

**APRIL 2, 2023**

**PALM SUNDAY**



**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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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><b>Sacrament of Baptism</b> 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><b>Is anyone sick/admitted in the hospital?</b> If anyone is sick or admitted in the hospital, please let Pastor know or call the office.</p> <p><b>Sacrament of Penance</b> Sacrament of Penance is administered every Saturday at 4:30pm or by appointment at St. Sebastian Church.</p>	<p><b>Rite of Christian initiation of adults and children (RCIA):</b> 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><b>Sacrament of Marriage</b> 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.

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**ST. SEBASTIAN**  
**Parish Council:** Marc Searcy 270-993-8161  
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**Spec. Events Committee:** Becky Cheatham 270-314-8290  
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**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.**

**Confirmation**  
 Confirmation will be held on April 16<sup>th</sup> 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.  
**There will be no First Sunday brunch in April.**

**Holy Week Ministry List**  
 Holy week ministry list is placed on the notice board. Please check it out and be present for your scheduled ministry. Extra copies are placed on the table if you would like to have a copy of it. Thank you.

**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.

**Holy Week Prayer at United Methodist Church**  
 St. Sebastian will host the Prayer & luncheon on Wednesday (April 5<sup>th</sup> at 12 PM) of Holy Week at Calhoun United Methodist Church. We need six Crockpots of soup/chili/burgoo, sandwiches, chips, crackers, and desserts. Please let Cathy Burden know how you can help. Thank you.

**Upcoming Meetings**  
 April 10<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM- St. Sebastian Parish Council  
 April 18<sup>th</sup> at 6PM-St. Sebastian Finance Council  
 April 19<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM- St. Charles Parish & Finance Council.

**Dear Friends in Jesus Christ,**

After five and a half weeks of preparation, we now enter the climax of the Lenten season, and enter Holy Week. Today is the first day of Holy Week and it is called "Palm Sunday." Today's celebration is a lengthy one, and it is divided into two distinct parts - the Procession with Palms and the Holy Mass proper. The first part is one of joy, because the reading from the Gospel in this part recalls the glorious entry of Jesus into Jerusalem as King which basically is geared toward the Paschal Mystery of Jesus, the Passion, Death, and Resurrection. The second part of the liturgy of "Palm Sunday" shifts to a sadder tone. Today we reflect upon a paradox of triumph and tragedy: the glorious entry of Jesus into Jerusalem on the one hand and the passion and death of Jesus on the other.

Why do we read the Passion of Jesus today? It seems out of place since Jesus did not die on Palm Sunday. We see that, after the joyful episode of the palms, there follows the stark, terrible reality of the passion, and if we go deeper into the paschal mystery, we will realize that it is indeed fitting to read the Passion of our Lord Jesus today, for we must realize that the triumphant arrival of Jesus Christ into Jerusalem was one with his death on the Cross. Also, there is a sort of parallelism as well as contradiction between the two. On Palm Sunday, Jesus climbed up Mount Zion; in his passion, he climbed Mount Calvary. On Palm Sunday, Jesus was carried into Jerusalem; in his passion, he walked carrying his cross. On Palm Sunday, a crowd lined the streets to praise our Lord; a crowd lined the way of the cross too. On Palm Sunday, the crowd took off their cloaks and laid them on the road to honor Jesus; before the cross, Jesus was stripped of his cloak. On Palm Sunday, everyone praised Jesus, calling out "Hosanna!" In his passion, Jesus was insulted, mocked, and laughed at and cried out; "crucify Him, crucify Him."

Moreover, Palm Sunday is the key to understanding the Passion of Jesus Christ, and the Passion of Jesus Christ is the key to understanding Palm Sunday. Today, we are with palms in our hands because we want to worship God and give him the honor that is His due, and at the same time we also stand as sinners. We are the reason that Jesus died on the cross. We praise God and ask His forgiveness. On the one hand, we imagine that we are already up in Heaven praising Jesus. On the other hand, we allow the demons to pull us down to Hell. Are we part of the crowd praising Jesus or are we part of the crowd demanding that he be crucified? Both. Let us not imagine that we are so good that we would never have gone along with his death. Every time we commit sin, we stand with the crowd yelling, "Crucify him! Crucify him!" Indeed, his blood is on us, and that blood saves us.

Now let us consider the three scripture readings of today. In the First Reading we hear about the 'suffering servant of Yahweh,' the great humility of Jesus. It is easy for us as Christians to identify this servant with Jesus. When he was made to suffer, despite his innocence he did not rebel or seek revenge against his enemies. He trusted that God was at his side and knew that he would "not be put to shame." On this Palm Sunday we honor 'the Suffering

*Servant'* who laid down his life for us.

In the Second Reading St. Paul also highlighted the greatness of depth of Jesus' humility. It describes how Jesus, though Son of God, "emptied himself" of divine glory and took the form of a man like us except sin. Out of love and obedience, he willingly accepted his death, "even death on a cross." Because Jesus humbled himself and did not cling to any of his special privileges as God's Son, "God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above all names." We are called to have the same attitude of humility and obedience as Christ our Lord had.

