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## **Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary**

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Next Eucharistic Adoration: 4 pm Tues., Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Confession:** Saturdays 4 - 4:45 pm or by appointment. Please call the rectory to schedule.

Holy Rosary: Saturdays at 4:30 before 5 pm Mass

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# Mass Scheduled Intentions + Deceased blank Living

Monday, Aug. 25 No Mass

Tuesday, Aug. 26 St. Mark 5 pm COMMUNION SERVICE

Wednesday, Aug. 27 St. Paul 6:30 pm Charles Gaylord Adoration after Mass

Thursday, Aug. 28 St. Mark 9 am James I. Hosey

Friday, Aug. 29 St. Paul 9 am Karen Elder +

Saturday, Aug. 30 St. Mark 5 pm Kevin Pierson+

Sunday, Aug. 31 St. Mark 8 am For the People of our Parishes

St. Paul 10 am Strong Family+

"Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I say to you, will seek to enter and will not be able.
Luke 13:24

Next Sunday's Readings: Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a; Luke 14:1, 7-14

The passage we hear in the first reading today was written during a key era in Israel's history. The Babylonians have just been defeated and the Jewish people can once again rule over Judah. At this point Isaiah could have called for only the Jewish faithful to return and refused entry to all pagans. But this is not what the LORD tells Isaiah. No, the LORD invites "nations of every language," those who "have never heard of my fame, or seen my glory" (Isaiah 66:18–19).

For Isaiah, then, this is an opportunity for the faith to spread well beyond the formerly exiled Chosen People and draw in people from Africa, Europe, and Asia, where the nations listed in these verses are located. Not only that, some of these "foreigners" even will be chosen by God to serve as priests and Levites. Those previously thought of as unclean and unworthy to worship at all will now be able to offer sacrifice and perform cultic functions. God is truly the God of all.

If it seems as if the responsorial psalm is quite short today, it's because these two verses are the entire psalm. Psalm 117 is not only the shortest psalm in the Bible, it's the shortest chapter in the Bible. And yet, it says all that really needs to be said: God's kindness and faithfulness lasts forever, and all God's children should praise and glorify God. God's mercy and love are shown through that kindness. We have seen that even when we are not faithful to God, God is always faithful to us—through the covenant passed down from Abraham to the new covenant consummated by Jesus' sacrifice. All that's missing today from that psalm is its final word: Hallelujah!

Four times in the second reading we hear the word discipline, each time in a positive way, given out of love to help us grow. It is no coincidence that it comes from the same root in Latin as the word for disciple. Discipline teaches us how to be good disciples. Discipline is necessary to stay true to our mission, to love God and love our neighbor as ourselves, and to see the Christ in others. Doing so habitually forms us into the kind of disciples whom Jesus called to follow him.

**Questions of the Week:** What must I do to grow in the discipline of being a good disciple of the Lord? What can strengthen my "drooping hands and weak knees" (Hebrews 12:12)?

**Prayer Requests** Please keep Sandra Weston's family and the soul of her brother, Russell Breitweiser, in your prayers. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

Please also remember Theresa Weidner Griffith's family and the soul of her sister, Jean Dunathan, in your prayers. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

**St. Mark**: Keith Adcock, Steven Dahl, Marie Berger, Paula Phillips, Chris Bode, David Russell, Barbara Hughes, Joe and Wanda Loftus, Karen Finnegan, Mary McTiernan, Will Jones, Tom Johnson, Chris Davies, Mary Huhnke, Gail Biskupich, Terry O'Neill, Curtis Fritz, Kathleen and Alan Dale, Zane Pierson, Makenna Finnegan, Matt (in MI), Chuck Thomas, Rose Oliver, Sr. Mary Christine Taylor, Ann Munn, Roy Maynard, Pat Merimee, Wendy Welter Teller, Kevin Stuckner, Jim Dunning, Teresa Fuhrman, James I. Hosey, Mawn Family, David Harkins, Austin Benthem, Diane Edelbrock Nelson, Gerry Maynard, Jan Piche, Jim Eich, Karen Reibel, Kenny Pierson, Lonnie O'Neill, Maggie Pierson, Margie Hibbard, Reene McCartney, Richard Berger, Ron Eich, Shannon Doney, Sr. Joan Claire, Terence Carlin.

**Both Parishes:** The people of Western KY, Theresa Weidner Griffith *Please remember our shut-ins and nursing home residents in your prayers:* Barb Adams, William Moertl, **and all those living in nursing homes.** *Pray for our military and their families*, especially Monica Dukes, Tucker Pittmann, and Jack Rooyakkers.

