

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.

<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.

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.

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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

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

Parish Council: Marc Searcy 270-993-8161 Finance Committee: Tony Searcy 270-993-1775 Rel Education Coord.: Lindsay Searcy & Laura Fritz Youth Group: Kevin & Laura Fritz St. Vincent de Paul: 270-499-2309 Knights of Columbus Council 15484: Neil Scott 270-993-7370 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.

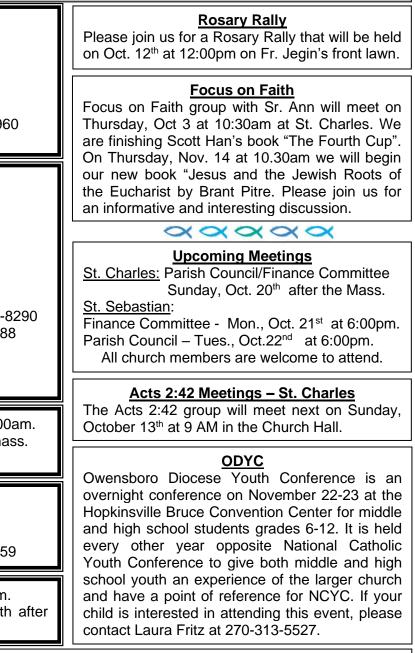
ALL ARE WELCOME • IF YOU ARE A VISITOR TO OUR CHURCH, WE WANT TO WELCOME YOU. IF YOU ARE NEW TO THE PARISHES, CALL 273-3185 OR STOP BY THE OFFICE DURING OFFICE HOURS TO REGISTER.

SEPTEMBER 29, 2024





St. Charles Church 506 Hill Street Livermore, KY 42352



Dear friends in Jesus Christ,

The Gospels of the last two Sundays revealed that, though the disciples were with Jesus for a long time, witnessing all of Jesus' preaching and teaching, miracles and healing, they failed to experience Him and understand His mission fully. Today, we see that the so-called favorite disciple of Jesus- John is making a complaint to Jesus, which is totally against the will of God and Jesus' mission, "Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he does not follow us." Yes, it is easy to be a follower of Jesus which does not need a commitment, but to be a true disciple of Jesus demands commitment and it is a great challenge, a challenge to live the life of Jesus through our lives. Only a true disciple of Jesus can become part of His body and blood and maintain a blood relationship with Him and know His will fully. This is the reason Jesus says, "one who does the will of my father in heaven is my mother, brother and sister." Through the Sacrament of Baptism, we are all given an opportunity to become Jesus' blood relations by sharing His Passion, Death and Resurrection, but days after we see that, most of us live as if we do not know anything about the Passion. Death and Resurrection of Jesus, and this attitude is a SCANDAL.

Dear friends, the attitude of John in the Gospel, is an invitation to examine our attitude too. Often, knowingly or unknowingly we too wear the mask of John on different occasions. Like John we too hear a lot about Jesus' preaching and teaching, miracles and healing and being a Catholic we believe that we are walking with Jesus, like the disciples were walking. But did we ever experience and know Him fully in our lives? The correct meaning of Christians is explained in the word 'Christians' itself. If we break the word into three pieces, we get the answer- Christ + in + us. But as Christians, do we have Christ in us when we think, talk, and act in our lives? If the spirit of Christ is not reflected through our lives. Jesus very clearly reminds us that our life is a scandal in this world.

Today, through the Gospel Jesus reminds us to continue our relationship with Him by being faithful to Him, rather than to this world, so that we may not be a scandal to others. He also reminds us that holiness of this world will be possible only through our holiness. So, Jesus says, *"whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were put around his neck and he were thrown into the sea."* Yes, dear friends, every sin in this world is a scandal to others in this world. The very purpose of our call and our profession of faith is to encourage others to love Jesus more and more. It is not only the duty of Cardinals, Bishops, priests and nuns to teach and encourage people to live their faith, but rather it is the duty of every Christian in this world. When we fail in our duty as Christian to live our Christian life faithfully, Christ is not lifted; rather, He is put to shame in this world through our lives.

