

“Who Do You Say I Am?”

Intention for the Week

Monday, June 21

6:30 AM Jerry Blandford Jr. (dec)

**No Mass Tuesday through Friday
Fr. John at Power Week**

Saturday June 26

4:00 PM Gerald Stuart (dec)

Sunday, June 27

7:00 AM Gerald McCarty (dec, b-day)

10:00 AM Daniel Rogovich (dec)

5:30 PM Blessed Mother Parish

From Death to New Life 

Our prayers and Sympathy are extended to Heidi Dees and her family on the death of Heidi’s father, Daniel Rogovich. May he share in the Resurrection of the Lord!

Liturgical Ministers for June 26th, and 27th

Eucharistic Ministers

4 PM Mary Ava Jackson, Lannie Pearl, Edith Johnson, Liz Francis, Lahoma Stinnett, Marian Bennett, Cecelia Hamilton, Jay & Susie Fillman

7 AM Darlene Kazlauskas, Bill & Joy Bach, Harry & Charlene Baumgarten, Brenda Hagan

10 AM Tony Powers, Eric Vaughn, Jim Hagan, Sr. Marie Joseph, Darlene Church, John & Sharon Bell, Mark Church, Jenny Glaser

5:30 PM Susan Hale, Pat Hale, Bev Payne, Dan & Sandra Thomas, Bobby Bastin

Readers

4 PM Rose Clark

7 AM Barry Hagan

10 AM Troy Haleman

5:30 PM Kathryn Dueker

Servers

4 PM Jack Iracane, Gabe Fillman

7 AM Kaylin Hagan, Kendra Hagan

10 AM Stephanie & Caroline Hayden

5:30 PM Mason Robertson, Jacob Linn

Families to Take Up Gifts

4 PM Mary Fendel

7 AM Jane Settles

10 AM Steve Wall

5:30 PM Carl Goodman

Children’s Liturgy

Preschool Michelle Sandefur, Ruth Schrecker(Asst)

K-3rd Grade Leesa Moman, Jennifer Shultz (Asst)

Vocation Cross Family

Dan Goedde, Tim Goetz, Carlton Goodman

Hillcrest: Debbie Ward, Donna Powers

Ministers of Hospitality for June

4 Steve Haynes, Mary Ava Jackson, Bill Shelton, Christopher Pope

7 Paul Edge, Tom Foster, Ed Hoskins, Joe Higdon

10 Paul Coomes, Tony Powers, Blake Powers, Donna Powers

5:30 Ben Miller, Mason Miller, Gary Smith, Garret Smith

Catholic Q&A

Laugh for the Week

“Believe It or Not”

Since today is **Father’s Day**, I have provided the following collection of Q&A’s on fathers and fatherhood. Do you have a question about Catholicism? If so, send me an email and I will try my best to answer it.

Nicholas Hardesty, Director of Religious Education
nicholashardesty@gmail.com

Why do we call God our “father”?

We call God “father” first of all because He was revealed to us as such. When Jesus taught His disciples how to pray, He told them to begin by saying, “Our **Father**, who art in heaven ...”.

The Catechism gives us other reasons: “By calling God ‘Father’, the language of faith indicates two main things: that God is the first origin of everything and transcendent authority; and that he is at the same time goodness and loving care for all his children” (no. 239).

But, this does not mean that God is a man. The same paragraph in the Catechism goes on to clarify: “We ought therefore to recall that God transcends the human distinction between the sexes. He is neither man nor woman: he is God. He also transcends human fatherhood and motherhood, although he is their origin and standard: no one is father as God is Father.”

Are there any patron saints for fathers?

For the fathers themselves, there are only two: St. Joachim, the father of Mary; and St. Joseph, Mary’s most chaste spouse and Jesus’ foster-father. For those who have lost a father, there are 33 different patron saints. Some of the more popular among these are St. Angelica Merici, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, St. Maria Goretti, St. Teresa of Avila, and St. Therese of Lisieux.

How come we don’t know more about St. Joseph?

That is a very good question, and all we can really do to provide an answer is speculate. There is a tradition which says that Joseph was an elderly widower when he took Mary to be his wife. If this is true, then he likely died when Jesus was very young and so not much would be known about him by the followers of Jesus.

The last we see of St. Joseph in Scripture is at the temple, where he and Mary finally find Jesus, who had become separated from their traveling party. After this, there is a 12-year silence about the life of Christ. Joseph resides within this silence.

Perhaps this is fitting. After all, the little information we have about Jesus’ earthly father causes his Heavenly Father to come into greater view. Scripture tells us a great many things about *that* Father!

Nine-year old Jeremy’s mother asked the boy what he had learned in Sunday School.

“Well, Mom, our teacher told us how God sent Moses behind enemy lines on a rescue mission to lead the Israelites out of Egypt. When he got to the Red Sea, he and his engineers built a pontoon bridge and all the people walked across safely. Then he used his walkie-talkie to radio broadcast headquarters and call in an air strike. They sent in bombers to blow up the bridge, and all the Israelites were saved.”

“Now, Jeremy, is that really what your teacher taught you?” his mother asked.

