

Dear friends in Jesus Christ,

Jesus always preached the gospel taking the example of ordinary things of our life from this world. Today Jesus is coming to us taking the role of a Physics professor, who talks about the ordinary things like salt and light. As we hear about salt and light we don't normally pay much attention to it, because we use these things daily and they are at our disposal every time. But now, I invite you all to think about a delicious food before you without salt and think about our beautiful eyes, but no light to see. Does it make any sense to our happy living in this world? I am sure; the answer would be a big No. If this salt and light can mean so much to our daily living, Jesus invites us to think about how much He means our life in this world. Looking at you and pointing His index finger towards you, Jesus makes it clear that; You are the salt of the earth, and you are the light of the world. Yes, just like salt and light are essential to you, you are essential to this world. So, no one is born here in this world unwanted. Prophet Isaiah 43:4 says "You are precious in my eyes and glorious and because I love you".

Dear friends, everyone is precious, and beautiful in their own way. God created everything and He found everything as 'good', then why is that we find it as bad sometimes and complain about many things and many people? The gospel says, it is because we are losing our real substance; "if salt loses its taste, with what can it be seasoned? Yes, a lamp has to be on the lamp stand not under the bushel basket. Yes, we are all given a special privilege and status as the children of God, but when we don't really care for it, we become like a lamp under the bushel basket. The real substance and the status of each one of us could be found in the book of Genesis 1:26 "you are created in the image and likeness of God". It is the same we read in the Gospel of John 10:34 "Jesus says; is it not written in your law, I have said, You are god's?" Yes, the real substance and the status that we are given is to become Christ like here in this world, to express the divine qualities in this world. Because only when we look through the eyes of God, we can see everything as good and find meaning and purpose in life. For sure, we need to change our attitude from human to divine and should get back to our real substance of God's love. Because it is the love that adds more taste to our lives and preserves our everyday lives just like the salt adds taste and preserves things. It is the love that enables us to see everyone as what they are, just like the light enables us to see the reality.

Once, St. Theresa of Calcutta along with two other sisters were walking through the streets on a beautiful evening. As they were walking, on the other side of

the street she noticed a group of people gathered around something near the bus stop. She went near to them and she saw, it was a poor leper with a disfigured face, shabby dress and body full of unclean sores taking his breath to die. Mother Theresa, along with other sisters carried the leper to their convent, gave him a bath, cleansed and medicated all his wounds, gave him new clothes. As the leper was taking rest on the lap of Mother Theresa, he looked at Mother Theresa and told her, I was not a good guy at all during my good time of life, and what inspired you to give me a good care now. She took a crucifix and showed him and said, my savior who died for you and me inspired me, and I saw His face in you. With tears in his eyes, he asked Mother Theresa, would you mind say something about your Savior? After a couple of hours, the leper said good bye to everyone.

Yes, dear friends, each one of us are important to this world, to increase the quality of this world and protect it. If St. Theresa of Calcutta, who lived in our era could become a true salt and light of this world, why not you and I? Remember, you are the salt of the earth and light of the world. Do not lose your real substance of God's love from you, in everything that you say, do and think. **Blessings!**

ST. VALENTINE'S DAY Dinner and Reverse Raffle: St. Sebastian is hosting a prime rib dinner and reverse raffle on Friday, February 14th, at 6:00 p.m. in the church hall. We only have 120 tickets available for this fun evening, so buy your ticket today. For \$35 a ticket dinner includes prime rib, potato, salad, dinner roll, drink, and dessert — you'll also have a chance to win \$1,000! Additional prizes will be drawn throughout the evening, plus a 50/50 pot will be available. Tickets will be sold after Sunday Mass, or you can see a member of the parish council. If you'd like to help with the dinner and/or make a contribution to the event, please check out the signup sheet in the foyer or see Neil Scott, Theresa Lancaster, or Cathy Burden. We look forward to having a great time with you on Valentine's Day!

