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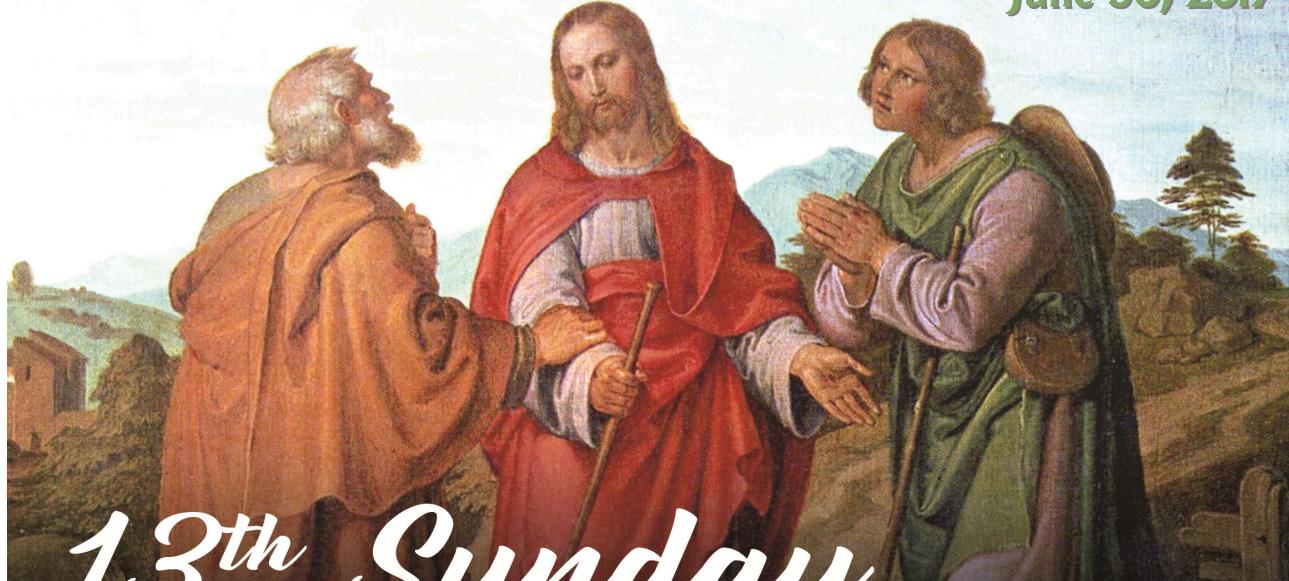
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Most Rev. William F. Medley,
Diocese of Owensboro

June 30, 2019



13th Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

[Jesus] answered him, "Let the dead bury their dead. But you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." - Lk 9:60

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Mission Statement

The Catholic Community of Saint Stephen Cathedral serves as the Mother Church for the Diocese of Owensboro to welcome, evangelize, and worship in the name of Jesus Christ.

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saint Stephen Cathedral

Monday-Friday: 7:00AM and 12:05PM

Saturday: 9:00AM and 5:00PM (SUNDAY VIGIL)

Sunday: 7:00AM 9:00AM and 11:00AM

Holy Days: 7:00AM and 12NOON

Blessed Sacrament Chapel (602 Sycamore St)

Sunday: 10:00AM (Holy Days: 6:00PM)

Membership in Parish:

We give a hearty welcome to all new families moving into our parish. Please register in the Office as soon as possible. Those who plan to move from our parish community are requested to inform us.

Bulletin Material Deadline:

Friday, 8:00AM, in writing, ten days in advance of publication. Deadline firm. Earlier deadline applies when holidays occur.

SACRAMENTS:

Baptism:

Baptisms are usually celebrated during one of the regularly scheduled Masses. Parents are encouraged to call the parish office before the birth of their child to make an appointment for instructions.

Marriage:

Couples wishing to share their lives with one another in sacramental Marriage are asked to call the Office for an appointment with one of the priests. We suggest the first appointment must be scheduled nine (9) months before the proposed date of marriage.

Reconciliation:

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated communally two times a year, during Advent and Lent. Other opportunities for reconciliation are Saturdays from 9:30-11:30AM and 4:30-5:30PM on the Thursday before First Friday, and by appointment.

