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Faith is being sure of what we hope for
and certain of what we do not see.
Hebrews 11:1
 

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>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.</p> <p>Is anyone sick/admitted in the hospital? If anyone is sick or admitted in the hospital, please let Pastor know or call the office.</p> <p>Sacrament of Penance Sacrament of Penance is administered every Saturday at 3:00 pm or by appointment at St. Sebastian Church.</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</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@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.

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 17, 2023



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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Communion Service

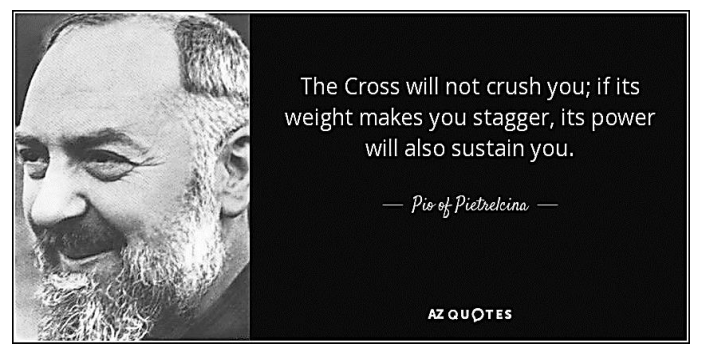
Durning Fr. Jegin's absence, Jimmy Clayton will lead Communion Services on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8:00 am.

Food Drive for St. Vincent de Paul

SVdP's food pantry is almost empty. Please find it in your heart to donate some non-perishable food items to help those in need in our community. Thank you.
"Go to the poor: you will find God."
 -St. Vincent de Paul

ST. SEBASTIAN

Parish Council: Marc Searcy 270-993-8161
Finance Committee: Tony Searcy 270-993-1775
Rel Education Coord.: Lindsay Searcy & Laura Fritz
Youth Group: Kevin & Laura Fritz
St. Vincent de Paul: 270-499-2309
Knights of Columbus Council 15484:
 Neil Scott 270-993-7370
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.

Acts 2:42 Eucharistic Group – St. Charles

Acts 2:42 Eucharistic Group will meet on October 1st at 9:00 a.m. in the hall. The first meeting was very uplifting. We look forward to seeing you. Sherry Logsdon 270-316-9718 and Geneva Bishop 270-836-3632. Thank you.

ST. CHARLES

Parish Council: Christina Hudson 270- 871-6644
Finance Committee: Derek Miller 270-314-2007
Bereavement Committee: Carol Rhodes 270-278-2759

Acts 2:42 Eucharistic Group – St. Sebastian

Our first meeting for the Eucharistic Revival will be Sunday, September 17, at 4:00 pm, in the parish hall. Both groups will meet at this time, and dates for the remainder of the revival will be set with team leaders. Finger foods will be served. Thank you.

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.

Dear Friends in Jesus Christ,

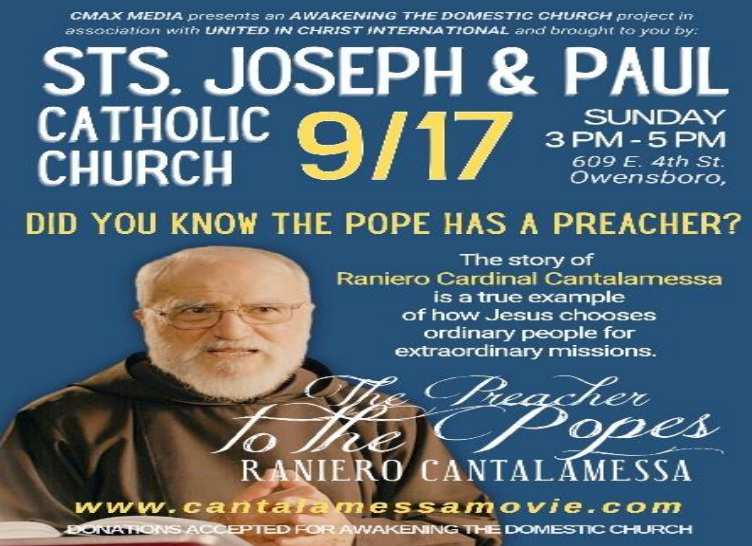
Yes, even though, the Gospel was written thousands of years back, the question raised in today's Gospel by Peter is highly important in today's world, if we take the question seriously-*how often must I forgive?* According to the Jewish law, a person could be forgiven 3 times. But Peter goes beyond the law of the time, trying to play a "good boy" game before the other disciples and his Master, he increases the amount of forgiveness to number seven, the number of perfection or completeness, then asks; "as many as seven times? But the master who understood the inner thoughts of Peter spoils his "good boy" game by saying "not seven times, but seventy-seven times." By saying this Jesus very clearly says to us that, forgiveness has no limit at all or don't put any limit to forgiveness. Yes, forgiveness is not a matter of a number, but it is a matter of love.

To establish the point, that forgiveness is the matter of love, Jesus presents to us the story of the court official who owed the king a huge amount of debt, which he could not repay in due time. The king, however, was so kind and merciful that he cancelled the debt completely. Yet, the official in his turn was not even ready to forgive a colleague who owed him a much smaller amount. Finding the unforgiving attitude of the official, the king got angry and put the official in prison until he paid back the whole debt.