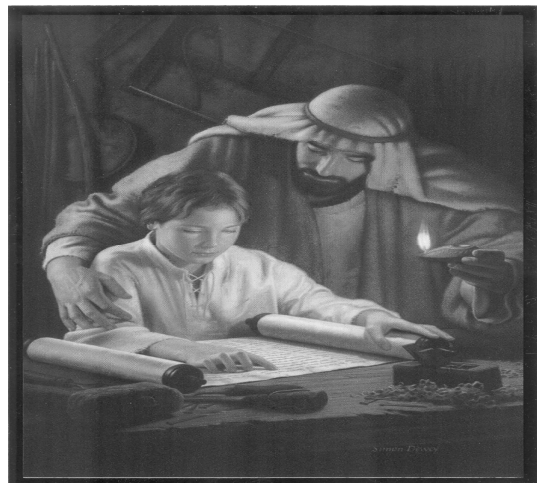
“Well, no, Mom, but if I told it the way the teacher did, you’d never believe it.”

Picnic Schedule

June 19	Our Lady Of Lourdes
July 3	St Mary Magdalene
July 10	St. Alphonsus
July 17	St Peter of Alcantara
July 31	Blessed Mother Parish

BLESSED MOTHER PICNIC TICKETS

Remember to pick up your tickets in the back of church. Your participation in this will be greatly appreciated!!!!



A father must be courageous enough to admit fear, strong enough to know he is weak without God, and humble enough to know if he stumbles, it is God who will give him the power to rise again. And all this in the presence of a watchful audience. A father must lead his children; but first he must learn to follow. He must laugh with them but remember the ache of childhood tears. He must hold the past with one hand and reach to the future with the other. God has bestowed on you an awesome task! Thank you for accepting and loving your children!!!

“HAPPY FATHERS DAY”

Young Disciples (Grades 7-12)

Coming Soon...Check Out These Summer Camps:

Power Week 2010~ Summer camp for incoming 7th and 8th graders. June 21-25 at Brandon Springs. Campers are bussed to camp, leaving from and returning to Lourdes. Cost \$225

Camp L.I.F.E~ Summer camp for incoming 9th graders to just graduated seniors. July 4-9 or July 18-23 at Gasper River Catholic Youth Camp, Bowling Green. Cost \$250

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

REGISTER YOUR CHILD FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!!

Registration for VBS will be today, **June 20, and June 27**, after the 10 AM Mass in the Family Life Center. You can also come by the office during office hours.

VBS is **July 19-23, from 9 am to noon**. This year's program is "Cool Kingdom Party: Mary Leads Me Closer to Jesus." Children entering **grades K-4** are invited to attend. **Day care will be available** for any younger siblings who would like to join us. Price is only **\$5 per child** for the whole week.

We still need volunteers to help make VBS a success!
Contact Nicholas Hardesty by phone (683-8444, x. 26) or email (nicholashardesty@gmail.com).

COME & SEE WEEK

The sisters of St. Benedict of Ferdinand, Indiana would like to invite single Catholic women 18-40 who have ever considered being a nun, to come live the life with us for a weeklong experience June 25-July 1. This Come & See Week will give participants an in-depth look at our life. Those who come will experience our prayer, work and recreation. There will also be a retreat day for personal prayer and faith sharing.

For more information or to register online, visit www.thedome.org/joinus or call Sister Michelle Sinkhorn at 1-800-734-9999.

Forming Good Stewards

"But who do you say that I am?" Luke 9:18-24

Jesus ask his disciples, "Who do the crowds say that I am?" They respond with several names or possibilities. Then Jesus ask, "But who do you say that I am?" Now the question is personal. To answer they must reveal what is in their heart and head. Their answer will tell Jesus how they feel about him. Peter says: "You are the Christ of God." That took great faith and courage. The implications were enormous; Jesus waste no time in bluntly telling them that the "Christ of God" was going to suffer; be rejected by the authorities; killed and rise on the third day." Jesus leaves nothing to the imagination. Then he adds what his closest friends were most afraid to hear: "If anyone wishes to come after me, he must deny himself, take up his cross daily and follow me." We may be relieved that we were not present with Jesus two thousand years ago. But Jesus is present with us today - in the Eucharist; in his Church. He ask each of us, "Who do you say that I am?" How do we answer him? Are we willing to accept the consequences?

Sunday Collections

Actual	Budget	MTD	YTD
\$24,017	\$21,058	\$24,101	\$22,372

Thank You!!!!

Words can not express my gratitude to Blessed Mother Parish for the wonderful Retirement send off. Many thanks to Fr. John, Darlene, Russ, Christina, Brett, Nick, Romie, Will, Mikie, The Parish Council, and all those who worked so hard at my reception. Those who made cakes and desserts, the many who came to the reception, the many who sent cards, the gifts, the beautiful words that made me feel truly loved. My 8 years at the school and my 25 years at the parish gave me so many blessings. So many wonderful people have crossed my life, have inspired me, have blessed me in so many ways during these years. You gave me so much more than I could ever begin to give back to each of you. Thank you for the love, the support, and the friendships that you have given me over the years. My life has been changed because of each of you! The trip I was given was just awesome. I have often dreamed of someday going to the Caribbean and you have made that dream a reality! Blessed Mother will always be my Family and I hope to continue to serve the Parish in the years to come! Thank You and God Bless You!