STEWARDS for the WEEK of JULY 6/7, 2019
The FOURTEENTH SUNDAY in Ordinary Time

5:00PM VIGIL MASS**SACRISTAN:** Michelle Lyon**Altar Servers:** Leann Lyon, Michael Lyon**Lectors:** Leah McCarty, Garry Pierce**Minister of the Host:** Sue Gough, Michelle Lyon,
Denise Payne**Minister of the Cup:** Ellen Aud, Gary Aud, Gene Lyon,
Larry Lyon**Minister of Hospitality:** Angela Drury, Bill Drury,
Jesse Mattingly, Nora Mattingly, OPEN, Janice Walker**7:00AM MASS****SACRISTAN:** TBD**Altar Servers:** Bob Stone**Lectors:** Abby Kyle, Rachel Kyle**Minister of the Host:** Dennis Weaver**Minister of the Cup:** LaWanna Brand, Vickie Davis**Minister of Hospitality:** Lisa Kyle, Logan Lanham,
Thomas Smiley, Terry Wilkerson**9:00AM MASS****SACRISTAN:** Sr. Anthonia Asayoma**Altar Servers:** Wesley Padgett, Leo Padgett, Calvin Padgett**Lectors:** Bailey Padgett, Suzanne Padgett**Minister of the Host:** Sr. Anthonia Asayoma, Carl Lewis,
Kimberly Lewis**Minister of the Cup:** Jade Flaherty, Rita Gerteisen,
Sr. Consolata Ojemeh, Hannah Padgett**Minister of Hospitality:** John Bell, Connor Calhoun,
Glenn Calhoun, Richard Flaherty, Shane Hurm, Matt Steele**11:00AM MASS****SACRISTAN:** Debra Sikes**Altar Servers:** Brian Payne, Kennedy Payne, Dustin Payne,
Romer Payne**Lectors:** Meghan Payne, Mike Weafer**Minister of the Host:** Danny Payne, Rose Ann Payne,
Debra Sikes**Minister of the Cup:** Ed Cecil, Amy Payne, Kevin Payne,
Tom Payne**Minister of Hospitality:** Shanna Ballard, Matt Carrico, Mike
Fulkerson, David Hemingway, Jakob Wellman, Jimmy Wellman

Pastor's Corner



"No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God."

— Luke 9:62

I. Excuses! Excuses! Excuses! Like the people in Jesus' day, we also can come up with some very creative "excuses" for not committing ourselves more wholeheartedly as disciples of Jesus. "Set your hands on the plow, and never look back" (Luke 9:62): Jesus highlights total commitment as the foundational requirement for following him. Even family bonds cannot take precedence over one's bond with God. For some people, conversion is as instantaneous and dramatic as it is for Elisha in today's first reading (I Kings 19:16B, 19-21). For most of us, however, it is a lifelong process of growing in trust and help, and requires a supportive, compassionate community.

Pope Francis expresses well the whole-hearted demand of our relationship with Christ: "being Christian is not just obeying orders but means being in Christ, thinking like Christ, acting like Christ, loving like Christ; it means letting Jesus Christ take possession of our life and change it, transform it" (General Audience, Wednesday, April 10, 2017).

II. Dhukrana "Remembrance:" Thomas, also called Didymus or "twin," was the only apostle who went outside Roman Empire to preach the Gospel. According to Eusebius, a historian, Thomas had preached in Parthia (North-Eastern Iran) and India. He was martyred in India in 72 AD and was buried at Mylapore, India. But major parts of his remains were moved to Edessa, Greece and Italy on July 3, 232, and Syro-Malabar Catholics celebrate this feast as Dhukrana which means "remembrance". The people of Kerala in South India (where Fr. Sinoj was born) fervently believe that it was Thomas who evangelized them. He is presented in art with a spear, the instrument of his martyrdom.

Witness of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary: Traditionally it is believed that St. Thomas witnessed the assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into heaven. A text attributed to Joseph of Arimathea called "The Passing of Mary" gives a legend that, when the Blessed Virgin Mary was near death, angels appeared to all the apostles asking them to visit Mary in her last hours. All of them, except Thomas who was in India, witnessed her death and burial. Thomas visited the tomb of Mary which he found empty; it is believed that Thomas witnessed her bodily assumption into heaven. In the pre-Tridentine and medieval art, Thomas is often depicted with the sash of Mary.

III. Freedom to Worship: Mass on July 4th! The four freedoms in our Bill of Rights are: Freedom of Religion (the freedom to worship), Freedom of Speech, Freedom of the Press, and Freedom of Assembly. Our country is certainly struggling with these freedoms presently. May we never take these freedoms for granted. As we celebrate Independence Day, I invite you to exercise your freedom to worship this Thursday, July 4, by participating in our 9:00am Mass (holiday schedule: no 7:00am or 12:05 noon Mass).

