

Blessed Mother Catholic Church

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2nd Sunday In Ordinary Time January 19, 2020



I know well the plans I have in mind for you, Says the Lord, plans for your welfare, not for woe! Plans to give you a future full of hope. When you call me, when you go to pray to me, I will listen to you. When you look for me, you will find me. Yes, when you seek me with all your heart, you will find me with you, says the Lord, and I will change your lot...

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

Jeremiah 29:11-14

Welcome to Blessed Mother Catholic Church

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OFFICE HOURS

7:00 AM to 4:00 PM | Monday - Friday

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday at Noon to Cyndi Vaughan bmcgo2@outlook.com. Holiday deadlines will be determined by publisher.

PRAYER LINE NUMBERS

Bulletin Prayer Line: Cyndi Vaughan phone ext. 24. E-mail Line: Barbara Cecil bwcecil1@gmail.com or phone 270-929-3690

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Fr. Mike Clark Pastor

Fr. Jamie **Dennis** Parochial Vicar



BAPTISM

Parents must be registered in the parish and attend the baptism class. Call Norm Hayden, the Director of Religious Education, to set up an appointment for the baptism class. Arrangements for the Baptism may be made at that time.

MARRIAGES

Arrangements must be made six months in advance of the ceremony with Fr. Mike Clark or Fr. Jamie Dennis.

ADULT CATECHUMENATE

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is open for all who would like to inquire into our Catholic faith. Call the parish office.

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

WEEKEND: Saturday 4:00 P.M. Sunday 7:00 & 10:00 A.M., 5:00 P.M.

WEEKDAYS: 6:30 A.M. Monday

6:00 P.M. Tuesday 6:30 A.M. Wednesday Noon Thursday and Friday

HOLY DAYS: 9:00 A.M., 12:00 Noon, 6 P.M.

(Unless otherwise noted)

Adoration: Eucharistic Adoration Tuesday 6:00 A.M.-10:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 A.M.-10:00 P.M. Friday 6:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 12:30 - 2:00 P.M. Any time by appointment.

VISITATION OF THE SICK

In order to meet the spiritual needs of our sick we ask that you please keep us informed of those who are ill at home, in the hospital, or a nursing facility. Our priests visit the hospital on a weekly basis. Arrangements may be made for Communion calls to the homes of our homebound parishioners by the priest and/or by lay ministers to parishioners who are unable to attend Mass.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

During the school year for grades K-8

BEREAVEMENT DINNERS

Dinners for family and friends after the funeral. Contact the parish office.

Calendar for the Week

Monday 6:30 AM Mass

January 20 No Bunco In January

3 PM Rosary

7 PM St. Vincent DePaul Meeting St. Anthony Room/ Parish Center

Tuesday 6 AM-10 PM Eucharistic Adoration

January 21 6 PM Mass

Wednesday 7 AM-10 PM Eucharistic Adoration

January 22 6:30 AM Mass

No School Mass Thursday January 23 12 Noon Mass

3 PM Rosary

6 AM- 4 PM Eucharistic Adoration Friday

January 24 12 Noon Mass

12:30-2PM Confessions Saturday

January 25 4 PM Mass

7 AM, 10 AM, 5 PM Mass Sunday January 26

7:30 PM AA Meeting, School Cafeteria

5 PM Gamblers Anonymous

(Blessed Sacrament Chapel- 602 Sycamore St)

Intentions for the Week

Monday, January 20 6:30 AM Christina Barnard

Tuesday, January 21

6:00 PM Mr. & Mrs. Robert Hurm

Wednesday, January 22

6:30 AM Dorothy Schell +

2:30 PM One Park Place Nancy Clark †

Thursday, January 23

12:00 Noon Blessed Mothy Choir/ Music Ministers

Friday, January 24

12:00 Noon Linda Hinton †

Saturday, January 25

4:00 PM Vince Reynolds

Sunday, January 26

7:00 AM Wanda Powers †

10:00 AM Brandon & Christina Barnard

5:00 PM Blessed Mother Parish

Liturgical Ministers Jan. 25 & 26 **Eucharistic Ministers**

Saturday 4:00 PM

Bonnie Stuart, Ethel Watrous, Murray Adams, Chistina Barnard, Jeannie Best, Rose Clark, Joan Collins, Judy Coomes, Karen Dueker

