

Blessed Sacrament Church • 2409 Dixie Hwy. • Ft. Mitchell, KY 41017



Sunday:



In response to the outbreak of the Coronavirus (COVID-19), all parish events have been canceled. Please do your part to stop the spread of the virus and stay at home except for truly essential trips.

BAPTISM: Preparatory classes are required. Please call the office (331-4302) to register.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Private basis upon request.

MARRIAGE: Contact the parish at least 6 months ahead. One party must be a parishioner.

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND:

Contact Parish Office, 331-4302

Please note that we are permitted at this time to bring Holy Communion to the dying as Viaticum, "food for the journey."

EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION:

Suspended until further notice.

ROSARY: Suspended until further notice.



GIFT OF THE MONTH FOR APRIL:

Rather than shop and drop off gifts at church, we ask you to make a monetary donation to one of the many organizations helping our

world in this time of crisis, such as Catholic Relief Services and Doctors Without Borders.



THE EASTER EGG: Over the centuries, the Church has demonstrated a wonderful ability to adopt a culture's favorite symbols and customs and assign them new meaning. Easter eggs have a very ancient pedigree: nature's perfect package, emblem of new life, dyed, decorated, and given as gifts in ancient Egypt, Rome, China, and Persia. Just as the long hard winter is over, the egg bursts with promise of life and nourishment. Long ago, Christians came to see the egg not as a symbol of spring's rebirth, but of ours, and as a sign of Christ's tomb. May our Easter eggs remind us of our rebirth in Baptism and nourishment in Holy Communion. If you have any questions about receiving Catholic Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist, please contact Marilyn Cozzi at mcozzi@bscky.org or 859-331-4302, ext. 37.



We have added a box to the top of our parish website homepage. Visit the *Flock News* box often for updated links and information to help you pray and stay connected to our vibrant Catholic Church and our own home parish community. We also are posting daily inspiration and links on our Facebook page to lift your hearts to God and provide spiritual support. May the trials of this time draw us closer to our loving Lord.



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FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY

Each year, on the Second Sunday of **Easter**, the Church celebrates the Feast of Divine Mercy.

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THIS FEAST:

https://www.passionistnuns.org/passionistcalendar/2020/4/19/divine-mercy-sunday

Chaplet of Divine Mercy

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rbw4QuGksXA



Easter Activities for Families at Home

https://www.thereligionteacher.com/easter-activities/

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 13

Helen Vollmer Tim Kennedy

Tuesday, April 14

Bill Miller

Wallace Reed AM

Wednesday, April 15

Joe Uckotter

Vera Goodhew

Thursday, April 16

Sara Kennedy Louie Cheesman

Friday, April 17

Claudia Vollmer, Sp. Int.

Nicholas Pfennig

Saturday, April 18

Mary Schoettle, AM

Rose A. Rasp

Sunday, April 19

Bob Shay

Denise Cenedella

NOTE: During this time of no public Masses, Frs. Vogelpohl and Clift offer Mass each day for the above listed intentions



STEWARDSHIP OF MONETARY BLESSINGS

April Ministry Budget: \$ Not Available

Actual Contributions Toward Ministry Goal:

\$Not Available through April 5, 2020

Annual Ministry Budget: \$1,420,000 7/1/19-6/30/20

Actual Contributions Fiscal Year:7/1/19–04/05/2020 \$Not Available

STEWARDSHIP OF EASTER: The Good News of Christ's resurrection is so great that the Church celebrates Easter for seven weeks! Jesus made us stewards of the Gospel, and there is no better time than Easter season to share our faith and joy in Christ's message of love, mercy, compassion, and service. This year, especially, we face challenges that call us to greater awareness of our common humanity and greater hope in the providence of God. Reach out to someone who may be lonely; forgive someone who has hurt you; touch the lives of others with the Good News of Easter and hope in the Resurrection of Jesus.

GROUP? COUNTERS NEXT WEEK



Pastor's Page—Fr. Daniel Vogelpohl

Easter Sunday



When we awoke this morning, we found ourselves blessed with another day. It is Easter Sunday. As that thought crossed our minds, did we find ourselves saying "so what" or "alleluia"? For many, today is truly a day of alleluia. For others, it is just another day of "so what." Faith makes a huge difference. It not only makes a difference in how we understand today and the significance of what we celebrate, it also makes a huge difference in terms of how we understand ourselves.

