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"I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you." - Mt 5:44

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 8:00a.m.-4:00p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses Saturday, 4:00p.m.

Sunday, 9:00a.m. and 11:00a.m.

Weekday Masses Monday-Friday 6:30a.m. & 10:00a.m. Saturday 10:00a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 2:30-3:30 p.m., Thursday before First Friday, 10:30 a.m. & Wednesdays 6:00—6:30p.m.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Wednesdays, 10-6:45 p.m., Rosary at 3:30p.m., Benediction at 6:45 p.m. and Nocturnal Adoration the first Friday of each Month, starting at 9:00pm Thursday until 6:00am Friday morning. Benediction at 6:00am.

ROSARY: The rosary is prayed at 9:30 a.m. before every 10 a.m. weekday Mass, unless there is a funeral Mass. The Rosary is also prayed at 3:30 Wednesday afternoons in front of the exposed Blessed Sacrament.

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: Please contact the Parish Office, 331-4302

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New Parishioners: To register, call the Parish Office weekdays between 8:00am-4:00pm. Notification prior to leaving the parish is appreciated.

Baptism: Baptisms are celebrated on the 1st and 3rd Sundays each month after the 11:00a.m. Mass. Preparation classes are required for parents. To register for the class, call the Parish Office. Parents must be active registered members of the parish.

Marriage: Call six months in advance, no date will be set without consulting with the parish priest or deacon. At least one party must be registered at Blessed Sacrament.

R.C.I.A.: (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Call Jennifer Summe (Ext. 41)

SERVICE TIME & MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 18

4:00 †Ty West, Sp. Int.(Fr. Hils)

Sunday, February 19

9:00 †Michele Garvey (Fr. Hils)

11:00 Parish (Fr. Hils)

Monday, February 20

6:30 †Ruth Knadler

10:00 Maria & Tony Gigliotti, Sp. Int.

Tuesday, February 21

6:30 †Mary H. & Charles Hahn

10:00 †Deceased members of Menke & Rice families

Wednesday, February 22 Ash Wednesday

6:30 †Olivia & Harry Tenfelde (Fr. Hils)

10:00 †Judy Brandenburg (Fr. Aidoo)

7:00 †Paul Hemmer (Fr. Hils)

Thursday, February 23

6:30 †Charles M. Berger

10:00 †David Whaley

Friday, February 24

6:30 †Mary & Fred Kreutzkamp

10:00 †Anne Marie Gieske

Saturday, February 25

10:00 †Margie O'Connell, A.M.

4:00 †Ellen K. Meihaus, A.M. (Fr. Aidoo)

Sunday, February 26

9:00 †Robert Schuler, A.M. (Fr. Hils)

11:00 Parish (Fr. Aidoo)

LENTEN FASTING AND ABSTINENCE During Lent, healthy Catholics age 14 and older are required to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday and every Friday of the season. On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, healthy adult Catholics (ages 18-59) are required to fast, limiting food to one full meal with minimal food at the other two.

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Stew & Joy Riche, Bob Miller, Jimmy Woods, Paul Stall, Larry Bischoff, Donna Cliff, Ruth Otto, Brice Hummel, Leo Meyers, Lou Fritz, Rob Feldmann, Ralph Carr, James Doyle and Glenn Rice.

Please pray for all parishioners who are ill and/ or confined to their homes or nursing homes. If you know anyone needs prayers or a visit, please call the Parish Office.

BAPTISMS:

We congratulate the Elizabeth & Anthony Hart and Kristen & Jeffrey Inman. Their sons Thomas Hart and Carter Inman were baptized at our font here this week. We joyfully welcome Thomas and Carter into the church.

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Family,

And so it begins. Lent is upon us. Please come and receive your ashes on Wednesday. Lent is a great time to evaluate our relationship with Jesus. We can ask ourselves how the last year has played out. Are we closer to Him, or more distant? It is a very personal question. The goal for all of us is to become closer to Jesus. I am praying for all of you that this Lent will be a time of spiritual growth.