Sunday 7:00 AM

Charlotte Cecil, Donald Cecil, Kelsey Higgs, Brad Hinton, Darlene Kazlauskas, Randy Lee, Mark Potts

Sunday 10:00 AM

Mary Margaret Hayden, Russ Hayden, Steve Hayden, Ed Higdon, Nicholas Johnson, Sabrina Johnson, Scott Johnson, Angie Judd, Brenda Millay

Sunday 5:00 PM

Leesa Moman, Rick Moman, Bev Payne, Larry Roby, **Connie Rouse**

Readers

Sat 4:00 PM Jennifer Hayden Sun 7:00 AM Joy Bach Sun 10:00 AM Lanell Lilv Sun 5:00 PM David Marshall

Servers

Sat 4:00 PM Sydney Adams, Andy Adams Sun 7:00 AM Anna Katherine Wathen. Caroline Wathen, John William Wathen Sun 10:00 AM Elijah Ford, Elizabeth Ford Sun 5:00 PM Camilla Jenkins, Wyatt Jenkins

Families to Take Up Gifts

Sat 4:00 PM Ken Plas Sun 7:00 AM Jeff Hofer Sun 10:00 AM Charlie Dees Sun 5:00 PM George Morgan

Children's Lituray

Diane Fulkerson; Anna Hyland

Hillcrest

Sandra Henry; Cecilia Hamilton

Ministers of Hospitality January

4:00 PM Jack Hamilton, Alex Haynes Steven Haynes, Richard Howard

7:00 AM Ward Pedley, Walter Redd Kathy Shaver, Mike Shaver

10:00 AM Andrew Riney, Phil Riney Cliff Russell, Nicholas Russell

5:00 PM Catherine Nunley, Stacy Nunley

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Parish News

Billboards for Life

There will be a brief presentation explaining this mission before each Mass on January 25th and 26th, and a second collection immediately following the first collection to support this project. This Catholic Pro-Life effort has moved many hearts, saved lives, spared mothers, and helped avoid serious sins through their proclamation of the Gospel of Life. Please be generous so that these billboards can continue to be seen locally.

To our Musicians – Thank you!! Blessed Mother has been blessed by your generous gift of music this Christmas Season. Giving of your time and talent enriched the celebration of the Birth of the Christ Child at every mass on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and throughout the Christmas Season. A special thank you to the vocalists and instrumentalists who attended more than one mass on Christmas Eve so that the music at every mass reflected the joy of the season.

To those on our Decorating Committee and the volunteers who came to transform our sacred space for our Christmas celebrations - Thank You!! The church looked so beautiful! A wonderful reflection of Christ among us was displayed as you gave and shared your time and talent to serve our parish.

To our lectors, servers, ushers, gift bearers, Eucharistic ministers, and all who served in any capacity during the Christmas Masses – Thank You!! It is through your ministries that we are bonded as a church family that serves one another.

The Ministry of Praise commissions and enables parishioners who are suffering in any way to offer their situations in prayer for the parish and the universal Church, Contact Deacon Brett Mills, 270-683-8444, ext. 23, for more information on persevering in a difficult situation through participation with the Ministry of Praise.

Weekly Collections — January 5, 2019						
	Actual	Budget				
Reg. Collections	21,909.10	21,793.07				
Online Collections	1,528.00					
Weekly Total	23,437.10					
YTD Total	572,833.02	-15,579.87				



A note from your DRE...

