

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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



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

Parish Council: Marc Searcy 270-993-8161 Finance Committee: Tony Searcy 270-993-1775 Rel Education Coord.: Debra Hamilton 270-929-4877 St. Vincent de Paul: 270-499-2309 Knights of Columbus Council 15484: Neil Scott 270-993-7370 Youth Coordinator: Marie Caraway 270-499-3861 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

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.

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.

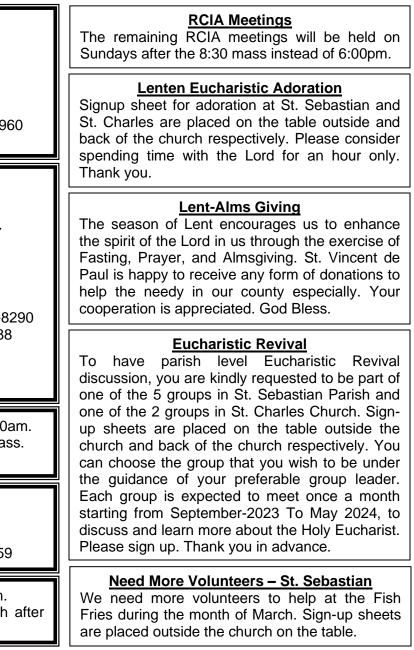
ALL ARE WELCOME - IF YOU ARE A VISITOR TO OUR CHURCH, WE WANT TO WELCOME YOU. IF YOU ARE NEW TO THE PARISHES, CALL 273-3185 OR STOP BY THE OFFICE DURING OFFICE HOURS TO REGISTER.

MARCH 5, 2023





St. Charles Church 506 Hill Street Livermore, KY 42352



Dear Friends in Jesus Christ.

There is a story told of a certain woman who was always bright, cheerful, and optimistic, even though she was confined to her room because of her illness. She lived on the top floor of a very old apartment building. A friend visiting her brought along another woman who was very rich. Since there was no elevator in the building, both ladies began to climb the steps. When they reached the second floor, the rich woman commented. "What a dark and filthv place it is!" Her friend replied, "It is better higher up". When they reached the third floor the rich woman made another comment, "It is really disgusting here." The friend replied, "It is better higher up." When they reached the fourth floor, the rich woman commented again "Things look even worse here." Again, the friend replied, "It is better higher up". Finally, they reached the top floor and found the bedridden woman who welcomed them with a smiling face. Although, the room was clean and decorated well with fresh flowers, the rich woman felt bad about the filthy surroundings and so she said to the sick woman, "It must be difficult for you to be like this!" Without a moment of hesitation, pointing towards heaven she responded, "It is better higher up." The rich woman made all the comments looking at temporal things of this world but, the sick woman was not looking at temporal things of this world and earthly sufferings rather, she was looking forward to the life to come with great hope and courage even during her sufferings.

Dear friends, by reflecting upon the three temptations of Jesus last Sunday, Jesus was teaching us about the importance of entering into communion with God through Fasting, Prayer and Almsgiving by fighting against the temptations of this world. This weekend, we have a beautiful Gospel passage which tells us about the ultimate result of communion with God. i.e., communication with God by experiencing His glory. Yes, the transfiguration of Jesus is a small glimpse of the destination of our Lenten Journey, Christ's risen glory. By presenting this Gospel passage to each of us today, the Holy Mother Church reminds us that, walking through the footsteps of Jesus will lead us to experience the glory of God and communication with Him.

There is no doubt, experiencing the glory of God is not an easy task, but it is possible, provided we deny ourselves and take up our daily cross and follow Him. Yes, follow Him to three great mountains in our spiritual journey: Mount Sinai, Mount Tabor and Mount Calvary. Yes, be ready to climb Mount Sinai to receive and to live the10 commandments. Be sure, faithful living of the 10 Commandments from Mount Sinai is leading us to another mountain at Calvary of suffering. If we climb Mount Sinai and

Mount Calvary faithfully, be sure the third mountain Tabor is going to be easy and there we shall make the dwelling place and experience the glory of God.

During this Lent most of us have decided to walk differently by embracing Repentance, Fasting, Prayer and Almsgiving. Now the guestion is - do these spiritual practices help us to see the presence of Jesus in others? Today, we are all in the atmosphere of Mount Tabor. We are witnessing a Transfiguration where mere bread and wine are changed into the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. Now, how many of us feel that it is good to be here, just like Peter said in today's Gospel? If you are not able to experience the Transfiguration in the Holy Eucharist, remember, there was a call for you on the first day of the Lent- "Repent, and believe in the Gospel. Yes, the destination of our Lenten Journey is in the experiencing of the Glory of God. To have this experience in our lives, we need the virtue of Faith in our lives like Abraham (1st Reading), we need the virtue of Love in our lives like Jesus (2nd Reading) and we need the virtue of Hope in our lives which the Transfiguration Jesus is calling us to. May this Holy Journey, help us experience the Glory of God. God Bless You!

