

“Do not be afraid any longer”

Intention for the Week

- Monday, August 9**
6:30 AM Jerry Blandford Sr. (dec)
- Tuesday, August 10**
6:00 PM Jean Van Meter (dec)
- Wednesday, August 11**
6:30 AM Rosalia Harper (dec)
- Thursday, August 12**
Noon Otto Hayden (ann of death)
- Friday, August 13**
Noon Addie Mae Corley (dec)
- Saturday, August 14**
Judy Garvin (dec)
- Sunday, August 15**
7:00 AM Mike Foster
10:00 AM Curt Calhoun (dec)
5:30 PM Blessed Mother Parish

“For where your treasure is there also will your heart be.”

Liturgical Ministers for August 14th, 15th

Eucharistic Ministers

Sat 4:00 pm Lahoma Stinnett, Joe O'Bryan, Maggie O'Bryan, Ruth Bittel-Nunez, Jeff Williams, Jay Fillman, Susie Fillman, Fran & Ethel Watrous

Sun 7 AM Angie Lee, Randy Lee, Darlene Kazlauskas, Carolyn Taylor, Mike Thompson, Brenda Hagan

Sun 10 AM Katie Mattingly, Jenny Glaser, Carol Goedde, Russ Hayden, Debbie Ward, Jeannette Ward, Drew Ward, Richard & Lori Whitehouse

Sun 5:30 PM Bev Payne, Janice Bumm, Christina Best, Susan Hale, Pat Hale, Martha Estes

Readers

4:00 PM Ruth Bittel-Nunez
7:00 AM Charlie Castlen
10:00 AM Karissa Riter
5:30 PM David Mcbride

Servers

4:00 PM Allison & Lauren Williams
7:00 AM Kaylin Hagan, Kendra Hagan
10:00 AM Olivia & Elizabeth Cason
5:30 PM Logan Buckman, Mason Miller

Families to Take Up Gifts

4:00 PM Robert Pope
7:00 AM Mike Wade
10:00 AM Jim Mattingly
5:30 PM Mike Wolford

Children's Liturgy

Preschool Michelle Sandefur, Ruth Schrecker (Asst)
K-3rd Grade Natalie Hayden, Jennifer Shultz (Asst)

Vocation Cross Family

David Jarboe, Austin Johnson, Betty Jo Johnson

Hillcrest: Shari Newton, Sandra Henry, Pat Rogier

Ministers of Hospitality for August

4:00 PM Michael Hayes, Larry Franey, David Jones, Mark Dorth
7:00 AM Jeff Fenwick, Mary Fenwick, Steve Orth, Paul Edge
10:00 AM Steve Frey, Tyler Frey, Haley Frey, Dan Goedde
5:30 PM Kenny Hamilton, Tricia Hamilton, Ashley Hamilton, Kent McCarthy

Catholic Q&A

If Mary was sinless, doesn't that make her like another god? I thought only God was sinless.

On the surface it would appear that way. But, we have to keep in mind that Mary is sinless for a different reason than God is sinless.

The three Persons of the Trinity are sinless — and Jesus, being one of Them, is sinless — *by their very nature*, because of the type of beings that they are. Scripture tells us that God is all good. Goodness does not only describe Him, it's what He *is*. God *is* good, just as God *is* love and *is* truth. A Person who is entirely goodness, at an essential level, can in no way sin, since to sin is to choose evil, which is the absence of good.

So, God is sinless because of His divine nature, because of the type of being that He is.

Mary, however, is sinless, not because of the type of being that she is but because of the special grace she received from God. If it were a necessary aspect of her nature to be sinless, then she would indeed be a type of god, or another Person within the Trinity. But, she is a human being. She has a human nature.

As we all know, there is nothing about the human nature that precludes sin. In fact, one could say that we sin *because of* our human nature. The inclination to sin is sort of wrapped up in who we are as human beings who are descended from Adam and Eve. The same thing goes for Mary. She was due to receive the stain of original sin, and to commit sins throughout her life as all human beings do. Were it not for the intervention of God, Mary would have been just like us in all things, including sin.

Thankfully, God *did* intervene. He poured a special grace upon her at the moment of her conception that protected her from original sin and from committing any sins throughout her life. In fact, it was this same grace that empowered her will to say "Yes" to God when the invitation came to be the Mother of our Lord and Savior.

