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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 3:00 pm or by appointment at St. Sebastian Church.

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.

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@outlook.com

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.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



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



May 18, 2025



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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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: Christina Hudson 270-871-6644
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.

Father's Farewell Party

On Sunday, May 25th at 6:00 pm, we will gather for a potluck to wish Father Jegin good luck on his next Parish assignment. Let's come together to celebrate the wonderful memories we've shared and show our heartfelt appreciation for all the love and guidance Father Jegin has given us. Cathy Burden will be contacting everyone to organize the food. Thank you.

Congratulations!

We are thrilled to announce that Ellie Alexander, daughter of Derek & Susie Alexander, has graduated from Murray State, Magna Cum Laude, with a Bachelor of Arts.

Also, Madalyn Ward, granddaughter of Bruce & Jackie Lee, has graduated from Western Kentucky University, Cum Laude, with a Bachelor of Agricultural Science.

KOC Boston Butts

Knights of Columbus will be selling Boston Butts on May 23rd. Cost is \$40.00. To preorder call 270-499-0120 or see any Knight. Pick up will be from 4-5pm at St. Sebastian. Thank you.

2nd Collection to Support Catholic School Kids

We are pleased to announce that a second collection will be held on **May 25th** to benefit students from our parish attending Owensboro Catholic Schools. Another collection is planned for August, and all collected funds will be sent directly to the Central Office to be applied to the students' accounts. Thank you for your generosity in supporting our parish families and their educational endeavors!

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,

One Sunday a priest was finishing up a series on marriage. At the end of the Mass, he gave a small wooden cross to each married couple and said, "Place this cross in the room in which you fight the most and you will be reminded of Jesus' new commandment, and then you won't argue as much." As he was greeting the people after the Mass, one woman came up to him and said: "You better give me five crosses."

Today, we are on the fifth Sunday of Easter, and the readings are talking about renewal and new things: New Jerusalem, a new Heaven with a new earth, and a new commandment. In the first reading, we see how the small Christian communities helped the renewal of their members by their love. imitating the love of Paul and Barnabas for God and His people during missionary work. Paul encourages us to remain faithful in our missions as disciples of Jesus Christ. He reminds us that: "We all have to experience many hardships before we enter the kingdom of God." In other words, our suffering as Christians is the steppingstone to our victory. If we do not lose our faith during times of persecution and hardships, we shall be successful. Therefore, love for the word and love for one another must sustain us as we march toward the kingdom of God.

The second reading explains how God renews His Church, the New Jerusalem, by being present in her members, in their parish communities, and in their liturgical celebrations. "See, I am making all things new." Through the vision of John, God gives us a glimpse of that kingdom that Paul spoke of in our first reading. God's kingdom is the place of renewal where Christ will restore our lost glory. The New Jerusalem is the reward for Christians who bear an authentic witness to Christ. It is the hope of those who endure persecution for the sake of Christ. It is the hope of those who maintain their faith in Christ. It is a place of comfort and consolation where the risen Christ "Will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there will be no more death and no more mourning or sadness." Through this vision, we are once again encouraged and assured that God Himself has a place for us in His kingdom.

Today's Gospel gives us the secret of Christian renewal, a new commandment that will help us to overcome this world and march into the New Jerusalem. Jesus says: "I give you a new commandment, love one another; you must love one another." Remember, this is a commandment; a command meant for everyone who claims to have faith in Jesus. Through this, Christ reminds us that the only way we can overcome the tribulations and persecutions of this world is by remaining united in

By this commandment Jesus has added a new element to the Old Testament command of love by teaching us that the true quality of a disciple is to love other people in the same way that He has loved us, with sacrificial, selfless, self-giving and unconditional love. Hence, the renewal of Christian life means a radical change of vision and a reordering of our priorities in life. In times of trials and persecution, love is the greatest virtue that sustains every Christian community. The early Christian community understood this very well. They obeyed Christ's command and were successful in their missions.

Any Christian community or family united in love will never lose its focus or faith in God. This is the love that Paul describes in 1 Corinthians 13. "This love cares and does not exploit the other. It endures, forgives, empathizes, and sympathizes with the other. This love may be blind, but it remains very prudent, sensible, reasonable, and godly." Let us ask the Eucharistic Lord to fill our hearts with His true and selfless love for Him and others. **God Bless.**

Our New Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV We invite our community to join in prayer for Pope Leo

XIV as he begins his journey of faith and leadership. May he be guided by wisdom, strengthened in spirit, and blessed with courage as he shepherds the Church.

