

The Parishioners of The St. Sebastian & St. Charles Catholic Churches of McLean County Thanks to 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.

ELEVENTH 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 Cathy Burden 270-316-44 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 8:0 **Parish breakfast** First Sunday of every month after m **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 270-278-278

St. Charles prays the rosary every Sunday at 10:00an Parish potluck brunch First Sunday of every mont 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.

JUNE 16, 2024





St. Charles Church 506 Hill Street Livermore, KY 42352

	<u>Ministry List</u> The new ministry list will be posted soon. If there are changes that need to be made, please notify Kimberly asap. Thank you.	
960	<u>Gasper River Youth Camp</u> If you are interested in sending your kids to camp, now is the time to register, spots are filling up fast. After you have registered, please inform the church office.	
Happy Father's Day!		
-8290 88	<u>St. Martin VBS</u> Bible adventure will take place at St. Martin Parish on July 8-11(Monday – Thursday), 4 nights, from 6:00-8:15 p.m. This will be the first Vacation Bible experience at St. Martin in many years! All children are welcome to attend, at no charge. Check out the flyer on the bulletin board. Please register asap. You can find the registration forms on the table. For more information contact Debi Hopkins, DRE at 270- 685-0339 or debihopkins7@hotmail.com	
)0am. Iass.	Ursuline Sisters 54th Raffle – Drawing Sept. 8 The Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph are celebrating 150 years in 2024. The Mount Raffle tickets are still just \$5 each. The top prize is	
59 n. th after	\$10,000! Participants could also win \$5,000, \$2,000, and a handmade quilt with a value of at least \$1,000. The drawing will take place on Sunday, Sept. 8, 2024, at 4 p.m. in Maple Hall at Mount Saint Joseph. We encourage supporters to buy tickets online: visit <u>https://ursulinesmsj.org/mountraffle</u> . For more information contact Carol Braden-Clarke, director	
	of development, at 270-229-2008.	

Dear Friends in Jesus Christ,

As we live in this world, we witness different types of evil in this world. Being a Catholic, what have we done so far to resist evils in this world? I am sure; until evil touches our lives personally, most of us remain silent. I am sorry to say, our silent nature is the failure of our Christian life. Remember, we are the stewards of God's creation! Every Christian is called to build and protect the Kingdom of God by fighting against all kinds of evil in this world. It is to fight against all kinds of evil in this world that God the Father sent us the Holy Spirit on Pentecost and assured the presence of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit on Holy Trinity Sunday and His unending presence on the feast day of Corpus Christi. Today Jesus asks each of us to begin to build the Kingdom of God. As we begin to build the kingdom of God, through two different parables Jesus also reminds us that building of the Kingdom of God is a slow process that happens without our knowledge, and so we need patience, perseverance, and participation. Today, we live in a world where everyone is looking for an instant result for anything that they do, but today Jesus is asking us to slow down. We sometimes feel that our little bit will make no difference but remember that "little drops make the mighty ocean." In this regard, St. Theresa of Calcutta says, "Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love." So, let us begin to do little things with great love.

On this eleventh Sunday of ordinary time, the first reading gives us the message of hope and restoration. Through the Prophet Ezekiel God promised to re-establish His people who were in exile in Babylon. This means that God wishes to transfer His people from a kingdom of oppression, poverty, and misery to a realm of justice, prosperity, and peace of mind. This is the kingdom where God wants all of us to be. In the second reading, Paul reminds us that we are on a journey towards the Kingdom of God to be with Christ and our focus should be on pleasing the Lord. The journey to this Kingdom is a journey that must be approached with faith and courage. So, St. Paul reminds us that: *"For we walk by faith, not by sight."*

When we come to the Gospel reading, Jesus teaches us about the Kingdom of God, through two different parables of seed and its growth. In the first parable Jesus talks about the planting of the seed to the full growth of the seed reaching up to the harvest. In the second parable, Jesus talks about the result of the fully grown seed to a plant. Can you imagine a situation where you scatter seed in the field, and it does not sprout? How painful the situation would be! Look at the care that the Heavenly Father is showing to each of us. Without our knowledge the seed is sprouting, growing and bearing much fruit- and in the process of it. God sends rain and all other help in the form of pesticides, manpower, machinery etc. And for the coming year, we collect some grain from the present crop and keep it for the seed. So, there is no doubt that, "Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit." We, the Christians are the fruits of one great grain called Jesus. It is because of Jesus' Passion, Death & Resurrection, we all became His fruit called Christians. Now for the next generation we are called to die as a seed of grain, and are we ready for that? Imagine a situation if one grain is not ready to lose its shell or husk, there will not be fruit from that grain. The same way, as Christians if we are not ready to lose our shell or husk of sin or all other evil things from our lives and ready to receive Jesus, be sure that, there will not be any growth of the Church and Kingdom of God. So, the growth of the Church is in our hands.

