

Blessed Mother Catholic Church

PASTORAL TEAM

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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
7:00 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

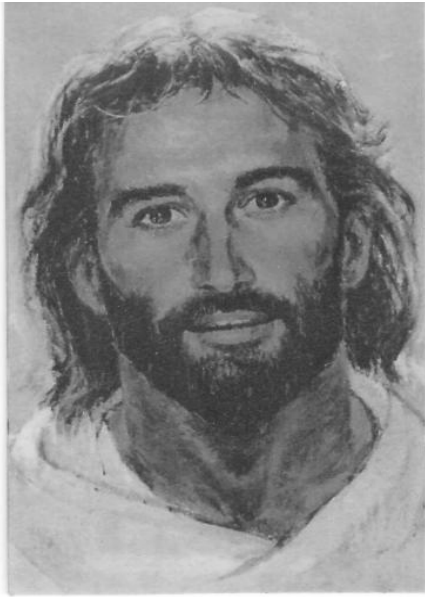
Dinners for family and friends after the Funeral.
Contact the Parish Office.

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 _____



“Stand up and Go”

Intention for the Week

- Monday, October 11th**
6:30 AM Carolyn Snyder (dec)
- Tuesday, October 12th**
6:00 PM Fr. Charles Denardi (dec)
- Wednesday, October 13th**
6:30 AM Darlene Rhodes (b-day 9/5)
- Thursday, October 14th**
9:00 AM NO School Mass (Fall Break)
Noon Simon, Haddad, Meredith Families
- Friday, October 15th**
Noon Katie H. Bittel (dec)
- Saturday, October 16th**
Jim Durham
- Sunday, October 10th**
7:00 AM Lucille Goetz (dec)
10:00 AM Wilbur Jones (dec)
5:30 PM Blessed Mother Parish

“Your Faith has Saved You”

Liturgical Ministers for October 16th & 17th

Eucharistic Ministers

- Sat 4:00 pm** Ethel Watrous, Fran Watrous, David Jones, Jennifer Jones, Lannie Pearl, Edith Johnson, Katina Hayden, Maggie O'Bryan, Joe O'Bryan
- Sun 7 AM** Carolyn Taylor, Joyce Pearl, Joy Bach, Bill Bach, Darlene Kazlauskas, Mike Thompson
- Sun 10 AM** Bill Hayden, Tony Powers, Eric Vaughan, Jim Hagan, Darlene Church, Jenny Glaser, Ed Higdon, Sabrina Johnson, Scott Johnson
- Sun 5:30 PM** Pete Linn, Michele Linn, Bobby Bastin, Phyllis Bastin, Rick Moman, Leesa Moman

Readers

- Sat 4:00 PM** Rose Clark
- Sun 7:00 AM** Barry Hagan
- Sun 10:00 AM** Troy Halem
- Sun 5:30 PM** David Marshall

Servers

- Sat 4:00 PM** Matthew Johnson, Billy Cason
- Sun 7:00 AM** Kevin & Tricia Thompson
- Sun 10:00 AM** Elizabeth & Oliva Cason
- Sun 5:30 PM** Emily Linn, Sara Brown

Families to Take Up Gifts

- Sat 4:00 PM** Joyce Powers
- Sun 7:00 AM** Tim West
- Sun 10:00 AM** Murray Adams
- Sun 5:30 PM** David Marshall

Children's Liturgy

- Preschool** Kelly Trogden, Molly Audd (Asst)
- K-3rd Grade** Natalie Hayden, Stephanie Wall (Asst)

Vocation Cross Family

Ben Miller, George Morgan, Darryl Murphy

Hillcrest: Shari Newton, Sandra Henry, Pat Rogier

Ministers of Hospitality for October

- 4:00 PM** Tim Goetz, Josh Goetz, Eric Goetz, Rebecca Goetz
- 7:00 AM** Russell Corley, Bernie Dotsey, Alex Dotsey, P.J. Ebelhar
- 10:00 AM** Mark Hubbs, Jan Hubbs, David Jarboe, Steve Wall
- 5:30 PM** Pat Hardesty, Issac Hardesty, Ben Miller, Mason Miller

Catholic Q&A

What are the seven deadly sins? Are there seven virtues to counteract them?