IV. Happy Birthday, Fr. Sinoj! Born the youngest of five children, Sinoj Esthappanu (Stephen) Pynadath was born June 30, 1983. As a Herald of the Good News (HGN), he is part of the Kerala Province, and was assigned to Saint Stephen Cathedral in June of 2018. We are glad to have Fr. Sinoj here! He is a joyful priest!

V. "A Cheerful Heart is Good Medicine" (Proverbs 17:22). In the 1300s, surgeon Henri de Mondeville reportedly told jokes to his patients in the recovery room. Laughter exercises the face, shoulders, diaphragm, and abdomen. When the good thoughts deepens, the heart rate rises, and the blood flow increases and transports more oxygen; endorphins are released, pain thresholds are raised, and some studies suggest that even our immune system is boosted. When we laugh, others laugh too! Laughter is a contagious, highly effective, non-prescribed medicine. It has no side effects, and no one is allergic to it. We can use the tool of humor to induce laughter for our health, healing and general sense of well-being. Have you had your dose of laughter today?

Please Pray for all the Sick†

Ellen Aud	Bernard Hagan	Lucy Neal
Joyce Ballard	Mary L. Hagan	Eddie O'Bryan
Harry Baumgarten	Sally Halbig	Joyce Payne
Larry Bishop	Carroll Howard	Theresa Ray
Bill Booth	Barbara Huff	Dorothy Reynolds
Jeremy Brown	Colene Jennings	Iona Simon
D. J. Clark	Frank/Teresa Jones	Louise Thompson
Richard/Mary Ann Clouse	Mary Lou	Bill Walker
Ruth Ann Cureton	Kapfhammer	Joan Wells
Vickie Davis	Josanna Lamastus	Margaret
Wilma Fenwick	Bob Lanham	Whittinghill
Jean Fulkerson	Wilma/James McManaway	Robert Wielke
Susan Fulkerson	JoAnn Moore	Carrie Wieder
Richard Gruenewald	Gerald Nalley	Florence Wieder
		Vincent Wink

Sick Friends/Relatives

Beverly Cecil, daughter of Wilma Fenwick; Virginia Curry, mother of Deacon Dirck (Chona) Curry; Jerry and Tom Hagan, brothers of Sharlene Hatfield; Lindsay Hewitt, cousin of John Calhoun II; Charlotte Landers, mother of Russell Vaughn; John and Sue Mudd, brother-in-law and sister of Sharlene Hatfield; Debbie O'Bryan, niece of Jackie Mattingly; Mary Ann Schilling, friend of Linda Beckman; Tammy Smith, niece of Cheryl Hayden; Kenneth Staples, brother of Joe (Ann) Staples; Ann Vaughan, mother of Fr. John Vaughan.

Names in bold are those currently in the hospital, under nursing care, or have had surgery recently. Names will be ROTATED off these lists every SIX WEEKS unless a parishioner calls and extends the prayer request.

PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS IN NURSING HOMES

Carmel Home—Juanita Clark, Mary C. Kelley, Beverly Emmick, Agatha Lindemann, Helen Miles, Margie Hill, Bertha Horrell, Sister Catherine Shoenborn, Rose Bender, Margie Howard, Regina Lewis. **Owensboro Center**—Margaret (Rosie) Whittinghill. **Heritage Place**—Jackie Abshier. **Hermitage Manor**—Mary Ann Calhoun, Mary Jo Schadler. **Hillcrest**—George Collignon, Hallie Lott, Wilma McManaway. **One Park Place**—Kay Meisenholder, Francoise Grant. **Twin Rivers**—Bruce Bennett, Elizabeth Finch. **Fern Terrace**—Sarah Wellborn, Gary Ashworth, Robert Danhauer, Freddie Payne, Betty Wimsatt. **Wellington Parc**—Maury Schaefer, Sr., Joe Rhodes.

PRAYING FOR THE DECEASED

Please pray for those who have recently died; especially
Ann Keelin, step-mother of Charlotte Hagan; and
Martha Crow Zoglmann, aunt of Chris (Sheryl) Zoglmann

Please remember to pray for those who are dying.
(Please call the office when there is a death in your family.)

