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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.

#### **SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**



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



#### MARCH 16, 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.

#### STAFF & CONTACTS

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#### ST. SEBASTIAN

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Meet every 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday at 6pm/St. Sebastian Neil Scott 270-993-7370 **Spec. Events Committee:** Becky Cheatham 270-314-8290

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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

#### This Lenten Season, Make a Difference

Please consider making a monetary and or food donation to St. Vincent de Paul, St. Sebastian Conference during this sacred time. Your support can bring hope and help to those in need in McLean County. God Bless.

#### Offertory Envelopes - St. Sebastian

We have transitioned to having our offertory envelopes delivered by mail on a bi-monthly basis. The first shipment is scheduled to arrive by April 1st. If you have not received your envelopes by this date, please contact the office for assistance. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!

#### **Lenten Penance Service**

St. Sebastian – April 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00pm St. Charles – April 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm

"Whereas Adam and Eve were the source of evil which was unleashed on the world, Joseph and Mary are the summit from which holiness spreads all over the earth."

-Pope St. John Paul II

#### 2025 Fish Frys - St. Sebastian

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

#### **Lenten Eucharistic Adoration**

During the Lenten season, we invite you to join us for Eucharistic Adoration every Friday 9:30am-3pm at St. Sebastian and every Wednesday 12:30pm-5:30pm at St. Charles. The sign-up sheet is located on the table. Thank you.

**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,

Fr. Anthony de Mello tells a story of an old man. "He was a revolutionary when He was young and all His prayer to God was: 'Lord, give me the grace to change the world.' As He approached middle age, he realized that half of his life was gone without changing a single soul. He then changed his prayer to: Lord, give me the grace to change all those who come in contact with me; just my family and friends and I shall be satisfied.' Now that he is old and his days are numbered, he realizes how foolish he was. His prayer now is: 'Lord, give me the grace to change myself.' He then said to himself, "If I had prayed for this right from the start, I should not have wasted my life." Yes, the season of Lent is calling for our own personal transformation.

Today, our first reading and Gospel share some common elements for our spiritual life. They both narrate the revelation of the glory and splendor of the future. In the first reading, we see that, due to Abraham's faith, God revealed to him the future glory that he is going to have, and God sealed this revelation with a covenant. This is an assurance that He will fulfill His promise to Abraham. In the Gospel we see that Jesus revealed His future glory to Peter, James, and John.

As we reflect about the transfiguration of Jesus, one might ask, why did Jesus take three of His disciples to the mountain rather than going by Himself. This was to assure His disciples that they were not wasting their time by following Him. He did it to increase and strengthen their faith in Him. He did it to resolve the argument about His personality. Most importantly, He did it to assure us of the future glory we would enjoy if we remained faithful to the end.

The transfiguration of Jesus should happen in our lives too and only then our Lenten season would become a meaningful one. The "transfiguration" in the Holy Mass is the source of our strength. In each Holy Mass, the bread and wine become "transfigured" or transformed (transubstantiated) into the living Body and Blood of the transfigured Jesus. Just as Jesus' Transfiguration was meant to strengthen the apostles in their time of trial, each Holy Mass should be our source of Heavenly strength against temptations, and for our Lenten renewal. Each time we receive one of the Sacraments, we are transformed: For example, Baptism transforms us into sons and daughters of God and heirs of heaven. Confirmation makes us temples of the Holy Spirit and warriors of God. By the Sacrament of Reconciliation, God brings back the sinner to the path of holiness.

The Transfiguration of Jesus offers us a message of encouragement and hope: In moments of doubt and

during our dark moments of despair and hopelessness, the thought of our own transfiguration in Heaven will help us to reach out to God and to listen to His consoling words to Jesus: "This is my beloved Son in Whom I am well pleased — listen to Him.!" To become the beloved of someone is to be ready to make any sacrifice and this is what we see in Peter, James and John. "...Peter and his companions were heavy with sleep, but they remained awake and saw His glory." After a stressful day, the disciples were tired; however, they were curious and wanted to know why Christ brought them there. Physically, they were asleep, but spiritually, they were awake. Like the disciples, we too must remain spiritually awake during this season to experience God's glory and be sure, we must be ready to make many sacrifices too. The greatest sacrifices we can make is to be faithful to the Lord always which helps us to understand ourselves (fasting), understand God (Prayer) and understand others (Fasting). This is what St. Paul also reminds us in the second reading. St. Paul argues that it is not observance of the Mosaic Law and circumcision that transforms people into Christians, but it is our Faith in Jesus Christ, so that we may share the glory of God in the future, because He is "Our light and our help." God Bless.