As the *Catechism* tells us, "Vices can be classified according to the virtues they oppose, or also be linked to the *capital sins* which Christian experience has distinguished, following St. John Cassian and St. Gregory the Great. They are called 'capital' because they engender other sins, other vices." (no. 1866)

The seven capital (or "deadly") sins are as follows, with definitions from the glossary to the *Catechism*, or *The Catholic Dictionary* by Fr. Peter Stravinskas:

- **pride**: Undue self-esteem or self-love, which seeks attention and honor and sets oneself against God.
- **avarice** (or "covetousness" or "greed"): An extreme desire for material goods and worldly honors
- **envy**: A resentment or sadness at another's good fortune, and the desire to have it for oneself.
- **wrath** (or "anger"): An emotion which is not in itself wrong, but becomes sinful when it is not controlled by reason or when it hardens into resentment and hate.
- **lust**: The inordinate desire for sexual pleasures that inclines one to perceive others as mere objects solely for personal gratification.
- **gluttony**: Overindulgence in food or drink.
- **sloth** (or "acedia"): A culpable lack of physical or spiritual effort; laziness regarding one's grave responsibilities to God, oneself, or others.

The seven virtues that counteract these sins are as follows, with definitions from the same sources as above:

- **humility**: The virtue by which a Christian acknowledges that God is the author of all good; it avoids inordinate ambition or pride
- **liberality**: A detachment from material goods, marked by generosity
- **brotherly love**: Desiring the true good of others; loving them as if they were your friend or relative.
- **meekness**: The ability to accept and tolerate the ordinary adversities of life with equanimity, balance, and good humor.
- **chastity**: The virtue that regulates one's sexual thoughts, desires, and actions in a manner proper to one's vocation.
- **temperance**: The cardinal virtue that moderates the drive for sensual pleasure.
- **diligence**: Conscientiousness or perseverance in performing those tasks to which we are called.

The best way to grow in these virtues is through prayer and frequent reception of the Sacraments. May we all cultivate the virtues of God and root out sin!

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

Young Disciples (Grades 7-12)

Coming Soon...

- October 10th: Fall Break- No Youth Group**
- October 17th: ODYO @ Blessed Mother 7-9 pm... may hang out after mass until 7pm in the Youth Room!**
- JUNIORS AND SENIORS~ TEC (Teens Encounter Christ) Retreat: Oct. 22-24 in Bardwell. Cost is \$50. Contact Christina if interested!**
- Middle and High School~ ODYC (Owensboro Diocese Youth Conference): Nov. 19-20 in Bowling Green! Cost is \$35 + cost of 2 fast food meals. Price includes: conference, travel, overnight hotel stay, and 2 meals. DEADLINE TO REGISTER: Sunday, Oct. 17th to Christina.**

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

Cooking Team Up to Bat: THANK YOU!!
October 10th: Fall Break, No YG~ No Team Needed
October 17th: ODYO—No Team

October 31st
Blessed Mother celebrates
Priesthood Sunday

Brunch honoring Fr. John
Following the 10AM Mass
All are invited to come celebrate the
Gift of Fr. John to our Parish

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

The Social Justice Committee wants to present a question for all to think about:

WHY BE ECUMENICAL? The first reason for Catholics to be ecumenical is because it is the will of Christ that we all be one. The ultimate aim of ecumenism is the restoration of the visible unity among all Christians.

Laugh for the Week

A farmer didn't have time to unload his truck before church on Sunday. After the service, a little boy saw the big load and asked, "What've you got in your truck, sir?"

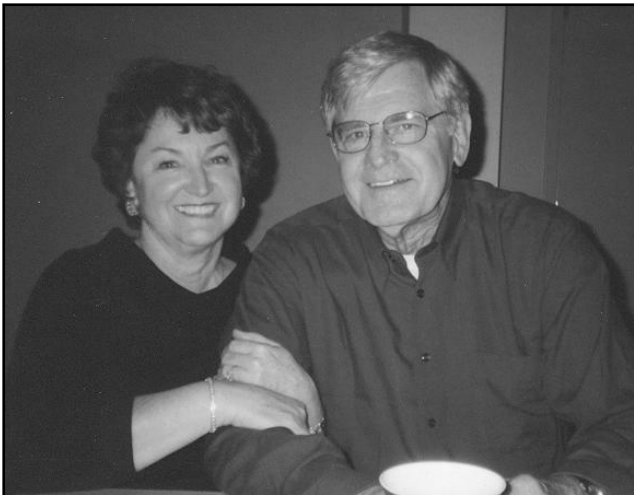
"Fertilizer," the farmer replied.