Our pantry needs soup, canned stew, canned meat, canned fruit, pasta sauce, pasta and peanut butter & crackers. Can you help?

Love, Naturally!

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), during the week of July 21st through July 27th, 2019, will kick-off National Natural Family Planning Awareness Week. Married couples in the church are blessed to have found the joys of practicing God's natural plan for our bodies through openness to His life-giving love!

This year's theme is *Love, Naturally! Celebrate and reverence God's vision of human sexuality.* The USCCB website offers a resources, articles and teachings on NFP. If you are interested in NFP classes, contact the Diocese, 270/683-1545.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR PARISH MEMBERS

Parish Birthdays from June 30-July 6

Mike Baker, Isabelle Blandford, Christopher Camp, Matt Carrico, Mary Ann Clouse, Patrick Cureton, Bryan Dant, Kelcey Early, Etienne Forsythe, James Grant, Troy Haleman, Leah Hancock, Sandra Higdon, Logan Lewis, Helen Miles, Haley Minton, Hannah Minton, Terry Potts, Linda Ranburger, Richard Remp-Morris, Lily Shoulta, Annette Sapp, Lisa Van Bussum, Bill Walker, Gayle Welsh

THIS WEEK'S WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

We are pleased to wish those couples celebrating their Wedding Anniversary a very happy and blessed day.

June 30—Joe and Tamara Alvey, 35 years
July 2—Danny and Rose Ann Payne, 53 years
July 4—Jim and Karen Keoughan, 55 years
July 4—Kevin and Kristin Dorth, 4 years
July 5—Roger and Mary Jane Rafferty, 50 years
July 5—Randy and Karen Tomes, 44 years
July 5—Mike and Katy Topp, 1 year
July 6—Joe and Sheryl Beard, 46 years

Church Tours



The Cathedral is proud to present tours of our beautiful worship space. Every month, on Welcome Sunday (1st Sunday), a docent will be available after the 11:00 a.m. Mass for tours. Please meet by the confessional.

Top 10 Parishioners

Just a "shout-out" to our Senior most parishioners. With God's blessings, we will all make the list one day:

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|---------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Helen Miles | 6. D. J. Clark |
| 2. Maurice Schaefer, Sr. | 7. Harry Baumgarten |
| 3. Mary C. Kelley | 8. Iona Simon |
| 4. Bertha Horrell | 9. Colene Jennings |
| 5. Margaret O'Bryan Mills | 10. Virginia Curry |

Financial Update: June 22/23

Weekly Collections: \$18,830.59

Weekly Budget: \$20,385.00

Weekly +/-: (\$1,554.41)

Month-to-Date Collections: \$71,275.88

Month-to-Date Budget: \$81,540.00

Month-to-Date +/-: (\$10,264.12)

Year-to-Date Collections: \$1,062,751.93

Year-to-Date Budget: \$1,060,020.00

Year-to-Date +/-: \$2,731.93

Pope Francis' July Prayer Intention

The Integrity of Justice

That those who administer justice may work with integrity, and that the injustice which prevails in the world may not have the last word.



Young Adult Retreat Day

There will be a Young Adult Retreat Day on Saturday, July 27 at the Mount Saint Joseph Retreat Center from 9:30am to 7:30pm open to those from 18 to 30's. The day will feature talks given by Fr. Larry Hostetter, President at Brescia University and Sr. Monica Seaton, OSU. We will also have Mass with Bishop Medley. The cost is \$25 and includes lunch and dinner. Come enjoy a day of rest, relaxation, and fellowship. Register at owensborodiocese.org/young-adult-retreat-day. For more information on the retreat and other Young Adult activities visit us on Facebook at [OwensboroYoungAdult](#).

Vacation Bible School

Thank you again, to all of those who helped make VBS a success!!! We had such a great week! The spent time learning about Adam, Eve, Noah, and Nimrod... hearing over and over that God created each one of us special, and that he loves us more than we can ever imagine. God showed us his love each night, and in a really neat way in sharing the story of Noah! He gave us a rainbow, the same way he did for Noah many years ago! We ended up with 51 total participants registered, 42 of which were St. Stephen Parishioners!

We had around 55 volunteers to help make this week happen (craft leaders, bible characters, tribe leaders, music leader, kitchen volunteers, decorators, photographer, and costume maker)! In that volunteer grouping, we had 17 youth, and the rest were adults. That does not include all of those who donated items on our giving tree! It really does "take a village!"

