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 <p>See Derek Miller • 278-2376</p>	<p>KESSINGER Body Shop & Wrecker Service 4644 Ky 81 N. Calhoun, KY 42327 270-785-9003 24-hour wrecker service Gary Kessinger</p>	<p>Muster Funeral Homes Funeral Directors Since 1855 www.musterfuneralhomes.com</p>
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<p>CALHOUN Heating & Air Conditioning L.L.C.</p> <p>Jeff Calhoun (270) 702-8088 calhounhvacr@gmail.com</p>	<p>Hayes Disposal Service LLC</p> <p>270-256-3471</p> <p>928 S Main St, Hartford hayesdisposalservice@gmail.com</p>	 <p>RICE CONTRACTING NO DIRECTIONAL DRILLING</p>
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	<p>Happy  St. Patrick's Day</p>	<p>Charlie's Compost</p>  <p>"Your plants will love us." 270-499-1435</p>
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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



St. Sebastian Church
180 Hwy 136 West
Calhoun, KY 42327



St. Charles Church
506 Hill Street
Livermore, KY 42352

MARCH 17, 2024

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.

STAFF & CONTACTS

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Acts 2:42 Meeting
The Searcy-Hayden group will next meet on Sunday, March 17th at 4:00pm.

Lenten Penance Service
Penance Service will be held at St. Sebastian on Thursday, March 21st at 6pm for both churches. Please take advantage of this opportunity to amend and strengthen your relationship with Jesus.

2024 Lenten Fish Fry
Join us for our last Fish Fry on March 22. Enjoy a delicious meal of fish, French fries, hushpuppies, beans, coleslaw, and dessert for just \$12. You can eat in or take out. Serving starts at 5:00pm.

Online Auction
The online auction will start on Monday, March 18 at 5pm and end on Thursday, March 21 at 8pm. To participate in the auction please join the Facebook group "St. Sebastain Fish Fry Silent Auction". Items will be available for pick up on Friday at the Fish Fry or Sunday after Mass. Contact Laurine Sexton for more information 270-499-0101. Thank you.

No Mass
On Saturday, March 23rd there will be no confession and no Vigil Mass. Thank you.

Gasper River Catholic Youth Camp
If you have a child attending Gasper River Catholic Youth Camp this summer, please notify Laura Fritz or Lindsay Searcy. Thank you.

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.

ST. CHARLES

Parish Council: Christina Hudson 270- 871-6644
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.

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.

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.

Is anyone sick/admitted in the hospital?
If anyone is sick or admitted in the hospital, please let Pastor know or call the office.

Sacrament of Penance
Sacrament of Penance is administered every Saturday at 3:00 pm or by appointment at St. Sebastian Church.

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.

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.

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.

My dear friends in Jesus Christ,

Jesus used everyday things to teach His followers about God's will. He never had to search the internet or read many books to explain His message. In today's Gospel, Jesus uses the example of a grain of wheat. He says that the grain of wheat must die in the soil to produce a harvest. We can relate to this image because we live in a farming community, but do we really understand what Jesus means by this? How does the grain of wheat show us what it means to be His disciple and to live our Christian vocation?

In the first place, Jesus, in speaking of a grain of wheat dying, points to His own life and invites us to imitate His life in our lives and become a true disciple. The grain of wheat is a tiny thing, but when it falls to the ground and dies, a single grain of wheat can produce many more grains. In the same way, each one of us are like a single grain in this huge world, but just like the grain when we are ready to surrender ourselves to the will of God, the Gospel says, through our lives we can produce much fruit. The Gospel of Luke 6:44 says *Each tree is recognized by its own fruit. People do not pick figs from thorn bushes, or grapes from briars*". Yes, we Christians are the fruits of one single grain called Jesus Christ, who died for us, thus we are called Christians. The same way we are called upon to bear fruits who can witness Christ in this world, but is that happening? If we acknowledge that we are Christians, and not producing the fruit as Christ wanted, what is our discipleship, what is our Christian Vocation, how can we call ourselves Christians?

We are taught and we confess that Jesus had two natures: Human and Divine. We understand that in Jesus; it was the Divine nature that was dominant and so we have a life in Jesus Christ as Christians. Likewise, as human beings, we also have two natures; Human & Divine, but it is the human nature that dominates us and often suppresses the divine nature within us. This is the reason we need to embrace the core message of the Gospel- *"Truly, truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it bears much fruit."* Yes, the word of God reminds us that, we should be ready to shed our human nature and wake up the divine nature in us and only then we can bear fruit for Christ in this world. Therefore, it is only by activating our divine nature that we can become a faithful follower of Christ and fulfill our calling. This is what St. John the Baptist meant when he said, *"He must increase, and I must decrease"*. So, today as we continue to celebrate this Mass, let us ask the Eucharistic Lord to inspire us with His grace, so that we will realize the truth that we are not only humans, but we are more Divine. **God Bless.**

Contribution Envelopes – St. Sebastian
If you have not collected your contribution envelopes, please do so as you leave. Thank you.

Lenten Eucharistic Adoration
St. Sebastian
Fridays from 9:30am – 3pm.

St. Charles
Wednesdays from 12:30pm - 5:30pm.

Please sign up to be with the Eucharistic Lord.

