



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.

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.

Is anyone sick/admitted in the hospital?

If anyone is sick or admitted in the hospital, please let Pastor know or call the office.

Sacrament of Penance

Sacrament of Penance is administered every Saturday at 4:30pm or by appointment at St. Sebastian Church.

<u>Rite of Christian initiation of adults and children (RCIA):</u> 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.

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.

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.

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



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

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.

STAFF & CONTACTS

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ST. SEBASTIAN

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Altar Society: Brianne McCarty

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

ST. CHARLES

Parish Council: David Albin 270-499-3950 Finance Committee: Derek Miller 270-314-2007 Bereavement Committee: Carol Rhodes 270-278-275

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

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.

APRIL 9, 2023





St. Charles Church 506 Hill Street Livermore, KY 42352

960	<u>Confirmation</u> Confirmation will be held on April 16 th during the 10:30am Mass at St. Charles Church. A potluck brunch will be offered afterwards to celebrate. Please continue to pray for Connor Logsdon and Anna Miller as they prepare for this sacrament. <i>There will be no First Sunday brunch in April</i> .	
	First Holy Communion	
	On Sunday, April 23 rd , Molly Hayden, Henry Fritz and Alastair Cooper will be receiving the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. There will be a breakfast reception after Mass to celebrate. Please continue to pray for them. Thank you.	
8290 38	Thank YouFr. Jegin would like to thank all the FaithFormation teachers for giving of your time andtalent to the children in our church.A special thank you to Debra Hamilton, who hasfaithfully served as Director of Religious Ed. formany years. God Bless you all.	
0am. ass.	Thanks to You. Father would like to thank everyone who participated in the RCIA classes, especially those who have taken classes for our candidates. Thanks to the sponsors for your support to	
	Becky, Kyle, Trudy, and Vernon. Please continue to pray for them.	
59	Upcoming Meetings	
n. h after	April 10 th at 6 PM- St. Sebastian Parish Council April 13 th at 6 PM – Confirmation Practice -St. Charles April 18 th at 6 PM - St. Sebastian Finance Council April 19 th at 6 PM- St. Charles Parish/Finance Council. April 19 th at 7 PM – 1 st Communion Practice – St. Sebastian	

Dear friends in Jesus Christ,

CHRIST IS RISEN FROM THE DEAD. ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!" The long 40 days of Lent has come to an end with the Easter Vigil. Easter is at our doorsteps. We have gathered here tonight to participate in the Easter Vigil Mass. It is the Solemnity of Solemnities. Most blessed of all nights chosen by God to see Christ rising from the dead. As we stand in vigil by Jesus' tomb, we keep ourselves ready to greet the Risen Lord, alive again, immortal.

The liturgical celebration of the Easter Vigil makes use of <u>two powerful signs</u> that are related to the meaning and significance of the Resurrection: <u>The first</u> sign is the <u>fire</u> that becomes <u>light</u>. Light is the most powerful and most primitive of all natural symbols. In the beginning, God said, let there be light. Even more, light is the universal metaphor for insight and understanding, for reason as opposed to ignorance, for freedom from darkness and bondage. Tonight, we begin our Easter Vigil with a solemn ceremony of light and we light the Pascal Candle. The Paschal Candle is the symbol of Jesus, the Light of the World, who dispels all darkness and lights our way.

<u>The second</u> sign is <u>water</u>. Everywhere water is a symbol of renewal, purification, restoration of life. We are re-born in water and the Spirit, children of a new creation. Tonight, we have the solemn ceremony of the blessing of the Baptismal Font by dipping into it the Pascal Candle, symbolic of the Risen Christ. Then we proclaim solemnly our baptismal promises. Through the water of baptism our sins are washed away, and we become a new creature as children of God through a new life in the Holy Spirit.

Yet these great signs of creation, light and water, are not the only constituent elements of the litural of the Easter Vigil. Another essential feature is the ample encounter with the Words of Sacred Scripture that it provides. Though we have altogether *nine* readings from the Scripture today for our Easter vigil service, we have taken only five scripture readings; - three from the Old Testament, one from the Epistles and one from the Gospels, each relating to and explaining fully the meaning of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. The Holv Mother Church gives us nine scripture readings because, the Church wishes to offer us a panoramic view of the whole trajectory of salvation history, starting with creation. passing through the election and the liberation of Israel to the testimony of the prophets by which this entire history is directed ever more clearly towards Jesus Christ.

<u>In the First Reading</u> of today, taken from the <u>Book of</u> <u>Genesis</u>, we hear about the creation story. This first creation, however, was spoiled through the sin of Adam – and suffering and death came into the world. The resurrection of Jesus is the <u>new creation</u>. Jesus is the new Adam, who comes out victorious over sin and death though his resurrection.

<u>In the Second Reading</u> taken from the <u>Book of Exodus</u>, we hear about the people of Israel crossing the Red Sea, which symbolizes their freedom from the slavery of Egypt. The resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ brings us freedom from the slavery of sin and death.

<u>In the Third Reading</u> taken from the <u>Book of the Prophet</u> <u>Isaiah</u>, we hear about God inviting people to come to Him and fulfill all their wishes and be satisfied in their lives. God also assures that those who approach Him will be renewed and be given the privilege of experiencing His love and blessings in abundance.