Believe me or not, the real enemies of Jesus in this world are not any other religious people, but we Christians. The true enemy of Jesus during His lifetime was His own people and one of His disciples-Judas Iscariot. Let us not forget, when we fail to proclaim Jesus through our lives, we take the role of Judas in this world, who was never ashamed to share His Body and Blood on the Last Supper and went into darkness to sin and to die. When we receive the body and blood of Jesus without true repentance of our sins, we are disgracing the body and blood of Jesus like Judas did and be sure it is a scandal. This is what 1 Corinthians 11:27 says; "Therefore, whoever eats the bread and drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord." This attitude will never add brightness to this world, but only darkness.

So dear friends, the Gospel message for all of us is a call to be Holy and encourage others to be Holy through our worthy way of life. As we continue to celebrate this Holy Mass, let us ask the Eucharistic Lord to make us Holy as He is Holy. **God Bless You.**

"You know well that Our Lord does not look so much at

the greatness of our actions, nor even at their difficulty, as

at the love with which we do them." - St. Therese

Joy, Laughter, & Holiness Women's Retreat

Joy, Laughter, and Holiness Women's Retreat will return to Union County Kentucky on February 8, 2025, St. Ann Parish Hall, 304 S. Church St., Morganfield, KY 42437 from 8:00 am – 2:30 pm and all are welcome to attend. Come listen to our keynote speaker Jackie Angel as she shares her faith journey. Also featured are Olivia Burke & Sarah Lilly Malone, local speakers who will be sharing their faith journey with us. Registration will be held from 8:00-9:00 am with coffee/fruit breads for refreshments. The program will begin at 9:00am, lunch at noon, and the program will conclude at 2:30pm

Thank you for your generous donations.

	- <u>September 22, 2024</u> Needed: \$3,187.00 weekly.
Regular Collection	\$ 2,582.00 (-605.00)
Emergency Fund	\$ 70.00
Financial Report -	- September 22, 2024
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Mass Schedule September 29 – October 6

Sunday – Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time -8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian - *Jerry Wischer* -10:30am - Mass at St. Charles – *John Miller, Jr.*

Monday – St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church (Memorial) -8:30am – Mass at St. Sebastian – James Walters

Tuesday – St. Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church (Memorial) -8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian – *Rosie Shade*

Wednesday – The Holy Guardian Angels (Memorial) -8:30am – Mass at St. Sebastian

-5:30pm – Mass at St. Charles – Gloria O'Nan

Thursday – Twenty-Sixth Week in Ordinary Time

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian - Steve Davis

Friday – No Mass

Saturday – Twenty-Sixth Week in Ordinary Time -3:00pm – Confession

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

Sunday - Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - 8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian

George & Ida Mattingly -10:30am – Mass at St. Charles – Howard Campbell

"Shun, as you would the plague, a cleric who from being poor has become wealthy, or who, from being nobody has become a celebrity." - St. Jerome

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Attention Please.

If you or any of your family members are admitted to the hospital or sick at home, please notify the office or Fr. Jegin. Thank you.

Please Pray for our Military

1st 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 Corpsman Aly Franklin.

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, Allison Pinkston, Theresa Rust, Cassie Alexander, Jeanie Wedding, Mark Logsdon, Mike Logsdon, Mark Vollman, Chuck Green, Rondy Humphrey, Wesley Robinson, Marie Caraway.

<u>Mass Intentions</u> One of the greatest gifts that we can offer to our loved ones, both living and deceased, is to offer a Mass for them. A Mass can be offered for anyone for any reason such as a death anniversary, wedding anniversary, birthday or for good health. The gift of one Mass is \$5.	
Faith FormationOctober 6th & 13th – No Class – Fall BreakOctober 20th & 27th - Class	
Happy Birthday - St. Charles	
Fr. Jegin – Oct. 3	
Happy Anniversary - St. Sebastian	
Joe & Tori Hayden – Oct. 3	
Happy Birthday - St. Sebastian	
Laurine Sexton – Oct. 2 Macie Caraway – Oct. 3 Laura Fritz – Oct. 3 Fr. Jegin – Oct. 3	
<u>Ministry Schedule</u> Saturday, October 5, 2024	
<u>St. Sebastian</u> Euch. Min: Volunteer Lector: Michael Cooper	
<u>Ministry Schedule</u> Sunday, October 6, 2024	
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