

“..whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it”

Intention for the Week

Monday, Oct. 5

6:30 AM David Finley (dec)

Tuesday, Oct. 6, St. Bruno

6:00 PM Joseph Cooksey (ann of death)

Wednesday, Oct. 7, Our Lady of the Rosary

6:30 AM Blessed Mother Rosary Group

Thursday, Oct. 8

NO 9:00 AM

Noon Brenda Miller (dec)

Friday, Oct. 9, Sts. Denis, John Leonardi

Noon John Hartz (dec)

Saturday, Oct. 10

4 PM Delores Hartz (ann of death)

28th Sunday of Ordinary Time

7:00 AM John & Geneva Coomes (dec)

10:00 AM Anna Marie Davis (dec)

5:30 PM Blessed Mother Parishioners

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Liturgical Ministers for October 10-11

Eucharistic Ministers

4 PM Lucy Harpe, Liz Francis, Bonnie Snyder, Jeff Williams, Pat, Susan Hale, Sandra Henry, Janet Ruth, Mary Ava Jackson

7 AM Dorothy Aud, Don Cecil, Joy, Bill Bach, Dennis Sandefur, Darlene Kazlauskas

10 AM Denny Mann, Debbie Ward, Russ Hayden, Ed Higdon, Lindsey Whitehouse, Phil, Josie Hagan, Darlene, Mark Church

5:30 PM Sarah Blanford, Sandra, Dan Thomas, Lessa, Rick Moman, Cliff Russell

Readers

4 PM

Cindy McCain

7 AM

Charlie Castlen

10 AM

Molly Thompson

5:30 PM

Greg Cash



Servers

4 PM

Lauren, Allison Williams

7 AM

Wil Sandefur, Daniel Castlen

10 AM

Elizabeth, Olivia Cason, Hayden Riney

5:30 PM

Nicholas Russell, Sara Brown

Families to Take Up Gifts

4 PM

David Lyons

7 AM

Barry Estes

10 AM

Paul Coomes

5:30 PM

Tim West

Children's Liturgy

Preschool: Kelly Trogden, Kara Trogden

Kn-3 Grade: Heidi Dees, Katelyn Blanford

Vocation Cross Family

Marty Logsdon, Martha Lockett, Jim Mattingly

Hillcrest: Judy Coomes, Karen Thompson

Ministers of Hospitality for October

4 Tim, Josh, Eric, Cathy Goetz

7 Russ Corley, Bernie, Alex Dotsey, Al Roby

10 John, Brandon Mattingly, James Mayfield, Luke Williams

5:30 Michael Bastin, Matt Howard, Alex Johnson, Henley McCormack

Catholic Q&A

Should the Bible be taken literally? Is any of it metaphor?

Well, it depends. Besides the literal sense of Scripture there is also a spiritual sense. This in turn is divided into the allegorical, moral, and anagogical senses. Each one brings a different layer of meaning to the text.

The **literal sense** is the sense that the human author wished to convey to his immediate audience. Once one considers the historical context in which the author lived, exactly who he was writing to, the circumstances in which they lived, and the purpose for his writing, then one is able to derive the literal sense of the text.

The **spiritual sense** is the meaning that the divine author – God, the Holy Spirit – wishes to convey to mankind in every age. It is the meaning that is found in a passage once that passage is read in the light of Christ and of Christian revelation. The allegorical, moral, and anagogical senses are all spiritual senses of Scripture.

The **allegorical sense** is the one in which persons, objects and actions depicted in a text are taken as representing other things not present in the text. With the allegorical sense, Moses becomes a type of Christ in his intercessory role for the people. The snake he raised up to heal them becomes an image of Christ crucified.

The **moral sense** is that element of Scripture that teaches us how to live rightly. As St. Paul says, “These things ... were written down for our instruction” (1 Cor 10:11). Within all of the suffering that the Jewish people had to endure is a moral lesson for us, to strive to do the will of the Lord in all things.

The **anagogical sense** provides the eternal significance to the realities and events of Scripture. It shows the reader that Scripture has an end in sight. Scripture not only speaks of the author’s day and of our own circumstance, but also of that final culmination of history, when Jesus Christ will make all things new.

Knowing now that there are multiple senses of Scripture, we must also keep in mind that Scripture is made up of **many genres** or styles of writing, such as history, poetry, parable, song, apocalypse, narrative, prophecy, etc. Once you know the genre of a writing then you know how best to understand it. For example, since the Book of Revelation is apocalyptic literature, we know that it is highly symbolic and thus we don’t think for a second that an actual dragon will appear with seven heads and ten horns when the world comes to an end (cf. Rev 12:3). Instead, we look for what that dragon symbolizes.

Once you consider the multiple senses of a passage and the style in which it was written then you can capture the full breadth of meaning to be found in that passage.

Peace of Christ to you,
Nicholas Hardesty, Director of Religious Education
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Welcome Committee Fall Brunch, October 4

All are invited to come meet and greet our new parishioners. Brunch will be served after the 10 AM Mass. All new parishioners will be our guests of honor! Great food, and great company!