The important thing here is that this grace, and the sinlessness that resulted from it, was a gift. It was something that came from outside herself. Mary's sinlessness was not the result of her nature, but instead the result of God's own special initiative in her life. That's the reason why Mary can be sinless and still be considered a human being with a real human nature just like ours.

If you think about it, Mary would *have* to be an honest-to-goodness human being in order to pass on a human nature to Jesus. Our Savior is both human and divine. His divinity comes from His being the Second Person of the Trinity. His humanity comes from *his mother*.

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

Young Disciples (Grades 7-12)

Coming Soon:

YOUTH GROUP KICK-OFF~ AUGUST 15TH: BEGINS AFTER 5:30 MASS AND CONCLUDES @ 8:30. PARENTS, PLEASE DROP IN TO FILL OUT A FORM!

ODYO Kick-off~ August 22nd: WATER WARS... leaving after mass and returning around 9pm... *drivers needed!!*

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

SIGN-UPS FOR THE 2010-2011 COOKING TEAMS WILL TAKE PLACE THIS WEEKEND AND THE WEEKEND OF AUGUST 7-8... MINIMAL TIME REQUIREMENT FOR THIS SERVICE...ABOUT 5:30-7:30, USUALLY ONLY 3 TIMES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR... PLEASE HELP OUT IF YOU CAN!!

Help Needed!

Do you have any interest in helping out with the youth group? Volunteers are ALWAYS needed to help out each week. As drivers/chaperones, for special occasions, or on the fundraising team. There are many ways to get involved and we could really use YOUR help! Information meeting Monday, August 9th @6:30 pm in the Parish Hall. If you are interested but can not make the meeting, contact Christina Best @ 683-8444 ext 28 or bmcyouth@bellsouth.net

YOUR DRE NEEDS YOUR HELP!!

I need one or two new Religious Ed. teachers for the upcoming year. If you love your faith and you love children, then you're a perfect candidate. If you are interested *at all*, contact Nicholas Hardesty by phone (683-8444 x 26) or email.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR REL. ED:

Sun., Aug. 22: Rel. Ed. Registration after 10 AM Mass
Sun., Aug. 29: Rel. Ed. Registration after 10 AM Mass
Wed., Sept. 1: Catechist Meeting
Wed., Sept. 8: Parent Meeting
Sun., Sept. 12: First day of Rel. Ed.

You can also pick up a Registration Form in the office during office hours.

Laugh for the Week

“True story from Meridian Mississippi”

A man and his wife were going to bed when the wife said, “you left the light on in the shed.” George went to turn off the light and noticed there were people in the shed in the process of stealing things.

He immediately phoned the police, who asked “is someone in the house?” and George said no and explained the situation. Then they explained that all patrols were busy, and that he should simply lock his door and an officer would be there when available.

George said, “OK,” hung up, counted to 30, and phoned the police again.

“Hello, I just called you a few seconds ago because there were people in my shed. Well, you don’t have to worry about them now because I’ve just shot them all.”

Then he hung up. Within five minutes three squad cars, an Armed Response unit, and an ambulance showed up. Of course, the police caught the burglars red-handed.

One of the policemen said to George: “I thought you said that you’d shot them!”

George said, “I thought you said there was nobody available!!”

When does the Hurting Stop

Bereavement Program—Four Sessions

There will be a bereavement support group for anyone who has experienced a death at any time of his/her life. This group will run every Monday for four consecutive weeks and is open to the public at no charge.

August 9th What Grief is Really Like
August 16th Depression
August 23rd Anger/Guilt
August 30th From Grief to Living Again

Where: Catholic Pastoral Center
600 Locust Street
Owensboro Ky
Time: 6:00 pm — 8:00 pm

If you have any questions or need additional information contact:

Charlotte Hedges 270-683-1545 ext 346

Forming Good Stewards

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“For where your treasure is, there also will be your heart.” Luke 12:32-48

The trash we put on the curb to be discarded reveals much about who we are and what we do in life. It contains the packaging of the products that we treasure. It reveals where our heart is. What is in our trash? Is it packaging from the latest electronic games, the best type of athletic equipment, the current fashion in clothes [no matter how revealing], the appliances with the most features, containers that held gourmet foods, too many empty liquor bottles and beer cans, and the shredded documents of the fortune we are trying to amass? There are some people whose hearts are not revealed by their trash. They have no trash. Sadly, they have nothing to throw away. They do not have sufficient food and they have very little clothing. We would do well to remember the words of Jesus, “Much will be required of the person who has much, and still more of the person entrusted with more.” When we bring our trash to the curb we should ask, “How much treasure have I been entrusted with and what does this trash reveal about my heart?”

