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The Parishioners of The St. Sebastian & St. Charles Catholic Churches of McLean County
Thanks to all the businesses that help support our bulletin both in the past and the present.

<p>Sacrament of Baptism The Sacrament of Baptism for infants is administered upon request. Parents and Godparents must attend class on Baptism in the Catholic Church. Please contact the pastor or the office to set up an appointment for this class at least a month in advance. At least one parent must be a practicing Catholic for their child to be baptized in the Catholic Church. Godparents must be at least 16 years of age, and at least one must be a practicing Catholic.</p> <p>Is anyone sick/admitted in the hospital? If anyone is sick or admitted in the hospital, please let Pastor know or call the office.</p> <p>Sacrament of Penance Sacrament of Penance is administered every Saturday at 4:30pm or by appointment at St. Sebastian Church.</p>	<p>Rite of Christian initiation of adults and children (RCIA): Adults interested in becoming Catholic participate in the Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA). The Rite of Christian Initiation is a process of initiation into the Catholic Community of Faith. This is for persons who are seeking baptism in the Catholic Church or full communion with the Catholic tradition through the Profession of Faith, reception of Eucharist and Confirmation. If you are interested, please call the office.</p> <p>Sacrament of Marriage A couple wishing to marry must contact the priest at least six months before the desired wedding date. According to the guidelines of our diocese, you should not make absolute plans for a specific wedding date until after meeting with the pastor. The couple will be required to attend a marriage preparation course which will include at least one formal program such as an Engaged Encounter weekend of the Sponsor Couple Program.</p>
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Bulletin Information
Information for the Bulletin needs to be submitted to St. Sebastian's office by Wednesday.
270-273-3185 or stsebch@bellsouth.net

St. Sebastian & St. Charles Churches invite you to contact the church office at 270-273-3185 if you or someone you know are unable to come to church due to any type of disability. Do not let this keep you from coming to Mass. We will make every effort to come get you and take you home.

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 16, 2023



St. Sebastian Church
180 Hwy 136 West
Calhoun, KY 42327



St. Charles Church
506 Hill Street
Livermore, KY 42352

We the people of the Catholic churches of McLean County come together as a loving parish family-reaching out as one, with open hearts, minds and souls to share our love for God and our neighbor centered around the Holy Eucharist.

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Acts 2:42 Eucharistic Group – St. Charles
 Acts 2:42 Eucharistic Group will meet on the First Sunday of each month at 9:15 a.m. in the hall. Please check the list on the table to sign up for this exciting event with Sherry Logsdon and Lee Edwards our team leaders. We look forward to seeing you there. Thank you.

ST. SEBASTIAN
Parish Council: Marc Searcy 270-993-8161
Finance Committee: Tony Searcy 270-993-1775
Rel Education Coord.: Lindsay Searcy & Laura Fritz
Youth Group: Kevin & Laura Fritz
St. Vincent de Paul: 270-499-2309
Knights of Columbus Council 15484:
 Neil Scott 270-993-7370
Spec. Events Committee: Becky Cheatham 270-314-8290
 Cathy Burden 270-316-4488
Parish Hall Rental: Church Office 270-273-3185
Cemetery: Church Office 270-273-3185
Altar Society: Brianne McCarty

Change in Upcoming Meetings
St. Sebastian:
 Finance Committee July 18 @ 6:30pm.
 Parish Council July 19 @ 6:30pm.
St. Charles: After the mass today, we will have Parish/ Finance meeting. Please attend.

St. Sebastian will pray the rosary every Sunday at 8:00am.
Parish breakfast First Sunday of every month after mass.
Donut breakfast all other Sundays after mass.

Attention Please
 Our Church family sincerely appreciates all your great initiative to support our church through your Time, Talent, and Treasure, especially through some voluntary works around the Church, projects for the Church and additions to our Church facilities. At the same time, it is highly recommended that all your great initiatives and ideas for the betterment of the Church should receive prior approval from the pastor or the parish council to avoid unnecessary confusion among the church family members. Please take note of this. Thank you.

ST. CHARLES
Parish Council: David Albin 270-499-3950
Finance Committee: Derek Miller 270-314-2007
Bereavement Committee: Carol Rhodes 270-278-2759

St. Charles prays the rosary every Sunday at 10:00am.
Parish potluck brunch First Sunday of every month after mass.