The lesson we are called upon to take from this Gospel is to be generous and large-hearted in forgiving others. This is the same, we are seeking in the Lord's Prayer; "forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us." Today, if we find it difficult to forgive others, the reason is not the other person, but ourselves. Because to forgive others, it is important that we forgive ourselves, because only then can we forgive others, and thereby forgiveness from God. Yes, forgiveness needs an openness of heart. If we hold mercury tightly in our hand, it will run away from our hand; only in the open palm we can hold mercury. The same way, only in the openness of heart is forgiveness possible. If we lose forgiveness from our life, we can lose forgiveness of our sins and ability to give and receive love.

Forgiveness needs true love and sacrifice. Please remember the homily I started with on last weekend; our Christian life is to live, to live is to love and to love is to sacrifice. Remember, the forgiveness we all received from Jesus even during heart-breaking pain on the cross, and the sacrifice Jesus endured for all of us to reconcile us to His Heavenly Father! Count the forgiveness we continue to receive in our everyday life from the Lord, even though we are

unworthy, and so we are here today! Yes, if we really appreciate the goodness of the Lord in our lives, we cannot be unforgiving, but only forgiving. Yes, dear friends, the Gospel says to us that, as a Christian it is our duty to give forgiveness, and at the same time it is the right of the other persons to receive forgiveness from us. So, let us ask the Eucharistic Lord to bless us with the grace to forgive and to forget the wrongs others have done us. **God Bless.**



The Angel's Prayer at Fatima
During the third apparition of the Angel of Peace to the 3 Shepherd Children (Lucia, Francisco and Jacinta) at Fatima in 1916, the angel appeared holding in his left hand a chalice and over it, in the air, was a host from which drops of blood fell into the chalice. With the Blessed Sacrament suspended in the air, the Angel of Peace prostrated himself on the ground and recited this prayer three times. After giving the host to Lucia and the contents of the chalice to Jacinta & Francisco, he prostrated himself again on the ground and again repeated with the children 3 times the following prayer.
Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore You profoundly, and I offer You the Most Precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifferences by which He is offended. And by the infinite merits of His Most Sacred Heart and through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg the conversion of poor sinners. Amen.

Financial Report – September 10, 2023
St. Sebastian- Amount Needed: \$3,035.00 weekly.
Regular Collection \$ 3,375.00 + 340.00

Financial Report – September 10, 2023
St. Charles - Amount Needed: \$1,228.00 weekly.
Regular Collection \$1,378.00 +150.00

Mass Schedule
September 17 – September 24
Sunday – Twenty- Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian – *JoAnn Hayden*
-10:30am - Mass at St. Charles
Jimmy & Mary Welker
Monday – No Mass
Tuesday – Twenty- Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
-8:00am – Communion Service at St. Sebastian
Wednesday – No Mass
Thursday – St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist (Feast)
-8:00am – Communion Service at St. Sebastian
Friday- No Mass
Saturday – St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest (Memorial)
-3:00pm - Confession
-4:00pm – Mass at St. Sebastian – *All Parishioners*
Sunday – Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian – *JoAnn Hayden*
-10:30am – Mass at St. Charles - *Katherine Roberts*

Young Adult Hike Retreat
THE JOURNEY is an intentional space for reflection, prayer, retreat, fellowship, and adventure hosted by the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry utilizing the North Trail at Land between the Lakes.
<https://owensborodiocese.org/journey-retreat/>


"God often grants in a moment what He has long denied."
- Thomas à Kempis, *The Imitation of Christ*


Please Pray for our Military
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
Sean, Serena & Marion Cooper, Cindy Miller, Bernadine Edwards, Gloria Tingle, Charles May, Jerry Abney, Tori Hayden, John Pinkston, Bob Guenther, Helen Kraus, Jimmy Clayton, Brandon Good, Ethan Settle, Louis Dant, Sharon Anderson, Blakley Owens, and Tasha Miller.

THE 33RD DIOCESAN MARIAN CONGRESS
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2023
12:30 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.
"ST. JOSEPH, PILLAR OF THE FAMILY"
Keynote Address by Fr. Joseph Morgan, CPM
Adoration, Marian Procession, and Confessions
4 pm Vigil mass offered at Parish
To be held on the campus of Saint Joseph Catholic Church
434 Church Ave. Bowling Green, KY 42101

"Each one will be presented to the Judge exactly as he was when he departed this life. Yet there must be a cleansing fire before judgement because of some minor faults that may remain to be purged away."
-St. Gregeory the Great

Happy Birthday - St. Charles

Derek Miller – Sept. 18
Ashby Rice – Sept. 20

Happy Anniversary - St. Sebastian

James & Paula Tichenor– Sept. 21
Tim & Linda Dempsey – Sept. 21

Ministry Schedule
Saturday, September 23, 2023
St. Sebastian Euch. Min: Katie Murphy
Lectors: Paula Tichenor
Sunday, September 24, 2023
St. Sebastian Euch. Min: Patricia Hayden
Mike Vollman
Sid Hayden
Lectors: Drew McCarty
Gail Clayton
Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. John Pinkston
Hospitality Ministers: Donald Durbin
Tony Searcy
Money Counters: Gates Tichenor
Kellie Watkins
Donuts: Matt & Patricia Hayden
St. Charles Euch: Min: Sherry Logsdon
Darrell Bishop
Lectors: Philip Logsdon
Sarah Miller
Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Staples
Money Counters: Sherry Logsdon
Darrell Bishop