



Blessed Mother Catholic Church

601 East 23rd Street
Owensboro, KY 42303
September 25th, 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
Parochial Vicar Rev. Emmanuel Udoh, Phone ext. 22
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Nicholas Hardesty, Director of Religious Education ext. 26
Christina Barnard, Youth Director, phone ext. 28
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OFFICE PHONE: 683-8444

OFFICE ADDRESS: 601 East 23rd Street

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

WEBSITE: blessedmotherchurch.com

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: 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

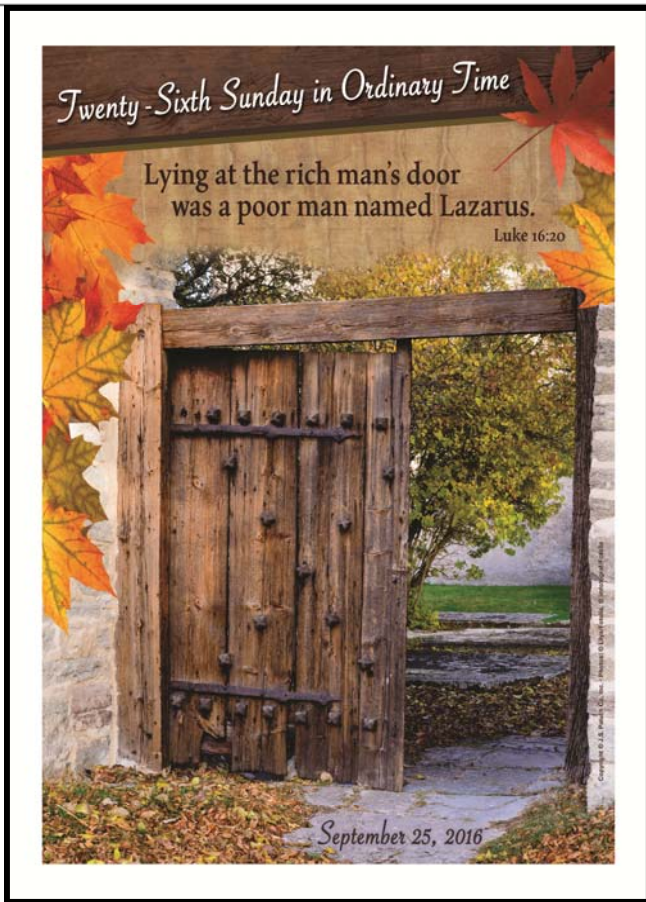
Dinners for family and friends after the Funeral.

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** September 26th
6:30 AM William Hinton (dec)
- Tuesday** September 27th
6:00 PM Fred Lattas
- Wednesday** September 28th
6:30 AM Ben Crump (dec, b-day)
- Thursday** September 29th
9:00 AM School Mass
12 Noon Dolly Boarman (dec)
- Friday** September 30th
12 Noon Becky Higdon (dec)
- Saturday** October 1st
4:00 PM Betty Smith Heifner (dec)
- Sunday** October 2nd
7:00 AM Blessed Mother Parish
10:00 AM Becky Higdon (dec)
5:30 PM Gene Clark (dec)

**Liturgical Ministers October 1st & 2nd
Eucharistic Ministers**

Saturday 4:00 PM

J. Murray Adams, Jason Adcock, Christina Barnard
Marian Bennett, Jeannie Best, Rose Clark
Joan Collins, Judy Coomes, Karen Dueker

Sunday 7:00 AM

Mary Margaret Brown, Eva Cash, Charlotte Cecil
Don Cecil, Brenda Hagan, Kaytlin Hagan, Kendra Hagan

Sunday 10:00 AM

John Calhoun, Raymunda Calhoun, Darlene Church
Mark Church, Tiffany Coombs, Steve Hayden
Charlie Dees, Heidi Dees, Chris Ford

Sunday 5:30 PM

Bobby Bastin, Phyllis Bastin, Deanna Brasher
Lisa Carmon, Laurie Elliott, Carlton Goodman
Katina Hayden, Ken Keller

Readers

Sat	4:00 PM	Cindy McCain
Sun	7:00 AM	Mike Williams
Sun	10:00 AM	Kristie Hayden
Sun	5:30 PM	Norm Hayden

Servers

Sat	4:00 PM	John Michael Frey, Luke Frey
Sun	7:00 AM	Cooper Danzer, Garrison Danzer
Sun	10:00 AM	Jacob Harley, Nathan Harley
Sun	5:30 PM	Seth Bruner, Brett Conder

Families to Take Up Gifts

Sat	4:00 PM	Kenneth Blandford
Sun	7:00 AM	Bernie Dotsey
Sun	10:00 AM	David Lyons
Sun	5:30 PM	Mary Bruner

Children's Liturgy

Preschool	Tiffany Coomes, Madalyn Hyland (Asst) Renee Guinn (Asst)
K-3rdGrade	Barbara Cecil, Stephanie Wall (Asst)