All God's Blessings then,

Fr. Damian Hils



THE RITE OF ELECTION

The Rite of Election for our RCIA catechumens and candidates will take place next Sunday afternoon at our Cathedral. It closes the Period of the Catechumenate or the information phase of the RCIA process. At this rite, upon the testimony

of sponsors and catechists and the catechumens' affirmation of their intention to join the Church, the Church makes its "election" of these catechumens and candidates to receive the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil. In the presence of Bishop Iffert, they present our parish's Book of the Elect (in which they have inscribed their names at our 11 am Mass) as a pledge of fidelity. Now the catechumens are called "the elect" and the candidates continue to be called "candidates". They now begin a Period of Purification and Enlightenment — the final, intense preparation for the reception of the Sacraments of Initiation. Over the next five weeks of Lent, three scrutinies (rites for self-searching and repentance) for the Elect, a Penitential rite for the Candidates, Anointings and Blessings and the presentations of the Creed and Lord's Prayer take place. This period concludes with the celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil. Please keep Martina Schaffer, Jordan Addington, Ralph Risch, & Tonya Stephens in your prayers

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE PREPARING TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY.

Follow us on Facebook: Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church and on Instagram: @bschurch ky

Bulletin submission deadline Monday 3 pm

GIFT OF THE MONTH

FEBRUARY

The Rose Garden Home Mission requests diapers — sizes 4, 5, & 6, baby wipes, baby shampoo, wash, & lotion, and new or gently-used children's clothing - sizes 2T-6T. Please leave your donations in the bins near the church doors. Thank you!

REFLECTION Lenten Stewardship Week 1

Lent is like stepping on the bathroom scale after New Year's; it's the annual moral reality check that comes complete with a spiritual diet plan. Lenten practices help us shed unwanted moral weakness, tighten lax prayer habits, and become better stewards of our faith lives. Good stewardship of Lent begins with a courageous look at who we really are. The Church provides guidelines and support. We're all doing this together. See the Lenten activities box on this page, and visit our website for resources to help you with daily

LAST YEARS PALM BRANCHES:

Palm branches from last year can be dropped off in the baskets near the church doors. These blessed sacramentals will be burned for ashes.

or weekly reflections. Scan Code for BSCKY.org

LENTEN STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

God of mercy,
You have given us this special time
to reflect on our lives,
to believe in the Good News
and to draw closer to You.
Help us during this season of Lent
to be good stewards of this time:
to fast and pray,
to be more generous,
and to show others how to live in Christ.
Let us see each day of this season
as a new opportunity to renew our lives
and gain a deeper appreciation
of Your active presence in us
and in our community of faith.
Give us the grace
to see Your face in others,
especially the poor and those who suffer.
Through your Spirit,
enkindle in us the fire of Your love
so that we may be better stewards
of Your redeeming work throughout the world.
We ask this through Jesus Christ, Your Son.
Amen.



One of our parish's best kept secrets is our Wednesday morning bible study.

Wednesday With the

Word is an in-depth bible study, focusing on one book of scripture, one verse or chapter at a time. Guided by Catholic biblical scholarship, we explore the deep connections that different books have with one another and with the whole body of biblical revelation over time. WWW will begin the Gospel of Luke on Ash Wednesday, February 22nd, 10:30—noon in the undercroft. No reservations are needed and there is no cost. Bring your own bible. Questions: rthomas@bscky.org or 859-331-4302.

LENT BEGINS THIS WEEK

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 22nd.

Mass with Ashes: 6:30 & 10:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Parish Pasta Parlor Meatless Supper: Feb 24, 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the undercroft.

Food Truck Nights: March 3rd and 17th, 5:30—10 p.m. We will have food trucks in the back parking lot serving meatless meals and snacks. The undercroft will be available for dining in case of inclement weather.

Stations of the Cross: Every Friday, 6:00 p.m.