"What are you going to do with it?" the boy asked.

"Put it on my strawberries," the farmer answered.

The little boy confused said, "You ought to come home with me sir and try ours, we put sugar and whipped cream on them there!!"

"CONGRATULATIONS"



**Fran and Ethel Watrous
2010 Sophia Award Winners**

Fran and Ethel Watrous have been members of Blessed Mother Parish for many years. Ethel taught in our parish school for 23 years, retiring in 2003 when she married Fran. At present she serves as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion and a regular adorer of the Eucharist at our parish and at the Carmel Home. On Sunday afternoons she ministers to women at Daviess County Detention Center. She and Fran are daily Mass participants.

Fran wears "many hats" in our parish. He is a lector, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, and an altar server whenever he is needed. He attends most funerals here at Blessed Mother and helps when Fr. John needs him. After Mass, he can be seen blowing out the candles and locking the church doors. With his wife, he is a weekly adorer of the Eucharist at the Carmel Home, and on Fridays he sets up the altar for Eucharistic Adoration at our parish by 6:00 AM.

Forming Good Stewards Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine?" Luke 17:11-19

"Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?" Are we the one? Or are we one of the other nine? Gratitude begins with the recognition that someone has done something good for us. In order to be grateful to God for all that we are and all that we have we must be aware of and acknowledge that God is the source of all that we are and have. Our response to God should be gratitude. And we can best express our gratitude to God by accepting, developing and using to the best of our ability all that He gave us for ourselves and for others. Note that the one who comes back to thank Jesus is a Samaritan who recognized that Jesus, a Jew, had done something miraculous for him. The Jewish lepers should have done the same, but did not. We may not be able to repay the good and kindness others do for us. But we can acknowledge what they have done and say "Thank you!" Gratitude is an important part of being a good steward.

Sunday Collections October 3rd, 2010

Actual	Budget	MTD	YTD
\$27,139	\$21,426	\$27,139	\$22,003

Garden of Hope Dedication

Please join the Diocesan Gospel of Life Committee in a Celebration of Hope for Life on October 10, 2010 at 2:00pm at the Brescia University Quad. A remarkable bronze statue, featuring Jesus and a young mother and child, along with the surrounding garden, will be dedicated to hope for all life at this short service, followed by refreshments. All are welcome to attend.

Religious Ed Calendar for October

- 10/3: Class
- 10/10: No class (Fall break)
- 10/17: No class (Fall break)
- 10/24: Class
- 10/31: Class

If you have an 8th grader, there is also a **Confirmation Mini-retreat on Oct. 2, 9 AM - 11 AM, in the school gym.**

Welcome Committee
Fall Brunch, October 24
Please join us in welcoming all
New Members after 10 AM Mass



**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, Maria Finley, Brenda Goodman, Luke Gray, Josh Griffith, Janice Goins, Sheila Gunterman, Joe Hagan, Donna Hamilton, 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, 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, Katherine Osowicz, Ethan Payne, Helen Payne, Jerry Payne, Lura Payne, Mary Payne, Carolyn Pierce, Brenda Pitt, Paul Raley, Geraldine Ralph, Joyce Rangel, Otto Reisz, Vincent Reynolds, Paul Robertson, Beck Roby, Larry Roby, Lucille Russell, 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, Dery Wheatley, Katherine Whittinghill, Alli Williams, 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
SN Jason Bishop, US Navy, son of Linda & Dan Pearl

I hope you had a good week. Today is the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Gospel is very familiar to us because we hear it every Thanksgiving day. It is the story of the ten lepers and one returning to give thanks. So we check our level of gratitude for all God's gifts. We pray for the grace to be thankful in all ways no matter what.

The Diocese has us count everybody that comes to Mass on the last three weekends in September every year to see how our attendance is going. We averaged 1408 people which is 63%. This is well over the national average.

