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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 PRESENTATION OF THE LORD



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



FEBRUARY 2, 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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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.

Father's Vacation

Fr. Jegin has arrived safely to his home in India. He will be returning 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.

2025 Fish Frys - St. Sebastian

Mark your calendars for March 7th, 14th, 21st, and 28th for the 2025 Lenten Fish Frys. Also, keep an eye out for the sign-up sheets, and if you need more details, you can reach out to Kimberly Cooper at 499-8960 or Jesse Hayden at 499-3823. Thank you.

Seeds of Faith Book Study Group

Join us every Sunday at 9:30 AM in the St. Charles Parish Hall for a time of faith sharing and fellowship. Everyone is welcome to be a part of our community as we explore and discuss inspiring books together.

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.

Women's Retreat

St. Charles will be carpooling from the church at 7 AM to the February 8, 2025, Women's Retreat "Joy, Laughter & Holiness" with Jackie Angel in Morganfield. Please call Marsha Logsdon 270-836-1883 or Sherry Logsdon 270-316-9718 for carpooling.

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,

Forty days after the birth of Jesus, Mary and Joseph traveled to Jerusalem to present child Jesus at the Temple. This was the first time Jesus entered the temple that years later He would clean of all the money changers and businesspeople with great zeal. The same temple where He would teach His disciples and challenge the Pharisees. The same temple where Judas would receive thirty silver coins for betraying Jesus.

Mary and Joseph presented Jesus with grateful hearts and offered the sacrifice prescribed by the law of Moses for the poor: two young pigeons. God fulfills the prophecy of Malachi when Simeon, "guided by the Spirit" identifies the child as the much-awaited Messiah and took the Child in his arms and broke out in a hymn of blessing and praise. "My eyes", he said, "have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel" (Lk 2:30-32). Simeon not only saw but was privileged to hold in his arms the long-awaited hope, which filled him with exultation. His heart rejoiced because God had come to dwell among His people; he felt his presence in the flesh. After that, he turns to the Blessed Mother and his tone becomes somber speaking of suffering and sacrifice: "this child will be contradicted, and a sword will pierce your heart." Thus, this feast invites us to celebrate with Simeon that all prophecy has been fulfilled, while at the same time, it invites us to remember that Jesus was born to die as a sacrifice for our sins.

For centuries this feast was known as the Purification of the Virgin Mary. When a Jewish person had direct contact with blood, the person became unclean, and he or she had to undergo religious rites to be purified. Remember the parable of the Good Samaritan where the priests did not help the dying man for fear of touching blood and becoming impure.

When women give birth, naturally they have contact with blood. The Book of Leviticus prescribed those forty days after giving birth a woman had to be ritually cleansed. Today, forty days after Christmas Day, we commemorate that the Blessed Mother faithfully followed the law of Moses and purified. She who was conceived pure, without the stain of sin, obediently offered the sacrifice of two pigeons for her cleansing. Thus, this feast invites us to ponder how the Blessed Mother faithfully followed the Law of Moses and went to the Temple with her son to be purified.

Today's feast is also called Candlemass throughout the centuries, a celebration of light (or candles). Traditionally candles are blessed on this day, followed by a procession in a darkened church, reminding us of Simeon's words, that the child born on Christmas day is the "light of the nations." Thus, this feast invites us to recognize Jesus as the light that has come into the darkness to destroy sin and death. The one light of Christ is reflected from different angles and in different ways today. All is renewed, all is transformed, all things are different because God has become man.

As a candle offers itself as a sacrifice to give us pure light, ceasing to exist as its wax melts away, slowly and selflessly dying as it shines for others to have light, so too Our Savior is a light that offers itself in sacrifice so that others may have life. Candles always accompany the altar of sacrifice, burning themselves to death as a sacrifice, reminding us of the One who died so that we could have life. May the Lord help us to be candles of His light, dying to ourselves, so that the light of Christ may shine brightly in us. **God Bless.**

Faith Formation

February 2 – Class February 9 – Class February 16 – Class February 23 - Class

"Hope has two beautiful daughters; their names are Anger and Courage. Anger at the way things are, and Courage to see that they do not remain as they are."

-St. Augustine

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/ursulinesmsi. 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://ursulinesmsi.org/quilt-club/

Thank you for your continued support.

Financial Report – January 26, 2025 St. Sebastian- Amount Needed: \$3,187.00 weekly.

Regular Collection \$6,140.00 (+2,953.00)
Emergency Fund \$30.00
Mass Intentions \$15.00

Financial Report - January 26, 2025

St. Charles - Amount Needed: \$1,468.00 weekly.

Regular Collection \$1,618.00 (+150.00) Cemetery Fund \$25.00

Mass Schedule February 2 – February 9

Sunday - The Presentation of the Lord

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian

Thomas & Janice Hobbs -10:30am - Mass at St. Charles - Bill & Minnie Logsdon

Monday - No Mass

Tuesday - No Mass

Wednesday - No Mass

Thursday - No Mass

Friday - No Mass

Saturday - No Mass

Sunday - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:30am Mass at St. Sebastian Alvin Bickett
- -10:30am Mass at St. Charles Teresa Shultz

LAZARUS RETREAT at Gasper River

February 14-16, 2025, for all High School Youth (9th-12th Grades). Gasper River Youth Camp and Retreat Center.

So, they took away the stone. And Jesus raised his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you for hearing me. I know that you always hear me; but because of the crowd here I have said this, that they may believe that you sent me. And when he had said this, he cried out in a loud voice. "Lazarus, come out!" John 11: 41-43

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.

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 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, Allison Pinkston, Theresa Rust, Cassie Alexander, Jeanie Wedding, Mark Logsdon, Mike Logsdon, Mark Vollman, Chuck Green, Rondy Humphrey, Wesley Robinson, Marie Caraway, Jimmy Tichenor, Rick McCarty, Jason Evans, Cindy Schwartz and Gary Daugherty.

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.qasperriverretreatcenter.org

Remember in your prayers those affected by the California fires.

Happy Anniversary - St. Sebastian



Kevin & Lisa Vaught – Feb. 2 Scott & Marie Caraway – Feb. 7

Happy Birthday - St. Sebastian



Neil Scott – Feb. 4 Sid Hayden – Feb. 7 Evie Searcy – Feb. 8

Happy Birthday - St. Charles



John Logsdon – Feb. 3 Kimberly Staples – Feb. 6

Ministry Schedule Sunday, February 9, 2025

St. Sebastian Euch. Min: Patricia Hayden

Drew McCarty Laurie Scott

Lectors: Linda Durbin

Stacy Green
Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. Lance Green

Altar Servers: Joseph Fritz

Henry Fritz
Money Counters: Patricia Hayden

Susie Alexander

Donuts: Sam & Bethany Hayden

St. Charles

Euch: Min: Derek Miller

Teresa Marcum Lectors: Lee Edwards

Pat Martinez

Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy Rice

Money Counters: John Logsdon

Derek Miller