



Blessed Mother Catholic Church

601 East 23rd Street
Owensboro, KY 42303
August 21st, 2016

I know well the plans I have in mind for you, Says the Lord, plans for your welfare, not for woe! Plans to give you a future full of hope. When you call me, when you go to pray to me, I will listen to you. When you look for me, you will find me. Yes, when you seek me with all your heart, you will find me with you, says the Lord, and I will change your lot..... Jeremiah 29:11-14(NAB)

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PASTORAL TEAM

Very Rev. J. Michael Clark Pastor, phone ext. 25
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OFFICE ADDRESS: 601 East 23rd Street

OFFICE HOURS: 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M Monday - Friday

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. Mike Clark, or Fr. Emmanuel

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., 6 P.M.

Adoration: Eucharistic Adoration
Tuesday, Wednesday 6:00 A.M. - 10 P.M.
Friday 6:00 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 priests visit the hospital on a weekly basis. Arrangements may be made for Communion calls to the homes of our homebound parishioners by the priest and/or by lay ministers to parishioners who are unable to attend Mass.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

During the school year for grades Kn-8th

BEREAVEMENT DINNERS

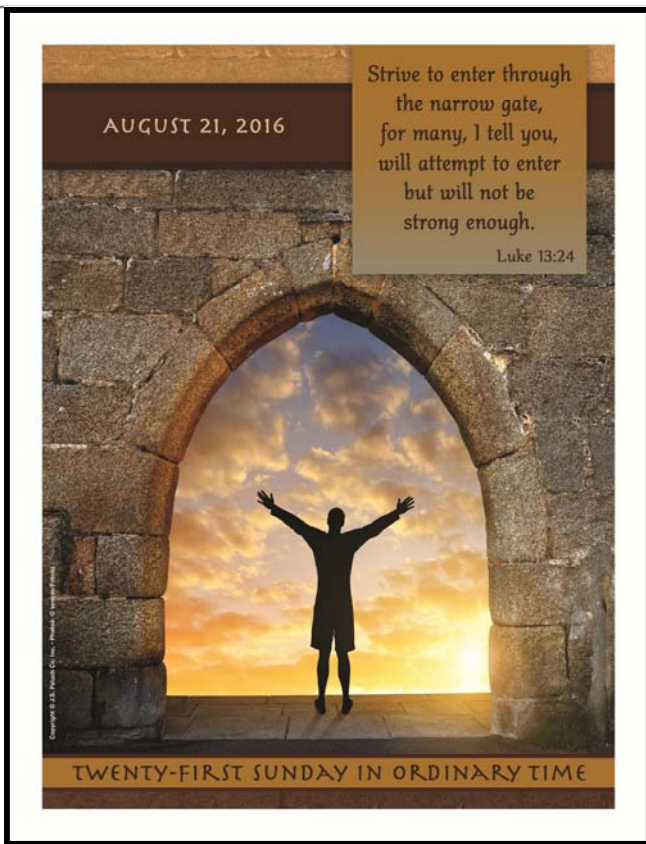
Dinners for family and friends after the Funeral.

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 _____



Intention for the Week

- Monday** August 22nd
6:30 AM Jerry Blandford Jr. (dec, b-day)
- Tuesday** August 23rd
6:00 PM Robert Englert (dec)
- Wednesday** August 24th
6:30 AM Joe Lewis (dec)
- Thursday** August 25th
9:00 AM School Mass
12 Noon Jill Castlen (b-day)
- Friday** August 26th
12 Noon Fr. Dave Willett (dec)
- Saturday** August 27th
4:00 PM Georgia McCarty (dec)
- Sunday** August 28th
7:00 AM Tina Visconti (dec)
10:00 AM Thelma Crump (dec)
5:30 PM Blessed Mother Parish

Liturgical Ministers August 27th & 28th

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday 4:00 PM

Shirley Kent, Joe O'Bryan, Maggie O'Bryan
Dan Pearl, Mike Pearl, Rob Harris
Debbie Riney, Jeanne Pointer, Janet Ruth