Lenten Series: Eternal Rest—the Journey from Ashes to Resurrection: Register: 859-331-4302. (If you are willing to be a table leader, let us know). Four Tuesdays, beginning February 28 (6:30—8 p.m. in the Undercroft) or three Mondays (February 27, March 13 & 27, 6:30—8 p.m. in the Parish Center).

You can also host a small group in your home using the video series on Formed.org and a leader's guide. You can choose your schedule and limit the number of participants. Invite neighbors, your prayer group, or open it up to the parish, on a first come-first served basis. If you open up your group, let

the parish know, and we will advertise, register participants, and keep the group to whatever size you choose.

Join an open in-home group that someone else is hosting: 859-331-4302.



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BSS SPIRIT NIGHT at SKYLINE

(Erlanger location only)

ALL DAY on February 21, 2023!

Support our school and enjoy a family night out!

Upcoming Events

2/20 No School (President's Day)

2/22 All School Mass

End of Second Trimester 2/24

3/1 First Grade Wacky Wednesday

3/10 NO SCHOOL - Professional Development





Please scan our OR code or contact the 859-331-3062



The Disciple Maker Index (DMI) opens this week on Ash WITH ONE HEART Wednesday, February 22, and we need to hear from you!

Complete the 10-to-15-minute survey as soon as possible in one of the following ways:

> Online - go to (insert survey link). Select our parish name from the list.

Paper - Obtain a copy from (insert location) or by contacting (insert name and phone). Return the completed survey (insert instructions).

After daily or Sunday Mass - (if this option is being offered, either online or on paper, insert date, time, location)

The DMI will only be available February 22 through March 27. As part of the diocesan With One Heart initiative, the survey will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and on our parish's efforts to help you become the best disciple you can be. The information gathered will be used to plan for the future so we can become a more faith-filled, vibrant community. The greater the participation, the more reliable the information will be for effective decision-making. All responses will be confidential; the parish will only receive information about the community as a whole. Results will be shared with the parish in late spring/ early summer.

Lent is the perfect time to pray and reflect on where we are spiritually and to work toward becoming better disciples. Taking the DMI is a great way to start! Thanks for your help with this important request!



THAT MAN IS YOU

(TMIY) Please join us for the 2023 Spring semester of 'All Things New' on Mondays

at 8:00 pm and repeating that session Thursdays, at 6:00 am.

Most meetings are in the church undercroft. For Monday contact Justin Jehn (513) 616-1032, for Thursday John Carey (513) 884-9800.



WALKING WITH **PURPOSE**

The challenges of modern women are timeless, and so is God's wisdom revealed in the Scriptures and Church teaching. Walking With Purpose helps women develop a deep, close relationship with Jesus Christ through study, discussion, and fellowship with other women. Morning and evening sessions are available. Contact Connie Combs for information: 859-380-2466 or combsconnie@gmail.com.

Blessed Sacrament Parish would like to congratulate the following students that achieved first and second honors at Notre Dame Academy for the first semester of the 2022/23 school year.

First Honors

Ella Brocker Natalie Love Jolie Mangeot Allison Mosser Lilv Sassler Maria Bishop Kennedy Clark Gabrielle Epplen Adele France Hailey Fullenkamp Kendall Hemsath Allison Jones Taylor Jones Jada Kramer Lainy Kruger Josie McManus Kayla Northcutt **Margaret Poulos** Caroline Scheper Sophia Stacy Kathryn Thomas Lucy Bailey Jasmine Barczak Sophia Ernst Jessica Igel Georgia Kleman Megan McKeown Janie McManus Mary Wall Mary Weber Sarah Alcorn Hannah Dusing Madelyn Frondorf Chloe Fullenkamp **Kate Harris** Cameron Kirtley Ella Long Keira Lucas Ashley Neltner Karla Pope Liliana Deters Mary Harris Olivia Hetzer Ellie Hevob Lucie Kiely Lucy Kleman Ella Petzelt Riley Pope Madelyn Ries Jane Schuh Sydney Sheely