Youth group does NOT meet tonight but will meet next Sunday. Religious Ed is out for these next two Sundays.

RCIA has already begun. There is still time to join. So if you know anyone who might be interested have them call the office.

Finance council meets this Tuesday evening after Mass. Stewardship committee meets Wednesday evening at 6:30 in the library.

Coming up: I will be out of town the 18th 19th and 20th of this month. Also the priest's annual retreat at the Mount is the last week of this month.

Also coming up: Sunday the 24th after the 10am Mass we will have our semi-annual brunch for our newcomers – those families who have joined us in the past six months since our last brunch. Come meet our newest members. Also the last Sunday of the month, the 31st, there will be another brunch after the 10am Mass celebrating Priesthood Sunday. All are welcome.

OPEN HOUSE

The board of Directors of Saint Joseph's Peace Mission invites the public to an open house Saturday, October 16, 2010 from 10:00 am — 2:00 pm. Come help us celebrate the completion of the David & Jean Yewell Residential Home for Boys located at 1324 W 3rd St. , Owensboro Ky 42301. Everyone Welcome.

Calendar for the Week

Rosary is prayed Mon.—Thurs, 4 PM

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

**Tues. 6:00 PM Mass
Finance Committee Mtg 6:30pm**

**Wed. Mass 6:30 AM
Stewardship Meeting 6:30pm**

**Thurs. NO Mass 9:00 AM School Mass
Mass Noon
RCIA 7:00PM**

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

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

**Sun. 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mass at 7, 10 AM, 5:30 PM
Coffee & Doughnuts after 10:00 AM Mass
NO Religious Ed after 10:00 AM Mass
BMC Youth Group 6:30 PM ODYO
AA Meeting, 7:30pm, Cafeteria**

Readings for the Week

October 10 through October 17, 2010

- Sun: 2 Kgs 5:14-17 Ps 98:1-4 2 Tm 2:8-13
Lk 17:11-19
- Mon: Gal 4:22-24,26-27,31-5:1 Ps 113:1b-5a,6-7
Lk 11:29-32
- Tues: Gal 5:1-6 Ps 119:41,43-45,47-48 Lk 11:37-41
- Wed: Gal 5:18-25 Ps 1:1-4,6 Lk 11:42-46
- Thur: Eph 1:1-10 Ps 98:1-6 Lk 11:47-54
- Fri: Eph 1:11-14 Ps 33:1-2,4-5,12-13 Lk 12:1-7
- Sat: Eph 1:15-23 Ps 8:2-3b,4-7 Lk 12:8-12
- Sun: Ex 17:8-13 Ps 121:1-8 2 Tm 3:14-4:2
Lk 18:1-8

Daily Bible Reading 683-8524

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.

Catholic Schools Representative

If you have any questions or concerns you would like to take to the council please contact Jerry Goetz, Blessed Mother's representative, at 302-7468.

40 Days For Life

The 40 Days for Life campaign is a nationwide time of prayer, fasting and vigil in an effort to put an end to abortion. We are teaming with Evansville to stand for life during a 40-day peaceful public witness outside the **Planned Parenthood facility at 125 N. Weinbach Ave, Suite 120, Evansville, IN.** Owensboro pro-lifers will be covering Saturdays from September 22 to October 31, 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM. We are scheduling in 2 hour time blocks (example 7-9, 9-11 etc.). Please commit to as many Saturdays as you can and bring your family, friends or organization to witness for the defenseless. To view more information about the campaign go to www.40daysforlife.com. Please call Angela Mills at (270) 683-2577 or Amanda Reffitt at (270) 689-9101 to sign up or for more information. If you are unable to sign up please join with us for 40 days of fervent prayer and fasting for an end to abortion.

Parish Council Members

Camillia Baker	729-9094
Nancy Byrum	729-4362
Charlie Castlen	683-3426
Charlotte Cecil	683-0499
Liz Francis	926-3148
Tim Goetz	684-8275
David Graham	683-4665
David Higdon (Chair)	852-5321
Rick Moman	683-6555
Darryl Murphy	683-8437
Tony Powers	926-1803
Dan Thomas	681-2120