Gasper River Catholic Youth Camp & Retreat Center
Registrations are coming in at a record pace for our 17th summer! Go to our website to get signed up today! Summer staff positions are available for the 2024 summer camp season. Candidates must be one year removed from high school and a practicing Christian. Volunteer counselor positions are also available for the 2024 summer. Candidates must be at least 16 years of age. We need young people who desire to know Jesus, work with the next generation to help them grow in their faith. Please go to www.gasperriverretreatcenter.org for more information on all things summer camp! Register or apply today and get ready for the summer of a lifetime!

"Christ beside me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ within me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me." -St. Patrick

Happy St. Patrick's Day

Attention please!
Holy Week starts with Palm Sunday on the 24th. Everyone is encouraged to participate in all liturgical celebrations. On Tuesday the 26th, there will be NO daily Mass. Instead, you are encouraged to attend the Chrism Mass at the Owensboro Sports Center at 6:30pm. Also, the individuals who has signed up for Holy Week ministry, please make sure to be available.

Thank you for your continued support.

Financial Report – March 10, 2024
St. Sebastian- Amount Needed: \$3,035.00 weekly.

Regular Collection	\$ 4,015.00 + 980.00
Emergency Fund	\$ 295.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 15.00
Special Collections	\$ 80.00

Financial Report – March 10, 2024
St. Charles - Amount Needed: \$1,228.00 weekly.

Regular Collection	\$ 1,082.00 - 146 .00
Cemetery	\$ 25.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 180.00
Special Collections	\$ 50.00

Mass Schedule
March 17 – March 24

Sunday – Fifth Sunday of Lent
-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian
Thomas & Janice Hobbs
-10:30am - Mass at St. Charles – *Justin Lambert*

Monday – Fifth Week of Lent
-8:30am – Mass at St. Sebastian – *JoAnn Hayden*

Tuesday – St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Solemnity)
-8:30am – Mass at St. Sebastian – *Louise Waters*

Wednesday – Fifth Week of Lent
-8:30am – Mass at St. Sebastian – *Betty Bickett*
-5:30pm – Mass at St. Charles - *Souls in Purgatory*

Thursday – Fifth Week of Lent
-8:30am – Mass at St. Sebastian
Deceased members of the Bickett Family
-6:00pm – **Penance Service at St. Sebastian**

Friday – Fifth Week of Lent
-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian – *LV Dant Family*

Saturday – No Confession, No Mass

Sunday – Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
- 8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian
Jimmy & Gail Clayton
-10:30am – Mass at St. Charles – *John Miller, Jr.*



St Mary Magdalene Truck Raffle
St. Mary Magdalene are having a GMC 2500 Truck raffle. The drawing will be on April 7. Tickets are \$50. Only 3,000 tickets will be sold. To purchase tickets, visit the church office 7:30—12:30 weekdays: 7232 Hwy 56 Owensboro 270-771-4436 or <https://stmarymagd.org/>.

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, Charles May, Jerry Abney, Tori Hayden, John Pinkston, Bob Guentner, Helen Kraus, Jimmy Clayton, Ethan Settle, Louis Dant, Sharon Anderson, Blakley Owens, Tasha Miller, Ben Dunn, Warren Pinkston, Theresa Rust, Cassie Alexander, Jeanie Wedding, Hannah Bercegeay Mark Logsdon and Mike Logsdon.

Ursuline Sisters' new Quilt Club drawings
Now is the time to purchase your annual Quilt Club tickets from the Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph, Maple Mount, Ky. For one \$25 ticket, you get 12 chances to win a new handmade quilt! A new name is drawn on the first Friday of each month beginning April 5, 2024 through March 7, 2025. Watch the drawings live on the Ursuline Sister's Facebook page at noon Central Time: www.facebook.com/ursulinesmsj. Purchase your tickets before the first drawing in order to get the most chances to win. Only 2,500 tickets will be sold. Proceeds support the mission and ministries of the Ursuline Sisters. Call 270-229-2008, email carol.braden-clarke@maplemount.org or order online at <https://ursulinesmsj.org/purchase-your-mount-saint-joseph-quilt-club-tickets/>

Free Tax Prep
Every Thursday from 12pm to 5pm until April 11th, there will be free tax prep service for anyone making less than \$75,000 a year.

"As Lent is the time for greater love, listen to Jesus' thirst...He knows your weakness. He wants only your love, wants only the chance to love you." - St. Theresa

Happy Birthday - St. Sebastian

Jude Cooper – Mar.16
Liam Cooper – Mar.16
Betty Abrams – Mar. 20

Ministry Schedule
Sunday, March 24, 2024

St. Sebastian Euch. Min: Susie Alexander
Drew McCarty
Patricia Hayden
First Reading: Gail Clayton
Second reading: Earlene Abney
Passion Reading: Marc Searcy
Paula Hayden
Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. Larry Hardison
Altar Servers: Jude Cooper
Henry Fritz
Money Counters: Patricia Hayden
Susie Alexander
Donuts: Scott & Marie Caraway

St. Charles Euch: Min: Jackie Lee
Derek Miller
First Reading: Lee Edwards
Second Reading: Ann Renfrow
Passion Reading: George Rhodes
Cooper Bishop
Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. Kyle Chappell
Money Counters: Sherry Logsdon
Darrell Bishop