

### My dear friends in Jesus Christ,

Today we celebrate the glorious entrance of a Glorious Man into the glorious temple of Jerusalem traveling on a donkey. Has anyone thought about the luxurious vehicle on which Jesus is traveling? Why did Jesus select a donkey instead of other animals in the world? In Jesus' time, there used to be tensions going on between kingdoms. They usually used a horse or a donkey for their travelling or for transportation; thus, a king traveling on a donkey and traveling on a horse have different meanings. A king traveling on a horse conveyed the message that, he is going to have a war with another Kingdom, but a king traveling on a donkey conveyed the message that they were going to have peace with the other kingdom. In this context, Jesus traveling on the donkey would mean, His journey is only to bring peace, peace with God and His people. Something to be noticed here is that Jesus uses an unused donkey for His traveling. It shows how Holy and Perfect the person Jesus is. So, we need to keep in mind that, we are able to carry Jesus only if we are holy.

Jesus precisely says to His disciples, "Go into the village opposite you, and as you enter it you will find a donkey on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it here. And if anyone should ask you, why are you untying it, you will answer, The Master has need of it." It is in preparation for the Resurrection of our Lord, we are celebrating this great day of Palm Sunday. As Christians we believe that through His resurrection, Christ is still alive in this world, and we are supposed to be the carriers of Jesus in this world. He needs a perfect carrier, and are you a perfect one for Jesus? Very often just like the donkey most of us are all tied up in this world, in our own sins and many other things. When Jesus asks His disciples to untie the donkey-it is directed towards you and me. Yes, we need to free ourselves from the clutches of sin and only then can Jesus travel through us, and work in our lives.

The Master's need of it is the answer the disciples should give to the person who questions them. Yes my dear friends, more than you and I need Jesus, Jesus needs each one of us, Yes, the Master needs us. Because He wants us to be perfect and holy, for His purpose, to travel around the world, and precisely because of that, He created us in His own image and likeness, and are we ready for Jesus? Please travel with Jesus to the Jerusalem Temple and see the respect people are giving Him!!

Today Jesus needs you and me badly, to carry Him around. Are you ready to become a donkey like in this world? Today you held a Palm in your hands and sang Hosanna. The word Hosanna means "save

now", now how many of us really want to be saved? Yes, He is ready to save you, but you need to free yourself from sin and be ready to become a donkey. Yes, we should be ready to hate this world and its passions. Are you ready for that? Yes, we all sang Hosanna; did anyone find Jesus entering into the Church on a donkey? Did anyone become a donkey to carry Jesus into the Church?

My dear friends, in the hearts of hearts, we have the desire to be saved. Let this celebration of Palm Sunday, increase your desire for that, so that just like the saints, we will become a donkey for Christ to carry him around.

#### Thank You

Paula Hayden would like to express her sincere gratitude on the outpouring of love and support, by your gifts, thoughts, prayers, and meals for her and her family during their time of mourning of her father.

#### Parish Council Meeting

St. Sebastian - April 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm.  
St. Charles – April 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00pm

#### Finance Committee Meeting

St. Sebastian - April 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm  
St. Charles – April 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00pm

#### Safe Environment

The safety of our children is the responsibility of every Christian. Anyone aware of the abuse of a person under the age of eighteen is required by law to report this to the proper state authorities (270-338-2240); local law enforcement (270-273-3276); or the Kentucky Child Abuse Hotline (1-877-597-2331). To report abuse to the diocese, current or past, by anyone acting in the name of the Church (paid or volunteer), call Louanne Payne, Pastoral Assistance Coordinator(English) (270-852-8380), or Susan Montalvo-Gesser/Miguel Quintanilla, Pastoral Assistance Coordinators(Spanish) (270-880-8360). The Diocese of Owensboro's sexual abuse policy is available on the diocesan website (owensborodiocese.org/safe-environment-policies/). To make a report of sexual abuse of a minor and related misconduct by bishops, go to ReportBishopAbuse.org or call (1-800-276-1562).

Thanks to everyone for your generous contributions to Our Churches during this unfortunate time. God Bless

#### Financial Report – April 3, 2022

##### St. Sebastian- Amount Needed: \$2,883.56 weekly

Regular Collection	\$ 2,790.00 - 93.56
Emergency Fund	\$ 265.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 35.00
Special Collection	\$ 65.00

#### Financial Report – April 3, 2022

##### St. Charles - Amount Needed: \$1,058.22 weekly

Regular Collection	\$ 1,080.00 + 21.78
Cemetery Fund	\$ 570.00
Emergency Fund	\$ 130.00

### Mass Schedule April 10 – April 17

**Sunday – Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**  
-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian - *Jamie Hobbs*  
-10:30am - Mass at St. Charles - *Mary Albin*

**Monday – Monday of Holy Week**  
-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian - *Louis Weise*

**Tuesday – Tuesday of Holy Week**  
-8:30am – **No Mass**  
-6:30pm – Chrism Mass at the Sports Center

**Wednesday- Wednesday of Holy Week**  
-6:00pm - Mass at St. Sebastian  
*Caroline Hudson*  
-6:30pm – Faith Formation

**Thursday – Holy Thursday (For Both Churches)**  
-6:00pm – Mass at St. Sebastian  
*Norman Ramage*

**Friday – Good Friday**  
-4:30pm - Mass at St. Charles - *Mary Albin*  
-6:30pm – Mass at St. Sebastian - *Alvin Bickett*

**Saturday – Holy Saturday (For Both Churches)**  
-8:00pm - Mass at St. Sebastian  
*Souls in Purgatory*

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

### Ministry Schedule April 16, 2022

St. Sebastian Euch. Min: Mike Vollman  
First Reading: Neil Scott  
Second Reading: George Rhodes  
Third Reading: Tony Searcy  
Epistle Reading: Pat Martinez  
Carrying Incense: Jimmy Clayton

#### April 17, 2022

St. Sebastian Euch. Min: Sid Hayden  
Lectors: Neil Scott & Macy Caraway  
Money Counters: Kim Cooper & Gail Clayton

St. Charles Euch. Min: Jackie Lee  
Lectors: Derek Miler & Marsha Logsdon  
Money Counters: David Albin & Rondy Humphrey

### CDC Recommendations for Covid-19 Pandemic

- You can choose to wear a face mask.
- If you are feeling ill or concerned about exposure to the virus, be encouraged to remain home.
- Eucharistic Ministers should be masked and sanitize their hands after receiving the Eucharist.
- Please continue to be diligent.

### Easter Egg Hunt

Following mass on Easter Sunday, each church will have an Easter Egg Hunt for the children.

### Condolences and Prayers

We offer our deepest sympathy and prayers to Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hayden on the passing of Paula's father, Louis Weise.

### Thank You

Thank you, Tony Searcy, for your work on installing the new doors in the parish hall and kitchen.

### Happy Anniversary - St. Sebastian



Lance & Stacy Green – April 14  
Ralph & Judy Ward – April 15

### Happy Birthday - St. Charles



Marsha Logsdon – April 9  
Hagan Fee – April 10  
Terry Baggett – April 12  
Cooper Layne Bishop – April 15

### Happy Birthday - St. Sebastian



Josh Searcy – April 9  
Lincoln Abney – April 14  
Kathy Hudson – April 15

### 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, Todd Tichenor, Kimberly Stiles, Louis & Alice Weise, Callie Hayden, Tom Schutte, Evelyn Drury, Bill Abney, Debbie Dunn, Ben Dunn, Tommy England, Louis Dant, Donald Durbin, Lance Green, Neil Hayden, Serena Cooper, Jeff Husk, Elaine West and Maurice Drury, JR.