

## My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Jesus Christ,

It is always difficult to put into words how much I appreciate the people of western Kentucky!

In October 2021 every diocese around the world began their participation in the Synod on Synodality. It has been one of my deepest honors over the past few months to hear the input from your parish listening sessions and then to be with so many of you in person at the regional listening sessions. I heard you give voice to your dreams for the Church, to the things you treasure the most about our Church as well as the things that cause you heartache. Underscoring all of what I heard was a sense of your great love for the Church, your parish communities, and Jesus Christ. I was moved once again by the passion and deep faith of the people I have been called to serve in the Diocese of Owensboro.

Every age faces its own unique challenges. For those of us in the Diocese of Owensboro at this moment, some of our greatest challenges include the ongoing struggle with COVID, the horrible effects of the December 2021 tornadoes, school shootings, war, and even the political division that tries to divide our nation and continues to try and rob us of our joy and our faith in God and our Catholic Church. But in my meetings with you over the past few months, I encountered over and over again a people of faith who want to be heard and who want to live out their call to holiness.

I have seen your desire to grow in your relationship with Jesus and to be the beacons of hope that our world needs. While we will always have much work to do as a Church, I came away from my encounters with you with a renewed sense of your deep faith and your desire for holiness.

This is the time of year when I ask for your annual financial generosity to the Disciples Response Fund. This Fund is vital for providing the outreach and ministries that are so essential to carrying out the mission of the Church. We continue to be strong resources for our parishes and schools. We were asked to coordinate most of the disaster relief efforts from the December 10th tornadoes that traveled through our Diocese. Families are still without homes and jobs and they are grieving the loss of family, friends, and neighbors. It will take years of love and charity to ease the suffering.


In addition, we are ministering to the homeless shelters throughout the area. We educate our seminarians, support our retired priests, subsidize the Gasper River Catholic Youth Camp (which serves thousands), subsidize our Catholic Schools throughout the diocese, sponsor marriage enrichment programs, adult education, parish

council/leadership retreats, and I could go on. Your generosity and faithfulness to the Disciples Response Fund help make this possible. We work hard to use your dollars wisely and make available resources for every parish and school in this Diocese. And the giver is always blessed by their generosity.

Thank you for your commitment to carrying out the role you have been given in continuing the mission that Jesus left to us as a Church and the mission you were given in your Baptism. It is up to each of us to share the Good News of Jesus Christ, which the world so desperately needs.

Thank you for your continuing commitment.  
Yours in Christ,

**Most Reverend William F. Medley**  
Bishop for the Diocese of Owensboro





### Men Age 50 to 75

**Free Prostate Screenings**  
Thursday, September 29 | 5 to 7 p.m.

Owensboro Health Urology  
1301 Pleasant Valley Rd., Ste. 302  
Owensboro, KY 42303

Call 270-852-7960 to schedule an appointment.



### Worldwide Rosary

Please join a worldwide Rosary event which will begin at **6:30 PM Central on October 7, 2022**, on the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. This is a day of special graces for our beloved country, and the world. Registration at <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/avilafoundation/707728/r/e-mail> is necessary to receive the online link. Last year over 10000 people from all over the world registered for this event. There is power in prayer, and in numbers.

*Thanks to everyone for your generous contributions to our churches.*

### Financial Report – September 18, 2022

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

Regular Collection	\$ 2,308.00 - 759.00
Emergency Fund	\$ 140.00

### Financial Report – September 18, 2022

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

Regular Collection	\$1,635.00 + 386.00
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### Mass Schedule

**Sept. 25 – Oct. 2**

#### Sunday – Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian – *Joe Bickett*  
-10:30am - Mass at St. Charles  
*Sabrina Whitehouse Evans*

#### Monday – Twenty-Sixth Week in Ordinary Time

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

#### Tuesday – St. Vincent de Paul, Priest (Memorial)

-8:30am – Mass at St. Sebastian – *Louis Weise*

#### Wednesday- Twenty-Sixth Week in Ordinary Time

-8:30am – Mass at St. Sebastian  
*Lee & Joan Warren*  
-5:30pm – Mass at St. Charles – *Mary Albin*

#### Thursday – Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels (Feast)

-8:30am – Mass at St. Sebastian – *Lisa Young*

#### Friday- No Mass

#### Saturday – St. Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church (Memorial)

-3:00pm – Confession  
-4:00pm – Mass at St. Sebastian  
*Bill & Jacinta Garinger*

#### Sunday - Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian  
*Guy & Virginia Anderson*  
-10:30am - Mass at St. Charles  
*Randy Joe Marcum*

*"I will attempt day by day to break my will into pieces. I want to do God's Holy Will, not my own!"*  
*-St. Gabriel Possenti*

### 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

Melanie Mayes, Jason Evans, Lisa Jackson, Ethan Settle, Jimmy Clayton, Pat Calhoun, Sonny Renfrow, Kimberly Nowak, Kimberly Stiles, Alice Weise, Callie Zhang, Tom Schutte, Becky Cheatham, Debbie Dunn, Ben Dunn, Tommy England, Louis Dant., Lance Green, Serena Cooper, Jeff Husk, Maurice Drury JR., Marcie Vanover, Cindy Miller, Betty Bickett, Gloria Tingle, Charles Mae, Tony Searcy, Jerry Abney, Bea Dame and Heath Dame.



## 2022 St. Pius Tenth FALL FESTIVAL

**FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!**  
**October 1st**

BUY AN ARMBAND FOR: INFLATABLES - HAY RIDES - FACE PAINTING  
ALSO ENJOY: PUMPKIN DECORATING - FOOD - LIVE MUSIC  
**AND MUCH MUCH MORE!**  
VENDORS WILL BE LOCATED IN THE PARISH HALL  
**\$2 ADMISSION FOR ADULTS, KIDS FREE!**  
3418 HIGHWAY 144 OWENSBORO, KY 42303

### Annual Turkey Shoot – Whitesville KOC

The Whitesville Knights of Columbus Annual Turkey Shoot takes place every Sunday at 1:00 PM starting on Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> at the K.C. Hall on Haynes Station Rd. in Whitesville. The last shoot will be on Sunday Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>. Join us for food, fun, & prizes! Prizes include turkeys, hams, cash, gift cards, 50/50 pots, and scatter board.

### Happy Birthday - St. Sebastian



Henry Fritz – Sept. 24  
Billy Coffman – Sept. 25  
Susan Lebold – Sept. 27  
Gate Tichenor – Sept. 29

### Ministry Schedule

**October 1, 2022**

<u>St. Sebastian</u>	Euch. Min: Cathy Burden Lectors: Paula Tichenor
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**October 2, 2022**

<u>St. Sebastian</u>	Euch. Min: Marc Searcy Neil Scott Harriette Ellis Lectors: Lindsay Searcy Cathy Hudson Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. Paul Lancaster Hospitality Ministers: James Dant Larry Hardison
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Money Counters: Cathy Burden  
Jimmy Clayton

<u>St. Charles</u>	Euch. Min: Lee Edwards Darrell Bishop Lectors: David Albin Patricia Martinez Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. Jonathan Rhodes <u>Money Counters:</u> Derek Miller Rondy Humphrey
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