#### 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.

#### **Catholic Charities**

Catholic Charities would like to offer our assistance to those in poverty along with those who are underinsured or not insured with the recent floods. Survivors can call but they may have to leave a voicemail and wait for a return call: Office 270-683-1545 (calls only).

Ashley Ash 270-702-4952- calls & text messages
Stacey Menser 270-702-5049- calls & text messages
Karina Gonzalez 270-702-5053- calls & text messages

Thank you for your continued support.

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

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Regular Collection	\$4,	790.26 (+1,603.00)
Emergency Fund	\$	250.00
Easter Flowers	\$	25.00
Diocesan Collections	\$	130.00

## Financial Report – March 9, 2025 St. Charles - Amount Needed: \$1,468,00 weekly.

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Regular Collection	\$1,450.00 (-18.00)
Easter Flowers	\$ 150.00
Diocesan Collection	\$ 165.00

## Mass Schedule March 16 – March 23

#### Sunday - Second Sunday of Lent

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian - Charlene Williams -10:30am - Mass at St. Charles - Justin Lambert

#### Monday - Second Week of Lent

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian - Judy Towery

#### Tuesday – Second Week of Lent

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian

Deanna Abell Dickens

## Wednesday – St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary(Solemnity)

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian

Deceased members of the Bickett family

-5:30pm - Mass at St. Charles

For the return of fallen away Catholics

#### Thursday - Second Week of Lent

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian - JoAnn Hayden

#### Friday - Second Week of Lent

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

#### Saturday - Second Week of Lent

-3:00pm - Confession

-4:00pm - Vigil Mass at St. Sebastian - All Parishioners

#### Sunday - Third Sunday of Lent

- 8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian

Guy & Virginia Anderson

-10:30am - Mass at St. Charles - Betty Abrams

#### **Volunteer Opportunity with Catholic Charities**

The Diocese of Owensboro Catholic Charities is seeking volunteers. A wonderful opportunity to live out your faith in action. How to Get Involved: Contact Kathy Doup to learn how you can make a difference. Email: Kathy.doup@pastoral.org : 270-683-1545 ext. 387

#### Please Pray for our Military

1<sup>st</sup> Sgt. 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.

#### **Lenten Penance Services**

St. Peter of Alcantara – March 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm

#### St. Sebastian – April 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00pm

St. Alphonsus – April 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm Immaculate – April 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm

St. Martin – April 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm St. Charles – April 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm

Precious Blood – April 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm St. Stephen Cathedral – April 13<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm

#### **Diocese of Owensboro Men's Retreat**

The Diocese of Owensboro is excited to offer an overnight men's retreat April 25-26, 2025 at Rough River Dam State Resort Park located at 450 Lodge Road, Falls of Rough, KY 40119. The retreat will begin Friday evening and end at 3:00pm Saturday. We welcome John Edwards, host of the *Just a Guy in the Pew* podcast as our retreat host. To register and see a schedule of events visit https://owensborodiocese.org/cor-retreat/

#### Happy Birthday - St. Sebastian



Jude & Liam Cooper – March 16 Matthew Hayden – March 20

# Ministry Schedule Saturday, March 22, 2025

St. Sebastian Euch. Min: Volunteer Lector: Michael Cooper

#### Ministry Schedule Sunday, March 23, 2025

St. Sebastian Euch. Min: Neil Scott

Laura Fritz

Susie Alexander

Lectors: Cathy Burden

Paula Hayden

Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. Marc Searcy

Altar Servers: Evie Searcy

Annie Searcy

Money Counters: Patricia Hayden

Susie Alexander

Donuts: Scott & Marie Caraway

St. Charles Euch: Min: Scott Staples

Marsha Logsdon

Lectors: Lee Edwards

Pat Martinez

Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. John Calhoun

Money Counters: John Logsdon
Derek Miller