Sunday 7:00 AM

Michele Linn, Pete Linn, Dennis Sandefur
Carolyn Taylor, Dan Thomas, Sandra Thomas

Sunday 10:00 AM

Tiffany Coombs, Sr. Marie Joseph, Charlie Dees
Heidi Dees, Chris Ford, Jenny Glaser
Carol Goedde, Judy Goetz, Jim Hagan

Sunday 5:30 PM

Katina Hayden, Ken Keller, Bobby Bastin
Phyllis Bastin, Deanna Brasher, Lisa Carmon

Readers

Sat 4:00 PM	Jason Adcock
Sun 7:00 AM	Greg Cash
Sun 10:00 AM	Barbara Cecil
Sun 5:30 PM	Hannah Aull

Servers

Sat 4:00 PM	Joseph Henry, Sean Henry
Sun 7:00 AM	Krisalyn Elder, Joseph Watts
Sun 10:00 AM	Jackson Howard, Will Hyland
Sun 5:30 PM	John Michael Frey, Luke Frey

Families to Take Up Gifts

Sat 4:00 PM	Bonnie Stuart
Sun 7:00 AM	Tim West
Sun 10:00 AM	David Jarboe
Sun 5:30 PM	Paul Wilson

Children's Liturgy

Preschool Tiffany Coombs, Madalyn Hyland (Asst)
Renee Guinn (Asst)

K-3rdGrade Leesa Moman, Emma Goetz (Asst)

Vocation Cross Family

Muriel Gillim

Hillcrest: Sandra Henry, Shari Newton

Ministers of Hospitality August

4:00 PM David Harris, Jan Harris
Larry Franey, Mike Hays

7:00 AM Bernie Dotsey, Thomas Dotsey
Clarence Elder, Tom Foster

10:00 AM David Graham, Cathy Graham
Matt Hagan, Pat Hardesty

5:30 PM Ken Terry, Anne Alexander
Ken Keller, Angela Clark

Catholic Q & A

Instead of the usual Q&A, I would like to use this space to let you know about some things I need your help with.

The first thing is **Religious Ed**. This is a program for children who belong to the parish but do not go to Catholic schools. It's an opportunity for the parish to supplement what you are doing at home in order to ensure that our children grow up with a firm grasp of their Catholic faith.

Religious Ed classes are on Sundays during the school year. After the 10 AM Mass, the children and their families gather in the Parish Hall, where they have about 10 or 15 minutes to grab a donut and some juice. Then I dismiss them from there to the various classrooms. **Class is from 11:15 AM to 12:30 PM.** Parents go to the classroom to pick up their children.

The cost is \$50 for one child, \$65 total for two children, and \$75 total for three or more. If you need financial assistance, please let me know. We will make it work.

There are other important items to add to your calendar:

-- **Registration** for Religious Ed starts now! You can register online by going to www.blessedmotherchurch.com, or you can fill out the forms in the Parish Office.

-- There is no parent meeting this year. I think it will be easier to just email parents the information they need. **Make sure you give me a working email address** when you register so that you can receive the Religious Ed Handbook and the calendar for when class is in session.

-- The **first day of class** for the 2016-2017 school year is Sunday, Aug. 14th. We'll be off on Sept. 11 (when we usually start) so that families can attend the Mount picnic.

The next item of importance is the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, or **RCIA**. This is for any non-Catholic adult who has questions about Catholicism or who might be interested in becoming Catholic. **I rely on you heavily to bring to me individuals for this process.**

Please take the time, on the way home from Mass today, to consider as a family who you might want to invite to join the RCIA process. You could make a list of your non-Catholic friends, relatives, and co-workers, and then divide up the names among yourselves. Or, make a game out of it and see who can invite the most people!