Sunday Collections August 1st

Actual	Budget	MTD	YTD
\$21,126	\$21,426	\$21,126	\$21,557

Picnic Schedule

Aug 7	Blessed Sacrament Parish
Aug 21	St Columbia (Lewisport)
Sept 12	Mount St. Joseph
Sept 18	St. Stephen Cathedral
Sept 18	Immaculate Conception (Hawsville)
Sept 19	St Lawrence/ St Williams

From Death to New Life 

Our prayers and Sympathy are extended to Jack Wilson and his family on the death of his wife Lilly. May she share in the Resurrection of the Lord!

Our Prayers and Sympathy are extended to Carol Murphy and her family on the death of her father Harold Conger. May he share in the Resurrection of the Lord!

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

Frances Ballard, Herman Barr, Joey Barr, Harry Baumgarten, Helen Bellwood, Eva Birkhead, Liz, Logan Brown, Tony Brown, Frances Carrico, Maria Castlen, JB Cecil, Joe Cecil, Melody Cecil, Vincent Cecil, Joyce, Paul, Paul Jr., Christian, Ann Clark, Clifton Clark, Dennis Clark, George Clark, James Clark, Alice Cole, Jake Conder, Amy Cox, Hettie Crask, Ben Crump, Mickie Crump, Leoma Daly, Philip Demarest, Evelyn Denton, Sheila Duncan, Emma Dunbar, John Duncan, Kinsey Dunn, Angela Farmer, Wanda Fellow, Maria Finley, Lucille Goetz, Brenda Goodman, Luke Gray, Josh Griffith, Janice Goins, Sheila Gunterman, Joe Hagan, Donna Hamilton, Mary Hardesty, Martha Hayden, Martha Faye Hayden, Madalyn Marie Hayden, Janet Haynes, Hayden Head, Mike Head, Beverly Heppler,, Mary Elizabeth Hill, Jennifer Howard and baby, Mildred Howard, Paul Hodskins, Carol Hodskins, Margaret Isbell, Mary Ava Jackson, Betty Jo Johnson, Gertrude Jones, Jo Ann Kauffeld, Joann Knott, Debbie Koenig, Connie Krusick, Bob Lawrence, Sam Lindsey, Travis Martin, Helen Matheny, 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 Bittel-Nunez', Shirley Olliver, Joann Ogle, Katherine Osowicz, 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, Beck Roby, Larry Roby, 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, Dianne Walsh, Kenny Ward, Scott Ward, Teresa Ward, Deny Wheatley, Katherine Whittinghill, Jack Wilson, Joe Wink, Bea Wooldridge, Bill, Flora Yancy, Randy Zaremba

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

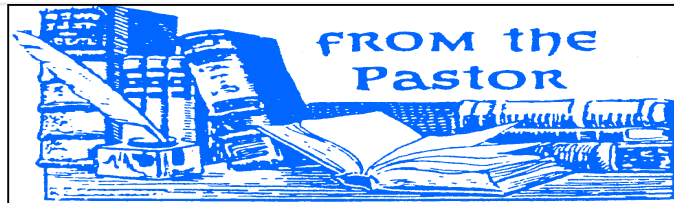
Iraq: SGT Jeremi Bosley, National Guards
Brandon Mattingly, US Army, Baghdad
Spec. Daniel Nugent, Iraq
Sgt. David Farley, US Army
SPC Jesse Finley, Iraq (grandson of Doris Haragan)

Afghanistan

Jeremy Ballard (grandson of Frances Ballard)

Other

AIC Austin Eckstein, USAF, grandson Henrietta May
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 the Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time and the first readings for Mass tell of faith and the Gospel speaks of service. They go hand in hand. People with strong faith will also be strong in service of the Church. Let us pray for a strengthening of both gifts from the Lord.

