



# Saint Stephen Cathedral

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Most Rev. William F. Medley,  
Diocese of Owensboro



**November 24, 2019**  
*Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
King of the Universe*

I rejoiced because they  
said to me,  
“We will go up to  
the house of the LORD.”  
— Psalm 122:1

## 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 NOVEMBER 30/DECEMBER 1, 2019**  
**First Sunday of Advent (Cycle A)**

**5:00PM VIGIL MASS****SACRISTAN:** Laurie Hicks**Altar Servers:** Max Kurtz, Thomas Kurtz, Joe Kurtz**Lectors:** Janice Scherm, Garry Pierce**Minister of the Host:** Sue Gough, Laurie Hicks, *OPEN***Minister of the Cup:** Ellen Aud, Gary Aud, Denise Payne,  
*OPEN, volunteer now***Minister of Hospitality:** Cheryl Hayden, *OPEN, 2 needed,*  
Douglas Hayden, Lisa Kyle, Thomas Murphy**7:00AM MASS****SACRISTAN:** TBD**Altar Servers:** LaWanna Brand**Lectors:** Eddy McFarland, Glenn Thompson**Minister of the Host:** Nancy Hendricks**Minister of the Cup:** Lorraine McFarland, Rita Roberson**Minister of Hospitality:** Vernon Goode, Logan Lanham,  
Thomas Smiley, Terry Wilkerson**9:00AM MASS****SACRISTAN:** Elaine Thomas**Altar Servers:** Andrew Ellis, John Copeland, Patrick Green**Lectors:** Christine Ellis, Rick Rhodes**Minister of the Host:** Doris Mattingly, Isabelle Wright,  
John Wright,**Minister of the Cup:** Barry Hearth, John McNulty,  
Donna Murphy, Mary Helen Nash**Minister of Hospitality:** Tom Booth, James Grand, Cassie  
Head, Gabrielle/Grant Parson, Jakob Wellman, Jimmy Wellman**11:00AM MASS****SACRISTAN:** Debra Sikes**Altar Servers:** Kirsten Zogmann, Spencer Harris**Lectors:** Theresa Edelen, Mike Weaver**Minister of the Host:** Amy Payne, Tom Payne, Debra Sikes**Minister of the Cup:** Ed Cecil, Keith Howard, Bill Wright,  
Shannon Wright**Minister of Hospitality:** Matt Carrico, Andy Edelen,  
Noah Edelen, Mike Fulkerson, Jim Ivey, Jim Murphy

There's still time to return your Time, Talent, and Treasure form. Every offering of support through serving in ministry and financial giving greatly blesses our parish community. Everyone has gifts to share and can be involved, even just a little. How is God calling you to share your gifts?

**III. You Are Invited To Give Thanks Publicly!**

We are blessed beyond measure! We receive, and accept so many God-given gifts God's gifts; we are to care for them responsibly, share them with charity and justice, and return a generous portion to God. In the parable of the ten lepers cleansed by Jesus (Luke 17:11-19), let's join the one leper who returned to give humbly thanks to God. You and your family are invited to give thanks publicly on Thanksgiving Day 2019 with our community at 8:00am Mass. Bring a bag of non-perishable groceries for those less blessed. What a great way to begin this national day of Thanksgiving. (This will be the only Mass at Saint Stephen Cathedral on Thanksgiving Day).

**I. A Gift To Each Family/Household:** anyone who has read and even reflected upon the Word of God before he/she comes to Eucharist/Mass, will, I assure you, reap the benefits of this spiritual discipline. A recent study claims that only 22% of American Catholics read the Bible regularly, and just 8% are involved in Scripture groups. However, from her very roots, our Roman Catholic Church is profoundly biblical, having "always venerated the divine Scriptures as she venerates the body of Christ" (Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation, 21). My hope is that *At Home With The Word*, given to each family/household this weekend, will be an incentive for you to "fall in love" with the Scriptures, and crave even more!

