



PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Mass Schedule

Monday, Wednesday, 6:00 pm; Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 7:00 am
Saturday 5:00 pm; Sunday 8:00 am & 10:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Individual Confessions at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday; the Sacrament is also celebrated during Adoration every Tuesday evening from 6:00–7:00 p.m.

Communal Rosary

Sat. 4:35 p.m.; Sun. 7:35 and 10:05 a.m. Questions, contact Mary June Cecil 502-939-3633

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Our Mission

We are a Catholic Community of Faith, called to be Jesus to all people, striving to live the Gospel message through the Eucharist and the sharing of our time, talent and treasure.

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MASS INTENTIONS

SEPTEMBER 26-OCTOBER 2

Mon.	6:00p.m.	Dorothy Sowell: dec.
Tues.	7:00a.m.	Martine Millay: dec.
Wed.	6:00p.m.	Marie Murphy: dec.
Thur.	7:00a.m.	Willie Mae Cecil: dec.
Fri.	7:00a.m.	The Hayden Brothers
Sat.	5:00 p.m.	Donna Fuller: dec.
Sun.	8:00a.m.	James Schrecker: dec.
	10:30a.m.	OUR PARISH FAMILY

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Weekly Budget to meet Expenses	\$9,000.00
September 18, 2016 Contributions	\$7,565.73
Children's Contributions	\$4.00
Total	\$7,569.73
Under/Over this week	-\$1,430.27
Under/Over (July 1, 2016 to present)	-\$13,639.64

Parish Renovation Fund	
September 18, 2016 Contributions	\$720.00
Total Parish Renovation Funds	\$17,665.74

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The sin of the rich man in today's parable was not that he was rich, but that he failed to share his wealth with the beggar at his gate. He knew Lazarus, perhaps walked by him every time he came in or out, but did nothing to relieve his suffering. Is there a Lazarus in my life? What am I doing to help?

SPECIAL PRAYERS

Please remember Alice Devine, Ronnie Osborne, Nancy Best, Janie Payne, Donnie Bowlds, Jeanette Ebelhar's mother, Trino Martinez, Penny Blandford's mother & step-father, Mamie McDaniel's brother, Jewell Brown's sister & grandson, Eric Fulkerson, Sabrina Kamuf, Teresa Dill, Doris Westerfield's sister & brother-in-law, Nancy Wheeler, Lynda & Troy Trogden, Rita Webb's sister & nephew, Gayle Blumenburg, Glenn Young, Doug & Betty Howard, Marie Hester, Nelda Bickwermert's brother & sister, Karen Osborne, Huberta Edge's sister, Ruth McCarty's sister-in-law, Mary June Cecil, Gary Murphy's sister-in-law, Betty Murphy's brother, Mary Kittinger's son-in-law, Henrietta Wood

ANointing OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of Anointing will be held here at Precious Blood on Wednesday, September 30th at the 6:00 p.m. Mass.

PRECIOUS BLOOD ADULT ED

The parish will host a 1 hour Adult Ed session for those desiring to learn more about the Catholic Faith on Monday, September 26th at 6:45 p.m. in Church.

**IN THIS YEAR OF MERCY
GIVE GENEROUSLY TO THE DISCIPLES
RESPONSE FUND**

MINISTRIES

SERVERS: Oct 1-2: 5:00PM/Ben Murphy, Lee Vanover; 8:00AM/Megan & Natalie Goodwin; 10:30AM/Heleina John, Braxton Powers

LECTORS: Oct. 1-2: 5:00PM/Molly & Terry Ward; 8:00AM/Jeanette Ebelhar, Natalie Ewing; 10:30AM/Susie Westerfield, Betty Whitehouse

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: 5:00PM/Amanda Murphy; 10:30AM/Morgan & Griffin Rudy

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Oct. 1-2: 5:00PM/Taylor Sturgeon, Bruce & Sharon Tucker, Jeanie Wahl, Eric Jennifer & Audrey Wedding; 8:00AM/Donald & Jennifer Thompson, Sr. Mary Diane Taylor, Kim Collignon, Jeanette Ebelhar, Lauren Goodwin, Rose McCarter; 10:30AM/Lisa Wimsatt, April & Lydea Dickens, Tom, Debbie & Kaitlyn Durbin, Caleb Wimsatt

