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	<p>THIRD SUNDAY OF Lent</p> 	
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The Parishioners of St. Sebastian & St. Charles Catholic Churches of McLean County would like to thank 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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



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



St. Charles Church
506 Hill Street
Livermore, KY 42352

MARCH 8, 2026

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
Parish Council: Marc Searcy 270-993-8161
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Rel Education Coord.: Lindsay Searcy & Laura Fritz
Youth Group: Kevin & Laura Fritz
St. Vincent de Paul: 270-499-2309
Knights of Columbus Council 15484:
 Meet every 3rd Monday at 6pm/St. Sebastian Neil Scott 270-499-0955
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.

Online Auction – St. Sebastian
 The Online Silent Auction will take place on Facebook the week of March 16th. If you would like to provide a monetary donation to sponsor a basket or have new item or items to donate, please contact Laurine Sexton at church or by phone 270-499-0101. Items will be posted Monday, March 16th and bidding will end Thursday, March 19th at 8pm. Items will be available for pick up at the March 20th Fish Fry or after Sunday Mass on March 22nd. Thank you in advance for your participation.

2026 Lenten Fish Fry – St. Sebastian
 March 13, & 20. Your help is still needed: Please SIGN UP to bring a homemade dessert, lend a hand serving food and drinks, or join the clean-up crew at the end of the night.

St. Charles Acts 2:42 Group Sessions – St. Charles
 Join us for the St. Charles Acts 2:42 group sessions "In The Word with Bishop Medley" on the second Sunday of each month at 9 AM. Join us for an inspiring study.

Focus on Faith Book Group
 Join Sister Ann from Mount St. Joseph as she leads the Focus on Faith Book Group on the second Thursday of every month at 10:30 AM in the St. Charles Church Hall. The next meeting is on March 12. This session's book will be "My Life with the Saints" by James Martin SJ. Sister Ann has been guiding Focus on Faith for 12 years, so come and engage in an exhilarating conversation to deepen your understanding of your faith.

Dear friends in Christ,

As much as we may be tempted to look back on the Israelites and wonder at their doubt in our first reading, if any of us have ever been truly thirsty, we will be moved to greater empathy for their plight. There are few things more troubling than not having enough water. We can go some amount of time without food, but water is a very urgent human need. And so, confronted with the horrific reality of being in a desert with no water, wondering if God has abandoned them no longer feels so surprising.

Our readings today invite us to grapple with moments we feel spiritually dry and begin to question God's providence. Especially in our modern context, we, too, are in a desert – not a physical but a spiritual one. We live in a world where sources connecting us to that deeper, richer inner life can feel hard to notice, hard to get to, hard to find. Sometimes it can seem as though the number of people in our midst who are plagued by spiritual thirst is very high. And in these moments of suffering and longing and need, we may find ourselves asking the same question as the Israelites in our first reading: *Is the Lord in our midst or not?*

In this season of Lent, we are invited to bring our spiritual thirst to the Lord. We see in the Gospel that Jesus himself is the source of the living water that satisfies the spiritual thirsts in our lives. *Whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst*, Jesus says. Just as God provided for the Israelites in the desert, so, too, he provides for us through his Son, Jesus, from whom blood and water poured as a fountain of grace. Here in this Mass, Jesus' self-offering on the cross becomes real and present to us. In the Eucharist, he continues to pour out his abundant life to refresh our souls.

But Jesus doesn't only give us himself. He also gives us the gift of his Spirit. Saint Paul reminds us that we will find our *peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ*, and in the love of God [that] has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. When we receive the love of God through the Spirit, we are, to borrow a phrase from Pope Francis, "set free from sin, sorrow, inner emptiness and loneliness" (*Evangelii Gaudium*, 1). Through the gift of the Spirit, we receive life-giving water in abundance.

Here in this sacred place, in this sacred time, let us acknowledge our thirst and our need for God. Let us not mask it or hide it with distractions or goods which cannot ultimately satisfy. We are invited

today to bring our thirst to God and, like the Samaritan woman, simply ask: Lord, *give me this water*.

Just as the Lord was waiting for the woman at the well, Jesus will meet us here in our need and provide life-giving water for all our spiritual thirsts.

"Let the mouth fast from foul words and unjust criticism for what good is it if we abstain from birds and fishes but bite and devour our brothers."