**II. Do You Have Musical Talent?** Why not share it! We need you. Friday, November 22, was the feast of Saint Cecilia, patroness of music because she sang to God at her wedding and on her death bed. We celebrate saints in many different ways: participating in Mass, having our pets blessed, buying chocolate for our loved ones, putting our shoes at the door, etc. What better day of the church year than the Feast of Saint Cecilia to celebrate the gift of music? At Saint Stephen, music is an integral part of our liturgies and we offer many opportunities to be involved in music at Liturgy. Perhaps you would like to join our adult choir or funeral choir. If you'd rather sing alone or in a small group, or play an instrument, those are option as well. There is room for everyone! Take some time this week to pray about your gifts consider becoming part of making beautiful, prayerful music at our liturgies!

**IV. Jesus, Our Crucified King:** "If you are really the Christ of God, save yourself and us" (Luke 23:35-43), shouted and taunted the rulers and soldiers as Jesus was dying on the cross. This is not the kingship of Jesus. Certainly, the One who healed lepers, fed the five thousand, and drove out demons, was capable of climbing down off the cross and walking unharmed through the angry crowd. But Jesus did not. Jesus kingship is not about his own glory or power. His kingship is not about saving Himself. Instead, in Jesus we witness a life poured out completely, to the last breath, for others. How is the kingship of Jesus different from that of other kings? What virtues does Luke's account of Jesus death between two criminals teach us?

**V. Endurance** (Luke 21:17-20) must be based on more than sheer grit. There is no mere order "to fight to the last man." It is, instead, the promise that God will be with us in the midst of our suffering

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## Please Pray for all the Sick

Norma Axley	Barbara Evans	JoAnn Moore
Harry Baumgarten	Wilma Fenwick	Lucy Neal
Dave Beckman	Yvonne Fulenwider	Joyce Payne
Larry Bishop	Jean Fulkerson	Dorothy Reynolds
Juanita Brown	Mary Horn	Iona Simon
Louise Brown	Keith/Lori Howard	Houston Taylor
Nicole Calhoun	Barbara Huff	Louise Thompson
Ron Calvert	Colene Jennings	Joan Wells
Gloria Cecil	Frank/Theresa Jones	Margaret
Richard/Mary Ann Clouse	Logan Lanham	Whittinghill
Sue Cooper	Josanna Lamastus	Robert Wiekel
Ruth Ann Cureton	Wilma/James McManaway	Carrie Wieder
Vickie Davis	Margaret O. Mills	

### Sick Family and Friends

Gloria Adams, parishioner of Blessed Sacrament Chapel; Jackie Ballard, friend of Fr. Jerry Riney; Alice Boarman, mother of Kathy (Billy) Murphy; Bill Booth, husband of Patty Booth; Maverick Burch; Virginia Curry, mother of Deacon Dirck Curry; Jim Edge, friend of Jim Murphy; Sr. Janice Fennewald SSND, sister of Sr. Jeannette Fennewald SSND; Jerry Hagan, brother of Sharlene Hatfield; Tim Harley, uncle of Troy Mills; Joseph Kolunzy, friend of Jim Murphy; Dan Kramer, brother-in-law of Beni Howell; Charlotte Landers, mother of Russell Vaughn; Cathy Leonard, sister of Ruth Ann Carrico; John and Sue Mudd, brother-in-law and sister of Sharlene Hatfield; Alex Reed, niece of Glenn and Kristine Henning; Dianne Taylor; Ben Thompson, friend of Fr. Jerry Riney; Rachel Weaver, granddaughter of Bob & Roberta Berry; Paul Duke Windsor, brother of Alison Serey. Suzanne Wurth, friend of Margie Ebelhar and Denise Payne.

**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, Marianna Robinson, Sister Catherine Shoenborn, Rose Bender, Dr. Carroll and Margie Howard, Regina Lewis. **Owensboro Center**—Margaret (Rosie) Whittinghill. **Heritage Place**—Maury Schaefer, Sr., Jackie Abshier. **Hermitage Manor**—Mary Jo Schadler, Gloria Cecil, Ron Calvert. **Hillcrest**—George Collignon, Hallie Lott, Wilma McManaway, Freddie Payne. **One Park Place**—Kay Meisenhelder, Francoise Grant. **Twin Rivers**—Elizabeth Finch. **Fern Terrace**—Sarah Welborn, Gary Ashworth, Robert Danhauer, Betty Wimsatt. **Wellington Parc**—Joe Rhodes, Dick Flaherty.