Financial Report - February 2, 2020
St. Sebastian- Amount Needed: \$3,079.37 weekly

Regular Collection	\$ 2,831.00	-\$ 248.37
Children's Collection	\$ 7.00	
Emergency Fund	\$ 455.00	

Financial Report - January 26, 2020
St. Charles - Amount Needed: \$1,102.97 weekly

Regular Collection	\$ 1,546.00	-\$443.03
HVAC (\$1,900.00 Needed)	\$ 200.00	
Children's Collection	\$ 3.00	

St. Sebastian Counting of Collection February 16
Laurie Scott & Gates Tichenor

MASS SCHEDULE
February 9, 2020 - February 16, 2020
Sunday - The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
- 8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian - *Alvin Bickett*
- 10:30am - Mass at St. Charles - *Carlos Kassinger*
Sunday - The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
- 8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian *Mike Holland*
- 10:30am - Mass at St. Charles *Catherine Demarest*

"The Measure of Love is to Love without Measure"

TUESDAY AND THURSDAY PRAYERS AND COMMUNION
While Fr. Jegin is away every Tuesday and Thursday at **8:00am** there will be Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet followed by Communion at St. Sebastian. This service lasts about 30 minutes. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

SAVE THE DATES
ST. SEBASTIAN CHURCH DIRECTORY PHOTOS
February 22 & 23, Tom Carr Photography will be here to take family photos for the new St. Sebastian Church directory. There are now signup sheets available. Think about a good time for you and your family to come in and be a part of the new directory. Contact Becky Cheatham at (270) 314-8290

RELIGIOUS ED SCHEDULE
Wednesday, February 12th 6:00pm.
There is no mass.

Ninth Annual Catholic Men's Conference
Saturday, February 15 at the Riverpark Center. Ticket costs are \$30 for adults and \$15 for students. Lunch is included. Registration starts at 8:30am. The speakers include Patrick Madrid, Brian Greenfield and Bruce Sullivan. The sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered as well as mass after the conference with Bishop Medley. For more information go to www.kycatholic.com

Please pray for our Military
MMN1 Andrew Logsdon, SSgt. James (J.P.) Dye, John Randall Zaremba, Major Jack Kaina, Major Bradley Summers, Lance Corporal Marine Joseph Ryan Hunter, Lt. Col. Michael Rezebek. A.B. Phillip Wilson, Spec Private First Class Charlotte Marshall, Specialist 4 Chaz McKay, Sgt. Adam Dickey, Aly Franklin

RIGHT TO LIFE
Right to Life of Owensboro Chili Supper February 22nd 5-7 pm at Blessed Mother Catholic Church. Trivia & Silent Auction. \$10 for Adults & \$5 for Children. For more information call 270-685-4922.

St. Charles HVAC Fund
Last week the heat pump for the parish hall was replaced at the cost of \$1,900.00. If you would like to donate to help offset our new unit please ear mark your check for HVAC. You may use the Organ Fund envelope. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

St. Charles - Happy Anniversary

Tony & Sherry Logsdon - Feb 14

St. Sebastian - Happy Birthday
Todd Burden - Feb 10
Quinton Sexton - Feb 10
Matthew Dame - Feb 12
Charles May - Feb 14
David Abrams - Feb 15

St. Charles - Happy Birthday
Emma Hudson - Feb 10
Beth Rhodes - Feb 12
Kyle Chappell - Feb 13

Ministry Schedule - February 16
St. Sebastian
Eucharistic Ministers: Patricia Hayden, Mike Vollman & Jimmy Clayton
Lector: Drew McCarty & Josh Searcy
Servers: Ava McCarty & Marion Cooper
Hospitality Ministers: Gates Tichenor, Bob Guentner, Scott Caraway & Daniel Watkins
Gift Bearers: Cory & Candace Walker Family
Holy Family Statue: Kevin & Lisa Vaught Family

St. Charles
Eucharist Ministers: Maddie Ward & Lee Edwards
Lectors: Cooper Bishop & Hallie Hudson
Altar Servers: Matthew Miller & Sarah Miller
Hospitality Ministers: Derek Miller & Rondy Humphrey
Gift Bearers: Mitch & Linda Dotson
Holy Family Statue: Kyle & Jill Chappell Family

Whenever you are unable to fill your ministry, please find someone to replace you and/or contact the office so your name will not be printed in the bulletin. Thank you for your understanding.