<u>In the Epistle Reading</u> taken from the <u>Letter to the Romans</u>, St Paul speaks about Baptism. He says we who are baptized into Christ are baptized into His death, so that we might be raised in the newness of life by the glory of the Father. So, through baptism we die to our sin, become the children of God and receive a new life in the Holy Spirit.

<u>In the Gospel Reading</u>, we have the account of the event of the Resurrection itself. Early in the morning at daybreak, when the sabbath was over, the women who had come from Galilee with Jesus came with spices to the tomb where Jesus' body was laid. They saw that the stone was rolled back from the entrance of the tomb and on entering find the <u>tomb empty</u>. Puzzled as they were, two men in dazzling garments appeared and said to them, "Why do you seek the living one among the dead? He is not here, but he has been raised. Remember what he said to you while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners and be crucified and rise on the third day." The women then return to proclaim the Good News.

Today, we solemnly celebrate Easter and joyfully proclaim -"CHRIST IS RISEN FROM THE DEAD. ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!" Jesus lives on! There is no gravesite for Jesus. His bones have not disintegrated in the ground. He rose from the dead. That is the message of today. He has been transformed, just as we can and will be transformed. He has destroyed the idea that death is finality, infinite nothingness. He has so loved us that he gave his life for us and gave his life to us. The Resurrection of Christ is a pledge of our own resurrection. It is the foundation upon which our faith rests. It is the guarantee of our own resurrection and God's assurance that our sins are forgiven and that we are called to eternal life. So, this is a joyful day, a day of great hope. But the truth of the Resurrection is supposed to transform us. Just as Jesus broke through the rock into the freedom of new life, so this feast is meant to free our souls to the possibilities of sin-free living. Instead of Easter as the conclusion of Lent, it's the beginning of a new and more disciplined life, focused on holding firm to habits of praver and devout living we found so refreshing during these last six weeks. Everything about Jesus' glorious breakthrough from death has implications for us. The Christian needs to celebrate this day because it is something remarkable to remember and celebrate. The fact that we celebrate it in the Spring is a reminder that nature also comes back to life. We look at the fresh growth of the trees and flowers, the greening of the world, and we know that we shall experience the same thing. And this is the Good News of today. Wish you all a Blessed Easter.

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, Specialist 4 Chaz McKay, Sgt. Adam Dickey, and Corpsman Aly Franklin.

Mass Schedule April 9 – April 16

Sunday – Resurrection of the Lord -8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian - Betty Bickett -10:30am - Mass at St. Charles Bill & Minnie Logsdon

Monday – Within the Octave of Easter -8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian – Alvin Bickett

Tuesday – Within the Octave of Easter -8:30am – Mass at St. Sebastian – *Lisa Young*

Wednesday – Within the Octave of Easter

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian Justus & Donnya Hayden
-5:30pm - Mass at St. Charles - Mary Albin

Thursday – Within the Octave of Easter

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian Tichenor-Leachman Families

Friday- No Mass

Saturday – Within the Octave of Easter

-3:00pm - Confession -4:00pm – Mass at St. Sebastian - *Parishioners*

Sunday –Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian – Laura Riley -10:30am – Mass at St. Charles Anna Miller & Connor Logsdon

Prayer List for Members of our Community

Serena Cooper, Cindy Miller, Betty Bickett, Gloria Tingle, Charles May, Jerry Abney, Tori Hayden, John Pinkston, Thomas Scott, Bob Guenthner, Justus & Donnya Hayden, Helen Kraus, Jimmy Clayton, Quida Troutman, Brandon Good, and Ethan Settle

Eucharistic Revival

If you have not signed up for our parish level Eucharistic Revival discussion, you are kindly requested to sign up in one of the groups please.

Financial Report – April 2, 2023				
St. Sebastian- Amount Needed: \$3,067.00 weekly.				
Regular Collection	\$ 4,935.00 + 1,868.00			
Emergency Fund	\$ 280.00			
Mass Intentions	\$ 20.00			
Easter Flowers	\$ 5.00			
Special Collections	\$ 50.00			

<u> Financial Report – April 2, 2023</u>				
St. Charles - Amount Needed:	\$1,249.00 weekly.			
Regular Collection	\$ 1,200.00 - 49.00			
Emergency Fund	\$ 90.00			

Update on the Ro The Adjustor has inspected the church and Preschool Catholic Mutual that 100% replaced and the front half replaced. The claims process	the wind damage on both He is recommending to of the church roof be of the Preschool roof be			
<u>Daily Mass</u> From this Friday on, Fr. Jegin will be taking off. There will be no more daily mass on Fridays. Thank you.				
Happy Birthday - St. Charles				
Marsha Logsdon – April 9 Terry Baggett – April 12				
He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said.				
Come and see the place where he lay. Matthew 28:6				
Happy Anniversary – St. Sebastian				
Lance & Stacy Green – April 14				
Happy Birthday - St. Sebastian				
Josh Searc	cy– April 9			
<u>Ministry Schedule</u> <u>April 15, 2023</u>				
	Cathy Burden Paula Tichenor			
Ministry Schedule April 16, 2023				
Lectors:				
Money Counters:	Larry Hardison Lynne Scott			
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