

Blessed Mother Catholic Church

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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

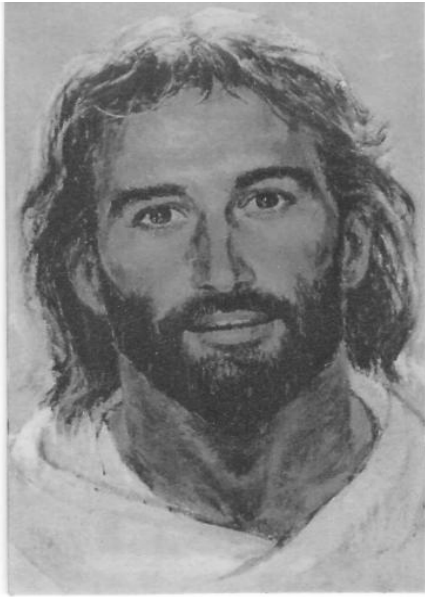
Dinners for family and friends after the Funeral.
Contact the Parish Office.

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 _____



“For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save what was lost”

Intention for the Week

- Monday, 6:30 AM** **November 1st**
Lloyd Farmer (dec)
- Tuesday, 6:00 PM** **November 2nd**
Addie Mae Corley
- Wednesday, 6:30 AM** **November 3rd**
Keith & Julie Murphy Family
- Thursday, 9:00 AM** **November 4th**
School Mass
Noon **Cecilia Schartung (dec)**
(Anointing of Sick)
- Friday, Noon** **November 5th**
Lucille Goetz (dec b-day)
- Saturday** **November 6th**
Aloysius Smith (ann of death)
- Sunday, 7:00 AM** **November 7th**
Shirley Jo Ann Hayden (dec)
10:00 AM **Mildred Clark**
5:30 PM **Blessed Mother Parish**

“Whoever Humbles Himself Will be Exalted”

Liturgical Ministers for November 6th & 7th

Eucharistic Ministers

- Sat 4:00 pm** Sandra Henry, Lahoma Stinnett, Janet Ruth, Marjorie Early, Liz Francis, Jennifer Jones, David Jones, Susie Fillman, Jay Fillman
- Sun 7 AM** Don Cecil, Sr. Mary Timothy, Charlene Baumgarten, Carolyn Taylor, Darlene Kazlauskas, Brenda Hagan
- Sun 10 AM** John Bell, Sharon Bell, Carol Murphy, Darryl Murphy, Jerry Millay, Brenda Millay, Debbie Riney, Kerry Riney, Jenny Glaser
- Sun 5:30 PM** Bobby Bastin, Sam Lilly, Lisa Carmon, Martha Estes, Janice Bumm, Deanna Brasher

Readers

- Sat 4:00 PM** **Fran Watrous**
- Sun 7:00 AM** **David Payne**
- Sun 10:00 AM** **La nell Lilly**
- Sun 5:30 PM** **Melinda Thompson**

Servers

- Sat 4:00 PM** Gabe Fillman, Kyra Vanover
- Sun 7:00 AM** Collin Higgins, Brandon Higgins
- Sun 10:00 AM** CJ Glaser, Kyle Alvey
- Sun 5:30 PM** Jack Iracane, Mason Robertson

Families to Take Up Gifts

- Sat 4:00 PM** Mike Hayse
- Sun 7:00 AM** Betty Thompson
- Sun 10:00 AM** Muriel Gillim
- Sun 5:30 PM** Gary Smith

Children’s Liturgy

- Preschool** Stephanie Frey, Rachel Aull (Asst)
- K-3rd Grade** Linda Wahl, Rachel O’Nan (Asst)

Vocation Cross Family

Michael Payne, Shelia Payne, Stephen Payne

Hillcrest: Rose Clark, Joan Frey

Ministers of Hospitality for November

- 4:00 PM** Steve Haynes, Ken Terry
Jolene White, Jordan White
- 7:00 AM** Clarence Elder, Tom Foster
Ed Hoskins, Joe Higdon
- 10:00 AM** John Bell Sr., John Bell Jr.
Ed Higdon, Bill Young
- 5:30 PM** Pete Linn, Jacob Linn
Josh Linn, Matthew Howard

Catholic Q&A

In your last column, you said that Catholics should not donate to the Susan G. Komen Foundation. Who should we donate to then if we want to support breast cancer research?

One organization I would recommend is **The Polycarp Research Institute** (TPRI). According to their website, "The Polycarp Research Institute is a non-profit organization (501 C3) dedicated to the promotion and dissemination of high-quality research designed to enhance the physical, psychological and spiritual condition of mankind." It is one of the few scientific research organizations that has acknowledged the link between abortion and breast cancer (the "ABC link"). Also, TPRI will not promote methods or intentions that are inconsistent with the ethical and moral guidelines of the Catholic Church.