### PRAYING FOR THE DECEASED

Please pray for those who have recently died, especially  
**Grace Medley Ebelhar, parishioner, wife of Mark Ebelhar, sister of Winnie Foster; June Behnke, mother of Dean Behnke; Judy Miller, sister of Brenda Pierce; and Betty Booth, mother of Bill (Patty) Booth, sister-in-law of Mary Bryan Booth, aunt of Tom Ed (Robin) Booth, B. J. (Paula) Booth, Terry (Teresa) Brown and Pam Hartz.**

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

### RESTART

When you stop to think, don't forget to start again.

### BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL

#### Thanksgiving Dinner

The annual Thanksgiving dinner at Blessed Sacrament Chapel will be THIS Sunday, November 24, 12noon to 2:00 PM. Join us for fellowship and good food.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR PARISH MEMBERS

*Parish Birthdays from November 24-30*

Linda Beckman, Shelby Bertram, Hannah Blanton, Caroline Camp, Misty Chancellor, Lucy Carrico, Theresa Daugherty, Noah Edelen, Josey Gaynor, Neena Gaynor, Lucas Georges, Manon Georges, Brian Howard, Charles Lentz, Breandan Murphy, Paul Murphy, Hannah Padgett, Luke Riney, Paula Shanks, Elaine Thomas, Lizann Thompson, Rhonda Troutman, Randy Toth, Travis Weafer

### THIS WEEK'S WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

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

November 26—Chris and Jamie Carrico, 24 years

November 26—Jordan and Megan Bickett, 3 years

November 27—Kent and Katie Short, 11 years

**November 28 — Gilbert and Joanne Moore, 62 years**

November 30—Dennis and Beverly Cecil, 46 years

### Fresh Festive Gift Idea

Treat yourself or someone else to fresh Alabama pecans. St. Joseph Peace Mission for Children is selling one pound bags for \$11. The profits support this Owensboro home for children and teens at risk. Please contact Linda Ivey 270/570-1872. Please support this worthy cause.

*"If God sends us on stony paths, God will also provide us with strong shoes."* Alexander MacLaren

### LIFE IS HARD, BUT HAVE NO FEAR

**Last** Sunday's readings take a fearless look at reality and reach a conclusion that we all know: life is hard. The prophet Malachi preaches fire and brimstone, warning us that evildoers will perish in flames. Saint Paul offers his own warning to the Thessalonians: keep busy, but never become a busybody. He reminds Christians that the apostles themselves worked in "toil and drudgery" as a model for how we ought to contribute to our community. The Gospel returns to the apocalyptic tone of Malachi, describing the utter chaos of the end-times. We will know the end is near when violence, catastrophe, and hatred dominate the earth. But we must not fear! God's saving plan brings peace to our hearts. Malachi speaks of the sun's "healing rays," and Jesus himself promises to protect every hair on our heads.

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### Financial Update: November 16/17

Weekly Collections: \$20,260.89

Weekly Budget: \$20,770.00

Weekly +/-: (\$509.11)

Month-to-Date Collections: \$70,932.57

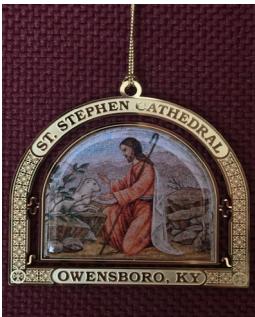
Month-to-Date Budget: \$62,310.00

Month-to-Date +/-: \$8,622.57

Year-to-Date Collections: \$412,453.83

Year-to-Date Budget: \$415,400.00

Year-to-Date +/-: (\$2,947.17)



## 2019 Ornament

. . . is now available. The new ornament features our Good Shepherd mosaic and is 8th in a series. Cost: \$20 each. Ornaments from some previous years: \$15 each. Available at the Parish Office M-F, 8:30 am-4:30 pm. Great for gift-giving!

### What's in your cup?

You are holding a cup of coffee when someone comes along and bumps into you or shakes your arm, making you spill your coffee everywhere. Why did you spill the coffee?  
"Because someone bumped into me!!!"

Wrong answer.

You spilled the coffee because there was coffee in your cup.

Had there been tea in the cup, you would have spilled tea.  
*\*Whatever is inside the cup is what will spill out.\**

Therefore, when life comes along and shakes you (which WILL happen), whatever is inside you will come out. It's easy to fake it, until you get rattled.