Forming Good Stewards

“Because of your hardness of hearts...” Mark 10:2-16

God created a wonderful world. He understood that we could not enjoy the world in isolation. He gave us dominion over His world and intended that we choose to share the greatness of His world with one another. God knew we could choose not to share with one another and that some of us would acquire more than we need while others do without. God also knew it would not be easy for us to share the way he intended. Henri Becque wisely observed, “The difficulty with equality is that we only desire it with those we consider superior to ourselves.” Jesus tells us that we must accept the Kingdom of God like a child. A good steward of God’s world accepts God’s Kingdom like the children who came to Jesus without fear or expectations, other than to be accepted the way God created them. It is our “hardness of hearts” that keeps us from accepting God’s world (the Kingdom of God) and his plan for us “like a child.” We must soften our hearts.

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Actual	Budgeted	MTD	YTD
\$21,807.	\$21,058.	\$21,783.	\$20,715.

Food Drive For the Help Office

October 10-11-12

“I was hungry and you gave me food”

Matthew 25:35

October is Blessed Mother’s month to supply food for the Help Office. They are very low on supplies and they are depending on our church to supply non-perishable food items, paper towels, and personal items for those in Owensboro who are need of their services.

Please bring your items to church next weekend or you may drop them off at the Parish Office by Noon on Monday, Oct. 12th.

Thank you for your support!

Young Disciples (Grades 7-12)

Coming Soon...

Youth group is selling discount cards...

\$10.00 each...lots of great deals! Jan has some in the parish office!

Sunday night 6:30-8:30 pm—**Got Trust?**

Life Chain 2:30-3:30, Sunday Oct. 4, Meet in front of the Public Library!

Parents, if you have not been able to fill out forms, please contact me at the office or catch me Sunday night!

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

Cooking Teams up to bat: THANK YOU!!

Sunday, Sept. 27~~Team 2: David and Jennifer Lyons, Nick Clark, Karen Dueker

2. Sunday, Oct. 4~~Team 3: Bill & Joy Bach, Laurie Elliot, Eva Burkhead

Children's Choirs are Now in Session!

Grades 3-6 meet from 4:30-5:10 and grades K-2 meet from 5:15-5:30. Both groups meet on Mondays in the Children's Liturgy Room of The Family Life Center.

Catholics Returning Home

October 1—November 5
6:30-8 pm, Family Life Center

If you or someone you know wants to come back to the Catholic Faith, but don't know how to begin the journey, these sessions will walk you through. Call Josie Hagan 926-4183 or Liz Francis 9263148

Laugh for the Week

One Sunday morning, the pastor noticed little Alex standing in the foyer of the church staring up at a large plaque. It was covered with names and small American flags mounted on either side of it. The six-year old had been staring at the plaque for some time, so the pastor walked up, stood beside the little boy, and said quietly, 'Good morning Alex.' 'Good morning Pastor,' he replied, still focused on the plaque. 'Pastor, what is this?' The pastor said, 'Well son, it's a memorial to all the young men and women who died in the service. Soberly, they just stood together, staring at the large plaque. Finally, little Alex's voice, barely audible and trembling with fear asked, 'Which Service, the 7:00 or the 10:00?'

October 11th Blessed Mother Celebrates Priesthood Sunday

**Brunch honoring Fr. John
Follows the 10AM Mass
All are invited to come celebrate
the Gift of Fr. John to Our Parish**

Basket will be available at the main entrance at all Masses that weekend for cards, thank-you, to Fr. John

Priesthood Sunday

This Sunday actually falls on the last Sunday in October, however, because of conflicts, we will celebrate on October 11th this year. On this day we come together to show support for Fr. John with prayer and celebration. We thank God for his vocation and we thank God for his devotion to Blessed Mother Church. Throughout this year, dedicated as the Year for Priests, we, the laity, are called to pray for vocations.

Sunday, Oct. 4, Respect Life Sunday "Standing Up for Life"

Participants will pray and display posters with Pro-Life messages along Frederica St. from 2:20-3:30pm as part of Life Chain 2009 which will be taking place in over 1000 cities and towns across the USA and Canada. You will standing to pray for an end to abortion and for the babies, women and men who are victims of abortion. The posters will be available on that day at 2 pm in the right to Life Office at 1115 Tamarack, Suite 200. Locations for various groups will be given when picking up the signs or by calling Gerry Fanning 683-1760.



Rosary Rally

Join the Public Square Rosary Rally at Moreland Park Parrish Avenue side Oct. 10th @ Noon. We must stop the secularist advance and pray to God for help. He will hear us if we pray through the intercession of His Blessed Mother.

Worldwide Rosary for Unborn Babies

Oct. 16-18 you are invited to participate by praying at least one Rosary on one of these three days for the an end to the surgical and non-surgical killing of unborn babies. Sponsored by St. Michael the Archangel Organization.

