

Dear friends in Jesus Christ,

Today, we have one of the most beautiful passages in the scripture. The 15th chapter of Luke narrates about three loses, their findings and the reaction thereafter. By presenting these three parables together, Luke wants us to be aware that we often get lost from the circle of Jesus in the same attitude that each parable is formed into, namely Ignorance, Carelessness and Pride.

In the first parable we have the lost sheep. There is no doubt; the sheep was lost due to its ignorance. The lost sheep which was part of another flock of sheep lost its company of other sheep because it might have been attracted and gone after the fresh grass. Today in this world, we have many examples of lost lives as a result of the indulgence in attractive worldly pleasures. Again, normally a shepherd will count his sheep only at the end of the day. In the same way, as we reflect upon this parable it invites us to count our life at the end of the day, whether we have lost the company of anyone from this world due to our actions, words etc. Remember, every Christian is a shepherd, so our call is not to scatter the sheep but to gather the sheep. People who fall away from God and blame their ignorance may remember that the whole Bible is an ever bright light which gives us wisdom and guidelines to live in different situations of life. This is what the gospel of Mark 12:24 says, "... you are badly misled, because you fail to understand the scriptures or the power of God".

The second parable is the lost coin. Be sure that, it was because of carelessness the woman lost her coin. The 10 coins stands for the 10 commandments and failing in one of them will disqualify us from the circle of God. So, this parable cautions us to live our life carefully because Proverb 19:6 says, "Whoever keeps commandments keeps their life, but whoever shows contempt for their ways will die".

The third and final parable we have is the lost son. People, those who understand this parable will know it is the pride of the younger son that brought damage to his own life. Today we have many people around living in their pride, who feel that they are self sufficient, don't need anyone's support, don't need church, don't need God, don't need Sunday Mass etc. People who think this way should be aware that they are not too far away from the situation of this lost son. Because Proverb 16:18 says, "Pride goes before disaster, and a haughty spirit before a fall".

By presenting these three parables, the Church reminds us that, her children should be ever watchful of these three deadly elements which can destroy our lives. In the first two parables, we see someone is going after the lost ones and in the third parable

we see someone is waiting for the lost one to come back. In the act of going after and waiting for, the commonality in all of them is the feeling of Hope; hope to get back the lost one, and this hope is the trademark of Christian Living and this hope is none other than Christ himself too. Again, in the first two parables someone went after the sheep and coin, because the sheep did not have intelligence and the coin did not have life in itself. But no one went after the son because the son was gifted with intelligence and life and that is what we read from the Gospel that, "coming back to his sense" he is thinking about his father and his love.

Dear friends, until today we may be out of the circle of Jesus due to our ignorance, carelessness, and pride, but remember that God has given us the intelligence and life, so we need to come back to our senses and ultimately to the love of God. Let us pray earnestly that our sense will be awakened always against ignorance, carelessness, and pride. May the Good Lord bless you all. **AMEN**

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Financial Report – September 4, 2022

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

Regular Collection	\$ 3,907.00 + 840.00
Emergency Fund	\$ 650.00

Financial Report – September 4, 2022

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

Regular Collection	\$1,095.00 – 154.00
Emergency Fund	\$ 40.00

**Mass Schedule
Sept. 11 – Sept. 18**

Sunday – Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian
Students & Teachers
-10:30am - Mass at St. Charles
Lauretta Evans Adkins

Monday – Twenty- Fourth Week in Ordinary Time
-8:30am – Mass at St. Sebastian – *Joe Bickett*

Tuesday – St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church (Memorial)
-8:30am – Mass at St. Sebastian – *Louis Weise*

Wednesday- The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Feast)
-8:30am – Mass at St. Sebastian – *Lisa Young*
-5:30pm – Mass at St. Charles – *Mary Albin*

Thursday – Our Lady of Sorrows (Memorial)
-8:30am – Mass at St. Sebastian - *Bea Dame*

Friday- No Mass

Saturday – Twenty- Fourth Week in Ordinary Time
-3:00pm – Confession
-4:00pm – Mass at St. Sebastian
Bill & Jacinta Garinger

Sunday – Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian – *Jamie Hobbs*
-10:30am - Mass at St. Charles - *Katherine Roberts*

All of us must be saints in this world. Holiness is a duty for you and me. So, let's be saints and so give glory to the Father. -St Teresa of Calcutta

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, Jason Evans, Lisa Jackson, Ethan Settle, Jimmy Clayton, Pat Calhoun, Sonny Renfrow, Kimberly Nowak, Kimberly Stiles, Alice Weise, Callie Hayden, Tom Schutte, Becky Cheatham, Debbie Dunn, Ben Dunn, Tommy England, Louis Dant,, Lance Green, Serena Cooper, Jeff Husk, Maurice Drury JR., Marcie Vanover, Cindy Miller, Betty Bickett, Gloria Tingle, Charles Mae, Tony Searcy, Jerry Abney, Bea Dame and Heath Dame.

Bluegrass on Beshear Pickin' Life

Bring a lawn chair and join others for some bluegrass music on Lake Beshear on Saturday, October 8 from 1-6 PM. Food, drinks, baked goods and merchandise will be available for purchase. There will also be more than \$3,000 in raffle prizes. Free admission. Proceeds benefit pro-life crisis pregnancy centers in western Kentucky. Learn more by visiting <http://www.bluegrassonbeshear.com/>.

Passionist Monastery Retreat House

Help needed! Now hiring a hospitality worker for the Retreat House at the Passionist Nuns monastery in Whitesville, Kentucky. Experience in housecleaning and food preparation is required. If you are interested, please call Christie at 270-302-8023

Happy Birthday - St. Sebastian



John Pinkston – Sept. 10
Gail Clayton – Sept. 11
Rachel Hudson – Sept. 11
Madison Rice – Sept. 11
Matt Hayden – Sept. 15

Happy Anniversary - St. Charles



John & Ann Renfrow – Sept. 10
Lee & Sandy Edwards – Sept. 12

**Ministry Schedule
September 17, 2022**

St. Sebastian Euch. Min: Kimberly Cooper
Lectors: Michael Cooper

September 18, 2022

St. Sebastian Euch. Min: Sid Hayden
David N. Scott
Mike Vollman
Lectors: Neil Scott
Marie Caraway
Gift Bearers: Debra Hamilton & Family
Hospitality Ministers: Jimmy Clayton
Bob Guentner

Money Counters: Kimberly Cooper
Gail Clayton

St. Charles Euch. Min: Lee Edwards
Darrell Bishop
Lectors: Marsha Logsdon
Ann Renfrow
Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. John Logsdon
Money Counters: Rondy Humphrey
Derek Miller