On this 2nd Sunday in Ordinary time from the Gospel of John, we again hear about the baptism of Jesus through the testimony of John the Baptist. John says, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world." Hopefully, we recognize that phrase as one the Priest makes during the Communion Rite during the Liturgy of the Eucharist at Mass. Our response is, "Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed." Hopefully, we recognize our response is similar to the centurion from Matthew 8:8. In one of our Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) program discussions on the lituray, we search the Bible for those phrases heard and said during Mass. There are over 40 instances during Mass when Catholics recite or respond to 125 Scripture references, not including the first or second reading, responsorial psalm, or Gospel. Who says Catholics don't read the Bible. Let's just hope we read it more than once a week. Are you ready to give testimony like John the Baptist or the centurion, as a disciple of Jesus? Let us pray this day that our words and actions offer testimony to the presence of Jesus in our hearts.

Religious Education and RCIA are not in session for the Holiday weekend. Youth Group is in session today. If you made a New Year's resolution to spend more time with God, then I invite you to our Bible Study on Wednesday from 6 to 7 PM. If you have questions about any of our Religious Education programs or faith formation needs.

For our Religious Education Program, we are in need of an assistant catechist in our K-1 classroom as well as our 4-6 classroom. We meet Sundays from 8:30 to 9:30 AM and follow the DCPS calendar. Lesson plans and educational materials are provided. All catechists are required to be Safe Environment certified. which the Parish will provide at no charge. Please contact Norm Hayden in the office.

Please visit our website at http:// www.blessedmotherchurch.com/ to find forms, handbooks, and/or information to register for any of our programs.

K-8 Religious Education Schedule

Are your children being catechized in the Faith?

January 19 – No Class (Holiday)

January 26 – Class

February 2 – Class

February 9 – Class

Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) Schedule

What's stopping you from becoming a Catholic?

January 19 – No Class (Holiday)

January 26 – Eucharist

February 2 – Reconciliation

February 9 – Anointing of the Sick

Bible Study (Wednesday Evening)

Do you have personal relationship with Jesus? Join us at 6 PM in the St. John Bosco Room. Wednesday, Jan 22 - Matthew 4:12-23; CCC 1720 Wednesday, January 29 - No Class Wednesday, Feb 5 - Matthew 5:13-16, CCC 536

Video Lending Library

Check out the bulletin boards in the back of Church. a list in the office, or our website at http:// www.blessedmotherchurch.com/video-library for a list of programs in CD, DVD, or VHS format. Once you find a movie or program you like, call or email to reserve your free copy and make arrangements to pick it up at the office or before or after Mass.

On our website and FB page, there is an excellent YouTube video from the USCCB. This resource explores questions related to the increasing number of people who identify as religiously unaffiliated, and it highlights five effective avenues for reaching out to them. The median age of individuals who leave the Catholic Church is 13!!! Please watch the 25 minute video and reach out to others who have left the Church or do not believe in God. Then, help them contact Fr Mike, Fr Jamie, or Norm Hayden, DRE to ask questions about their Faith.

Vacation Bible School

It is time to schedule Vacation Bible School for summer 2020. No dates have been set. Please contact the office to volunteer and we will schedule a planning meeting.



Laugh of the Week

Two men were shipwrecked on a desert island. One was a churchaoer and the other wasn't. The minute they arrived on the island, the non-churchgoer began screaming and yelling, "We're going to die! There's no food! No water! We're going to die!

The other man was calmly propped against a palm tree, which drove the other guy crazy. "Don't you understand? We're going to die! What's wrong with YOU?"

"You don't understand," said the churchgoer, "I make one hundred thousand dollar a week."

"What difference does that make?" said the nonchurchgoer. "We're on a desert island. We're going to die!"

The churchgoer smiled, "You just don't get it. I make one hundred thousand dollars a week, and I tithe. My pastor will find me!"

Forming Good Stewards

Good stewards are formed by other good stewards! "Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world."

