

Dear Friends in Jesus Christ,

What a beautiful prayer the Gospel of today is presenting to us through the apostles! "Lord, increase our Faith." Did anyone pray for this grace to increase the faith in our lives? Walking with Jesus, the apostles understood the need of great faith in their lives in order to know Him and to understand His teachings. However, we know that they failed in their effort, until they were given the Holy Spirit from heaven after Jesus' resurrection and ascension into heaven. It is from that time on the disciples began to live and to die for Christ, until then their commitment to the Lord was a halfhearted one because of which they had many failures despite Jesus' presence with them. Remember Jesus' statement weekend before; "you cannot serve both God and mammon." So, let us join with the apostles of Jesus and pray; "Lord, increase our Faith."

In the first reading we see the cry of the prophet Habakkuk; praying to God for a particular blessing and nothing happens! As human beings, at times in life we find ourselves in the shoes of the prophet Habakkuk. We simply find ourselves helpless, and everything goes dark, and hope appears hopeless to us. The prophet also reminds us that God will not fail us if we remain faithful during such moments. He will break His silence at His own in an appropriate time in order to reassure us that He is there for us. Through these words, "the just shall live by his faithfulness," God simply encourages us to remain faithful always, in good times and in bad, in richness and in poorer, in sickness and in health. Habakkuk is telling us to be patient and wait. We must wait on God.

The Gospel of today teaches us that we must wait on the Lord. We should not simply think that because we cry out to God, God will do exactly what we want. Luke explains this to us through the story of a master and a servant. No servant would expect to come into the house to wait on him or her! Just like the servant, we shall do our job in accordance with the will of the Master and patiently wait on Him and for His time in our lives. The context of today's Gospel is a continuing dialogue between Jesus and his followers about what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. Dear friends, following Jesus is not a part time job, rather it is a full-time job. This does not mean that we must be in the Church always, rather we must be at the service of God through our thoughts, words and actions. It simply means that we must always live our faith in our lives. So, to live our life faithfully let us pray to the Lord; "Lord, increase my faith."

Be sure, if we have true faith in God, there is no prayer request needed in our lives because everything will fall on our way in accordance with the will of God. This is the reason Jesus reminds us that;

"first seek the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you." (Mt.6.33). Yes, let us pray to the Lord to increase our faith in Him, so that we will seek His kingdom and His will in our lives.

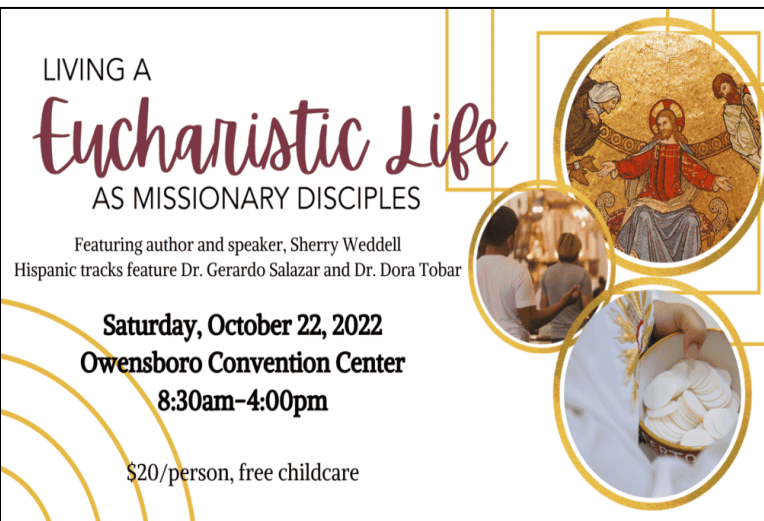
Each time I read this passage; I remember this short story. A rusty shield once said to the sun, "dazzle me," and the sun responded: "polish yourself and I will dazzle you." Our Lord Jesus Christ is always ready to increase our faith. However, we must humbly ask for it. Second, we must make the necessary efforts through our actions. Finally, we need faith in order to persevere in good works. We need it in order to remain steadfast during difficult moments in life. We need more faith in order to trust in God's will and judgment. So, we must humble ourselves each day to say: "Lord, increase our faith." **God Bless.**