Everyone reading this article has someone in his or her life who is waiting for that invitation to know God better and to consider the Catholic faith. Someone is waiting on you. The Holy Spirit is waiting on you. We have a large parish here at Blessed Mother. We could fill a classroom with inquirers if we really put our mind to it!

RCIA begins on Thurs., Sept. 1 at 7 PM in the "Youth Room" in the Family Life Center.

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

Young Disciples (Grades 7-12)

August 14: KICK-OFF!! Wet & Messy Games!! Bring a towel, a change of clothes, and a parent to fill out forms!

August 21: Game On!

Questions, concerns, comments: come by, call, or e-mail me @: Christina Barnard:

bmcyouth@bellsouth.net or 683-8444 Ext. 28

Cooking Teams Up To Bat:

Sign-Ups are underway in the back of Church!

Thank You!

Parish Feast Day Celebration

Thank you Jan, Terry, John, Sharon and their whole crew for an outstanding feast day celebration.

Fun was had by all!



Prayer Services for the November Elections

Rosary, Mercy Chaplet & Other Prayers.

Sermons by Fr. Louis Caporiccio, CPM

Passionist Monastery, Whitesville, Ky

Monday Sept 5th, 2016 6:30—8PM

Monday October 3, 2016 6:30—8PM

Monday November 7th, 2016 6:30—8PM

Bring your family and friends

**"For the sake of His Sorrowful Passion,
have mercy on us!"**

Laugh for the Week

Teacher felt Bubba may be in the wrong class after reviewing his computer questioner.

Teacher: What is a Log On?

Bubba: Making a wood stove hotter

Teacher: What is a download?

Bubba: Getting the firewood off the truck

Teacher: What's a hard drive?

Bubba : Getting home in the winter time.

Teacher: What is a modem?

Bubba: What ya do to the hay fields.

Teacher: What is a screen:

Bubba: What you shut when its black fly season.

Teacher: What is a mouse:

Bubba: Its what eats the grain in the barn

Teacher: What is random access memory

Bubba: When you can't remember what ya paid for the rifle when your wife ask!

Forming Good Stewards Sunday Collections

Luke 9:51-62

"I will follow you, Lord, but first let me say farewell to my family at home."

Jesus and his disciples were prevented from entering a Samaritan town because they were on their way to Jerusalem. The Samaritans believed God was in their temple, not the temple in Jerusalem. The disciples asked Jesus if he wanted them to "call down fire from heaven to consume" the town. They had no idea how to do that but they had seen Jesus work many wonders and wanted Him to do it. Jesus knew that God is not constrained to a temple or other building and that such an attitude reveals a belief that we can confine God to a place where we can occasionally go to visit Him, say some prayers, and hope He will stay while we go out and live our life without Him. On the journey several people had the opportunity to follow Jesus, but gave a variety of excuses, including ". . . first let me say farewell to my family at home." As Catholics we believe our life is from God and in God. We cannot confine God to a place or a religious practice. And, if we are a true disciple of Jesus, we can put no conditions on following and imitating Jesus.

August 14th, 2016

Parish	Actual	Avg Ytd	Budget
Operating	\$ 18,611		
Maintenance	\$ 642		
Total	\$ 19,253	\$28,266	\$26,859
Other/ Restricted	\$ 1,190		

Blessed Mother

will be hosting a 12 week program for
Divorced and Separated
Starting Monday September 12th
For more information or to register
please contact
Angela Clark 270-929-4022
Or call Russ in the parish office
270-683-8444 ext 21.

Bible Study Series (8 weeks)

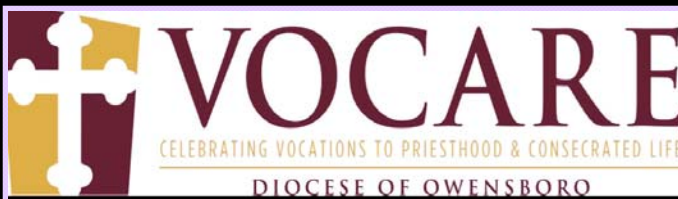
Starting Wednesday September 14th
10—11:30 AM

Presented by Deacon Bill Bach
and Sabrina Johnson

7:00 — 8:30 PM

Presented by Nick Hardesty

For more information or to sign up please contact
Nick Hardesty 270-683-8444 ext 26 or
E-mail nicholashardesty@gmail.com



Friday, September 23, 2016
Owensboro Convention Center

5.00 PM Social Hour

6.00 PM Dinner

Vocare is a latin word meaning "to call; to summon".