Another worthwhile organization is the **Breast Cancer Prevention Institute**. According to their website, "The Breast Cancer Prevention Institute is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) corporation, which educates healthcare professionals and the general public through research publications, lectures, and the internet, on ways to reduce breast cancer incidence." It's founder, Dr. Joel Brind, is the leading expert on the ABC link.

Finally, the **National Breast Cancer Foundation** is an option. According to their website, "The National Breast Cancer Foundation mission is to save lives through early detection and to provide mammograms for those in need. Our mission includes increasing awareness through education, providing diagnostic breast care services for those in need, and providing nurturing support services." They are listed by the *Bioethics Defense Fund* as an alternative to the Susan G. Komen Foundation.

Before you donate to any breast cancer research organization, ask them:

- Do you acknowledge the ABC link?
- Do you donate to Planned Parenthood, or to any other organizations that perform or refer women for abortions?
- Do you promote embryonic stem cell research?

I know this might seem tedious, but we have to make sure that we are donating our hard-earned money to organizations that have objectives that are consistent with what we believe as Catholics. Furthermore, any organization devoted to finding a cure for breast cancer that denies the negative effects of abortion is doing a disservice to women. The evidence is clear: 27 of the 33 studies on the ABC link showed definite increased risk. Women who had at least one abortion were on average, 50% more likely to develop breast cancer. One can't help but wonder if the wholesale denial of this evidence is ideologically driven. Let's have our money fuel the pursuit of truth. Only then will a cure be found.

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

Young Disciples (Grades 7-12)

Coming Soon...

October 31st: Halloween...No Youth Group

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 31st: No Team Needed

FREE TICKETS

Brescia University will be hosting PARISH NIGHT –November 1– at the Sports-Center when their basketball team plays Fisk University. Tickets available in the Parish Office.

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

BOOK OF LIFE

We invite you to take a moment and list the names of you deceased loved ones into the Book of Life. All Entered will be remembered in the Holy Masses during the month of November. Envelopes are available for Masses to be offered during the year. As all Masses can not possibly be said at Blessed Mother, some will be sent to other priest including Fr. Phil Riney, Fr. Eric Riley, Fr. Leonard Reisz, and others. Pray for the Deceased.

Laugh for the Week

"FIRST TIME IN CHURCH"

A young cowboy was explaining to the boys back at the ranch about his first visit to church.

"When I got there, they had me park my truck in the corral," he began. "You mean the parking lot, a more worldly wise cowboy said"

"I walked up the trail to the door," the first cowboy continued.

"The sidewalk", the second said. "Inside the door I was met by a dude," The first went on to say. "Probably an user, the second explained."

"Well , the user led me down the chute," "You mean aisle" the second corrected again. "Then he had me sit in a stall," the first continued. "PEW" the second said. "Yeah, recalled the first, "that's what the lady sitting next to me said."

THE GIVING TREE

It is that time again to begin thinking about Our Giving Tree. If you know of a family in need of help this Christmas, Please Contact Russ at the Parish Office. We help families and individuals ONLY if requested by a parishioner. Our tree goes up Thanksgiving Day, so the names with clothing sizes need to be turned in no later than Nov. 15th.

Catholics Returning Home

An open door for Returning Catholics from Blessed Mother Parish, 601 E. 23rd St. Would you be interested in returning to your faith but don't know how to begin that journey home? Would you like to feel at home in the Catholic Church again? No matter how long you have been away and no matter the reason, we invite you to consider renewing your relationship with the Catholic Church. Blessed Mother Parrish will be sponsoring a six week session Nov. 4, 2010 from 6:30 to 7:30 pm in the Parish Hall. All are welcome. Call 683-8444 ext. 21 or 926-1483 for more information.

Forming Good Stewards

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Behold, half of my possessions, Lord, I shall give to the poor,

and if I have extorted anything from anyone I shall repay it four times."

Luke, 19:1-10

Everyone willing to join with Zacchaeus, raise your hand. Only a man who is aware that everything we have comes from God and that God wants us to use it for ourselves and for others, and who has been a good steward would give half of his possessions to the poor. Only a man who has lived honorably in the sight of God can declare that he will return four times over whatever he had unjustly taken from another. Jesus was willing to enter the house of Zacchaeus over the objection of his friends and other because He had entered the heart of Zacchaeus and was able to declare, "Today salvation has come to this house because this man, too, is a descendant of Abraham." Are we ready for Jesus to stay at our home and enter into our heart? Have we been a good steward of all God has given to us? Have we lived honorably in God's sight? When Jesus is in our home will he say "Salvation has come to this house"?