*\*So we have to ask ourselves... "what's in my cup?"\**

When life gets tough, what spills over?

Joy, gratefulness, peace and humility?

Anger, bitterness, harsh words and reactions?

Life provides the cup, YOU choose how to fill it.

Today let's work towards filling our cups with gratitude, forgiveness, joy, words of affirmation; and kindness, gentleness and love for others.



## Sacrament Preparation News!

### Sacrament of Baptism Preparation

Baptism Preparations sessions are offered once a month to prepare parents for this memorable and sacred Sacrament. Completion of the two-hour session is required before the Baptism is scheduled, even if this is not your first child. First-time parents are encouraged to attend Baptism Prep before your child's arrival; your example of faith begins the moment the child is born.

The next Baptism Preparation session is on Monday, December 9 at 6:00 PM in the Youth House. Please contact Crissy at the Parish Office to reserve your spot for the December session.



**Confirmation Preparation Session #2:** is Wednesday, December 11 from 6:00-8:00 PM. All Confirmandi and either their parent or their chosen sponsor are expected to attend all sessions.

"Everyone knows how to be resigned amid the joys and happiness of prosperity, but to be so amid storms and tempests is peculiar to the children of God."

Saint Francis de Sales

## A DISCIPLE IS:

Grateful • Mindful • Prayerful • Gracious  
Committed • Accountable • Generous

**A Message from Father Jerry:** Heartfelt thanks to everyone who has submitted a *Time, Talent, and Treasure* pledge. If you have not yet done so, there's still time! Pray about your offering of service in ministry and financial support to our parish, then return a pledge this week. One way we can cultivate an attitude of gratitude is to avoid comparing ourselves to others; be assured that the gifts **you** have and share matter—and make a difference.

Whether you are a longtime parishioner, new to our parish family, or just new to pledging, I ask that you return a pledge. You may drop it in the offertory collection, return it by mail, or complete a pledge online at [www.stephencathedral.org](http://www.stephencathedral.org). Extra packets are available in the church or Parish Office. Whatever your level of participation and support, join me in praying for a successful renewal for our parish. I am grateful each day for your support offered through prayer, service in ministry, and financial giving. May God's blessings be with you!

### Ministry Opportunities: Share your gifts!

- ◆ Serving others blesses both the recipient and the giver. Our parish offers many opportunities to serve the less fortunate including **St. Vincent de Paul, Pitino Soup Kitchen, St. Benedict Shelter, Birthright of Owensboro**, and more. Check the ministry directory or view the opportunities online.
- ◆ **Did you know** that nearly 20 volunteers are needed for each of our weekend Masses? This number includes a sacristan, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, altar servers, hospitality ministers, and a cantor—even more when the choir sings! We need and welcome more volunteers in **all** of these ministries.

Want to be involved? Need more info? Contact Donna at [donna.tarantino@pastoral.org](mailto:donna.tarantino@pastoral.org) or 270-683-6525.

### Gratitude is in season year round! What are some ways we can cultivate an attitude of gratitude?

- ◆ Write a thank-you note to someone who deserves your gratitude.
- ◆ Keep a gratitude journal; each day, write down three things for which you are grateful.
- ◆ Be mindful of the present moment.
- ◆ Make good use of technology! Send or post positive messages of encouragement or thanks.

**Praying. Giving. Serving.**



## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

7:00AM

Mon Dolores Thomson †

12:05PM

Tom/Mary Ann Drexler ††

Tues Ann Vaughan †

Maurice Payne †

Wed Rachel Weaver

Brenda Kelley †

Thu Thanksgiving Day 8AM

George Hagan †

Fri Joe/Sue Riney ††

Mary Weisbrook Hagan †

Sat 9:00AM J. W./Teresa Townsley ††

### Sunday, December 1

Sat 5:00PM The People of Saint Stephen

Sun 7:00AM JoAnn Roberts †

9:00AM Luke and Kristin Aull

11:00AM Michelle Bourke †

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52-56; Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57-61; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62-67; Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Dn 6:12-28; Dn 3:68-74; Lk 21:20-28

### Thanksgiving Day, Suggested:

Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19

Friday: Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81; Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22

Sunday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

### Pastor's Corner Continued...

and that this present order of things is not the end of it all. Christians have witnessed powerfully to their faith in the midst of persecution on countless occasions. Corrie ten Boom, Dietrich Bonhoeffer and Oscar Romero, immediately come to mind, but much Christian witness takes place unheralded today, especially in Third World countries. Even if not persecuted, we bear witness to Christ anytime we bear adversity with Grace. In Western nations, few of us have suffered for our faith, but we should not imagine that it could not happen.