Peace, Crissy

Retreat for Recovering Alcoholics & Alanons

July 12-14, 2019—AA Retreat/A Step 11 Retreat at Saint Meinrad. This retreat is for those seeking, through heartfelt prayer and meditation, to improve their conscious contract with God, as they understand Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for them and the power to carry it out with guided meditation, *lectio divina*, praying with the monks and group sharing. This retreat is designed for those who wish to abandon themselves to God. (\$255 single, \$425 double) www.saintmeinrad.org or 1-800-581-6905.

If you have questions, please email Brother Maurus Zoeller, mzoeller@saintmeinrad.edu

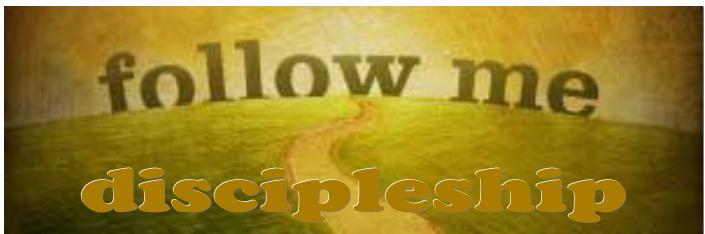
VIRTUE

It is certainly true that a popular government cannot flourish without virtue in the people.

—Richard Henry Lee

Media Center? Yes, We Have One. . .

If you are looking for spiritual reading, an educational book about our Catholic Faith or you are interested in the life of a saint, come visit our Media Center, located in the Cathedral Parish Office. You simply make your selection and sign the item out leaving your name and phone number. The Parish Office is opened Monday through Friday from 8:30am to 4:30pm. Stop in any time!



Anyone who has ever tried to stick to a diet or a budget plan knows that it takes commitment and perseverance to succeed. Living as a disciple—a follower of Jesus—can be challenging because of the pressures of society and indeed our human nature. We're almost certain to experience stumbling blocks along the way (you know, like that ice cream cone!); but setbacks don't have to spell failure. In today's Gospel, Jesus says, "Follow me." We know that as disciples, we are sure to be challenged along our journey of loving and serving Him and each other. We can keep our eyes looking ahead and navigate the obstacles by taking advantage of the assistance God provides through prayer, scripture, and the sacraments.

Donna Tarantino, Director of Ministries & Volunteers

Featured Ministry Opportunities

- When we offer hospitality to others, we are welcoming Jesus into our midst. Will you prayerfully consider serving as a **Hospitality Minister** at weekend Mass? Training is provided. We're proud of SSC hospitality!
- We are also proud of the warmth our **Diocesan Event Welcomers** offer to visitors and parishioners during diocesan Masses and events as well as concerts here at the Cathedral. More "DEW's" are always welcome!
- Please remember the hungry when you grocery shop. Our **food pantry** needs non-perishable items such as dry pasta, pasta sauce, mac 'n cheese, canned pastas, peanut butter, jelly, crackers, soup, canned tuna or meats, or canned fruits. Personal hygiene items are also gratefully accepted.
- Our **Rosary Group** volunteers create rosaries for our parish and occasionally for other requests. In May alone, over 130 rosaries were given away! Rosaries can be made with a group or at home; training is available. Interested? Contact Doreen Harney at 270-925-5128 or dmhblondie@gmail.com.
- Our **Dedication Anniversary** celebration is Saturday, September 21. Save the date! Lots of hands are needed to help with the raffle, dinner, and our BBQ chicken and burgoo cooking teams. Be a part of this celebration, commemorating 93 years of our church's Locust Street location!

Contact donna.tarantino@pastoral.org or 270-683-6525 for these or other ministry opportunities. We need and appreciate our volunteers!

Praying. Giving. Serving.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

7:00AM**Mon** Wanda Mae Payne †**Tues** James E. "Horse"**12:05PM**

John Speaks †

Johnson † Ken/Rita Thomas ††

Wed Anna Catherine Oberst † Francis/Louise Marrett ††**Thu** **9:00AM ONLY** Frank/Angela Hayden ††**Fri** Randy/Karen Tomes Andrew Howard †**Sat 9:00AM** Mary Frances "Mimi" Weisbrook †

Sunday, July 7

Sat 5:00PM Andrew Howard †**Sun 7:00AM** JoAnn Roberts †**9:00AM** **The People of Saint Stephen****11:00AM** Martha Goetz †

