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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 SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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



FEBRUARY 23, 2025



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.

Online Auction – St. Sebastian

In the past few years, we have had great success with the online auction with the help of Laurine Sexton and all our wonderful donors. If you would like to donate money, items for baskets or any other items for the auction, please contact Laurine at 270-499-0101. This year the online auction will start the bidding on 3/17 and close on 3/20 at 8:00pm. Pickups at the fish fry on 3/21 or after Mass on 3/23. Thank you.

2025 Fish Frys - St. Sebastian

Mark your calendars for March 7th, 14th, 21st, and 28th for the 2025 Lenten Fish Frys. Sign-up sheets are available on the table. Thank you.

Father's Vacation

Fr. Jegin will be returning from vacation on February 27th. During this time there will be no Vigil Mass. Vigil Mass will return on March 8th. Also, please be aware of scam calls and text messages. If you happen to get any emails, calls, or text messages in the name of or on behalf of Fr. Jegin please do not respond. Thank you.

Lenten Eucharistic Adoration

During the Lenten season, we invite you to join us for Eucharistic Adoration every Friday 9:30am to 3pm. This is a great opportunity to deepen your relationship with Jesus Christ. The sign-up sheet is located on the table. Thank you.

Act 2:42 Meeting

St. Charles Acts 2:42 Group will continue to meet on the second Sunday of each month. Come join us on January 12 as we continue to learn and celebrate the Eucharist.

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,

The Gospel of today is one of the most difficult teachings of Jesus to be practiced in our life. To love one's neighbor as oneself is demanding enough. So, to love one's enemy is certainly very demanding. Jesus is the most ideal teacher of all time, of all the subjects concerning human life, because He teaches us only what He practiced in His own life. By teaching us many subjects about our life, Jesus expects all of us to practice them in our lives, only then we can be qualified as Christians and be graduated to the Kingdom of God.

Today's first reading is dramatic. David had the death warrant of his enemy King Saul who was on a mission to kill him in his hands, yet he refused to pronounce it. Instead, he left it for God to pronounce in His way and at his appropriate time. He heeded God's word: "Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Do not take revenge. Vengeance is mine." David's forgiveness of his enemy shows his greatness. Such forgiveness is possible only for people who appreciates the forgiveness of God in their lives and surely, David does that. One will be able to forgive his or her enemy when he/she appreciates that every human enemy is "the Lord's anointed" and every human being is a child of God. We will be able to forgive our enemies when one is convinced that forgiving an enemy brings forth much more grace to one's life. It is a moment of grace by which God wants us to demonstrate how we want Him to later iudge us: "forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us" (Matt. 6:12). This leads us to the next point: One believes that God is the ultimate judge and rewarder. Like David, we should deal mercifully with our enemies, since ultimately God will judge us all.

Yes, dear friends, love is an easy topic to talk about for hours and hours, but at the same time it is the most difficult quality to practice in our lives. Have you ever thought of the reason why often we fail in the subject of love in our lives? Because even though we are liberated from the law of the Old Testament to the New Testament law of grace through Jesus' Passion, Death and Resurrection, still most of us are not updated. The Old Testament teaches us that "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth." But Jesus teaches us an updated syllabus by saying "love your enemies and do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you..." Thus, Jesus makes clear that "do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets, I have not come to abolish them, but to fulfill them."

We all agree that the present world needs peace. The desired peace is possible only through love and forgiveness, not through war or hatred. No doubt,

forgiving others is practical and logical because taking revenge in any manner does not solve the problem. rather it worsens the situation and that is what we experience today. This is the reason Jesus says, "offer no resistance to someone who is evil." Jesus did not offer any resistance to the evil inflicted upon Him. So, He prayed, as He was crucified; "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."

Through the Gospel of today, Jesus invites us to get back to the life of grace, by leading a different life, and by doing things differently for the glory of God. Yes, we are all consecrated to lead a different life of divine. By giving us all the advice to lead a perfect Christian life, Jesus says very clearly that, only by doing that we will be called the children of the Highest, otherwise we will not be. Often, we say, "to error is human and to forgive is divine." Though, we are human beings, we are called to be divine beings through the exercise of God's love in our lives. Only when we become divine beings through God's love, we will be able to establish the Kingdom of God here on earth. God Bless.