Have you ever seen the plant of a Mustard seed? What does it look like? Is it a big tree with so many branches where birds of the air can have its shade and its shelter? As far as I know and have seen, the plant of the mustard seed is a very tiny one and no little bird can sit on it and have its shelter. Is Jesus cheating us with the parable of mustard seed? Here in the parable, the mustard seed is no one other than Jesus Christ. Jesus came into this world, just like any one of us, but when He was able to live up to the standards of His Heavenly Father and ready to die for His values, there emerged the growth of the powerful seed into a great tree called the Church. The Church systems, sacraments and sacramentals/ other prayers are the branches of this big tree of the Church, under which we the Christians called the birds of the air take shelter and shade in different odds of our lives. Everything is just because of the seed called Jesus. We are the fruits of Jesus and are called to become another seed for many more fruits to be born in this world. If not a seed, at least can we not become a good branch to give shelter and shade to the needy?

"In revealing and in reliving on earth the very fatherhood of God, a man is called upon to ensure the harmonious and united development of all the members of the family." - St. John Paul II

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<u>Financial Report – June 9, 2024</u> St. Sebastian- <u>Amount Needed: \$3,035.00 weekly.</u>				
Regular Collection	\$ 2,030.00			
Emergency Fund	\$ 305.00			
Mass Intentions	\$ 5.00			
Tornado Relief	\$ 260.00			

<u> Financial Report – June 9, 2024</u>				
St. Charles - <u>Amou</u>	nt Needed: \$1,228.00 weekly.			
Regular Collection	\$ 1,739.00			
Tornado Relief	\$ 45.00			

Mass Schedule June 16 – June 23

Sunday – Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time -8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian *Charles Robert Clayton* -10:30am - Mass at St. Charles - Joe Marcum

Monday – Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time -8:30am – Mass at St. Sebastian – Malcolm Neel

Tuesday – Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time -8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian – Betty Bickett

Wednesday – Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time -8:30am – Mass at St. Sebastian – Doris Schadler -5:30pm – Mass at St. Charles - Souls in Purgatory

Thursday – Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time -8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian – Rosie Shade

Friday – No Mass

Saturday – Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time -3:00pm - Confession -4:00pm – Mass at St. Sebastian – All Parishioners

Sunday – Twelfth Week in Ordinary Time

- 8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian *Thomas & Janice Hobbs* -10:30am – Mass at St. Charles – *Marie Coffman*

Rachel's Vineyard 2024 Retreats

The next retreat will be October 11-13th. Rachel's Vineyard offers post-abortion healing retreats for women & men who are suffering from the lingering effects of abortion. *Learn more and register:* Rita (Confidential Phone Line): (270) 474-4707 retreats@hopeafterabortionky.com

Please Pray for our Military

SSgt. 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

Sean, Serena & Marion Cooper, Cindy Miller, Bernadine Edwards, Charles May, Jerry Abney, Tori Hayden, John Pinkston, Bob Guenthner, Helen Kraus, Jimmy Clayton, Ethan Settle, Louis Dant, Sharon Anderson, Blakley Owens, Tasha Miller, Ben Dunn, Allison Pinkston, Theresa Rust, Cassie Alexander, Jeanie Wedding, Hannah Bercegeay, Mark Logsdon, Mike Logsdon, Mark Vollman, Chuck Green and Rondy Humphrey.

In connection with GRADD Military personnel will offer vision, dental, sports physicals, nutritional and basic medical and veterinary services AT NO COST. Patients will be treated on a first come, first served basis. June 15th - June 25th, 2024, at South Middle School, 800 South Alves Street, Henderson KY.		
Happy Birthday - St. Sebastian		
Donald Durbin – June 17 Evelynn Sexton – June 18 Betty Logsdon – June 21		
Happy Anniversary – St. Sebastian		
Neil & Laurie Scott – June 18 Michael & Kathy Hudson – June 19 Jim & Susan Lebold – June 20		
Faith & Hope & Love		
Happy Birthday - St. Charles		
Samantha Rhodes – June 19 Hadley Rice – June 20		
<u>Ministry Schedule</u> Saturday, June 22, 2024		
<u>St. Sebastian</u> Euch. Min: Volunteer Lector: Michael Cooper		
<u>Ministry Schedule</u> Sunday, June 23, 2024		
<u>St. Sebastian</u> Euch. Min: Neil Scott Debra Hamilton Sid Hayden Lectors: Marc Searcy Macie Caraway Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. Lance Green Altar Servers: Evie Searcy Annie Searcy Money Counters: Mike Dant Mike Hayden Donuts: John & April Vicars		
<u>St. Charles</u> Euch: Min: Marylynne Logsdon Leon Durbin Lectors: Philip Logsdon Ann Renfrow Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Staples Money Counters: Pat Martinez Philip Logsdon		