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Gn 18:16-33; Ps 103:1b-4, 8-11; Mt 8:18-22
 Tuesday: Gn 19:15-29; Ps 26:2-3, 9-12; Mt 8:23-27
 Wednesday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117:1bc-2; Jn 20:24-29
 Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19; Ps 115:1-6, 8-9; Mt 9:1-8; or,
 for Independence Day, any readings from
 the Mass "For the Country or a City,"
 nos. 882-886, or "For Peace and Justice,"
 nos. 887-891
 Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67; Ps 106:1b-5;
 Mt 9:9-13
 Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Ps 135:1b-6; Mt 9:14-17
 Sunday: Is 66:10-14c; Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20;
 Gal 6:14-18; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 [10:1-9]

Volunteering at Mount Saint Joseph

Volunteering your time and talent to assist the Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph is a rewarding way to give back to the sisters. There are various opportunities to serve, from visiting the sisters in Saint Joseph Villa, to helping in the archives or other offices, to preparing fruits and vegetables straight out of the gardens at Maple Mount.

If you would like to volunteer, contact Doreen Abbott at 270-229-2006 or doreen.abbott@maplemount.org. You can also visit our website and fill out the online form: <https://ursulinesmsj.org/volunteer-2/> A background check and some training is required.



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THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, June 30—THIRTEENTH SUNDAY in Ordinary Time

BLESSING of the CHILD in the WOMB

ST. VINCENT de PAUL 5TH SUNDAY COLLECTION

Masses at 7:00AM, 9:00AM 11:00AM; Pss I

CHILD CARE, 9:00AM, Preschool Building

Children's Liturgy of the Word, 9:00AM

MONDAY, July 1—Weekday*Saint Junipero Serra, Priest*

Daily Mass at 7:00AM and 12:05PM; Pss I

Rosary, 7:30AM

St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting, 5:30PM, Media Center

WELCOME BACK 6:00-7:00PM, Community Center**TUESDAY, July 2—Weekday**

Daily Mass at 7:00AM and 12:05PM; Pss I

Rosary, 7:30AM

Hermitage Mass, 10:00AM

Vespers, 5:30PM, Church

WEDNESDAY, July 3—SAINT THOMAS, APOSTLE

Daily Mass at 7:00AM and 12:05PM

Rosary, 7:30AM

RCIA, 6PM, Media Center

THURSDAY, July 4—Weekday

Daily Mass at 9:00AM ONLY; Pss I

Rosary, 8:30AM

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Confessions for First Friday, 4:30-5:30PM, Church

Eucharistic Devotions/Benediction, 5:30PM, Church

FRIDAY, July 5—Weekday

Daily Mass at 7:00AM and 12:05PM; Pss I

Rosary, 7:30AM

Higginbotham/Humphrey Wedding Rehearsal, 5:30PM, Church

SATURDAY, July 6—Weekday

Rosary, 8:30AM, Church

Daily Mass at 9:00AM; Pss I

Confessions, 9:30-11:30AM, Church

Higginbotham/Humphrey Wedding, 2:30PM, Church

Evening Mass (Vigil) for Sunday, Church, 5:00PM; Pss II

**SUNDAY, July 7—FOURTEENTH SUNDAY in Ordinary Time**

WELCOME SUNDAY

Masses at 7:00AM, 9:00AM 11:00AM; Pss II

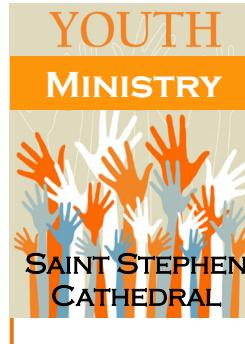
CHILD CARE, 9:00AM, Preschool Building

Children's Liturgy of the Word, 9:00AM

CHURCH TOUR, 12:15PM, Church

"If you can't feed 100 people, then feed just one."

Saint Teresa of Calcutta



Youth Kickball Game/Cookout:

Wednesday, July 17, 6:00-7:30pm at the St. Pius X Ballfields! Come join us, for a fun evening with some friendly competition and social time! Don't feel like playing, come cheer for your fellow parishioners! We do need a couple of chaperones to be there with us, if you are available, please let Crissy know!

Rediscover Your Marriage

Retrovaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) simply means 'rediscovery'. The program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. Thousands of couples headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending. Retrovaille is not a spiritual retreat, not a sensitivity group, not a seminar, or a social gathering. For confidential information about us or to register for the August program which begins with a weekend on Aug 16, 2019 call 270-683-1545 or visit the web site at www.retrouvaille.org.

