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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.

<p><u>Sacrament of Baptism</u> 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.</p> <p><u>Is anyone sick/admitted in the hospital?</u> If anyone is sick or admitted in the hospital, please let Pastor know or call the office.</p> <p><u>Sacrament of Penance</u> Sacrament of Penance is administered every Saturday at 4:30pm or by appointment at St. Sebastian Church.</p>	<p><u>Rite of Christian initiation of adults and children (RCIA):</u> 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.</p> <p><u>Sacrament of Marriage</u> 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.</p>
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Bulletin Information

Information for the Bulletin needs to be submitted to St. Sebastian's office by Wednesday.
270-273-3185 or stsebch@bellsouth.net

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.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



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

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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: David Albin 270-499-3950
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.

FEBRUARY 26, 2023

RCIA Meetings

The RCIA meeting will be held after the 8:30am mass this morning instead of 6:00pm. Thank you

Lenten Eucharistic Adoration

Signup sheet for adoration at St. Sebastian (March 3rd) and St. Charles (March 8th) are placed on the table outside and back of the church respectively. Please consider spending time with the Lord for an hour only. Thank you.

Lent-Alms Giving

The season of Lent encourages us to enhance the spirit of the Lord in us through the exercise of Fasting, Prayer, and Almsgiving. St. Vincent de Paul is happy to receive any form of donations to help the needy in our county especially. Your cooperation is appreciated. God Bless.

Eucharistic Revival

To have parish level Eucharistic Revival discussion, you are kindly requested to be part of one of the 5 groups in St. Sebastian Parish and one of the 2 groups in St. Charles Church. Sign-up sheets are placed on the table outside the church and back of the church respectively. You can choose the group that you wish to be under the guidance of your preferable group leader. Each group is expected to meet once a month starting from September-2023 To May 2024, to discuss and learn more about the Holy Eucharist. Please sign up. Thank you in advance.

Need More Volunteers – St. Sebastian

We need more volunteers to help at the Fish Fries during the month of March. Sign-up sheets are placed outside the church on the table.

Dear Friends in Jesus Christ,

There is no doubt that everyone has the greatest desire to experience heaven here on earth and enter heaven. However, we know temptations in our lives always remain as a stumbling block to fulfill our greatest desire during our lifetime. To fulfill this greatest desire only we pray daily; *“thy kingdom come, and thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.”* Despite our daily prayers, we often fail to experience the Kingdom of God in our lives. Knowing about our vulnerability, the Psalmist encourages us to continue our effort to fulfill our greatest desire by saying; *“commit your life to the Lord, and He will help you.”* Yes, dear friends, a true commitment to the Lord is the required quality we all should have in order to experience the kingdom of God in our lives and, thus, to maintain the quality of the brand name ‘Christianity’ through our lives. Yes, a commitment like that of Jesus to the will of His Father.

As we have already begun the season of Lent, this season encourages us to reflect about the commitment of Jesus to His father’s will more than anything in this world. Starting this great season in our spiritual life on this past Wednesday, the Gospel reminded us to discipline our spiritual life through three different methods; Fasting (abstaining from Sin), Prayer (being with the Lord) and Almsgiving (being with my neighbor), so that we may have the same quality of commitment Jesus had towards His Father in Heaven.

The Gospel of today proclaims to us about the great commitment of Jesus towards His Father by fighting successfully against the temptations of this world. Overall, the Gospel reminds us that temptations are part of human life, but our effort should be, not to fall into temptations. Today, Jesus invites our attention to learn from Him, how He overcame the temptations in His life.

All our temptations are only in relation to our bodily needs, especially of what to eat, drink and to wear. It is the same temptation method the devil always uses, and that is what we see in the story of our first patents-Adam & Eve, and in the first temptation of Jesus. The devil gives the impression that, the body is most important in our lives. Yes, the body is important, but it is not the most important thing in our lives. Let us take a moment to reflect about the investment we make for the maintenance of our body, and for the maintenance of our soul. Jesus reminds us very clearly – *“one does not live by bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.”* Yes, the body needs food, drink and clothing, the same way the soul needs to be fed with the Word of God, and do I care for my soul?

