

**Dear friends in Jesus Christ,**

The Jews have a very ironic story. In Poland during the Second World War, there was a synagogue, in which worship was going on. As the rabbi and the people were fully engaged in prayer, a man in a dirty dress came inside the synagogue and began to shout at them all saying: "You fools! What are you all doing here? The war is going on and you are wasting your time here. Come! Look at the people outside. They are wounded and in pain. They need help. There is no one to help them. You are like sheep that are misled. Your rabbi is misleading you. He is making you to believe in something that does not exist at all. It will be great if you could help the dying ones outside. God does not exist, He is only an imagination. If I am wrong, let your supposed to God and supposed heavens say so."

Suddenly there were thunder and lightning. The roof of the synagogue was blown away, and the voice of God was heard: "Listen to him. What he says is right." In this ironic story, God approves and disapproves the man's condemnation and challenge respectively. Yes, prayer without action is dead (James 2:17). This is what the parable of "The Good Samaritan" teaches us. In the story, the people were the ones who professed, but did not perform; the man who performed did not profess. Here we have two sets of imperfect people; however, the man is the better one. In today's Gospel, we have the parable of the two sons. The first son does not profess, but performs; on the other hand, the second son professes, but does not perform. Both the sons are imperfect examples, but the first son is preferred to the second. Dear friends, the Gospel is inviting us to make a serious examination of our relationship with God. Starting with the sacrament of Baptism, through every sacrament we promise that we will be faithful to God and His will, but how faithful we are is the question to think about personally and seriously.

Knowing all about our lives Jesus makes a heart breaking reminder to all the so called believers, you and I; "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the Kingdom of God before you." So, to say, the time that we spend celebrating the Sacraments and all other prayers will be a waste of time, unless and until our faith is lived meaningfully, in accordance with the will of God. Dear friends, the reminders by Jesus in the Gospel are aimed at our return to His unconditional love to experience His true love and peace. But do we take them seriously?

The two sons in the parable are imperfect examples to follow. Now, who can be the perfect example to follow in our lives? The answer is Jesus. This is what the second reading of today tells us too-"And being found in human form, Jesus humbles himself and

became obedient to the point of death-even death on a cross (Phil 2:8). Yes, Jesus promised and He performed, and to become like Jesus we need to follow Him. Yes, let us live the Gospel, more than preaching the Gospel. **God Bless!**

**Gasper River Catholic Youth Camp & Retreat**  
Family Retreats @ Gasper. Gasper River is offering family retreats at the camp this fall! There are many options available. You can book a lodge, bring your own meals or have Gasper cater meals, hike and explore, do activities, or just enjoy God's creation together. Call: 270-781-2466 to make a reservation.

**Guidelines for Resuming Parish Gatherings Outside the Liturgy**  
Effective (July 1, 2020), parish gatherings outside the liturgy as well as non-parish sponsored events held by groups renting or using parish facilities or property.

- Limit the persons in attendance to no more than 50% of the maximum permitted occupancy capacity of the space.
- Maintain physical distance of six feet minimum from those not living within the same household.
- Wear face covering over mouth and nose. Based on CDC recommendations, everyone over the age of two must wear a mask for the duration of any event held on parish property if closer than six feet to anyone not living within the same household.
- Conduct temperature checks for each participant.
- Ensure proper, frequent cleaning and sanitation of the gathering space, including restrooms.
- Follow State of Kentucky **Healthy at Work Requirements for Restaurants and Bars** for any form of food service.

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

**Financial Report - September 20, 2020**  
**St. Sebastian- Amount Needed: \$2,938.09 weekly**

Regular Collection	\$ 2,347.00 - 591.09
Emergency Fund	\$ 292.00
Holy Land	\$ 50.00

**Financial Report - September 20, 2020**  
**St. Charles - Amount Needed: \$1,147.46 weekly**

Regular Collection	\$ 883.00 - 264.46
Emergency Fund	\$ 0.00
Cemetery Fund	\$ 4,669.88

**Money Counting**  
Due to safety reasons we are suspending the duty of counting money. At this point in time Sarah Brown will be counting the collection. Thanks.