Women's Retreat: Friends, Faith & Flip Flops Take 2 | August 23-24, 2019

Ladies, grab a friend and make plans to join women from all over the diocese at Kentucky Dam Village Resort for a women's retreat! This retreat is being led by Kelly Wahlquist, a dynamic and inspiring author and speaker, who will encourage you to spread the message of Jesus by living the joy of the Gospel. **The retreat is \$30 if registered by July 31.** The cost increases to \$50 after that date. Lodging is separate. Find out all the details and register to attend by visiting <https://owensborodiocese.org/womens-retreat/>.



Litany of Thanks

A standing ovation to "the village" of adult and teenage volunteers who helped our youngest members to walk through the Old Testament during Vacation Bible School:

Charlie Hardesty, Jacob Fischer, Sarah Murphy, Deacon Richard Murphy, Aaron Carrico, Nicole Mowen, Martha House, Tut Carrico, Henry Moore, Max Kurtz, Tom Kurtz, Spencer Harris, Levi Congleton, Amanda Reffitt, Jessy Bennett, Suzanne Padgett, Casey Ray, Landon Reffitt, Eva Ray, Samantha Kaai, Duncan Kaai, Aubrey Ottofy, Olivia Spears, Sr. Antonia Asayoma, Katherine Caudill, Paige Bosley, Lauren Rummage, Luke Reffitt, Jenny Bosley, Vince Carrico, Rita Roberson, Cece Hemingway, Emily Calloway, Brenda Pierce, Kathleen Murphy, Hayden Morris, Missy Owens, Neena Gaynor, Sarah Mills, Robin Tomes, Stephanie Carrico, Christie Hagan, Martin Ling, Annabel Moore, Sarah Hemingway, Molly Harris, Amy Carrico, Sr. Monica Seaton, Hannah Bland, Pam Weafer, Donna Duffy, Nadine Higdon, Briley Breeden, Ava Knoop, Kelsey Early. THANK YOU to those who made donations from the giving tree. **You are all blessings to our parish family!** (we hope we haven't missed anyone)

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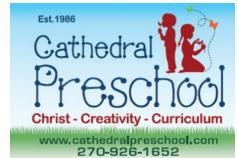
ADVERTISER of the WEEK

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Great News! Have you heard?

The Cathedral Preschool is now offering **After School Care** for students enrolled at the preschool! Cathedral Preschool has been serving families with children 3, 4 and 5-years old since 1986. We are a loving, learning center where your child will be enriched and engaged in preparation for kindergarten. You don't want to miss out on attending our 5-STAR school. Call us today at (270) 926-1652 for a tour or to get additional information about registration. A few openings remaining for the 2019-2020 school year.



Evangelizing Moment

by Joe Bland

What?

"No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God." (Luke 9:62) What is our task at hand?

So what?

I remember when I was growing up on the farm and my dad let me plow the field with the old Massey-Ferguson tractor. The single thing that I had to remember was keep it straight. My dad would say; "if you look back behind you you'll make crooked rows." I could not let myself get distracted; I had to keep my mind on the task at hand. We live in a world of chaos, distractedness and often insanity. We keep ourselves busy to the point we don't remember why we are doing things in our lives and we feel overwhelmed.

Now what?

I believe that the question that Jesus and St. Paul are trying to give us in the readings today is; "what is our task at hand?" The task at hand is relationship. What do I mean by that? I mean our task; our focus in our daily life should be God. How much of our day is spent in prayer? Do we even think about prayer? Some might tell me, "I say my prayers every day." And that is good, God works with whatever time we give him, but I'm going to challenge you. If I "say" I love you to my wife everyday but I never show it, I never spend time with her or build friendship and intimacy with her what good are the words that I "say?" What I'm getting at is there is a difference between "saying" and praying. The difference is relationship. Your prayer life should be a conversation with God. Many people don't take the time to pray to God because people don't take the time to think of God, people don't think of their thinking or think of their feelings. It's about relationship. God has to be the primary target of our daily life. We have to train our minds to focus on God. When we do we will understand what the true freedom that St. Paul speaks of in Galatians. We will not want to look back at our former way of life; we will want to keep our eye on the task ahead.

"If your prayer life is boring, you're focusing on yourself, not Jesus, not the needy." — Pope Francis

Welcome back to Ordinary Time! There is nothing ordinary about God!

● PARISH TEAM ●

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