The Diocese of Owensboro is now accepting registrations for VOCARE 2016, the event of the year for the Diocese. This event is an opportunity to dress your finest and help our Diocese increase awareness of vocations, celebrate vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life, and provide financial support for seminarian education.

The evening begins at 5:00 PM at the Owensboro Convention Center with a cocktail/social hour.

Dinner will promptly begin at 6:00 PM and will feature a keynote address by Andy Day, Diocese of Owensboro native and southeast regional director of FOCUS (Fellowship of Catholic University Students).

Those interested in attending can purchase an entire table, a single seat or seats for two. Visit www.owensborodiocese/vocare to register and pay for the event.

If you have any questions regarding VOCARE, please contact Kathy Rasp in the Bishop's Office at 270-683-1545.

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

John Albin, Dorothy Aud, Margaret Beyke, Alice Bittel, Donna Bowlds, Megan Briggan, Connie Brown, Joan Cecil, Jane Hoskins Cecil, Melody Cecil, Joyce & Paul Christian, Dennis Clark, Dessie Clark, James Clark, Thelma Clark, Alice Cole, Kenny Cole, Arnold & Kathleen Conder, Jake Conder, Jeff Connor, Randy Cook, Chad Crabtree, Mickie Crump, Holly Davis, Margaret Delacy, Kinsey Dunn, Nancy Dunn, Mary E Durbin, Alan Ebelhar, David Eberhardt Clarence Elder, Christina Ennis, Jan Evans, John Farley, Theresa Feller, Elena Maria Finley, Muriel Gillim, Brenda Goodman, Luke Gray, Josh Griffith, Janice Goins, Sheila Gunterman, Ben Halbig, Nancy Hall, Donna Hamilton, James A Hamilton, Raley Hamilton, Wilhemina Newton Hamilton, Martha Faye Hayden, Madalyn Marie Hayden, Billy Head, Bobbie Head, Mary Agnes Henderson, Naomi Henry, Marie Hester, Tracy Higdon, Chrystal Hinton, Chase Hofmann, Marjorie Howard, Mary Howard, Margaret Isbell, Wilbur Jarvis, Betty Jo Johnson, Sabrina Kamuf, Mary Ann Kern, Naki Keswani, Billy Knott, Joann Knott, Mike Knott, Debbie Koenig, Connie Krusick, Carson Lanham, Avis Natalie Lantham, Bob Lawrence, Margaret Lee, Melinda Lee, Karen Logsdon, Mabel Long, Joy Medley Lyons, Brandon Mattingly, Margaret Mattingly, Mary Mattingly, Mike Marsh, Travis Martin, Debbie Mayfield, Kelly Mayfield, Helen McCarty, Mildred McCarthy, Chris McRoy, Virginia Millay, Mary Miller, Conner Mills, Savannah Mills, Jayne Morgan, Roger Morgan, Jake Murphy, Randy Murphy, Bob Newton, Lee Newton, Dickey O'Bryan, Katherine Osowicz, Aiden Payne, Ethan Payne, Jerry Payne, Carol Payne, Melida Payne, Corine Pearl, Carolyn Pierce, Becky Powell, Vanessa Priest, Stewart Rearden, Otto Reisz, Paul Robertson, Eric Roby, Bob Ross, Jackie Russell, Dorothy Schell, Robert Scott, Juanita Sessman, Marvin Settles, Jessica Seymour, Larry Shouse, Judy Simmons, Kerry Brothers Smart, Becky Smith, Mary Jo Smith, Brittany Stallings, Susan Stersman, Charles Stewart, Melissa Sullivan, Jill Tanner, Larry Taylor, Mary Hilary Taylor, Billy Thomas, Betty Thompson, Pearl Thompson, Alma Topper, Martha Towery, Anita Travis, Glynda Turner, David Vasterling, Amanda Vessels, Dianne Walsh, Scott Ward, Joyce Warren, Zach Watts, Jim "Bun" Wedding, Denny Wheatley, Greg & Jennifer Weise, Katherine Whittinghill, Joe Wink, Bea Wooldridge, Bonnie Wright, Bill Yancy, Randy Zarembo