From the Upper Room to the Tomb

St. William + St. Jawrence Jenten Parish Mission with Fr. Anthony Shonis

St. Lawrence Parish Hall | March 26-March 28 | 6:00 PM-7:30 PM

March 26: Development of the Passion Narratives March 27: The Passion of St. Matthew March 28: The Passion of St. John



Time to Spring Forward On Sunday, March 12th daylight savings time begins. Don't forget to turn your clocks forward 1 hour.

Thank you to both churches for your Contributions.

| <u>Financial Report – February 26, 2023</u> St. Sebastian- <u>Amount Needed: \$3,067.00 weekly</u> | | | |
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| Regular Collection | \$ 2,620.00 - 447.00 | | |
| Emergency Fund | \$ 420.00 | | |
| Special Collections | \$ 75.00 | | |
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| <u> Financial Report – February 26, 2023</u> | | | |
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| St. Charles - Amount Needed: \$1,249.00 weekly | | | |
| Regular Collection | \$1,170.00 - 79.00 | | |
| Special Collections | \$ 135.00 | | |

Mass Schedule March 5 – March 12

Sunday – Second Sunday of Lent -8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian - Joe Hayden -10:30am - Mass at St. Charles - Joe Marcum

Monday – Second Week of Lent -8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian - Alvin Bickett

Tuesday – Second Week of Lent -8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian - Ian Lebron

Wednesday – Second Week of Lent -8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian **Tichenor-Leachman Families** -12:30pm - 5:30pm - Eucharistic Adoration at St. Charles -5:30pm – Mass at St. Charles Lauretta Evans Adkins

Thursday – Second Week of Lent -8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian Bill & Jacinta Garinger

Friday- Second Week of Lent -8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian - Jamie Hobbs -9:30am - 3:00pm - Eucharistic Adoration at St. Sebastian

Saturday – Second Week of Lent

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

Sunday – Third Sunday of Lent

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian - Lisa Young -10:30am - Mass at St. Charles - Mary Albin

"Almsgiving above all else requires money, but even this shines with a brighter luster when the alms are given from our poverty. The widow who paid in the two mites was poorer than any human, but she outdid them all." – St. John Chrysostom

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 Rvan 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

Melanie Mayes, Lisa Jackson, Ethan Settle, Pat Calhoun, Sonny Renfrow, Kimberly Stiles, Alice Weise, Callie Zhang, Becky Cheatham, Debbie Dunn, Ben Dunn, Tommy England, Louis Dant, Lance Green, Serena Cooper, Maurice Drury JR., Marcie Vanover, Cindy Miller, Betty Bickett, Gloria Tingle, Charles May, Tony Searcy, Jerry Abney, Bea Dame, Heath Dame, Tori Hayden, John Pinkston, Thomas Scott, Bob Guenthner, and Margie Cobb

Lenten Penance Service

During the month of March, Confession will be offered at both churches every Sunday.

St. Charles – after the mass St. Sebastian – 6:00pm – 7:00pm

Sunday Bunch – St. Charles

St. Charles will have potluck brunch every first Sunday of the month after mass.

Happy Birthday – St. Charles

Mirasol Baggett – March 4 Zach Albin – March 10

Prayer, Fasting, Almsgiving

St. Patrick's Day

St. Patrick's Day falls on Friday, March 17th this year. Bishop Medley has chosen to dispense Catholics in the Diocese of Owensboro from the obligation to abstain from meat on that Friday during Lent.

Happy Birthday - St. Sebastian

Lucy Hayden – March 9 Linda Durbin – March 10

Ministry Schedule March 11, 2023

Euch. Min: Kimberly Cooper St. Sebastian Lectors: Michael Cooper

Ministry Schedule March 12, 2023

| <u>St. Sebastian</u> | Euch. Min: | Mike Vollman Drew McCarty Laurie Scott |
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| | Lectors: | Tony Searcy |
| (| Gift Bearers: | Faye May Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy Clayton |
| Hospitality Ministers: | | - |
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| | Donuts: | Mike Hayden Charles & Faye May |
| St. Charles | Euch: Min: | |
| | Lectors: | Sherry Logsdon Zach Albin Anna Miller |
| | | Mr. & Mrs. Mark Logsdon Lee Edwards David Albin |