Note that John says "sin of the world" and not "sins of the world." We all have free will and are capable of committing individual sins for which we must account and seek forgiveness. But what is the sin of the world? John observed a self-centeredness in the people of his day that is the opposite of being centered on God. John understood that such self-centeredness is at the heart of all sin in the world and recognized Jesus as the Lamb of God, the person who would sacrifice himself to help us root out self-centeredness and become centered on God. Jesus did that with his life and his teaching. But he needs our help. Because God has given us the great gift of free will we must choose to stop being centered on ourselves and choose to put God at the center of our lives. When we are centered on God we become a person for others. If everyone in the world becomes a person for others would there be any sin of the world?



Registration for 2020/2021 3, 4, & 5-year old children Begins February 3rd for Current Cathedral Preschool families &

St. Stephen Cathedral members. Registration open to the public on February 10th. ALSO offering After-School care for enrolled students!! For class choices and prices check the website at <u>www.cathedralpreschool.com</u> or call (270)926-1652



Music Corner

Our Mass settina is: Mass of Christ the Savior

Cantors next week: January 25 & 26

Sat. 4:00 pm: Fred & Patty Woerter Sun. 7:00 am: Mary Ann Thompson

10:00 am: Choir

5:00 pm: Contemporary Group

Men/Women's Choir: Rehearsals are every Wed. 5-7 PM. Music is reviewed at 9 am on Sunday mornings in the Children's Liturgy Room prior to the 10 AM Mass. All are welcome to join.

Children's Choir: Contact Patty if interested.

The Contemporary Group: Practice is every Sunday at 4:00 PM to prepare for the 5:00 Mass.

We always welcome interested vocalist and instrumentalist. Please contact Patty for more information. 270-683-8444 ext. 27; bmcliturgy@bellsouth.net; Office hours: Mon. 9-3; Tues and Wed. 9-5.

Young Disciples (Grades 7-12)



Coming Soon...

Jan. 19: Minute To Win It Games!!

Jan. 26: Service Night!!

Questions, concerns, comments: call or e-mail me @: Christina Barnard: bmcyouth@bellsouth.net or 683-8444 Ext. 28

Cooking Teams:

Jan. 19: Keith & Jeannie Best, Holly Gardner Jan. 26: Becky & Scott Hargitt, Marti Castlen

Junior Youth Group (Grades 4-6)

March 22: Minute To Win It Games!!

Cathedral Preschool is in search of a caring, dedicated individual to fill a full-time Assistant position in their After School Program. The hours will be Monday thru Thursday from 11 a.m. till 5:30 p.m. Interested persons may call the preschool at (270) 926-1652.

Remember In Prayer Those **Sick In Our Community:**

Tom Abel, Jack Alvey, Edward Arnold,, Mary Aull, Katie Blandford, Amanda Brasher,



Please call Cyndi at the parish office 270-683-8444 ext. 24 to have a name added as they need prayer, or removed as they get better.

Please Pray For Our Troops Serving In War. Keep Them Safe, O Lord And Bring Them Home Soon.

Sgt. David Farley, US Army

Other:

Iraq:

Nicholas Tucker, US Navy (grandson of Joyce Payne) SPC Jesse D. Finley, US Army (grandson of Doris Haragan) David Townsend, US Army (Son-in-Law, Ann McIntyre) Nathaniel J. Pearl, US Army (Grandson of Dan Pearl) Cap. Jon Robertson, US Army (Beth Robertson, Wife) Eric Hayden, US Army (Grandson of Clarence Elder) Josh Hofmann, Airforce Rvan Hofmann, Airforce Madeline Boyd 1st Lt, Army

Luke Hood, Navy (Great Grandson of Bob & Connie Hood)

Join us out in the community for Holy Mass Sponsored by Blessed Mother Church

Hillcrest

First Wednesday of the month @ 3:00pm 3740 Old Hartford Rd. Owensboro, KY, 42303

Wellington Parc

Second Wednesday of the month @ 10:00am 2885 New Hartford Rd. Owensboro, KY. 42303

One Park Place

Fourth Wednesday of the month @ 2:30pm 2701 Frederica St. Owensboro, KY. 42301

This ministry is an important way for Blessed Mother to care for those whose mobility is declining. All are welcome to join us!