### Social Concerns Outreach—can you help?

Each year at this time, we collect items for the shelters and for our own food pantry.

Please mark your calendars and bring the item listed each week and leave it in church in the baskets at the foot of the altar. Thank you for helping those less fortunate:



**THIS SUNDAY:** St. Vincent de Paul: Pasta sauce & pasta, diapers (infant and toddler)

**November 28, 2019:** St. Stephen Cathedral Food Pantry (Thanksgiving Day) Brown Bag Collection

## THE WEEK AHEAD

**SUNDAY, November 24—OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, King of the Universe (Christ the King)**

### BAPTISM SUNDAY

Masses at 7:00AM, 9:00AM 11:00AM

CHILD CARE, 9:00AM, Preschool Building

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

FAITH FORMATION 10:15-11:30AM, Classrooms

Thanksgiving DINNER at Blessed Sacrament Chapel

12-2:00PM, 7th &amp; Sycamore Streets

(Pray for our Youth returning from the National Catholic Youth Conference, NCYC)

**MONDAY, November 25—Weekday**

*Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin, Martyr*

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

Rosary, 7:30AM

**ADVENT SMALL GROUPS, 6:30PM, Community Center**

**TUESDAY, November 26—Weekday**

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

Rosary, 7:30AM

Vespers, 5:30PM, Church



**WEDNESDAY, November 27—Weekday**

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

Rosary, 7:30AM

Choir Practice, 6:00PM, Church

**THURSDAY, November 28—Weekday**

### HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Daily Mass at 8:00AM; Pss II

Rosary, 7:30AM

Parish Office Closed

**FRIDAY, November 29—Weekday**

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

Rosary, 7:30AM

Parish Office Closed

Kennedy/Adams Wedding Rehearsal, 5:30PM, Church

**SATURDAY, November 30—SAINT ANDREW, APOSTLE**

Daily Mass at 9:00AM

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

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

Kennedy/Adams Wedding, 6:30PM, Church



**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1—First Sunday of Advent**

### WELCOME SUNDAY

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

CHILD CARE, 9:00AM, Preschool Building

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

No Faith Formation

No Youth Gathering: Happy Thanksgiving Weekend!



## Thanksgiving Day Mass

**Brown Bag Food Collection****Thursday, November 28<sup>th</sup>****8:00AM****Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup>,**  
**7:00AM and 12:05PM**

**Are you having surgery?** Please call the office and we will arrange for you to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick during 7:00 a.m. or 12:05 p.m. weekday Mass the day before your procedure.

This week we celebrate a wonderful feast, the Feast of Christ the King, this feast day was originally created to remind the faithful that Jesus Christ is King of the Universe. This means that no matter what is going on in our world Jesus is still King of it all. This calls for a celebration!

Fix your favorite meal, and your children's favorite foods, have a feast. It is good to know that our King truly loves us and cares about us. This Sunday also draws to a close our liturgical year. Think of new ways your family can start this new liturgical year off right. A good example is while you are eating supper together to go around the table and discuss your highs, lows, and God moments of the day. Ask everyone to reflect back on their day and think of the best part, the worst part, and where they saw God in their lives. This allows each child a time to talk at the dinner table, it will allow them to reflect on their days, and they will start to see God working in their lives. Celebrate this feast because Jesus Christ is King!



### Litany of Thanks

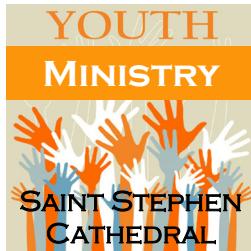
To Sharon Bell and her team for providing a funeral meal for the family and friends of Grace Medley Ebelhar: John Bell, Lisa Taylor, Kathryn Wimsatt, Theresa Ray, Sharlene Hatfield, Sally Halbig, Margaret Frey, Janice Greene, Dora Thompson, Sue Gough, Chrissy Kurtz, Carol Ralph, Brenda Troutman, Linda Fentress, Sheila Calhoun, Julia Houston, Donna Flaherty, Lisa Kyle and Sr. Jeannette Fennewald, SSND. Thank you to Blessed Sacrament Chapel for the use of their parish hall.