Matthew 16:28, puts an important question to each of us - *what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world but loses his own soul?*” As children of God, we should have the same food as Jesus. In John 4:34 Jesus says, *“My food is to do the will of Him who sent me and to finish His work.”*

Every temptation is a test, testing of our divine energy, to do the works of the Lord effectively, so that our Christian life may not be a scandal to others. In the second temptation Jesus is asked to throw himself down from the parapet of the temple, and thus gain the popularity or the attention of others. The disciples were fighting among themselves to find out who is greatest among them all. To them Jesus said, *“If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.”* Reflect, do we have an appetite for popularity or attention seeking like the scribes and pharisees of Jesus time? 1 Cori. 10: 31 says, *“So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.”*

Jesus’ response to the third temptation teaches us how to overcome the feeling of temptations and falling into temptations. Jesus says, *“You shall worship the Lord your God alone, and Him alone you shall serve.”* Yes, our Lord and His will should be the priority in our lives and anything different than that is an idol worship. Look at Jesus, even during His great agony, He prayed; *“Father, if you are willing, take this cup from Me. Yet not My will, but yours be done.”* So, as Christians, our priority in our lives is not our personal will, if we do so it becomes a SIN (Self Interested Nature). Dear friends, during this Lent Jesus invites us to be with Him always, by overcoming all temptations through His true love. Let us ask the Eucharistic Lord to fill our hearts with His Eucharistic Love. **May the Good Lord Bless you.**

RCIA Candidates

Our RCIA Candidates (Kyle Ayer, Becky Kline, Trudy Tichenor and Vernon Jennings) will be participating in the Rite to Election this evening, Sunday, February 26th at St. Stephen Cathedral at 6:00pm. Please pray for them as they continue their journey in the Catholic Faith.

“As far as you can, do some manual work so as to be able to give alms, for it is written that alms and faith purify from sin.”
-St. Poemen

Financial Report – February 19, 2023

St. Sebastian- Amount Needed: \$3,067.00 weekly

Regular Collection	\$2,665.00 - 402.00
Emergency Fund	\$ 35.00
Special Collections	\$ 30.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 105.00

Financial Report – February 19, 2023

St. Charles - Amount Needed: \$1,249.00 weekly

Regular Collection	\$1,201.00 - 48.00
Emergency Fund	\$ 25.00

Mass Schedule
Feb. 26 – March 5

Sunday – First Sunday of Lent

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian – *Morgan Farley*
-10:30am - Mass at St. Charles - *Parishioners*
-6:00pm – Rite of Election at St. Stephen Cathedral

Monday – First Week of Lent

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian – *Tori Hayden*

Tuesday – First Week of Lent

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian- *Lisa Young*

Wednesday – First Week of Lent

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian – *Joe Bickett*
-12:30pm – 5:30pm – Eucharistic Adoration at St. Charles
-5:30pm – Mass at St. Charles
Sabrina Whitehouse Evans

Thursday – First Week of Lent

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian
Expectant Mothers

Friday- First Week of Lent

-8:30am – Mass at St. Sebastian
Tichenor – Leachman Families
-9:30am – 3:00pm – Eucharistic Adoration at St. Sebastian

Saturday – First Week of Lent

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

Sunday – Second Sunday of Lent

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian – *Joe Hayden*
-10:30am – Mass at St. Charles – *Joe Marcum*

Prayer, Fasting, Almsgiving

Please Pray for our Military

MMN1 Andrew Logsdon, SSgt. 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 Corpsman Aly Franklin.

Prayer List for Members of our Community

Melanie Mayes, Lisa Jackson, Ethan Settle, Pat Calhoun, Sonny Renfrow, Kimberly Stiles, Alice Weise, Callie Zhang, Becky Cheatham, Debbie Dunn, Ben Dunn, Tommy England, Louis Dant, Lance Green, Serena Cooper, Maurice Drury JR., Marcie Vanover, Cindy Miller, Betty Bickett, Gloria Tingle, Charles May, Tony Searcy, Jerry Abney, Bea Dame, Heath Dame, Tori Hayden, John Pinkston, Thomas Scott, Bob Guenther, and Margie Cobb

Lenten Penance Service

During the month of March, Confession will be offered at both churches every Sunday.

St. Charles – after the mass
St. Sebastian – 5:00pm – 6:00pm

Sunday Bunch – St. Charles

St. Charles will have potluck brunch every first Sunday of the month after mass.

St. Patrick’s Day

St. Patrick’s Day falls on Friday, March 17th this year. Bishop Medley has chosen to dispense Catholics in the Diocese of Owensboro from the obligation to abstain from meat on that Friday during Lent.

Happy Anniversary – St. Charles



Hagan & Stephanie Fee – Feb. 26

Happy Birthday - St. Sebastian



Kimberly Cooper – Feb. 27
Stacy Green – Feb. 27
Logan Vaught – Feb. 29
Alastair Cooper – March 1
James Durbin – March 1
Emily Lancaster – March 1

Ministry Schedule
March 4, 2023

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

Ministry Schedule
March 5, 2023

St. Sebastian Euch. Min: Debra Hamilton
Sid Hayden
David N. Scott
Lectors: Lindsay Searcy
Kathy Hudson
Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Ward
Hospitality Ministers: Neil Scott
John Pinkston
Money Counters: Kimberly Cooper
Gail Clayton

St. Charles Euch: Min: Lee Edwards
Darrell Bishop
Lectors: Derek Miller
Geneva Bishop
Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Staples
Money Counters: Mark Logsdon
Derek Miller