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

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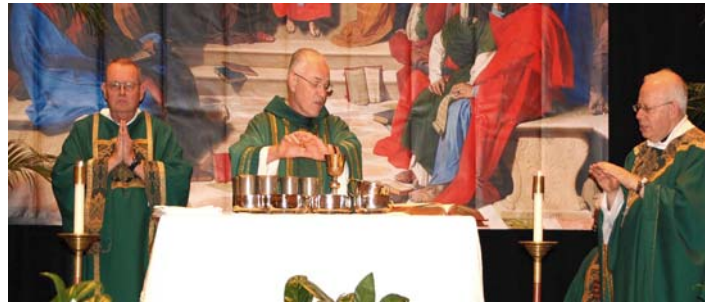
Brandon Mattingly, US Army, Baghdad
Sgt. David Farley, US Army

Other

Adam Payne, (grandson of Joyce Payne)
SPC Jesse D Finley, US Army (grandson Doris Haragan)
David Townsend, US Army (Son-in-Law, Ann McIntyre)
Spec Seth J Keller, US Army, (Grandson Doris Keller, Nephew of Ken Keller)
Master Sgt. Breanna Bowlds, US Air Force, Niece of Mary Miller

From Death to New Life 

We pray for the family of Jennifer McGee on the death of her mother Lavern Speaks. May she share in the Resurrection of the Lord!



A Stewardship Moment

♪ Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the Holy Anthem Rise!♪

Wanted: The time and talent of dedicated musicians to grow our music ministries.

We welcome all musicians, instrumentalist as well as vocalist, who want to give their "Time and Talent" and join in one of our music ministries.

Cantors practice with Patty as schedules allow or as needed. There will also be a rehearsal before mass with the pianist.

Men and Women's Choir rehearse from 5 -7pm on Wed. evenings. Our next rehearsal is **Aug. 24th** to prepare for mass on **Sun. Aug. 28th**.

Contemporary Group (Sun. 5:30 pm mass) Rehearsals are before mass at 4:00 pm.

Children's Vocal/Recorder Choir has begun. We welcome new members in grade 3 and up. Rehearsals are on Tuesday afternoons from 3:45 – 4:45 pm in the Children's Liturgy Room.

Instrumentalist: Contact Patty for more information.

For more information concerning any of our music ministries, contact Patty Woerter at bmcliturgy@bellsouth.net or 270-683-8444 ext. 27.



Our prayers have been answered as we welcome our new pianist Sharon Hudson who is relocating to Calhoun KY from Mobile, AL. She and her husband, Henry, have two sons William (13) and

Johnny (6). An accomplished pianist and teacher, she has been on the staff at the University of Mobile for 6 years. She has also taught at the University of South Alabama and Brescia University. In the Mobile area, she performed frequently with vocal and instrumental faculty and students and also accompanied musicals and operas. With Fr. Mike as pastor, she served as the music director at St. Anthony – Browns Valley from 2004-2009. Dr. Hudson received her MM and DMA from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Currently, she is working towards her master's in speech language pathology at Western University.