Love, Jan

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

Frances Ballard, Herman Barr, Joey Barr, Harry Baumgarten, Helen Bellwoord, 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, Leoma Daly, Philip Demarest, Evelyn Denton, Sheila Duncan, Emma Dunbar, John Duncan, Kinsey Dunn, Angela Farmer, Wanda Fellow, Maria Finley, Matt Gabis, Rita Gabis, Lucille Goetz, Brenda Goodman, Luke Gray, Josh Griffith, Janice Goins, Joe Hagan, Donna Hamilton, Mary Hardesty, Jr. Harpe, Ann Havener, Lucy Harpe, Martha Hayden, Martha Faye Hayden, Madalyn Marie Hayden, Janet Haynes, Hayden Head, Mike Head, Beverly Heppler,, Mary Elizabeth Hill, Mildred Howard, 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, Darla Robinson, 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.**

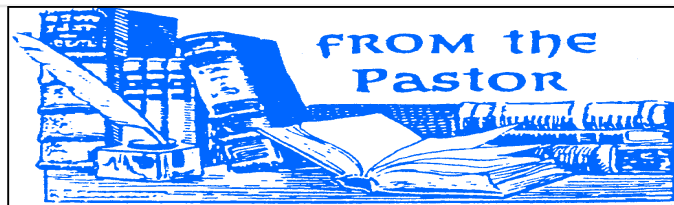
Iraq: SGT Jeremi Bosley, National Guards
Brandon Mattingly, US Army, Baghdad
Spec. Daniel Nugent, Iraq
Sgt. David Farley, US Army
SPC Jesse Finley, Iraq (grandson of Doris Haragan)

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 Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time and the Gospel is from Luke. Jesus talks about taking up our crosses and following the Him. This is something of course we have to do everyday. He promises to support us in this and help us to follow him.

We thank God for all our fathers this weekend. We pray that our dads will be men of God with hearts for the Lord as they guide their families to the kingdom. Let us not forget our Godfathers in our prayers as well.

Christina, our youth minister, is taking a group of our kids on a mission trip the week of the 4th of July. They are going to be ministering to inner city Nashville. We pray for a safe and rewarding excursion.

Vacation Bible School will be from July 19-23 from 9 till Noon. More information elsewhere in this bulletin.

Picnic tickets are available at the doors of church. You don't have to sign for them this year so just pick up a packet please. Picnic is July 31.

Power Week is here! We have 90 kids attending the camp and 47 staff. We pray that the Holy Spirit will come in power to these young people that they will come away from the week knowing the Love of Jesus in a deeper way. We thank God before it happens for the weather He chooses. Plus the bishop is going to be visiting us if it works out for him. And we are excited about that. Please note the Mass schedule for the week.

Words of Life

Wherever respect for life and human dignity are lacking, there is need of God's merciful love, in whose light we see the inexpressible value of every human being. Mercy is needed in order to ensure that every injustice in the world will come to an end in the splendour of truth.

—Pope John Paul II

Calendar for the Week

Rosary is prayed Mon.—Thurs, 4 PM

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

**Tues. NO Mass 6:00 PM
Bible Study 7:00PM
Social Justice 6:30PM**

Wed. NO Mass at 6:30 AM

Thurs. NO Mass 12:00 Noon

**Fri. Eucharistic Adoration
NO Mass 12:00 Noon**

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

**Sun. 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mass at 7, 10 AM, 5:30 PM
AA Meeting, 7:30pm, school cafeteria**

Readings for the Week

June 20 through June 27, 2010

Sun: Zec 12:10-11;13:1 Ps 63:2-6,8-9 Gal 3:26-29
Lk 9:18-24

Mon: 2 Kgs 17:5-8,13-15a,18 Ps 60:3-5,12-13 Mt
7:1-5

Tue: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11,14-21,31-35a,36 Ps 48:2-4,10-
11 Mt 7:6,12-14

Wed: 2 Kgs 22:8-13;23:1-3 Ps 119:33-37,40 Mt
7:15-20

Thur: Is 49:1-6 Ps 139:1b-3,13-15 Acts 13:22-26 Lk
1:57-66,80

Fri: 2 Kgs 25:1-12 Ps 137:1-6 Mt 8;1-4

Sat: Lam 2:2,10-14,18-19 Ps 74:1b-7,20-21 Mt
8:5-17

Sun: 1 Kgs 19:16b,19-21 Ps 16:1-2,5,7-11 Gal
5:1,13-18 Lk 9:51-62

Visit Our Web Site

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 Pre-Registration: Space still available, financial assistance available, anyone needing information may call the Central Office at 686-8896.

Birthright

Dear Blessed Mother, Thank You so much for such an awesome response to our baby bottle collection. Records were **BROKEN!!**
2010 Total : \$2,552.52 **YOU ROCK!!!!**
God Bless you all.

Gratefully yours,
Terri LaHugh

Summer Tutor

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

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
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