— St. John Chrysostom

Washing of the Purificators – St. Sebastian

March – Brenda Pinkston
April – Stacy Green

Join us for Lenten Day of Prayer on March 28 at Mount Saint Joseph

Lent is traditionally a time when Catholic Christians recommit themselves to more serious prayer, along with fasting and almsgiving. On March 28, 2026 – the Saturday of the fifth Week of Lent – all are invited to join Sister Cheryl Clemons in Maple Hall at Mount Saint Joseph (8001 Cummings Road, Maple Mount, Ky.) for a Day of Prayer and Reflection titled "Deepening Our Prayer Life: Advice from the Four Saint Teresas." Throughout the day, Sister Cheryl will offer insights on prayer from Saint Teresa of Avila, Saint Thérèse of Lisieux, Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein), and Saint Teresa of Calcutta. The day will include quiet prayer and reflection and opportunities for small group sharing. Lunch will be provided. The cost to attend is \$60. Sign up online by going to this link: <https://ursulinesmsj.org/calendar/> and click on the event and then the Register box. If you have any questions, call Doreen Abbott at 270-229-2006 or email doreen.abbott@maplemount.org.

Thank you for your continued support for both of our churches.

Financial Report – March 1, 2026

St. Charles - Amount Needed: \$1,550.00 weekly.

Regular Collection	\$2,434.00	(+884.00)
Emergency Fund	\$ 75.00	
Mass Intentions	\$ 50.00	
Diocesan Collections	\$ 190.00	

Financial Report – March 1, 2026

St. Sebastian- Amount Needed: \$3,210.00 weekly.

Regular Collection	\$1,390.00	(-1,820.00)
Emergency Fund	\$ 100.00	
Mass Intentions	\$ 5.00	
Easter Flowers	\$ 135.00	
Diocesan Collections	\$ 45.00	

Mass Schedule
March 8 – March 15

Sunday – Third Sunday of Lent

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian - *Betty Bickett*
-10:30am - Mass at St. Charles

James A. & Mary Gladys Welker

Monday – No Mass

Tuesday – Lenten Weekday

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian

Families of Alvin & Betty Bickett

Wednesday – Lenten Weekday

-5:30pm – Mass at St. Charles – *David Albin*

Thursday – Lenten Weekday

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian – *Jonathan Burden*

Friday – Lenten Weekday

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

Saturday – Lenten Weekday

-3:00pm - Confession
-4:00pm - Mass at St. Sebastian – *All Parishioners*

Sunday – Fourth Sunday of Lent

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian – *Mary Jewell*
-10:30am – Mass at St. Charles – *Charles Reid*



Lenten Penance Services

St. Martin – March 11 at 6pm
St. Alphonsus – March 12 at 6pm
St. Sebastian – March 19 at 6pm
Immaculate Parish – March 23 at 6pm
Precious Blood – March 24 at 6pm
St. Stephen Cathedral – March 29 at 6pm

Please Pray for our Military

1st Sgt. James (J.P.) Dye, John Randall Zarembo, 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 Joseph Kyle Ward (US Air Force).

Prayer List for Members of our Community

Bernadine Edwards, Charles May, Jerry Abney, Bob Guenther, Helen Kraus, Jimmy & Gail Clayton, Ethan Settle, Blakley Owens, Tasha Miller, Theresa Rust, Mark Logsdon, Mike Logsdon, Rony Humphrey, Wesley Robinson, Jimmy Tichenor, Jason Evans, Brenda Cooper, Darrell Henderson, Sharon Anderson, Janine Goatee, Kevin Fee, Kristin Bucio, John Pinkston, Jillian Phillips, Serena Cooper.

Happy Birthday - St. Charles



Sherry Logsdon – March 11

Happy Anniversary - St. Charles



John & Marsha Logsdon – March 8

Catholic Sisters Week is March 8-14

Catholic Sisters Week, celebrated on March 8-14, shines a light on the spirituality, mission, and community building of women religious around the world. This year's theme is "Stories of Hope and Heart" and the hashtag is #LikeaCatholicSister. You can find out more on this website: <https://c4wr.org/catholic-sisters-week/> The stories highlight the compassion, courage, prayer and service that continue to shape the lives and ministries of Catholic Sisters today. You can follow the Catholic Sisters Week Facebook page. Catholic Sisters Week is an official component of Women's History Month.

Happy Birthday - St. Sebastian



Linda Dempsey – March 9
David Scott – March 11

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, March 14, 2026

St. Sebastian Euch. Min: Susan Lebold
Lectors: Jim Lebold

Sunday, March 15, 2026

St. Sebastian Euch. Min: Marc Searcy
Cindy Schwartz
Cathy Burden
Lectors: Drew McCarty
Donna Dant
Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. Joe Hayden
Altar Servers: Will Searcy
Liam Cooper
Money Counters: Josh Searcy
Neil Scott
Donuts: Richard & Donna Dant/Devins

St. Charles Euch: Min: Derek Miller
Teresa Marcum
Lectors: Marsha Logsdon
Derek Miller Miller
Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. Jeremy Coakley
Money Counters: Teresa Marcum
Rondy Humphrey