**St. Paul:** Lee Weidner, Shirley Carney, Ronald Harper, Carol Adams, Tracy Hadlock, Michael Gray, Liam Stevenson, , Paul Corder, Pam Childress, Emily Stolz, Robert Peek, Troy Jewell, Jason Goodwin, Iris Brandon, Sandy Haberlock, Laura Jean Basso, Christa Strong, Teresa Boyd, Rodger Rush, Norm and Millie Thomas, Max Reil, David Cansler, Matthew Schalk, Margot Shirley, Kendra Redd, Teresa Angelilli, Rick Bennett, Mary Reil, Beth Berton, Lewis Wurtman, Ronald Weidner, Mary Cheeseman

### **Happy Birthday!**

Michele Jasis Aug 25<sup>th</sup>

Steven Crum Aug 26<sup>th</sup>

Bob Chaplin Aug. 27<sup>th</sup>

James Dunning Aug 28th

Barbara Hughes Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>

Daniel Laurent Sept 6th

Jan Chaplin Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>

Zane Pierson Sept. 8th

## **Happy Anniversary**

Aug. 26<sup>th</sup> Roger and Michelle Edelbrock – 47<sup>th</sup>



Sept. 8th Bill and Michelle Thayer - 7th

#### Save the Date!

This Weekend - K of C Installation of new members at St. Paul after 10 am Mass Wednesday, August 27th - YFF Mass and Eucharistic Adoration 6:30 pm St. Paul Next Weekend - Family Aid Society Collection

Tuesday, Sept. 2nd – Eucharistic Adoration 4 pm followed by Mass at 5

**Monday, Sept. 15**<sup>th</sup> 5:30- 8:15p pm KY Dam Convention Center **HOPE CLINIC Annual Banquet -** Come enjoy dinner and hear about the work the HOPE Clinic does to support pre and post - natal babies and moms. If you would like to come, let Regina know (<a href="mailto:reg8926@gmail.com">reg8926@gmail.com</a> or text (931) 801-6514).



# Welcome Back!

YFF (formerly known as CCD) will kick off a new schoolyear with

Mass followed by Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday, August 27<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm

St. Paul's Catholic Church

All are welcome to attend!

If you are new to St. Mark, **WELCOME!** Please see Fr. Brad or Kathy Talley to register. If you are a current Parishioner, but have a change in contact information, please tell Kathy Talley (270)625-3433 or kfct@umich.edu.

Baptism: Please contact the Pastor for scheduling of Baptism. One-month notice is required.

**Matrimony:** Please contact and make an appointment with the Pastor for scheduling a wedding. At least six months is needed for preparation.

Please contact Fr. Brad at (270) 365-6786 for Anointing of the Sick, Holy Communion or Pastoral calls to the sick, shut-in, or hospitalized.



Congratulations to Joe and Wanda Loftus. They have received the Sophia Award from the Owensboro Diocese for 2025. Thanks for your dedication to St. Mark's through the years!

August 16-17<sup>th</sup> Stewardship

Total Deposit \$ 2,245
Brescia University \$5
Assumption of Mary \$242
Thanks for your support!



The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a blood drive on Thursday, August 28 from 3:00 to 7:00 P.M. at St. Paul. Donors will receive a t-shirt and coupon for a Big Mac from McDonalds. Please help build up blood reserves for the Labor Day weekend.

St. Mark		Altar Server	Lector	Greeters/ Ushers	Eucharistic Ministers	Counters	Financial Rep.
Saturday 8/30	5 pm		Bill McConnell	Doug McCartney Volunteer	Deacon Paul Sonny Finnegan Joe Merimee		JoAnn Bogle
Sunday 8/31	8 am		Bob Chaplin	Bill & Nancy Stalter	Deacon Paul Jan Chaplin Joe Rivera	Lynn Jamieson Karen Murdzek	Bob Chaplin



# Herman Berton 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration

4:30 pm Saturday, August 30<sup>th</sup>
St. Paul Parish Center
All are invited
Please, no gifts

**DIOCESAN POLICY**: A full explanation of the diocese's response to sexual abuse concerns can be found in the revised sexual abuse policy, effective July 1, 2014, which is available in the oak book shelf in Fr. Brad's office at St. Mark, on the bookshelf in the back of St. Paul, and online at <a href="https://owensborodiocese.org/safe">https://owensborodiocese.org/safe</a>.

**Bulletin Announcements** should be sent directly to Regina Hosey at <a href="mailto:reg8926@gmail.com">reg8926@gmail.com</a> or text (931)801-6514 by Tuesday evening.