Faith & Hope & Love AND THE GREATEST OF THESE IS LOVE

March 14-16: Youth 2000

The Youth 2000 retreat is a weekend experience for youth that includes inspirational talks, music and the celebration of Mass. The Holy Spirit will be moving, and lives will be touched. For more information, contact the Diocesan Office of Youth Ministry at 270-683-1545

Ursuline Sisters' new Quilt Club drawings

Quilt Club tickets for 2025-26 are now available for purchase 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 lucky winner's name is drawn on the first Friday of each month beginning April 4, 2025 through March 6, 2026. 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. Call 270-229-2008, email carol.bradenclarke@maplemount.org or order online at https://ursulinesmsj.org/guilt-club/

No offertory collection on February 16, 2025, due to no Mass.

Financial Report - February 9, 2025 St. Sebastian- Amount Needed: \$3,187.00 weekly.

Regular Collection \$3,945.00 (+758.00) **Emergency Fund** \$ 255.00 Mass Intentions 5.00

Financial Report - February 9, 2025 St. Charles - Amount Needed: \$1,468.00 weekly.

\$1,303.00 (-165.00) Regular Collection Cemetery Fund \$ 25.00

Mass Schedule February 23 – March 2

Sunday - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian - Curtis Howard -10:30am - Mass at St. Charles - Linda Evans

Monday - No Mass

Tuesday - No Mass

Wednesday - No Mass

Thursday - No Mass

Friday - No Mass

Saturday – No Mass

Sunday – Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian - Jason Evans -10:30am - Mass at St. Charles - JoAnna Cook

Women's Retreat at Sts. Peter and Paul. **Hopkinsville Saturday, March 22**

The Roses of Sts. Peter and Paul, Women's Organization in the parish, cordially invite you to join us for a morning of renewal and rejuvenation this Lent. With the Blessed Virgin Mary as our guide, we will learn to embrace our faith and explore how to live our unique call to holiness with grace and strength.

This retreat offers inspiring talks by Catholic speaker Amber Ezeani, fellowship and Adoration, Please contact JoAshley Hall at joashley7@yahoo.com or 270-498-6270

Triva Night - March 1, 2025, Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Hall from 5:30-9:00

First Place \$200 Second Place \$100 Third Place \$50 Spaghetti Supper with cash bar, silent auction, door prizes and 50/50 pot.

Teams of 8 members or less. Tickets are \$25 a person. Must be 21 or over to enter. Please purchase tickets early by reaching out to ph: 270-684-5369 or email: chollis@lourdescatholicchurch.com.

Please Pray for our Military

1st Sqt. 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 Joseph Kyle Ward(US Air Force).

Prayer List for Members of our Community

Bernadine Edwards, Charles May, Jerry Abney, John Pinkston, Bob Guenthner, Helen Kraus, Jimmy Clayton, Ethan Settle, Louis Dant, Sharon Anderson, Blakley Owens, Tasha Miller, Theresa Rust, Cassie Alexander, Jeanie Wedding, Mark Logsdon, Mike Logsdon, Mark Vollman, Chuck Green, Rondy Humphrey, Wesley Robinson, Marie Caraway, Jimmy Tichenor, Jason Evans.

Work and Service Opportunities

Looking for the adventure of a lifetime? If you are at least one year out of high school, apply to work as a summer staffer at Gasper River Catholic Youth Camp. Learn amazing skills, mentor young people in life and their faith and make friends that you will have for the rest of your life! It's one of the best items you can list on your resume as well! Come and see what Jesus has for you at camp!

If you are 16 years old or older, apply to be a volunteer counselor at Gasper River for the 2025 season. Mentor youth, learn to lead a small group and have a blast at camp! All information for camps, volunteering and working at camp are on our website,

www.gasperriverretreatcenter.org

Cursillo upcoming events

Men's and women's weekends are taking registrations now. Men's weekend is Feb. 27-March 2, 2025. Women's weekend is March 6-9, 2024. For more information or to sign up, contact Christy Allard at (270) 889-1526.

Happy Birthday - St. Sebastian



Mike Hayden – Feb. 22 Kimberly Cooper – Feb. 27 Stacy Green - Feb. 27 Logan Vaught – Feb. 29 Alastair Cooper - March 1

Happy Birthday - St. Charles



Connor Logsdon - Feb. 21

Ministry Schedule Sunday, March 2, 2025

St. Sebastian Euch. Min: Marc Searcy

Cindy Schwartz Cathy Burden

Lectors: Marc Searcy

Macie Caraway

Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. Gary Bickett

Altar Servers: Jude Cooper Alastair Cooper

Money Counters: Mike Dant

Mike Hayden

Donuts: Church Breakfast

St. Charles Euch: Min: Sherry Logsdon

> Darrel Bishop Lectors: Philip Logsdon

Ann Renfrow

Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. John Renfrow

Money Counters: Pat Martinez

Philip Logsdon