Pitino Soup Kitchen

Blessed Mother Parish is asking for volunteers to help us to continue our ministry to serve and feed the homeless at the Daniel Pitino soup Kitchen. Our group meets on the 2nd Saturday of each month from 8:30am-Noon. We prepare the food supplied at the shelter and serve a meal at 11 am. All are welcomed to serve on this ministry. Fro more info call 926-3148 or 926-1483.

Remember in prayer those sick in our community:

Lillian Ambs, Len Bach, Herman Barr, Helen Bellwood, Eva Birkhead, Liz, Tony Brown, Susan Byars, Frances Carrico, Maria Castlen, JB Cecil, Vincent Cecil, Joyce, Paul, Paul Jr., Christian, Ann Clark, Clifton Clark, Dennis Clark, Dorothy Clark, George Clark, James Clark, Linda Clark, Alice Cole, Jake Conder, Addie Corley, Amy Cox, Hettie Crask, Ben Crump, Leoma Daly, Philip Demarest, Evelyn Denton, Andrew Dotsey, Sheila Duncan, Emma Dunbar, John Duncan, Kinsey Dunn, Angela Farmer, Lauren Girten, Lucille Goetz, Brenda Goodman, Luke Gray, Janice Goins, Robert Hagan, Mary Hardesty, Martha Hayden, Martha Faye Hayden, Madalyn Marie Hayden, Janet Haynes, Hayden Head, Mike Head, Beverly Heppler,, Peggy Hicks, Mary Elizabeth Hill, Mildred Howard, Margaret Isbell, Mary Ava Jackson, Betty Jo Johnson, Gertrude Jones, Anna Kemper, Debbie Koenig, John Krusick, Travis Martin, Helen Matheny, Margaret Mattingly, Charlie Mayfield, Mildred McCarthy, Margie Meredith, Mary L. Millay, Virginia Millay, Conner Mills, Dena Montgomery, Mary Morton, Alma Mullican, Nancy Murphy, Cindi Neuner, Lee Newton, Shirley Olliver, Joann Ogle, Ethan Payne, Helen Payne, Lura Payne, Mary Payne, Melida Payne, Paul Payne, Carolyn Pierce, Brenda Pitt, Lawrence Quinn, Paul Raley, Geraldine Ralph, Otto Reisz, Vincent Reynolds, Susan Rice, Haley Riney, Paul Robertson, Darla Robinson, Larry Roby, Linda Rouse, Cecelia Schartung, Janet Schartung, Dorothy Schell, Jessica Seymour, Herman, Mary Simmons, Becky Smith, Elizabeth Sosh, Susan Stersman, Onora Stone, Melissa Sullivan, 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, Alli Williams, Bea Wooldridge, Steve Woolen, Bill, Flora Yancy, Randy Zaremba

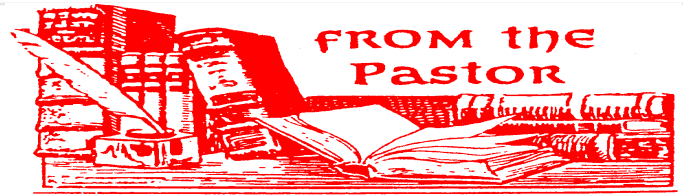
Please Pray for Our Troops Serving in War. Keep them safe, O Lord, and bring them home soon. Iraq:

SGT Jeremi Bosley, National Guards
Brandon Mattingly, US Army, Baghdad
Spec. Daniel Nugent, Iraq
Sgt. David Farley, US Army
Bill Boyd, Iraq (husband of Julie, son-in-law of Al & Joan Hofmann)

Welcome Home! 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. This is the 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time. It is also Respect Life Weekend. The Gospel fits well with the theme for this Respect Life Sunday, "Every Child Brings Us God's Smile." Jesus tells them to let the children come to Him. The Kingdom of God belongs to just such children. Let us be receptive of children even from the womb.

On October 1st, we began a six week session of Catholics Returning Home. No matter how long you have been away from the Church and no matter the reason, we invite you to consider renewing your relationship. Meetings are at 6:30pm in parish center.

Today after the 10am Mass we will welcome all our newcomers with a brunch in the parish hall. Everyone is invited.

Next weekend, October 10, 11 we will celebrate Priesthood Sunday (two weeks early). On the regular weekend for this, the last weekend of October, I will be away attending the wedding of our DRE, Nick. Nick is getting married to Amy on the 24th of October in Portland, Maine. There will be a brunch after the 10am Mass on Sunday the 11th. Pope Benedict XVI has declared this year the Year of the Priest. So we want to thank the Lord especially this year for the gift of priesthood in the Church.

Next weekend we will have a visitor at all the Masses. Andy Day wants to speak to us briefly of his ministry on college campuses. He coordinates evangelists that minister to the college students. We will not take up a collection but he will be looking for sponsors to help him in his work.

Religious Ed is in session today. Youth group meets Sunday night at the regular time.

RCIA is in full swing. If you know anyone who might be interested in learning more about the Catholic faith have them call Nick at the office or you call and give us their name and we will contact them.

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