Vocation Cross Family

Steve Hagan

Hillcrest: Sandra Henry, Shari Newton

Ministers of Hospitality October

4:00 PM	Jim Hodgkins, Martha Marsh Mark Kemper, Denice Kemper
7:00 AM	Jeff Hofer, Lynn Hofer Michelle McClellan, Ed Hoskins
10:00 AM	Ed Hidgon, Richard Howard Jan Hubbs, Mark Hubbs
5:30 PM	Ken Keller, Jacob Linn Ben Marshall, John Marshall

From the office of the Bishop:

Fr. Freddie Byrd, a priest of the Diocese of Owensboro, has been reinstated to his position as pastor of St. Ann Church in Morganfield, Kentucky by Bishop William F. Medley, the Bishop of Owensboro. On June 8, 2016 Fr. Byrd had been temporarily suspended from public ministry following an allegation that he had engaged in inappropriate conduct with a minor in 1983, five years before he was ordained to the priesthood. Bishop Medley issued this suspension after consultation with the Diocesan Review Board, a consultative board comprised of educators, psychologists, attorneys, law enforcement personnel, and children's advocates.

Earlier in his priesthood Fr. Byrd had served at the following parishes in the Diocese of Owensboro: St. Stephen Cathedral and Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Owensboro [June 1988-June 1990], Dean of Students at Owensboro Catholic High School, Owensboro [May 1988- June 1990], Blessed Mother Parish, Owensboro [June 1990-June 1992], Sts. Joseph and Paul Parish, Owensboro [June 1997-June 1998], Blessed Mother Parish [June 1998-June 2008], St. Peter of Antioch and Sacred Heart Parishes, Waverly [June 2008-June 2012].

On September 14, 2016 the Diocesan Review Board further explored the information that has been compiled and counseled the bishop that there was insufficient information to substantiate the allegation.

Because the Church's first obligation with regard to all victims, whether alleged or substantiated, is for healing and reconciliation, the Diocese will reach out to every person who alleges that he or she was abused by anyone acting in the name of the Church, whether the alleged abuse was recent or occurred many years in the past. If you or someone you know has been abused by a member of the Church, please call the Diocese of Owensboro Pastoral Assistance Coordinator at 270-852-8380.

Young Disciples

September 25: Creating Masterpieces

October 2: Love Your Enemy?

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

Cooking Teams Up To Bat:

September 25: Becky & Scott Hargitt,
Marti Castlen

October 2: Angela & John Bell, Melissa Brown

Thank You!

Junior Youth Group
(Grades 5-6)

Coming Soon...

October 23: KICK-BALL!!!!

Religious Ed Calendar

Sept. 18: Class

Sept. 25: Class

Oct. 2: Class

Oct. 9: *No class* (Fall break)

Oct. 16: *No class* (Fall break)

Oct. 23: Class

Speakers Series 2016

Nov. 5: Meg Hunter-Kilmer, "Life with the Blessed Virgin"

Dec. 10: Dr. Scott Hahn:

- "The Lamb's Supper"

- "Evangelizing Catholics"

- "The Healing Power of Confession"

For more info and to get your free tickets, go to:
www.blessedmotherchurch.com

Life Chain

Life Chain, Stand and Pray to End Abortion, either side of Frederica, on the side-walk between Lourdes and Brescia. Signs will be available at Right to Life, 1115 Tamarack Rd. beginning at 2:00 PM on Sunday, October 2nd. The Chain will be from 2:30 PM to 3:30 PM on October 2nd.

Laugh for the Week

Insurance agent: "Where were you born sir?"

Man: "In the United States".

Insurance agent: "OK, and which part?"

Man: "My entire body"

Teacher: "OK class, who will give me the chemical formula for water?"

Student: "H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O"

Teacher: "What on earth are you talking about?"

Student: "Yesterday you said it was H to O."

In a Catholic school cafeteria a nun places a note in front of a pile of apples, 'Only take one. God is watching.'

Further down the line is a pile of cookies. A little boy makes his own note, 'Take all you want. God is watching the apples.'

In This Year of Mercy

Give Generously to the Disciples Response Fund

As you know, we are implementing a new way to increase support of the Disciples Response Fund and to assist our parish by returning to us 50% of all funds raised over our target.

Support of the work of our Diocese is important.

There are many things that even the largest parishes cannot do on their own. For example, the Disciples Response Fund puts money into an endowment for the care of retired priests. Also, the fund assists with the expenses for the education of our seminarians. Pope Francis has designated 2016 as a "Year of Mercy". He instructs us to open our hearts. The Diocese helps to make God's mercy present throughout Western Kentucky.

If you received a letter from Bishop Medley asking for your support of the DRF, please make a generous gift today.

From Death to New Life

We pray for the family of Janet Hagan on the death of her mother Martha Jean Fenwick. May she share in the Resurrection of the Lord!

We pray for the repose of the soul of: Helen G. Hillard. May she share in the Resurrection of the Lord!

Forming Good Stewards Sunday Collections

Luke 16:19-31

"Abraham told the rich man, 'My child, remember you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad.'"