Succeed, live well, be productive, find your niche, follow your dreams, make money, protect your social status, be politically correct, and keep your preferences to yourself are pretty good examples of the messages our secular life wants us to hear. In and of themselves, they don't sound all that harmful. But when really

examined, they are. The life of resurrection embodied in the Gospel tells us a much different story.

Life keeps us busy. We are always connected, distracted, occupied, and working. For many of us, an agenda awaits us before we even start our day, and unfinished stuff is brought with us when we retire at night. Make the best of life and "find your own road to happiness are messages we all too easily believe. The "so what" response to the new life of resurrection is often the result of believing that life is only what I make it. What God has to say isn't important to me securing my next raise.

Sadly, we live as if the grave is the end. While we may give the wonder of heaven a blink now and then, its glory really doesn't impress us or matter all that much. It's all about the here and now and what I need to do today to get where I want to be tomorrow. We tend to put off considering the one significant "tomorrow" that will come the millisecond after we take our last breath. When that happens, will we want to be There is only one Jesus, one mission, and one resurrection. There is also only one of us. Have you ever pondered what one solitary, humble human life can do? Faith, not our world, tells us how special we are. We are not robots. We are not replaceable. We have one shot. There are no do-overs. Love is at our core and unites us together as one with the God of love who so desperately wants us to be with Him forever. This may not match our secular agenda, but it ought to make our true inner agenda leap for joy. There doesn't need to be an end. I can live forever. Alleluia! ©LPi

AN EXTRAORDINARY EASTER

Even as our normal routines have been disrupted in so many ways, Spring is arriving. Here at Blessed Sacrament, the crocuses are blooming everywhere. The Bradford pear trees on both sides of the church are in full bloom. Even the tulips, planted by our second graders last fall, are emerging in all their splendor.

All of these signs of spring are reminders to us of the new life that is brought to us in the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Although Easter will be subdued this year as we forego so many of the celebrations and gatherings that usually are part of the day, we know we can trust that God's grace and mercy will bring us back to life with a renewed spirit.

But it is quiet here these days, and your presence is missed, a reminder of both these challenging times and how critical you are to the life of the parish. While the Mass is always the Mass, it is different with only our seminarian as the total congregation. I miss you all very much! The distance between us is necessary but merely physical, for Blessed Sacrament is always with you, and always will be. We remain in communion with one another

through our mutual care, respect, and most of all, prayer. Please continue to pray for one another.

The uncertainty of the future is the thing that perhaps troubles us the most. How bad is it going to get? We don't know. How long will it last? We don't know. Will I be infected? I don't know. Most of us like certainty, that feeling that "we are in charge." And now we face the stark reality that we are not in charge. But while not in charge, we bond together as a community, as God's family to cooperate with each other in protecting each other as much as possible. God has to be smiling upon the fact that we are all making sacrifices to ensure the health and well-being of others.

Although we don't know when it will be, we know that our church will again be filled with worshippers, that our school and playground will be again filled with the laughter and joyful screams of our children and that we will all return to the activities of the parish with renewed life and insight.

Until then let us continue to support one another in any way possible, especially prayer. Be assured that you are always remembered in my prayer.



Upcoming Events

All non-essential school-related events are **cancelled** until further notice.

REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

Blessed Sacrament School is currently registering students in ALL grade levels (Kindergarten through 8th Grade), and we would LOVE for you to be part of our BSS family!

Please go to BSSKY.org and click on "Enrollment" for registration information and online forms.

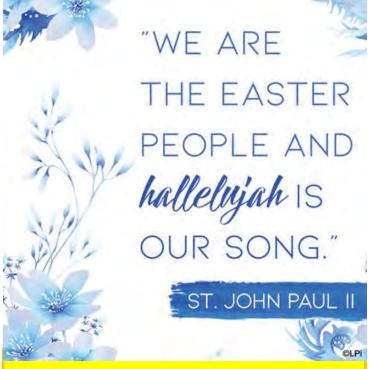
Blessed Sacrament School will be CLOSED from March 16 - May 1

These dates have recently been extended, and may be extended in the future based upon the recommendations of experts at the local and state level.