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Charlotte Bruns Aziza Forgiel Alexandra Hansen Addison Kahlig Brianna Klaene Abigayle Porter Riley Quinn Abigail Sheely Ava Summe Claire Zimmerman Elise Asch Kate Gallenstein Mary Kelly Ciara Carroll **Lucy Dorning** Blair Kahlig Sophia Karim Georgi Kirtley Adeline Lashua Molly Daniels **Audrey Dyas** Joelle Hentz Peyton Quinn

SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saints Jacinta and Francisco Marto Between May 13 and October 13, 1917, three Portuguese shepherd children from Aljustrel, received apparitions of



Our Lady at Cova da Iria, near Fátima, a city 110 miles north of Lisbon.

At the first appearance, Mary asked the children to return to that spot on the thirteenth of each month for the next six months. She also asked them to learn to read and write and to pray the rosary "to obtain peace for the world and the end of the war." They were to pray for sinners and for the conversion of Russia, which had recently overthrown Czar Nicholas II and was soon to fall under communism. Up to 90,000 people gathered for Mary's final apparition on October 13, 1917.

Pope Francis canonized the younger children on his visit to Fátima to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the first apparition—May 13, 2017. The shrine of Our Lady of Fátima is visited by up to 20 million people a year.

NATIONAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN CINCINNATI MARCH 25TH, 2023 AT CINTAS CENTER.

We encourage every man in our parish to join the Archbishop of Cincinnati at the National Catholic Men's

Conference to be held on Saturday, March 25th at the Cintas Center on Xavier's campus. Tickets can be purchased at NationalMensConference.com. Join men from around the country for a one-day event filled with virtue, inspirational speakers, fellowship, networking and spiritual growth. Featured speakers include: Jonathan Roumie, the actor who plays Jesus in The Chosen Series. Father Robert Spitzer from EWTN. His Royal Highness, the Archduke of Austria and grandson of Blessed Karl, Archduke Christian Habsburg-Lorraine. This will be his first speech EVER in the United States so history will be made

Archbishop Dennis Schnurr and Bishop Earl Fernandes from Columbus Ohio. A LIVE panel discussion with professional Bengals and Colts football players.

Jeff Schiefelbein (chef - el - bine), Fr. Jonathan Meyer and Fr. Ethan Moore from University of Cincinnati.

Get tickets now as the best seats are selling fast. NationalMensConference.com

COMMUNITY NEWS



We are happy to announce that registration for the 2023 NCYC: "Fully Alive"

conference on

November 16-18, 2023, at the Indiana Convention Center in Indianapolis is now available. Please register at https://forms.gle/ Amp6HtRAJ9SaBJNPA. Registration is required to save your spot at NCYC 2023.

LADIES HIGH TEA---HELD IN GOD'S HAND; TRANSFORMATION, ENLIGHTENMENT, APOSTLESHIP.

Sunday, March 5th at 3pm in the Undercroft. This is a ladies only event, join us for an afternoon tea! Share in High Tea and some interesting speakers.

Reservations to follow in February. Call Lisa Bayne with any questions, 859-443-7375.

FT. MITCHELL SENIORS will meet on Monday, 02/20/2023 at 12:00pm as usual, in the Blessed Sacrament Undercroft, a light lunch will be provided. Please call Bob Shumate at 859-331-9415 for more information.

CINCINNATI CATHOLIC ALUMNI CLUB WINE AND CHEESE GATHERING, Sunday,

Feb 26, 2-5pm, Purcell K of C Anchor Room, 3617 Glenmore Ave. Reservations Call Larry 513 -520-1323

SPIRIT AND GRACE ENCOUNTER

Get ready for Lent. You are invited to an evening of praise and gratitude in song and prayer for the blessings the Lord has poured out upon us through His Holy Spirit. Join us on Tuesday, Feb 21st at 7pm in the Parish Center at Blessed Sacrament. Come and See!



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