COMMUNION TO THE SICK: Oct. 1-2: 5:00PM/Michael Murphy; 10:30AM/Tony Gilmore

NURSING HOMES: Oct. 1-2: Davco: Katie Rudy; Twin Rivers: Gary & Cherlyn Blum

CROSS BEARERS: Oct. 1-2: 5:00PM Maggie Ward; 10:30AM/Jacob Calloway

GIFT BEARERS: Oct. 1-2: 5:00PM/Deanna Newton, Taylor Sturgeon; 8:00AM/Eddie & Monti Millay; 10:30AM/Travis VanBussum Family

USHERS: Oct. 1-2: 5:00PM/Louis & Cathy Travis, Mary Ellen VanVactor, Aleta Willett; 8:00AM/Melissa & Ethan Daugherty; 10:30AM/Gary Blum, Jerry Blandford, Linda Clark, Rhea Cooper

COMMUNAL ROSARY: Oct. 1-2: 4:35PM/Jeanne Johnson; 7:35AM/Bill Calhoun; 10:05AM/Tim & Bridgette Molnar

SACRISTANS: Oct. 1-2: 5:00PM/Chrissy Axley; 8:00AM/Sr. Rosanne Spalding; 10:30AM/Sandra Midkiff

CHOIR PRACTICE: Wednesday, September 28th, 6:45p.m. in the Choral Room.

CHURCH CLEANERS: Oct 2-8: Katie Rudy, Sue Thomas, Linda Jackson, Kelly & Lee Vanover, Bonnie Glenn

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Tommy & Sharleen Schwartz (39) – 9/30/77
Please pray for these and all married couples.

BLESSING OF PETS

On Tuesday, October 4th Fr. Suneesh would like to invite parish families to bring their pets and join us here at Precious Blood for a Blessing of Pets in honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. We will gather at 5:30 p.m. at the front of church. All God's creatures are welcome!

SEPTEMBER 25, 2016

ANNUAL PARISH ANNIVERSARY COOKOUT

Precious Blood celebrated 56 years as a Parish on September 5th. We invite you to join us on Sunday, September 25th for our Annual Parish Anniversary Cookout. Games start at 3:00 p.m. on the church grounds. Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, balls, gloves, horseshoes, volleyballs, cornhole boards, etc. We will have bingo and you can win prizes. We will eat at 5:00 p.m. Food provided by the Men's Club.

PARENT TUITION SUPPLEMENT RUMMAGE SALE

Friday, September 30th – Early Bird Sale, 6:00-9:00 p.m.
Saturday, October 1st, 7:00 a.m. –2:00 p.m.

Don't forget to pick up your burgoon and Boston Butts on Saturday, October 1st at 4:00 p.m.

GLENMARY SISTERS PUMPKIN & MUM SALE

The Glenmary Sisters Guild will be selling pumpkins, mums, decorative gourds, and straw after all Masses next weekend. All proceeds benefit the Glenmary Sisters Missions. We appreciate your generosity.

LIFE CHAIN 2016

Stand and pray to end abortion on Sunday, October 2nd from 2:30 – 3:30 p.m., on the sidewalks on either side of Frederica Street between Our Lady of Lourdes and Brescia. Signs will be available at Right to Life, 1115 Tamarack Rd. at 2:00 p.m.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation is one of the Sacraments of Initiation. This sacrament will be received on May 31, 2016 for those in 8th grade. Confirmation candidates (students) will be commissioned on Sunday, October 2nd at the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Candidates attending OCMS will receive their instruction and formation during their Religion classes, those attending public schools will receive their instruction and formation during their Religious Ed classes. All candidates will come together to form community with one another (Oct. 2, Nov. 6, Dec.11, Jan. 14 – Meet the Bishop, Feb. 5, Mar.5). We will meet 9:00 – 10:20a.m.in Meeting Room 2. Remember these young teenagers in your prayers as they continue their journey toward celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