Faith Formation
 Faith Formation letters have been sent to parents of school-age children. Please let Lindsay or Laura know if you did not receive one. Registration for 2023-24 faith formation program will be every Sunday in the month of July. Please pick up a packet in front of the office and return the necessary paperwork. Thank you.

ALL ARE WELCOME - IF YOU ARE A VISITOR TO OUR CHURCH, WE WANT TO WELCOME YOU. IF YOU ARE NEW TO THE PARISHES, CALL 273-3185 OR STOP BY THE OFFICE DURING OFFICE HOURS TO REGISTER.

Dear friends in Jesus Christ,

Despite our unworthiness, Jesus extended an open invitation to all of us in the last weekend; "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." Everyone who accepted the invitation and approached Him are given a great reward through the Gospel of today. Jesus says about the good seed that produces a hundred, sixty or thirty-fold; for sure it faces many obstacles: like birds, stones, and thorns, but they will not block its ultimate purpose. So, the question for this week is, "are you a determined person to meet your goal as a Christian, to produce fruits for the kingdom of God?"

A proud Catholic businessman once said to his pastor, "I want to make a pilgrimage to the Holy Land before my death; I want to climb to the top of Mount Sinai and read the ten commandments aloud." The pastor replied, "you could do something even better: stay in your Boston home and keep them."

As we are in the 15th Sunday in Ordinary time, the three readings of today emphasize the constant and powerful action of the 'Word of God' to enlighten and to change our minds and hearts to believe in Him and to act accordingly. In the First Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah, Isaiah compares the power of the Word of God with rain and snow and its effect on us. Just as rain and snow fall and make the earth fertile and fruitful, the same way the Word of God that comes down to us enriches our lives. In the Second Reading from the Letter to the Romans, St. Paul refers to the fact that all human beings and all creation suffer because of sin, and he assures us that the present sufferings are nothing compared to future glory that awaits at the end of the process. In the Gospel Reading, Jesus tells us 'The Parable of the Sower', where He emphasizes the different responses to the word of God.

As we are reflecting about the readings of today, the greatest challenge for us is to find out, how effectively we respond to the word of God in our lives. To show us the different type of people's response to the word of God, Jesus presents a farmer who sows the seed without much attention, and consequently the seed fell on different places such as, a path, rocky ground, in thorns and in rich soil. Dear friends the Gospel of today demands two actions from us; to listen to the word of God and to live the word of God. Only if we can do the first action sincerely, can we do the second action effectively. There are mainly two types of listening: listening with our ears and listening with our heart. Listening to the word of God only with our ears can land us on the path, rocky ground or among the thorns, which will produce nothing. Once someone came to me after the Mass and appreciated me by saying "Father your homily was really good

and it touched my heart", I asked the person "what did you get from my homily?", the reply was "don't ask me that, I don't remember, my memory is very poor." Yes, when it comes to listening of the word of God, most people's memory is poor. But on the other hand, listening to gossiping and sharing, most people's memory is very sharp. Yes, dear friends, we need to change the method of listening with our ears to listening with our heart, so that we can produce 100 or 60 or 30-fold.

The second demand of the Gospel is to live the word of God. How can we live the word of God? The answer to this question was given in the Gospel of last weekend "learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart." Yes, dear friends, only in a meek and humble heart will the word of God take roots and thus produce 100 or 60 or 30-fold. Dear friends, from the Gospel we find that, the reason for the production and reduction is not the problem of the seed, but the place where the seed fell. So, the challenge is to modify our attitude towards the Word of God. During this Mass let us ask for a special grace of the Lord to make our heart meek and humble to accept the word of God. **May God Bless you.**

No Mass

There will be no Vigil Mass on Saturday, July 22nd and no daily Mass on Mon., July 24th and Tues., July 25th.

Mount Saint Joseph Academy Alumnae

All former students and faculty of Mount Saint Joseph Academy or Junior College, Maple Mount, Ky., are invited to Alumnae Weekend on Aug. 26-27. Alumnae will gather on Saturday for a blessing and dinner at 5:30 p.m. at Lourdes Parish Hall, 4029 Frederica St., Owensboro. On Sunday, alumnae will meet at Mount Saint Joseph Maple Hall for a business meeting, class pictures, and the annual banquet which includes the Maple Leaf awards. The day will also include a Sunday Liturgy. The Saturday "Welcome Back" supper is \$15, and the Sunday catered awards banquet is \$25. A block of 30 rooms has been reserved for Saturday night at the Hampton Inn, 615 Salem Dr., Owensboro, at a discounted group rate. Contact the hotel at 270-926-2006 by July 26 if you wish to reserve a room. To register, contact Doreen Abbott at 270-229-2006 or alumnae.msj@maplemount.org.