In today's Gospel we heard the passion narrative of Jesus Christ. It could be divided into three scenes: the arrest of Christ, his argument before Roman authorities and His suffering and death. It is a drama of both praise and betrayal. It started like a comedy but seems to end like a tragedy. His journey started with praise- "Hosana, Hosana", but ended with terrible betrayal by the same people crying out; crucify Him, crucify Him. His great humility is quite contrary to the arrogant display of wealth and firm by today's rulers and leaders. Finally, the passion narrative of Jesus presents to us the nature of Jesus Christ as true man. Through his passion, He has become our role model, while his cross has become our symbol of hope and salvation. So, before seeing Christ as the glorious Lord of Easter, first, we must think of him as the wounded and crucified Jesus. So, as we go through this day and this week, let us look, not just to admire, but also to learn, to penetrate the mind, the thinking, the attitudes, and the values of Jesus so that we, in the very different circumstances of our own lives, may walk in his footsteps. If we are to be his disciples, he invites us to walk his way, to share his sufferings, to imitate his attitudes, to empty ourselves, to live in service for others - in short, to love others as He loves us. This is not at all a call to a life of pain and misery. Quite the contrary, it is an invitation to a life of deep freedom, peace, and happiness. If it were anything else, it would not be worth considering. And this is the Good News of today. **God Bless.**

"But Palm Sunday tells us that it is the cross that is the true tree of life." - Pope Benedict XVI

**New Church Directory- St. Sebastian**

Our new Church Directories have arrived. Please pick one for your family. Thanks.

**CHRISM MASS- April 4<sup>th</sup> at 6.30 PM at Sports Centre, Owensboro.**

Everyone is welcomed to attend this Mass. There will be no morning Mass at St. Sebastian.

**Financial Report – March 26, 2023**

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

Regular Collection	\$ 2,185.00 - 882.00
Emergency Fund	\$ 190.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 15.00

**Financial Report – March 26, 2023**

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

Regular Collection	\$ 1,457.00 + 208.00
Special Collections	\$ 105.00
Donation from KC	\$ 500.00

**Mass Schedule**  
**April 2 – April 9**

**Sunday – Palm Sunday**

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian  
*Thomas & Janice Hobbs*  
-10:30am - Mass at St. Charles  
*Katherine Roberts*

**Monday – Monday of Holy Week**

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian – *Alvin Bickett*

**Tuesday – Tuesday of Holy Week**

-6:30pm – **Chrism Mass at Sports Center**

**Wednesday – Wednesday of Holy Week**

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian  
*Jimmy & Gail Clayton*  
-5:30pm – Mass at St. Charles  
*For the Conversion of Sinners*

**Thursday – Holy Thursday (For both Churches)**

-6:00pm - Mass at St. Sebastian  
*Quida Troutman*

**Friday- Good Friday Service**

-4:30pm – Good Friday Service at St. Charles  
-6:30pm - Good Friday Service at St. Sebastian

**Saturday – Holy Saturday- Easter Vigil**

-8:00pm – Mass at St. Sebastian - *Parishioners*

**Sunday – Easter Sunday**

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian - *Betty Bickett*  
-10:30am – Mass at St. Charles  
*Bill & Minnie Logsdon*



**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.

**Easter Egg Hunt**

If you would like to participate in the Easter Egg Hunt after Mass, please bring 10 filled eggs. You may contact Emily Floyd for further information.

**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.

**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 Guenther, Justus & Donnya Hayden, Helen Kraus, Jimmy Clayton, Quida Troutman and Brandon Good

**Update on the Roof- St. Sebastian**

The Adjustor has inspected the wind damage on both the church and Preschool. He is recommending to Catholic Mutual that 100% of the church roof be replaced and the front half of the Preschool roof be replaced. The claims process will take about 3-4 weeks.

**Holy Week Liturgy Schedule.**

Chrism Mass- April 4<sup>th</sup> at 6.30 PM- Sports Centre, Owens.

Holy Thursday- April 6<sup>th</sup> at 6.PM - St. Sebastian Church

Good Friday- April 7 <sup>th</sup>	4.30 PM- SC	6.30 PM - SS
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Easter Vigil – April 8<sup>th</sup> at 8 PM – St. Sebastian Church

Easter Sunday- April 9 <sup>th</sup>	8.30 AM- SS	10.30 AM- SC
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Let us come together with our whole family and celebrate this Holy week more meaningfully and receive God's abundance of Blessings. May God Bless us all.

**HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST!**

**Happy Birthday - St. Sebastian**



Rebecca Devins – April 3  
Marc Searcy – April 3  
William Hayden – April 6  
Paul Lancaster – April 6

**Ministry Schedule**  
**April 8, 2023**

St. Sebastian Euch. Min: Marc Searcy, Cathy Burden, Darrell Bishop  
Lectors: Lindsay Searcy, George Rhodes, Neil Scott, Geneva Bishop

**Ministry Schedule**  
**April 9, 2023**

St. Sebastian Euch. Min: David N. Scott, Sid Hayden, Patricia Hayden  
Lectors: Tony Searcy, Marc Searcy  
Gift Bearers: Debra Hamilton & Family  
Hospitality Ministers: Donald Durbin, Tony Searcy  
Money Counters: Gates Tichenor, Kelli Watkins

St. Charles Euch: Min: Jackie Lee, Darrell Bishop  
Lectors: Lee Edwards, Pat Martinez  
Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. Kyle Chappell  
Money Counters: Lee Edwards, Derek Miller