Calendar for the Week

Rosary is prayed Mon. & Thurs, 4 PM

Mon.	Mass 6:30 AM Bunko, 1 PM SVDP Mtg 7:00 PM (New Members Welcome)
Tues.	6AM—10PM Eucharistic Adoration 6:00 PM Mass
Wed.	6AM—10PM Eucharistic Adoration Mass 6:30 AM
Thurs.	9AM School Mass 12 Noon Mass
Fri.	12 Noon Mass 6AM—5PM Eucharistic Adoration
Sat.	Confessions 12:30 — 2:00 Mass 4:00 PM
Sun.	Mass at 7AM, 10:00 AM, 5:30 PM Religious Ed after 10:00 AM Mass BMC Youth Group 6:30 PM AA Meeting, 7:30pm, Cafeteria Gamblers Anonymous 5PM (Blessed Sacrament Chapel -- 602 Sycamore St)

Readings for the Week

Mon:	2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12; Ps 96:1-5; Mt 23:13-22
Tue:	2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Ps 96:10-13; Mt 23:23-26
Wed:	Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51
Thur:	1 Cor 1:1-9; Ps 145:2-7; Mt 24:42-51
Fri:	1 Cor 1:17-25; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11; Mt 25:1-13
Sat:	1 Cor 1:26-31; Ps 33:12-13, 18-21; Mt 25:14-30
Sun:	Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Ps 68:4-7, 10-11; Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a; Lk 14:1, 7-14

Visit our website!

<http://www.blessedmotherchurch.com>

**“Dear Reader,
Meet me wherever, whenever you want.
All is forgiven, I love you.
(Signed) God.”**

Safe Environment

The safety of our children is the responsibility of every Christian. Anyone aware of the abuse of a person under the age of eighteen is required by law to report this to the proper state authorities: local law enforcement (270-687-8888 / or 270-685-8444_) or the Kentucky Child Abuse Hotline (toll-free: 1-877-KYSAFE1; 1-877-597-2331).

To report to the diocese abuse by church personnel (paid or volunteer) either past or present, please call the Pastoral Assistance Coordinator at this confidential phone line: 270-852-8380. The Diocese of Owensboro sexual abuse policy is available at this parish in the back of church, or in the parish office and also on the diocesan web site (<https://owensborodiocese.org/safe>).

Owensboro Catholic Schools

Sts. Joseph and Paul, Owensboro Catholic Schools and Martin Custom Building are teaming up once again to raffle off a new house!

This beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage home is located in one of the most desired neighborhoods in Owensboro - Bon Harbor! Located at 4135 Mayflower Drive, this home will be raffled off on Saturday, Dec. 3, 2016.

Tickets are \$100, with a maximum of 4,000 tickets sold, and can be purchased at Sts. Joseph and Paul parish office, Owensboro Catholic Schools Central Office, and the Owensboro locations of Independence Bank.

catholiceducationhomeraffle.com
270-683-5641 License # ORG0002156

Mount St. Joseph Picnic

“It’s time to come together for the Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph 46th Mount Saint Joseph Picnic on **Sunday, Sept. 11**. Volunteers will be here at Blessed Mother this weekend to sell Raffle tickets. You could win \$10,000, \$3,500, \$1,000, a handmade quilt, \$500, \$250 or \$100. Picnic proceeds benefit retired Ursuline Sisters.”

2016 Picnic Schedule

Sep 11	Mount St. Joseph	11:30
Sep 17	St. Stephen Cathedral	12:00
Sept 17	St. Columbia / Lewisport	4:00
Sep 18	St. Lawrence/St Williams	11:00
Sep 24	Immaculate Parish (Drive Thru)	2:00
Sep 25	St. Mary of the Woods	11:00

Parish Council Members

Tom Anderson	685-0348
Phil Hagan	926-1483
Rob Harris	686-8731
Julie Hayden	485-6912
Jennifer Hayden	926-0762
Richard Hayden	689-1422
Richard Howard	903-9314
Scott Johnson	222-0264
Jarrold Malone	314-5810
Scott McCain	929-5923
Greg Mullican	314-7514
Dan Thomas	314-5848