No one should have to live with abuse, and the Diocese of Owensboro, in keeping with the laws of Kentucky and of the Church, encourages any victim of sexual abuse to make the abuse known by contacting local law enforcement (911), the Child Protection Hotline 1-877-KYSAFE (1-877-597-2331 toll-free). If the abuse involves Church personnel, either paid or volunteer, please also contact the Diocese's Pastoral Assistance Coordinator at the confidential phone line: 270-852-8380, to make a report and begin the healing process. The diocese's commitment to combat sexual abuse concerns can be noted in its revised sexual abuse policy, effective July 1, 2014, which can be found in the Parish Office as well as on the diocesan website, www.rcdok.org/safe.

BULLETIN COVER

This week's bulletin cover features our Men's Club preparing chickens and parish volunteers helping out at the Adopt-A-Pet Booth at the Mount St. Joseph Picnic.

PILGRIMAGE TO ST. STEPHEN CATHEDRAL

In conclusion of the Year of Mercy we are making a Pilgrimage to St. Stephen Cathedral on October 19th. We will gather here at Precious Blood at 10:30a.m. and depart for the Cathedral at 10:45 a.m. to walk through the Holy Door. We will tour the Cathedral and attend Mass at 12:05 p.m. followed by lunch here at Precious Blood. Fr. Suneesh will be available for confession prior to our departure from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. If anyone is interested in making this pilgrimage, please place your name on the sign-up sheets that are available at the entrances of Church.

MEDITATIONS ON THE SAINTS

In 2004 Precious Blood Church undertook a major renovation to its worship space. It was decided that we would honor our ancestral brothers and sisters by engraving their names on the floor of this space. The entries in the "Meditations on the Saints" book were prepared by individual parishioners and coordinated by Joyce Riney. They are available at \$50 each. If you would like to order a copy please contact Penny at the Parish Office at 270-684-6888.

OCHS SOPHMORE COMMUNITY PROJECT

Owensboro Catholic High School's Sophomore class has been challenged by their class sponsors to "Be Classy" this school year. In order to do this, they have decided to host a community service project. They have partnered with St. Alphonsus, a K-8 Catholic school in Baton Rouge that sustained much damage from the flooding. The school and parish received over a foot of water in many places, and many of the families have been displaced because they did not have flood insurance since they were NOT in a flood zone. One family the teacher spoke about was that of a 6th grader. Her dad is Bruce Simmons who was one of the Baton Rouge sheriff's deputies who was shot in the ambush shooting July 17. His home was a total loss. After speaking with staff there, the sophomore class is asking for help in collecting supplies, specifically K-8 appropriate books (classroom libraries & the school library were total losses), art supplies, and gift cards that will be given out to the families. The school has requested that only these items be donated as many families do not have a place to store items as they rebuild. We will collect now until October 7 with the plan of shipping items over Fall Break.

What we need: Books (PreK-8), Art supplies (markers, paints, paint brushes, glue, scissors, construction paper, crayons, colored pencils), Gift cards (Restaurants, Stores, Pharmacies, etc). All of the gift cards can be purchased in the SCRIP Office at OCS. Drop points are: OCS Central Office, Immaculate Parish, Independence Bank (main branch). The school is appreciative of anything we can send them.

PASTOR'S COLUMN

Holy Vestments: The word "vestment" comes from the Latin word meaning clothing. It is generally used to represent the garments that are worn by the minister in the performance of their sacred duties. For the celebration of Mass, a priest wears an Alb, Cincture, Stole, and Chasuble. The **Alb** reminds the priest of his baptism, when he was clothed in white to signify his freedom from sin, purity of new life, and Christian dignity. The **Cincture** is a long, thick cord with tassels at the ends which secures the alb around the waist. It reminds the priest to become holy yourselves in every aspect of your conduct, after the likeness of the holy One who called you" (I Peter 1:13-15). The **Stole** reminds the priest not only of his authority and dignity as a priest, but also of his duty to preach the Word of God with courage and conviction and to serve the needs of the faithful. Finally, the **Chasuble** reminds the priest of the charity of Christ. We use different colors at different times. The colors (red, violet, white and green) have special symbolic significance. Red vestments, representing blood, are worn when celebrating the events of Jesus' Passion, and feasts for the martyrs of the Church. Violet, signifying preparation and anticipation, is worn during the time of Advent and Easter; the weeks leading to Christmas and Easter respectively. White, the symbol of purity, is worn for happy celebrations such as Christmas, Easter, and feasts recognizing saints who were not martyrs. Green, the color of life and growth, is worn at all other times. With the help of many generous people from our parish we bought two sets of Vestments. Thanks for your generosity, for your love for the parish and liturgy. May God bless you for your generous heart.

