitt, Lawrence Quinn, Paul Raley, Geraldine Ralph, Otto Reisz, Vincent Reynolds, Susan Rice, Paul Robertson, Larry Roby, Linda Rouse, Cecelia Schartung, Janet 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, Tammy Tucker, Glynda Turner, Jean Van Meter, David Vasterling, Joyce Ventrees, Dianne Walsh, 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.

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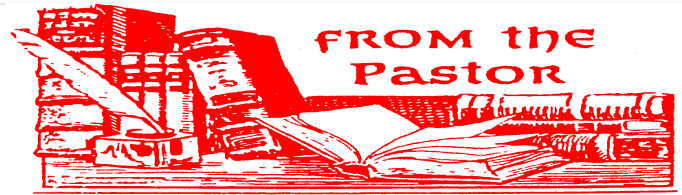
SGT Jeremi Bosley, National Guards
Brandon Mattingly, US Army, Baghdad
Matthew Hoffman, US Army, Baghdad (great nephew of Camilla Baker)
Spec. Daniel Nugent, Iraq
Sgt. David Farley, US Army
Cpt. Michael Stock (son of Carol & Rick Stock), Baghdad

Afghanistan:

Sidney Hoffman, National Guards (great niece of Camilla Baker)

Other:

AIC Austin Eckstein, USAF, grandson Henrietta May
CSSR Justin Mills, Japan, grandson of Dessie Clark



I hope you had a good week. Today is the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity. We worship God as the first and foremost family there is. God is family as Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The Gospel from Matthew talks about the appearance of the Risen Lord and that the disciples worshiped Him but they doubted. They still needed the coming of the third member of the family the Holy Spirit to give them the power to believe. We pray that all three members of God's family will help us on our pilgrimage through life.

This coming week on June 10th I will celebrate an anniversary with you. I will be here one year on that day. It has been a busy year with a lot of adjustments but it has been a very good year thanks to you – your love and prayers. I look forward to many more fruitful years with you.

The Feast of Corpus Christi is next Sunday and there will be a celebration – procession and benediction – at St. Stephen's beginning at 3pm.

INTRODUCING: our new youth minister – Christina Best. She is the daughter of Keith and Jeanie Best of our parish. She just graduated from Brescia with a degree in Lay Ministry and I believe will be a great asset to our parish family and the faith life of our young people. Welcome Christina!

We are grateful to God for two new priests for our diocese – Fr. Josh McCarty and Fr. Daniel Dillard. May the Lord reward them with many years of faithful service to the Church.

During the last week of June (22nd to 26th) there will be no Masses because that is the week of Power Week Summer Camp and I will be away. So we plan to have the parking lots repaired and sealed and striped during those days. Just giving everyone a heads up.

If anyone would like to sponsor a child for summer camp, Power Week is a good way to do that. The price is \$225.00. There are always a few kids who need financial help. Make your check to Power Week Summer Camp.

Vacation Bible School is coming up – July 6th – 10th. Mark your calendars.

We continue to pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit on the choice of our next bishop.

Have a great week.

Daily Bible Reading 683-8524



Calendar for the Week

Rosary is prayed Mon.—Thurs, 4 PM
Mon. Mass at 6:30 AM
Bunko, 1:00 PM

Tues. Mass at 6:00 PM
Parish Council, 6:30 pm

Wed. Mass at 6:30 AM

Thurs. Noon Mass

Fri. Noon Mass

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

Sun. Corpus Christi Sunday
Mass at 7, 10 AM, 5:30 PM
No Coffee and Donuts until Fall
No Youth Group in summer
AA Meeting, 7:30pm, school cafeteria

Readings for the Week

June 7 through June 14, 2009

Sun: Dt 4:32-34,39-40 Ps 33:4-6,9,18-20,22
Rom 8:14-17 Mt 28:16-20

Mon: 2 Cor 1:1-7 Ps 34:2-9 Mt 5:1-12

Tues: 2 Cor 1:18-22 Ps 119:129-133,135 Mt 5:13-16

Wed: 2 Cor 3:4-11 Ps 99:5-9 Mt 5:17-19

Thurs: Acts 11:21b-26;13:1-3 Ps 98:1-6 Mt 5:20-26

Fri: 2 Cor 4:7-15 Ps 116:10-11,15-18 Mt 5:27-32

Sat: 2 Cor 5:14-21 Ps 103:1-4,8-9,11-12
Mt 5:33-37

Sun Ex 24:3-8 Ps 116:12-13,15-18 Heb 9:11-15
Mk 14:12-16,22-26

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 Haleman	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
Darlene Kazlauskas	684-3891

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**

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**

Picnics

June 6, Precious Blood, 4 pm
June 13 St. Pius X, 4pm
June 20 Our Lady of Lourdes, 3pm
June 27, Mary Magdalene, Sorgho, 4pm
July 11, St. Alphonsus, 4pm
July 14, St. Paul, Tell City, 11am
July 18, St. Peter. Stanley, 4pm
Aug. 1, Blessed Sacrament, Noon
**August 8, Blessed Mother, 4 pm,
booths open at 2pm**
Sept. 13, Mount St. Joseph, 11:30am
Sept. 19, St. Stephen, 11am
Sept. 26, Immaculate, 3pm
Sept. 27, St. Mary of the Woods, Whitesville, 11am
Oct. 24, Carmel Home

Prayer to The Holy Trinity

Most Holy Trinity, Godhead indivisible, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, our first beginning and our last end, you have made us in accord with your own image and likeness. Grant that all the thoughts of our minds, all the words of our tongues, all the affections of our hearts, and all the actions of our being may always be conformed to your holy will. Thus, after we have seen here below in appearances and in a dark manner by means of faith, we may come at last to contemplate you face-to-face in the perfect possession of you forever in heaven.

**Worry looks around, Sorry looks back
Faith looks up**