LIVING A
Eucharistic Life
AS MISSIONARY DISCIPLES

Featuring author and speaker, Sherry Weddell
Hispanic tracks feature Dr. Gerardo Salazar and Dr. Dora Tobar

Saturday, October 22, 2022
Owensboro Convention Center
8:30am-4:00pm

\$20/person, free childcare



With Heartfelt
Sympathy



We offer our heartfelt condolences to Vernon Jennings on the passing of his mother-in-law, Sylvia Hunt O'Reilly, & to Donya Hayden on the passing of her grandfather, Don Philips, and to Faye May on the passing of her sister, Margaret Kelley.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

Thanks to everyone for your generous contributions to our churches.

Financial Report – September 25, 2022
St. Sebastian- Amount Needed: \$3,067.00 weekly
Regular Collection \$ 2156.57 - 910.43
Emergency Fund \$ 90.00

Financial Report – September 25, 2022
St. Charles - Amount Needed: \$1,249.00 weekly
Regular Collection \$ 910.00 - 339.00

Mass Schedule Oct. 2 – Oct. 9

Sunday - Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian
Guy & Virginia Anderson
-10:30am - Mass at St. Charles
Randy Joe Marcum

Monday – No Mass

Tuesday – St. Francis of Assisi (Memorial)
-8:00am – Communion Service

Wednesday- No Mass

Thursday – Twenty-Seventh Week in Ordinary Time
-8:00am – Communion Service

Friday- No Mass

Saturday – Twenty-Seventh Week in Ordinary Time
-3:00pm – Confession
-4:00pm – Mass at St. Sebastian
Tichenor-Leachman Families

Sunday - Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian - *Grandparents*
-10:30am - Mass at St. Charles – *Mary Albin*

“He who works with his hands is a laborer.

He who works with his hands and his head is a craftsman.

He who works with his hands and his head and his heart is an artist.”

— St. Francis of Assisi

Please Pray for our Military

MMN1 Andrew Logsdon, 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

Melanie Mayes, Jason Evans, Lisa Jackson, Ethan Settle, Jimmy Clayton, Pat Calhoun, Sonny Renfrow, Kimberly Nowak, Kimberly Stiles, Alice Weise, Callie Zhang, 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.

Owensboro Diocese Youth Conference

Save the date for ODYC to be held at the Knicely Center in Bowling Green on November 18-19, 2022. ODYC is an overnight conference for middle and high school students, grades 7-12. More information is available at owensborodiocese.org/owensboro-diocese-youth-conference

Happy Anniversary – St. Charles



Mark & Tonya Logsdon – Oct. 7

Happy Birthday - St. Charles



William Baggett – Oct. 1
Lorelei Calhoun – Oct. 5

Happy Anniversary – St. Sebastian



Joseph & Victoria Hayden – Oct. 3
Steve & Susie Anderson – Oct. 7

Happy Birthday - St. Sebastian



Laurine Sexton – Oct. 2
Macie Caraway – Oct. 3
Laura Fritz – Oct. 3
Fr. Jegin – Oct. 3
Drew McCarty – Oct. 6

Ministry Schedule October 8, 2022

St. Sebastian Euch. Min: Susan Lebold
Lectors: Jim Lebold

October 9, 2022

St. Sebastian Euch. Min: Debra Hamilton
Sid Hayden
David N. Scott
Lectors: Tony Searcy
Faye May
Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. Sam Hayden
Hospitality Ministers: Neil Scott
John Pinkston

Money Counters: Josh Searcy
Neil Scott

St. Charles Euch. Min: Jackie Lee
Sherry Logsdon
Lectors: Derek Miller
Geneva Bishop

Gift Bearers: Mr. & Mrs. Derek Miller
Money Counters: Mark Logsdon
David Albin