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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.

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

JANUARY 7, 2024



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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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.

Christmas Decorations

We will be removing the Christmas decorations after the mass on January 7th. We humbly ask for your help. "Many hands make light work."

Communion Service

There will be Communion Services offered at St. Sebastian on Tuesdays and Thursday at 8am during Fr. Jegin 's absence. Our regular Mass schedule will resume on February 4th.

Online Auction

It's a new year and our annual Fish Fry and Online Auction is right around the corner. The auction will be coordinated by Laurine Sexton, who is looking for donations of baskets and other special items. If you have something to offer or want to learn more, please call Laurine at 270-499-0101. Thank you.

Acts 2:42 Eucharistic Group – St. Charles

Acts 2:42 Eucharistic Group will meet on the second Sunday of each month 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 Lee Edwards 270-202-2873.

Acts 2:42 Eucharistic Group – St. Sebastian

If you are interested in joining a small group, we have two options for you. One group is led by Debra Hamilton, Neil and Laurie Scott, and they meet at their home every third Sunday of the month. The other group is led by Marc and Lindsay Searcy, and Mark and Paula Hayden, and they meet at the parish hall once a month on Sundays. To learn more about the groups, please contact the leaders directly.

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,

Miss Miriam Booth, the daughter of the Salvation Army's founder, was a beautiful and brilliant woman who devoted her life to Christian charity. She started her noble work with great passion and zeal, and achieved remarkable results. However, she soon became ill and her condition worsened until she was on the verge of death. A friend who came to see her remarked, "It is so unfortunate and disheartening that a woman serving God is stopped by sickness." She answered with gentle grace, "It is wonderful to serve God's work, but it is more wonderful to serve God's

St. John the Baptist, the great prophet of God, announced the coming of the Messiah with joy and zeal. He called people to turn away from their sins and to receive the baptism of water as a sign of their new life. He was faithful to his mission of preparing the way for the Lord. But he also knew that he was not the one they were looking for. He humbly pointed to Jesus as the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. He invited his disciples to follow Jesus and to witness his glory. He rejoiced to see Jesus increase as he himself decreased. St. John the Baptist was a true servant of God, who loved Jesus more than himself.

St. John the Baptist proclaims Jesus as the Lamb of God. What does this amazing title mean? If we look at the Old Testament, we find that lambs were killed and eaten by the Israelites on the night of their escape from Egypt. The blood of those lambs marked the houses that God spared from his wrath. The lambs were also offered for the forgiveness of sins in the Old Testament. So, the lamb became a sign and symbol of God's people being freed from slavery and oppression. But for us, Jesus is the new Lamb who brings us liberty and salvation from the power of evil and sin. He gave himself up to take away our sins and by his precious blood we are all cleansed and redeemed.

As St. John the Baptist points out Jesus to his followers, two of them decide to follow him. Jesus notices them and asks them a crucial question-what do you seek? This question is also addressed to us, who claim to be followers of Jesus-what do we seek by following him? The followers respond by asking Jesus where he lives, and Jesus invites them to come and see. They go with him and spend the day with him, and they realize that he is the true Messiah. Andrew, one of the followers, shares this amazing discovery with his brother Simon and brings him to Jesus.

My dear friends, we can only share the good news of Jesus if we have experienced his love in our own lives. If we try to evangelize without knowing Jesus

personally, we will sound like the hypocritical scribes and Pharisees, who did not bring anyone closer to God but only imposed heavy burdens on them. As disciples of Jesus, we have responded to his call in the Gospel, and we have come to his dwelling place: the Eucharist. But our challenge is to encounter Jesus in the Holy Eucharist and to proclaim to others that we have met the Messiah. May God bless you all.

Vacation to India

Fr. Jegin is going to India on January 2nd and coming back on February 3rd. There will be no Saturday Mass while he is away. Saturday Mass will resume February 10th. Please pray for him and his safe journey. Also, watch out for scammers. Please do not respond to any calls or text referencing Fr. Jegin's name asking for gift cards or money. Thank you.