Uncle, Mentor and Friend: Fr. Philip Thomas, my dad's youngest brother, is a priest of my congregation, Heralds of Good News. He is the Assistant Superior of my Order. He works in India. He is also the Director of a large Catholic School in the State of Andhra, India. He is my mentor and inspiration. He is my uncle, also my closest friend. Fr. Philip will be visiting me from the 27th of this month and will be with me for the next two weeks. He will be presiding and preaching at the 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Masses on October 2nd. Welcome Fr. Philip to the family of Precious Blood.

Don't Worry, I Am Safe: There is this story of a couple who decided to go somewhere sunny during a particularly cold winter. They planned to stay at the same hotel where they spent their honeymoon 20 years earlier. Because of hectic schedules, it was difficult to coordinate their travel schedules. So, the husband flew off first with his wife flying down to join him the following day. The husband checked into the hotel. There was a computer in his room, so he decided to send an email to his wife. However, he accidentally left out one letter in her email address, and without realizing his error, sent the email. Meanwhile, in another part of the world, a widow had just returned home from her husband's funeral. The widow decided to check her email expecting messages from relatives and friends. After reading the first message, she screamed and fainted. The widow's son rushed into the room, found his mother on the floor, and saw the computer screen which read:

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To My Loving Wife: Subject: I've arrived. I know you're surprised to hear from me. They have computers here now and you are allowed to send emails to your loved ones. I've just arrived and have checked in. I've seen that everything has been prepared for your arrival tomorrow. Looking forward to seeing you then.

God's Blessings,
Fr. Suneesh Mathew

MEETINGS & EVENTS

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: Tue., Sept. 27th, 7:00 p.m. in Meeting Room 2.

RELIGIOUS ED: Wed., Sept. 28th, 6:45 p.m. in the Library.

FIRST PENANCE PARENT MEETING: Wed., Sept. 28th, 7:00 p.m. in the Library. We ask that at least one parent attend.

RCIA: Thurs., Sept. 29th, 6:00 p.m. in the Library. Topic: What is the meaning of the Mass?

SPECIAL THANKS TO VOLUNTEERS

Special thanks to Anna Marie Roberts, Dolores & Sherman Roberts, and Betty Whitehouse for cleaning church the week of Sept. 11.

THANK YOU FROM THE URSULINE SISTERS

Thank you to the many volunteers who helped in any way to make our 46th Annual Picnic on September 11th a resounding success! This is truly an event that brings the entire diocese together. We appreciate all who attended, and we hope you enjoyed your visit to Mount St. Joseph. All proceeds go to the Ursuline Sisters' Retirement Fund. Thanks for supporting the Mount Picnic through all the years. The Ursuline Sisters look forward to your help wherever the future takes us. May God bless each of you for your kindness and generosity.

PARENT TUITION SUPPLEMENT 200 CLUB

Congratulations to Sue Thomas, this week's winner of the Parent Tuition Supplement 200 Club drawing.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR PARISHIONERS

09/26: Ava Calvin, Shelby Swift

09/27: Carol Crisp, Vera Hayden

09/28: Toni Conder, Ava Jones, Bill Pennington, Jamison Wall

09/29: Brad O'Connell

09/30: Jarred Jones, Vickie Osborne, Zack Thompson

10/02: Briley Powers

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Readings for next weekend will be Hebrews 1:2-3; 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14; Luke 17:5-10. We invite you to read and study these passages for your own reflection as we prepare for the liturgy we will celebrate as a parish community.