Please know that throughout this time of concern and uncertainty, the well-being of our students and families is at the forefront of every decision we make.

Take care and stay positive.

We hope to see everyone back at school soon!



Below are viewing times for the recorded weekly Mass from the Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption:

Sunday,5–6p.m.
Station Me TV WLWT;
Antenna television, channel 5 or 2
Spectrum, channel 188 in Kentucky
Cincinnati Bell channels 23 or 291...

Also Daily Mass

Word on Fire; Bishop Robert Barron: https://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass

Other ways to participate in mass:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DBj6pfLdocw&feature=emb_title

https://mass-online.org/daily-holy-mass-live-online/

You will also find resources in the "Flock News" box on our parish website homepage. "Friend" us on Facebook for daily uplift-

ADOPT-A-PLOT 2020—OLD AND NEW VOLUNTEERS WELCOME!

Our Adopt-A-Plot program has been a great success! For those remaining in the program from last year, please continue with the upkeep of your plots. We have added several new plots this year between the church and the school and are looking for new participants. If you, a group, or several families are interested in helping care for a garden plot this year, please contact Michele Garvey: mgarvey@bscky.org.

Michele can help you choose a plot and share information about how to care for your little garden.

Pray for Us, O Holy Mother of God

Regina Coeli

This is one of four Marian antiphons, with following versicles and prayers, traditionally said or sung after night prayer, immediately before going to sleep. It is said throughout Eastertide. (That is, from Easter Day through Pentecost, the seventh Sunday after Easter).



The *Regina Coeli* is also said in place of the Angelus during Eastertide.

Queen of Heaven

V. Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia.

R. For He whom you did merit to bear, alleluia.

- V. Has risen, as he said, alleluia.
- R. Pray for us to God, alleluia.
- V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.
- R. For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.

Let us pray. O God, who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant we beseech Thee, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pray and Meditate Upon the Rosary:

Joyful Mysteries:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I6NjQTEXNVk

Sorrowful Mysteries:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7yuYikBOUkA

Glorious Mysteries:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Gjyo-JybE64

Luminous Mysteries:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=47vK6i52yt4

Holy Virgin of Guadalupe,

Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas.

We fly to you today as your beloved children.

We ask you to intercede for us with your Son, as you did at the wedding in Cana.

Pray for us, loving Mother, and gain for our nation and world, and for all our families and loved ones, the protection of your holy angels,

that we may be spared the worst of this illness.

For those already afflicted, we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance.

Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful, wipe away their tears and help them to trust.

In this time of trial and testing,

teach all of us in the Church to love one another and to be patient and kind.

Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to our hearts.

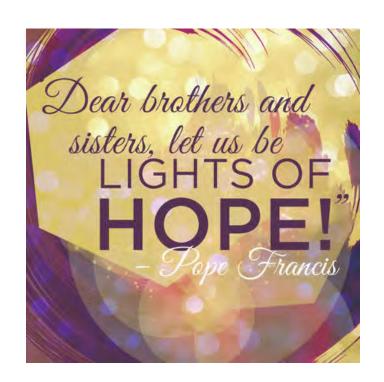
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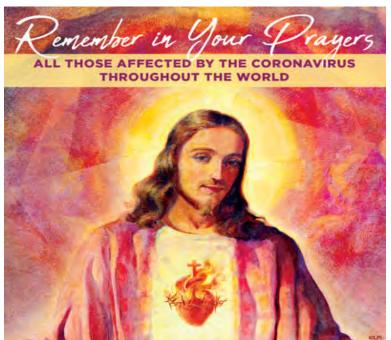
knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother, health of the sick and cause of our joy.

Shelter us under the mantle of your protection, keep us in the embrace of your arms, help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus. Amen.

"To succeed in your intentions, entrust yourselves to the Blessed Virgin Mary always, but especially in moments of difficulty and darkness. 'From Mary we learn to surrender to God's will in things. From Mary we learn to trust even when all hope seems gone. From Mary we learn to love Christ, her Son and the Son of God...Learn from her to be always faithful, to trust that God's Word to you will be fulfilled, and that nothing is impossible with God."

- St. John Paul II-Washington, D.C., 1979







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