Upcoming Parent Workshop!

Join us for a Parent workshop hosted in 2024 (two choice of days to attend). As a parent and first educator of your child you have a challenge to accurately answer questions about "growing up". Learn how to joyfully accompany your child in the emotional, spiritual, and physical journey to adulthood through scripture and the sacraments. Leave with an abundance of resources available to you as parents.

Parents of any age child are welcome to attend.

January 13, 2024 - Holy Spirit Church in Bowling Green

February 24, 2024 - Blessed Mother in Owensboro.

visiting Learn more and register by https://owensborodiocese.org/parenting-resources/

Thank you for your continued support.

Financial Report - December 31, 2023 St. Sebastian- Amount Needed: \$3,035.00 weekly.

Regular Collection \$ 6.120.00 + 3.085.00 \$ 430.00 **Emergency Fund** Mass Intentions 30.00 \$ **Christmas Offering** \$ 1,169.17

Financial Report - December 31, 2023 St. Charles - Amount Needed: \$1,228.00 weekly.

Regular Collection \$ 1,052.00 - 176.00 **Christmas Offering** \$ 340.00 Special Collections \$ 130.00

Mass Schedule January 7 - January 14

Sunday - Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian

McIntyre & Dant Families

-10:30am - Mass at St. Charles - Teresa Shultz

Monday - No Mass

Tuesday - First Week in Ordinary Time

-8:00am - Communion Service at St. Sebastian

Wednesday- No Mass

Thursday - First Week in Ordinary Time

-8:00am - Communion Service at St. Sebastian

Friday - No Mass

Saturday - No Mass

Sunday – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:30am Mass at St. Sebastian Eddie Sallee
- -10:30am Mass at St. Charles

James & Mary Gladys Welker

Pray for Vocations.

Cursillo Retreats

Cursillo in the Diocese of Owensboro invites all adults to prayerfully consider making a Cursillo retreat in 2024! There are two English weekends scheduled. Check our website for updates: http://www.cursilloowensboro.org/

Men's Cursillo #76: February 29-March 3, 2024 Women's Cursillo #78: March 7-10, 2024

The retreats are held at Gasper River Catholic Camp in Bowling Green. The cost is \$180, which includes a \$50 deposit when you register. Some financial help is available.

Please Pray for our Military

SSgt. James (J.P.) Dye, John Randall Zaremba, Major Jack Kaina, Major Bradley Summers, Lance Corporal Marine Joseph Rvan 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

Tommy England, Sean, Serena & Marion Cooper, Cindy Miller, Bernadine Edwards, Gloria Tingle, Charles May, Jerry Abney, Tori Hayden, John Pinkston, Bob Guenthner, Helen Kraus, Jimmy Clayton, Brandon Algood, Ethan Settle, Louis Dant, Sharon Anderson, Blakley Owens, Tasha Miller, Ben Dunn, Louise Waters, Zack Daugherty, and Steve Bickett.

Happy New Year!

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-polices/). 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).

"When a husband and wife are united in marriage, they no longer seem like something earthly, but rather like the image of God himself." - St. John Chrysostom

Happy Birthday - St. Charles



Robert Baggett – Jan.10

Happy Birthday - St. Sebastian



Margaret Dant - Jan.7 Louise Waters - Jan. 7

Ministry Schedule Sunday, January 14, 2024

St. Sebastian Euch. Min: Marc Searcy

David N. Scott Cathy Burden

Lectors: Davis N. Scott

Stacey Green Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Fritz

Altar Servers: Joseph Fritz

Henry Fritz

Money Counters: Patricia Hayden

Susie Alexander

Donuts: Drew & Brianne McCarty

St. Charles

Euch: Min: Sherry Logsdon Darrell Bishop

Lectors: Marsha Logsdon

Derek Miller

Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. John Calhoun

Money Counters: Teresa Marcum

Rondy Humphrey