

St. Paul Catholic Church

August 24, 2025

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Next Eucharistic Adoration:

Friday, Sept. 5th at 8 am

Confession: By appointment. Please call the rectory to schedule. Reconciliation is also available on Saturdays 4 - 4:45 pm at St. Mark in Eddyville.

Church website:

<https://stmarkeddyville.weconnect.com>

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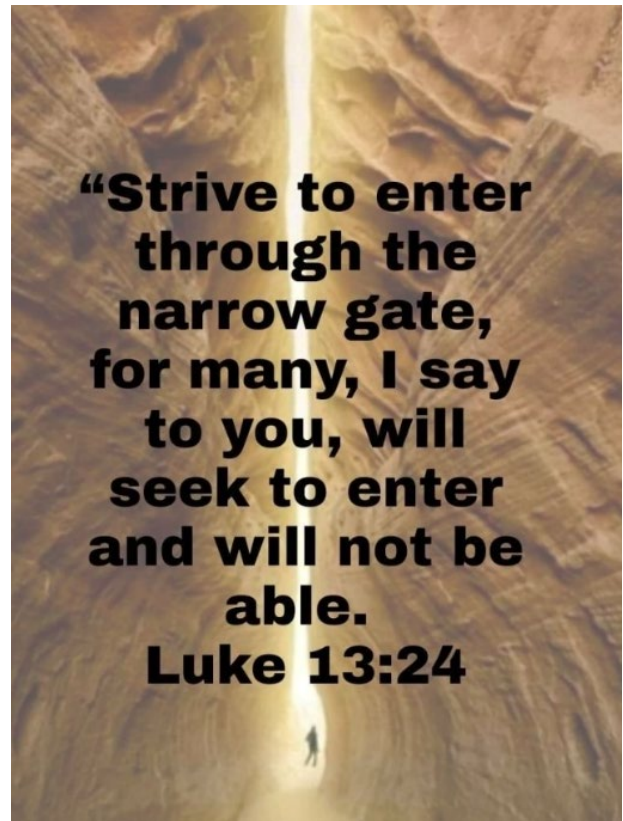
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Mission Statement: Let us experience a change in every moment of our lives for the better and touch the lives of other people whom we meet every day

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+

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. Paul: Lee Weidner, Shirley Carney, Ronald Harper, Carol Adams, Tracy Hadlock, Michael Gray, Liam Stevenson, Lee Weidner, 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

Both Parishes: 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. 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, Marie Berger, Reene McCartney, Richard Berger, Ron Eich, Shannon Doney, Sr. Joan Claire, Terence Carlin.

Happy Birthday!

Maria Medina Aug. 25th

Sandra Weston Aug. 26th

Herman Berton Aug. 29th

Cindy Jackson Sept. 6th

Ethan Klidzejs Sept. 9th

Brittani Weatherspoon Sept. 10th

Happy Anniversary!

Aug. 21st George and Sharon Barber - 54th

Aug. 27th Matthew and Mary Schalk - 14th

Sept. 2nd Mike and Mary Dearing – 48th

Save the Date!

Sunday, August 24th - **K of C Installation of new members** at St. Paul

Wednesday, August 27th - **YFF Mass and Eucharistic Adoration 6:30 pm St. Paul** **ALL WELCOME**

Next Weekend - **Family Aid Society Collection**

Friday, Sept. 5th – **Eucharistic Adoration 8 am followed by Mass at 9**

Monday, Sept. 15th 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 Hosey know (reg8926@gmail.com or text (931) 801-6514).



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.

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 kfct@umich.edu or **(270) 625-3433**.

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.

Bulletin Announcements should be sent directly to Regina Hosey at reg8926@gmail.com or by text (931) 801-6514, **no later than Tuesday evening**.

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 <https://owensborodiocese.org/safe>

August 31st	Altar Server	Lector	Greeters/ Ushers	Eucharistic Ministers	Counters Financial Rep.*
10am	Sam	Anna Ray	Marcy and Fred Foltz	Deacon Paul Dan Adams Cesar Turmero	Bob Hayes* Mike Wasielewski

**Herman Berton 90th
Birthday Celebration**
4:30 pm Saturday, Aug. 30th
St. Paul Parish Center
All are invited
Please, no gifts



August 17th	Week 7	Stewardship	Thanks for your support!
Total Deposit:	\$1,450.00	Weekly Budget Expense	\$ 2,750.00
		Year- to- Date Collections	\$ 27,018.38
Assumption of Mary \$	68.00	Year-to-Date Budget	\$ 19,250.00



Welcome Back!
YFF (formerly known as CCD) will kick off a new schoolyear with
Mass followed by Eucharistic Adoration
Wednesday, August 27th 6:30 pm
St. Paul's Catholic Church
All are welcome to attend!