E-mail Cyndi Vaughan at bmcgo2@outlook.com or call the office at (270)683-8444 to stay up to date on this ministry.

Readings for the Week of January 19, 2020



Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 [8a,

9a]/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21

and 23 [23b]/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28

[21a]/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b,

2, 9-10 [1]/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a,

10b-11, 12-13 [5b]/Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11 [2a]/

Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc,

2 [Mk 16:15]/Mk 16:15-18

2019/2020 Disciples Response Fund

Parish Target	Pledged	Paid	Amount To Meet Target	Amount of Rebate
32.826.95				

From Death to New Life

We pray for the repose of the souls of Leo Howard, Charles Howard and Mary Lou Miller. May they share in the Resurrection of the Lord! Please pray for the families.





Leaders/ Achievers/ Believers

Happy New Year from Owensboro Catholic Schools! OCS registration and tuition assistance for the 2020-2021 school year will be opening soon.

Married Couples Retreat January 31 -**February 2. 2020**

"Growing in Love with One Another; Growing in Love with God" is a retreat for married couples that will take place from Jan. 31-Feb. 2. Long-time marriage educators Bridget Brennan and Jerry Shen will bring their gifts in teaching everyday practical skills to equip couples to grow in love and joy with each other and God. There is a discounted rate of \$275 per couple If you sign up by Jan. 17. Otherwise the fee is \$325 per couple. The fee includes meals and accommodations at the Mount Saint Joseph Conference and Retreat Center (12 miles west of Owensboro on Hwy, 56). Take this time to get away and renew your marriage. To register, call 270-229-0206 or email retreatcenter@maplemount.org or sign up online at ursulinesmsj.org/registration-form-for-sponsoredprograms.

Catholic Men's Conference of Western Kentucky February 15, 2020

The Catholic Men's Conference of Western Kentucky is hosting their 9th annual conference on Saturday, February 15, 2020 at the RiverPark Center in Owensboro. Men from all around the diocese are encouraged to attend. Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$15 for students. Guest speakers this year are Patrick Madrid, Bruce Sullivan and Brian Greenfield. Mass with Bishop Medley will follow the conference at St. Stephen Cathedral, 610 Locust Street, at 5 PM. Read the speakers' biographies, find more information and purchase online tickets by visiting kycatholic.com.

Saint Leo Catholic Church located in Murray, KY has a full-time job opportunity for an Office Manager, working under the supervision of the Pastor.

Position Summary: The Parish Office Manager must be a well-organized professional who is able to execute daily parish accounting functions and is the point person responsible for all aspects of parish administration. The Parish Office Manager works closely with the Pastor and the staff, as well as with parish volunteers.

Contact details: Saint Leo Parish is an equal opportunity employer that provides a wide range of benefits. All interested applicants may submit a resume and cover letter to: Email: Diocese.hr@pastoral.ora



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Blessed Mother welcomes all newcomers to our Parish Family. We would be honored to have you as a member. Please fill out this section, cut out, and turn it in or mail it to the Parish Office. We will send you papers for membership and we will also have a member of our Welcoming Committee call you.

Address Phone

Parish Council Members

Julie Hayden- 485-6912 Tom Anderson- 685-0348 Jennifer Havden- 925-4576 Tony Clark- 929-4020 John Cosco Scott Johnson-222-0264 Meredith Dolinger-256-8600 Scott McCain-929-5923 Richard Howard-903-9314 Dion Moorman-929-4004 Rob Harris- 686-8731 Dan Thomas - 314-5848

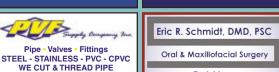
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http://www.blessedmotherchurch.com

Safe Environment

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 sexual abuse policy is available at this parish in the back of church, or in the parish office and also on the diocesan web site (https:// owensborodiocese.org/safe).





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