

St. Paul Catholic Church

August 31, 2025

22nd 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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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, Sept. 1	No Mass	
Tuesday, Sept. 2	St. Mark 5 pm	Bruce Gaylord Adoration at 4 pm
Wednesday, Sept. 3	St. Paul 6:30 pm	Karen Elder + CCD following
Thursday, Sept. 4	St. Mark 9 am	Fr. Jim Kosek +
Friday, Sept. 5	St. Paul 9 am	All the souls no one prays for Adoration at 8 am
Saturday, Sept. 6	St. Mark 5 pm	For the People of our Parishes
Sunday, Sept. 7	St. Mark 8 am	Margaret Terry +
	St. Paul 10 am	Bruce Gaylord

Next Sunday's Readings: Wisdom 9:13-18b; Philemon 9-10, 12-17; Luke 14:25-33

Reflection: The virtue of humility is extolled throughout today's readings. Sirach teaches, "Humble yourself the more, the greater you are, and you will find favor with God" (Sirach 3:18). The psalmist writes that God makes a home for the poor, orphans, widows, prisoners, and the forsaken. Though not directly mentioning humility, the author of Hebrews alludes to the signs of the old and new covenants, which leave us humbled. Finally, Jesus teaches the Pharisees that God exalts those who humble themselves. May God's word inspire us to embrace humility.

Jesus issues two challenges to the people at the banquet: one to the guests and one to the host. To his fellow guests, he warns them about taking places of honor and advises them to exercise humility. This is consistent with his message last week that for God some who are last will be first and vice versa. Even those of us who have achieved some success are not entitled to always getting our way or assuming that we are always right. We are called to exercise humility. After all, no one truly knows where they stand with God.

Meanwhile, the challenge Jesus issues to his host is to invite those who cannot reciprocate. Reach out to those on the margins of society. This is consistent with the beatitudes, which laud the poor, the meek, the unjustly persecuted, the shunned. How much more would it mean to someone such as this to be invited, whether to a dinner, to receive a gift, or even to offer an opinion, than to someone who has grown to expect such invitations! On this Labor Day weekend, let us commit ourselves to work to lift up those who find themselves forsaken by society and others, for in them we can find the Lord.

Even though a table featuring bread and wine is at the focal point of our liturgy, we sometimes forget that this Mass is a banquet. Has our parish invited all those who could be invited? Have you? One job of a disciple is to call others to follow as well. We are called to bring the Good News to those who have not heard it or have not realized its richness, inviting them to join us.

Questions of the Week: When have I realized too late that I should have exercised some humility? What have I learned when exercising humility?

Prayer Requests *Please keep the Finnegan family, and the soul of Sonny's sister, Paula Phillips, 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, 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!

Cindy Jackson Sept. 6th

Ethan Klidzejs Sept. 9th

Brittani Weatherspoon Sept. 10th

Earl Rush Sept. 14th

Claire McEnaney Sept. 22nd

Hannah Bowles Sept. 30th

Matthew Schalk Sept. 30th

Liam James Stevenson Sept. 30th

Happy Anniversary!

Sept. 2nd Mike and Mary Dearing – 48th

Sept. 12th Joyce and Thomas Lewis - 16th

Sept. 24th Richard and Christa Strong - 49th

Save the Date!

This Weekend - **Family Aid Society Collection**

Tuesday, Sept, 2nd - **Eucharistic Adoration at 4 pm followed by 5 pm Mass St. Mark**

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

Next Sunday- **First Sunday Breakfast St Mark after 8 am Mass**

Canonization of Blesseds Carlo Acutis and Pier Giorgio Frassati

Pancake Fundraiser: The Sequel

Help support our Youth Ministry Trip!

Sunday, Sept. 14th 11 am

St. Paul Parish Center



Enjoy delicious pancakes, bacon, sausage, breakfast casseroles, butter braids, coffee, orange and apple juices.

So bring your family and friends, and let's make a difference; one pancake at a time!

In the Word with Bishop Medley Bible Study: If you are interested in participating, please tell your hostess, Kathy McEnaney **ASAP**. The first meeting will be Tuesday September 23 at 6:15 pm.

Thirty-fifth annual Marian Congress - “Pilgrims of Hope through Mary”

Oct. 4, 2025, from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at St. Joseph Parish in Bowling Green. The featured speaker is Fr. Peter Stryker, CPM. Fr. Peter serves at the Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help, the only Vatican-approved Marian Apparition in the United States.

The day will start with Mass at 8:30 am. Followed by opportunities for Jubilee indulgence, brunch, May crowning, rosary procession, Divine Mercy chaplet, confessions, Adoration and Benediction. Questions: Patricia Hicks at (270) 943-1812.



If you can't wait until the Pancake Breakfast to support our Youth's trip to the National Convention, Susan Brinkley will be selling \$25 raffle tickets at the Black Patch Festival (in Princeton) on Sept. 6th. The prize is **HALF** of the money raised from ticket sales. She will also try to be at Masses next weekend to sell tickets.

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>

September 7th	Altar Server	Lector	Greeters/ Ushers	Eucharistic Ministers	Counters Financial Rep.*
10am	Arianna	Cesar Turmero	Suzanne Rush Volunteer	Ken Negray Suzanne Rush George Barber	Bob Hayes* Mike Wasielewski

August 24th	Week 8	Stewardship	Thanks for your support!
Total deposit \$1,308.00		Weekly Budget Expense	\$ 2,750.00
Mass Intentions \$40.00		Year- to- Date Collections	\$28,326.38
Youth (NCYC) donation \$225.00		Year-to-Date Budget	\$22,000.00



Pope Leo XIV's Intention for the Month of September

For Our Relationship with All of Creation

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.