**Mass Schedule**  
**September 27 - October 4**

**Sunday - Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian  
*Dr. Robert Kraus Family*  
-10:30am - Mass at St. Charles  
*John W. Miller Jr.*

**Tuesday - St. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels (Feast)**  
-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian  
*Ray Adams*

**Thursday - Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church (Memorial)**  
-6:00pm - Mass at St. Charles  
*Souls in Purgatory*

**Saturday - Twenty-Sixth Week in Ordinary Time**  
-5:30pm - Mass at St. Sebastian  
*Danny Edwards*

**Sunday - Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian  
*Alvin Bickett*  
-10:30am - Mass at St. Charles  
*Stella Fogle*

**Rachel's Vineyard**  
Rachel's Vineyard offers post-abortion healing retreats for women & men who suffer from the effects of abortion. The retreat is Oct. 23-25 in a location near Owensboro. Contact Wendy at (270) 474-4707.

**Prayer List for members of our community:**  
Melanie Mayes, Jason Evans, Stella Ibrahims, Elaine West, Lisa Jackson, Howard Hillard, Brett McPherson, Stephanie Payne, Kathy Hudson, Evelyn Drury, Teresa Jones, Ethan Settle, Tom Schutte, Kim Staples, Katherine Roberts, Patricia Hardison, Tommy England, Dennis Millay, Todd Tichenor, Patricia Hayden, Jim Lebold, Jimmy Clayton, Candace Miller, Mary Jewell, Charlie May, David Abrams, Jackie Lee, Debbie Neal, James & Paula Tichenor, Tony Calvert, Mike Dant, Alice Durbin, Jim Logsdon Betty Bickett, John Muster, Pat Calhoun, Kyle Hicks, Kathy Owen, James Lewis Dant, Gloria Farmer, Lisa Vaught, and Louis Dant.

**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 & Corpsman Aly Franklin

**Diocese of Owensboro Announcement**  
The Diocese of Owensboro seeks to help all people who have been sexually abused, especially those abused by a person working, either paid or unpaid, for the Church. If you need to make a report of abuse, from either the past or present, please contact the Pastoral Assistance Coordinator at this confidential phone line (270-852-8380). The revised diocesan sexual abuse policy, effective July 1, 2014, describes the diocese's response to sexual abuse concerns, and can be found in the back of church, in the parish office and also on the diocesan web site (www.rcdok.org/safe).

**St. Sebastian - Happy Birthday**  
Susan Lebold - September 27  
Gates Tichenor - September 28  
Laurine Sexton - October 2  
Macie Caraway October 3

**St. Charles - Happy Birthday**  
Will Baggett - October 1

**St. Sebastian - Happy Anniversary**  
Joe & Tori Hayden - October 3

**Rosary Rally October 10th at 12:00pm**  
Everyone is welcome to pray the Holy Rosary for our nation and for World Peace in front of Father Jegin's House on Main Street.

**Hope in A Time of Pandemic: The Book of Revelation**  
Starts at 7:30am after the 7:00am Mass in the Parish Hall  
The Book of Revelation is the most misunderstood book in the Bible. Fr. Tony Shonis in five sessions beginning on September 19 will guide us in reading the Book of Revelation, both as a warning, and a source of hope for Christians undergoing a crises. This book carries a tremendous message for our time - you won't want to miss it! For those unable to attend in person, the sessions will be videotaped and made available on the Holy Name Parish website. For more details please call Holy Name Church in Henderson at (270) 826-2096

**Saturday: September 19**  
Introduction to Book of Revelation

**Saturday: October 3**  
What John Saw: Revelation 4 - 5

**Saturday: October 17**  
The Woes to Come: Revelation 6 - 11

**Saturday: October 31**  
The Woman Clothed With the Sun: Revelation 12 - 19

**Saturday: November 14**  
The New Creation: Revelation 21 - 22

Whenever you are unable to fill your ministry, please find someone to replace you and/or contact the office so your name will not be printed in the bulletin. Thank you for your understanding.