A correction on my picnic announcement. Wayne Shelton oversaw the cooking of the meat this year. Thanks Wayne. And great news- we sold all the meat that we had left over. Thanks for buying it and helping out the picnic. You are such a blessing.

Next Sunday is the Feast of the Assumption and our parish feast day. We will have a celebration after the 10AM Mass. I think they are cooking up ice cream sundaes, YUM!!!

Next Sunday is also the kick-off for the youth group for the year. We are looking forward to a great year of fun and growth in the Kingdom.

Finance committee will meet Tuesday evening after Mass.

The following people have submitted their names to be considered for a three year term. I will pull three out of a "hat." And then one member is to be appointed. Please pray for the following people: (In alphabetical order) Camilla Baker, Marian Bennett, Jeanie Best, Liz Francis, Steve Frey, Scott Hargitt, David Higdon, Sharon Johnson, Pete Linn, David Marshall, Keith Murphy and Dan Thomas. I plan to do this the weekend of our feast day.

Next summer I will be taking a group to Rome Italy for a tour. We will leave July 11 and return July 20th. We will visit Florence and Pisa, Siena and Assisi as well as 4 nights in Rome. The contact person for this trip is Suzanne Russell and you can phone her for more information at 685-4793 (leave a message) or email her at smrussmk@bellsouth.net. There are also brochures in the office with price and itinerary.

**AUGUST 15th, Parish Feast Day
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin**

**Parish Celebration after the 10 AM Mass
Ice Cream and Cake Social in the
St Joseph Hall**

Daily Bible Reading 683-8524

Calendar for the Week

Rosary is prayed Mon.—Thurs, 4 PM

**Mon. Mass 6:30 AM
Bible Study 10AM
Bunko, 1 PM**

**Tues. 6:00 PM Mass
Finance Committee Mtg 6:30 PM
Bible Study 7:00PM
Social Justice 6:30PM**

Wed. 6:30 AM Mass

Thurs. Mass 12:00 Noon

**Fri. Eucharistic Adoration
Mass 12:00 Noon**

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

**Sun. 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mass at 7, 10 AM, 5:30 PM
AA Meeting, 7:30pm, Parish Hall**

Readings for the Week

August 8 through August 15, 2010

Sun: Heb 11:1-2,8-19 or 11:1-2,8-12
Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

Mon: Ez 1:2-5,24-28c Ps 148:1-2,11-14
Mt 17:22-27

Tue: 2 Cor 9:6-10 Ps 112:1-2,5-9 Jn 12:24-26

Wed: Ez 9:1-7;10:18-22 Ps 113:1-6 Mt 18:15-20

Thur: Ez 12:1-12 Ps 78:56-59,61-62 Mt 18:21-19:1

Fri: Ez 16:1-15,60,63 (Ps) Is 12:2-3,4bcd,5-6
Mt 19:3-12

Sat: Ez 18:1-10,13b,30-32 Ps 51:12-15,18-19
Mt 19:13-15

Sun: Rv 11:19a;12:1-6a,10ab Ps 45:10-12,16
1 Cor 15:20-27 Lk 1:39-56

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www.blessedmotherchurch.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 11am on Channel 311. It also broadcasts from News 25 (cable channel11) 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 Registration: Space still available, financial assistance available, anyone needing information may call the Central Office at 686-8896.

Cathedral Pre-School

Located at 600 Locust Street, has served Owensboro families since 1986. Their program is designed to complement the role of Christian Parents in providing for the development of their child. Classes offered are 2, 3, 4 day. There are a few openings left for 3 and 4 year old children. Call 926-1652 for more information or check out website at www.ststephencathedral.org

Summer Tutor

1st Grade teacher at K-3 is available for summer tutoring. If interested contact Krystal Smith at 270-993-9804

ANNUAL RURAL LIFE SUPPER

The annual Rural Life appreciation supper will be on August 8th, 5 pm at the Owensboro Sportscenter. This is an invitation to all (Catholics and Non-Catholics) to come together as a rural community to celebrate the many blessings God gives us through Rural Life.

Parish Council Members

Charlie Castlen	683-3426
Charlotte Cecil	683-0499
Tim Goetz	684-8275
David Graham	683-4665
Troy Haleman	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