Sunday Collections October 24th, 2010

Actual	Budget	MTD	YTD
\$22,584	\$21,426	\$23,578	\$22,072

The Social Justice Committee has a question for you to ponder during the month of November. **What is the Spiritual Ecumenism?** Spiritual ecumenism is the heart and soul of the whole ecumenical movement. Prayer must be first and foremost. Just as Jesus prayed for us to be one so we must pray for one another and for the conversion of our hearts. The Social Justice Committee meets every third Tuesday of each month. **We would like new members.** The Prayer Blanket Committee meets every second

Religious Ed Calendar for October and November

10/24: Class
10/31: Class
11/7: Class
11/14: Class
11/21: Class
11/28: No class (Thanksgiving break)

Welcome Committee
Thanks all who brought dishes and
help serve the wonderful Brunch for
our new members.



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, Damon Gillim, 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, Billy Thomas, 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, 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 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time. There are only 34 Sundays in all the last one being the Feast of Christ the King. So we are almost at the end of a church year. A familiar story in the Gospel today. Zacchaeus climbs a tree to see the Lord. I wonder what lengths I would go to meet Him? What sacrifices would I make to follow Him? Zacchaeus gives us a good example.

Youth group does not meet tonight. Religious Ed does meet this morning.

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

What a great welcoming brunch we had. Thanks to Phyllis Bastin and the Welcoming Committee for the great work in welcoming our new members. There was a lot of people there and a lot of food. Thanks to all those who had a part in the great celebration.

This Sunday is Priesthood Sunday. We thank God for the gift of priesthood in our Church. Come join me for a brunch after the 10am Mass today. And thank you for appreciating me.

Monday, All Saints Day Mass is at the regular time of 6:30 am since it is not a day of obligation.

Liturgy committee meets this Wednesday at 6:30pm in parish library.

November is the month of All Souls. We pray for the departed loved ones this month. Please note the board in the back of church and the Book of Life. Feel free to add names to the book for prayer.

Coming up in November, Bethlehem Christian Families will be here the second weekend set up in the lobby of the parish hall. They are the ones with olive wood carvings from the Holy Land for sale. These items make great Christmas gifts.

From Death to New Life 

Our prayers and Sympathy are extended to the family of Jack Wilson. May he share in the Resurrection of the Lord!

Calendar for the Week

Rosary is prayed Mon.—Thurs, 4 PM

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

Tues. 6:00 PM Mass

**Wed. Mass 6:30 AM
Liturgy Committee 6:30 pm**

**Thurs. Mass 9:00 AM School Mass
Mass Noon (Anointing of Sick)
RCIA 7:00PM**

**Fri. Eucharistic Adoration
Mass 12:00 Noon
First Friday Pot Luck after Noon Mass**

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

**Sun. 32th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mass at 7, 10 AM, 5:30 PM
Coffee & Donuts after 10 AM Mass
Religious Ed after 10:00 AM Mass
BMC Youth Group 6:30 PM
AA Meeting, 7:30pm, Cafeteria**

Readings for the Week

October 31 through November 7, 2010

- Sun: Wis 11:22-12:2 Ps 145:1-2,8-11,13-14
2 Thes 1:11-2:2 Lk 19:1-10
- Mon: Rv 7:2-4,9-14 Ps 24:1bc-4b,5-6 1
Jn 3:1-3 Mt 5:1-12a
- Tue: Wis 3:1-9 Ps 23:1-6 Rom 5:5-11 Jn 6:37-40
- Wed: Phil 2:12-18 Ps 27:1,4,13-14 Lk 14:25-33
- Thur: Phil 3:3-8a Ps 105:2-7 Lk 15:1-10
- Fri: Phil 3:17-4:1 Ps 122:1-5 Lk 16:1-8
- Sat: Phil 4:10-19 Ps 112:1b-2,5-6,8a,9 Lk 16:9-15
- Sun: 2 Mc 7:1-2,9-14 Ps 17:1,5-6,8,15
2 Thes 2:16-3:5 Lk 20:27-38

Daily Bible Reading 683-8524

Visit our website!

<http://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.

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.

WINTER WARMTH CLOTHING

The Social Concerns Committee is collecting Clean Winter coats, gloves and hats for children and adults. Please leave in the box at the main entrance of church.

First Friday Pot Luck

Friday November 5th is First Friday. Pot Luck and Bunco after Noon Mass in Family Life Center. All are welcome.

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