Much gratitude to those who give of their time on Friday mornings putting inserts into our weekly bulletin: Barbara Jones, Darilyn Bishop, John and Patsy Clayton and Charlie Winstead.

The safety of our children is the responsibility of every Christian. Anyone aware of the abuse of a person under the age of eighteen is required by law to report this to the proper state authorities: local law enforcement (270-687-8888 / or 270-685-8444) or the Kentucky Child Abuse Hotline (toll-free: 1-877-KYSAFE1; 1-877-597-2331). To report to the diocese abuse by church personnel (paid or volunteer) either past or present, please call the Pastoral Assistance Coordinator at this confidential phone line: 270-852-8380. The Diocese of Owensboro's sexual abuse policy is available at the parish office and also on the diocesan web site (<https://owensborodiocese.org/safe> ).

### Advent Giving Tree

As we wait with joy and hope for the coming of our Savior, we also take time to remember those in need. Please take a tag (or two, if you can!) from the tree, and return ALL gifts by noon on SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15th. Be sure to attach the tag(s) securely to the gift(s)! God bless you for your generosity.



**This Sunday, November 24:** This Sunday, November 24: No Youth Gathering (Due to NCYC)  
**Next Sunday, December 1:** No Youth Gathering due to Thanksgiving Break – enjoy the time with your family! Follow our Youth Ministry Instagram Page: st\_stephen\_ym

### Knights of Columbus Sausage Sales

Pre-order your sausage now for the Holidays. The Sorgho Council is making sausage December 6. Fresh rolls are \$7.50 and smoked rolls are \$8.00 each. Call Gene Schadler before Monday, December 2. 270/929-9559.

### Advent Communal Reconciliation

Monday, December 2—Mount Saint Joseph, 6:30PM  
Wednesday, December 4—St. Anthony, Utica, 6PM  
Sunday, December 8—St. Martin, Rome, 6:45PM  
Monday, December 9—Immaculate, 6PM  
Monday, December 9—Our Lady of Lourdes, 6PM  
Tuesday, December 10—Sts. Joseph and Paul, 6:30PM  
Tuesday, December 10—St. Peter Alcantara, 6PM  
Wednesday, Dec. 11—St. Sebastian, Calhoun, 6:30PM  
Thursday, December 12—St. Alphonsus, Sorgho, 6PM  
Thursday, December 12—St. Lawrence, 6PM  
Sunday, December 15—Blessed Mother, 2PM  
Sunday, December 15—St. Mary Magdalene, 4PM  
Monday, December 16—St. Mary of the Woods, 6PM  
Tuesday, December 17—St. William, 6PM  
Tuesday, December 17—St. Elizabeth, Curdsville, 6PM  
Thursday, December 19—Precious Blood, 6PM  
Thursday, December 19—St. Pius X, 6PM

**2020 Liturgical Wall Calendars** will be available beginning the weekend of December 14/15 until they are gone. Please take one per family. *Thank you.*  
*Courtesy of our friends at Haley-McGinnis Funeral Home.*

**Monday Nov. 25th**

**Tuesday Dec. 3rd**

**Monday Dec. 9th**

**Tuesday Dec. 17th**

**6:30pm—7:30pm Community Center**

BEST

*Advent*

EVER

## • PARISH TEAM •

Pastor (Rector) ..... Fr. Jerry Riney ([jerry.riney@pastoral.org](mailto:jerry.riney@pastoral.org))  
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 Pastoral Associate(*Blessed Sacrament Chapel*)Sr. Jeannette Fennewald .....([pa@blessedsacramentchapel.org](mailto:pa@blessedsacramentchapel.org))  
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 Director of Music .....James Wells ([james.wells@pastoral.org](mailto:james.wells@pastoral.org))

Director of Ministries and Volunteers.....[Donna Tarantino](mailto:Donna.Tarantino@pastoral.org) .....([donna.tarantino@pastoral.org](mailto:donna.tarantino@pastoral.org))  
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