Jesus paints a depressing picture of Lazarus, a poor man covered with sores laying at the door of a rich man who obviously ignored the poor man just outside of his house. Both men die. From the netherworld [hell] the rich man sees Lazarus in the bosom of Abraham [where all Jews hope to be when they die]. The rich man had clearly ignored the Word that God gave Moses to reveal to the Israelites: to love our neighbor as ourselves. Lazarus, laying outside the rich man's house was clearly his neighbor. He was obviously in need of love and care. But the rich man ignored him. He did not love Lazarus as he loved himself. He did not even love him enough to provide him with the basic necessities of life. Jesus uses this graphic story to teach us that our neighbors can be just outside our door or across the street. In our current age of instantaneous global communications, our neighbors are all over the world. And many of them are in the same condition as Lazarus. Will we love and help them before it is too late for us?

September 18th, 2016

Parish	Actual	Avg Ytd	Budget
Operating	\$ 22,114		
Maintenance	\$ 687		
Total	\$ 22,801	\$25,544	\$26,859
Other/ Restricted	\$ 250		

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

Remember in prayer those sick in our community:

John Albin, Dorothy Aud, Margaret Beyke, Alice Bittel, Donna Bowlds, Megan Briggan, Connie Brown, Mike Carr, 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, Charlotte Kamuf, 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 Vesels, Dianne Walsh, Scott Ward, Joyce Warren, Betty Watkins, Zach Watts, Jim "Bun" Wedding, Denny Wheatley, Greg & Jennifer Weise, Katherine Whittinghill, Theresa Wilhite, Joe Wink, Bea Wooldridge, Bonnie Wright, Bill Yancy, Randy Zaremba

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

Iraq:

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

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

TRI-MISSION

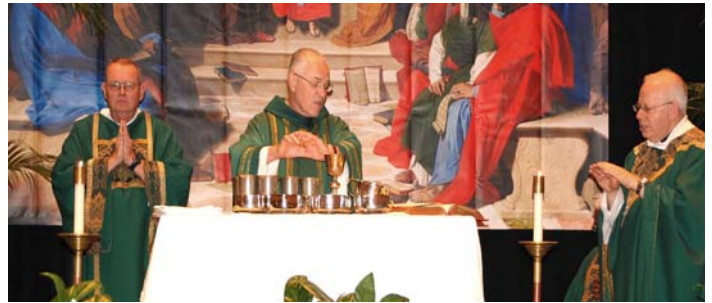
October 24, 25, and 26
AM and PM Sessions

Oct. 24th — St. Stephen

Oct. 25th — Blessed Mother

Oct. 26th — St. Joseph and Paul

Presenter: Fr. John Mark Etensohn



A Stewardship Moment

Christmas Music



Preparations have begun for our Christmas liturgies. Do you play an instrument such as trumpet, oboe, clarinet, flute, violin, viola, cello or sing? Then consider sharing your gift of music with your parish. We are recruiting musicians to play and sing at our

Christmas masses. If you are interested contact Patty. Mass times are as follows:

Dec. 24th 4 pm - Children's Choir
8 pm – Men & Women's Choir
12 am – Vocal Ensemble??

Dec. 25th 9 am - Cantor/ Vocal Ensemble?

The music ministries at Blessed Mother include:

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. The next rehearsal is **September 28th** to prepare for mass on **Sun. Oct. 2nd** at the 10 am mass. We will meet in the Children's Liturgy Room to pick up materials and pray. Then, we will move to the church.

Contemporary Group (Sun. 5:30 pm mass) Rehearsals are before mass at 4:30 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. **Children's Choir will sing again on Sun. Oct 30th.**

Instrumentalist: For more information concerning any of our music ministries, contact Patty Woerter at:

bmcliturg@bellsouth.net or 270-683-8444 ext. 27.

Bible, Billiard, Bratts, & Beverages

Where? Fr. Mike's / Fr. Emmanuel's (Rectory)

When? Tuesday September 27th, 2016

Time? 6:30 PM till ???

For Who? Men 21 and above

Join us for a great night of fun, food and fellowship in the rectory

If planning to attend please contact Russ in the Parish Office 270-683-8444 ext 21. or Email, bmcoffice@bellsouth.net

Calendar for the Week

Rosary is prayed Mon. & Thurs, 4 PM

Mon.	Mass 6:30 AM Bunko, 1 PM Meeting for Divorced & Separated 7PM 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 Bible Study Series 10AM & 7PM
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:	Jb 1:6-22; Ps 17:1bcd-3, 6-7; Lk 9:46-50
Tue:	Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Ps 88:2-8; Lk 9:51-56
Wed:	Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Ps 88:10bc-15; Lk 9:57-62
Thur:	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51
Fri:	Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Ps 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14ab; Lk 10:13-16
Sat:	Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130; Lk 10:17-24
Sun:	Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10

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

Lighthouse Recovery Services Beacon Awards Dinner

You are invited to the annual Beacon Awards Dinner and Recovery Celebration sponsored by Lighthouse Recovery Services at the Owensboro Christian Church's Community Events Room at 6:00 PM on Tuesday October 18, 2016. The special guest speaker will be David "Oz" Osborne. The dinner /fundraiser is \$25, which includes the meal provided by Chef's Kitchen. To purchase tickets contact Richard Murphy at 270.315.7897 or Derrick Arthur at 502.712.6662.

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