Heavenly Father, Grant Pope Leo XIV your divine wisdom and grace. May his leadership reflect your love and truth, bringing unity, peace, and hope to the world. Strengthen his heart and mind as he carries the weight of his sacred mission. May he lead with compassion

Jubilee Year of Hope Family Pilgrimage, taking place at Saint Meinrad on July 12, 2025

and faith, always guided by your will. Amen.

This one-day pilgrimage is designed to renew families' faith and joy through a shared experience of prayer, reconciliation, Mass, and family-friendly activities. These include a scavenger hunt around the Saint Meinrad grounds and a fun activity for children to color their very own "Flat Monk." To register, families can visit:

Https://www.saintmeinrad.edu/revivalretreat

Thank you for your generous contributions.

Financial Report – May 11, 2025 St. Sebastian- Amount Needed: \$3,187.00 weekly.

Regular Collection \$3,349.25 (+162.25)
Emergency Fund \$410.00
Mass Intentions \$5.00

Financial Report - May 11, 2025 St. Charles - Amount Needed: \$1,468.00 weekly.

Regular Collection \$1,850.00 (+382.00)
Emergency Fund \$ 25.00

Mass Schedule May 18 - May 25

Sunday - Fifth Sunday of Easter

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian

Eloise Sexton, Matthew Hayden, Elizabeth Searcy

-10:30am - Mass at St. Charles - John Miller, Jr

Monday - Easter Weekday

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian - Jimmy Tichenor

Tuesday - Easter Weekday

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian - Margene O'Nan

Wednesday – Easter Weekday

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian - Pia Miller Posadas

-5:30pm - Mass at St. Charles - James A. Welker

Thursday - Easter Weekday

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian - Jason Evans

Friday - No Mass

Saturday - Easter Weekday

-3:00pm - Confession

-4:00pm - Mass at St. Sebastian

Jimmy & Paula Tichenor

Sunday - Sixth Sunday of Easter

- 8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian - All Parishioner

-10:30am – Mass at St. Charles - Gary McKenzie

A Path of Grace: Spain and Portugal led by Fr John Thomas Sept 30 - Oct 9, 2025

Experience a spiritually enriching ten-day Catholic pilgrimage led by Reverend Father John M. Thomas, exploring the vibrant cities of Barcelona, Montserrat, Manresa, Madrid, Lisbon, and Fatima. Visit https://tri.ps/CGtIN for full details and to register. Please contact Faith in Travel, info@faithintravel, with any questions.

Please Pray for our Military

1st Sgt. 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 Joseph Kyle Ward(US Air Force).

Prayer List for Members of our Community

Bernadine Edwards, Charles May, Jerry Abney, John Pinkston, Bob Guenthner, Helen Kraus, Jimmy Clayton, Ethan Settle, Louis Dant, Sharon Anderson, Blakley Owens, Tasha Miller, Theresa Rust, Cassie Alexander, Jeanie Wedding, Mark Logsdon, Mike Logsdon, Mark Vollman, Chuck Green, Rondy Humphrey, Wesley Robinson, Marie Caraway, Jimmy Tichenor, Jason Evans, Darrell McCaslin, Brenda Cooper and Darrell Henderson.

Special Collection

Today, we are requested to take up a second collection for Catholic Charities. Catholic Charities of Owensboro is supporting the families and people who are affected by various natural calamities. So, let us join in the efforts of our Catholic Charities and generously share our blessings with those in need.

Happy Birthday - St. Charles



Dylan Rhodes – May 18 Candance Miller – May 19 Andy Hudson – May 24

Happy Anniversary – St. Charles



Kevin & Judy Fee – May 20

Happy Anniversary - St. Sebastian



Drew & Brianne McCarty – May 23 Paul & Theresa Lancaster – May 24

Happy Birthday - St. Sebastian



Brenda Pinkston – May 22 Lance Green – May 23

Ministry Schedule Saturday, May 24, 2025

St. Charles

Euch: Min: Susan Lebold Lector: Jim Lebold

Ministry Schedule Sunday, May 25, 2025

St. Sebastian Euch. Min: John Vicars

April Vicars

Kimberly Cooper

Lectors: Neil Scott April Vicars

Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. Justus Hayden

Altar Servers: Jude Cooper

Alastair Cooper Money Counters: Micke Dant

Mike Hayden
Donuts: Daneil & Kellie Watkins

St. Charles

Euch: Min: Jackie Lee Lee Edwards

Lectors: Philip Logsdon

Ann Renfrow

Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. Adam Mills Money Counters: Pat Martinez

Philip Logsdon