Financial Report – July 9, 2023

St. Sebastian- Amount Needed: \$3,067.00 weekly.

Regular Collection	\$ 3,855.00 + 788.00
Emergency Fund	\$ 410.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 365.00
In Memory of Betty Bickett	\$ 1,145.00

Financial Report – July 9, 2023

St. Charles - Amount Needed: \$1,249.00 weekly.

Regular Collection	\$ 1,307.00 + 58.00
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**Mass Schedule
July 16 – July 23**

Sunday – Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian–JoAnn Hayden
-10:30am - Mass at St. Charles
Jimmy & Mary Welker

Monday – Fifteenth Week in Ordinary Time

-8:30am – Mass at St. Sebastian
Brandon Algood

Tuesday – Fifteenth Week in Ordinary Time

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian – Ian Lebron

Wednesday – Fifteenth Week in Ordinary Time

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian
Jimmy & Gail Clayton
-5:30pm - Mass at St. Charles
Souls in Purgatory

Thursday – Fifteenth Week in Ordinary Time

-8:30am – Mass at St. Sebastian - Lisa Young

Friday- No Mass

Saturday – No Mass

Sunday – Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian – Betty Bickett
-10:30am – Mass at St. Charles
Lauretta Evans Adkins

"Pain and suffering have come into your life, but remember pain, sorrow, suffering are but the kiss of Jesus – a sign that you have come so close to Him that He can kiss you." -St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

**Eucharistic Revival Small Groups
St. Sebastian**

The small groups have been condensed down to just two groups. Group-1 will be led by Paula Hayden and Marc Searcy. Group-2 will be led by Debra Hamilton and Neil Scott. Please check the list that is on the table to find out which group you are in. If you have not signed up but wish to, you can still do so.

Please Pray for our Military

SSgt. James (J.P.) Dye, John Randall Zarembo, Major Jack Kaina, Major Bradley Summers, Lance Corporal Marine Joseph Ryan Hunter, Lt. Col. Michael Rezebek. A.B. Phillip Wilson, Specialist 4 Chaz McKay, Sgt. Adam Dickey, and Corpsman Aly Franklin.

Prayer List for Members of our Community

Serena Cooper, Cindy Miller, Bernadine Edwards, Gloria Tingle, Charles May, Jerry Abney, Tori Hayden, John Pinkston, Thomas Scott, Bob Guenther, Justus & Donnya Hayden, Helen Kraus, Jimmy Clayton, Brandon Good, Ethan Settle, Faye May, Louis Dant, Sharon Anderson, and Tasha Miller

Marriage Help – Retrouvaille

Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) has helped thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. This program can help you too. For confidential information about or to register for September program beginning with a weekend on Sept. 8th -10th call 800-470-2230 or 615-838-6724 or email: nrv3043@gmail.com or visit the website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com



Happy Birthday - St. Charles



John Calhoun – July 15
Carol Rhodes – July 15

Happy Birthday - St. Sebastian



Becky Cheatham – July 17
Whit Searcy – July 17

Happy Anniversary - St. Sebastian



Marc & Lindsay Searcy – July 16
Jimmy & Gail Clayton – July 17

**Ministry Schedule
July 22, 2023**

St. Sebastian Euch. Min: No Mass
Lectors: No Mass

**Ministry Schedule
July 23, 2023**

St. Sebastian Euch. Min: David N. Scott
Mike Vollman
Drew McCarty
Lectors: Gail Clayton
Drew McCarty
Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. Greg Dant
Hospitality Ministers: Scott Caraway
Marc Searcy
Money Counters: Cathy Burden
Becky Kline
Donuts: Jimmy & Gail Clayton

St. Charles Euch. Min: Lee Edwards
Darrell Bishop
Lectors: Lee Edwards
Marylyne Miller
Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. Andy Hudson
Money Counters: Lee Edwards
Rondy Humphrey