

Pastor: Fr. Steve Hohman Sunday, March 3, 2024

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## St. Paul

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday: 4:00- 4:45PM Every Sunday: 7:45-8:15 AM

## **Baptisms**

Those wishing to baptize their small children under the age of 7 should call the office to arrange for preparation classes. Ideally, you should call before the birth of the child. Baptisms will be held during regularly scheduled masses.

# Visits to the sick

If you know someone who is sick or homebound and needs someone to visit them, please contact the office, and we will arrange to have communion taken to them in their homes, nursing homes or the hospital. Visits to the sick are normally done on Sunday.

# <u>Confessions</u>

<u>St. Elizabeth</u> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday: 3:00- 4:00 PM Every Wednesday: 5:00-5:45 PM

## **Marriages**

Anyone interested in being married must call the office and begin preparation for this no less than 6 months before the desired wedding date. It is common for preparation to take 9-12 months.

# Anointing of the sick

If there is someone who is sick and needs anointing, please call the office. If this is an emergency, call Fr. Steve at 270-662-1830.

## **SCHEDULE OF SERVICES FOR THE WEEK**

Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> – Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup>

| Saturday  | 5:00 p.m.  | St. Paul      | James & Bonnie Collard + |
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| Sunday    | 8:30 a.m.  | St. Paul      | Parishioners             |
|           | 10:30 a.m. | St. Elizabeth | Raymond+ & Carol Hill    |
| Monday    | 8:00 a.m.  | St. Paul      | Linda Stogner            |
| Wednesday | 6:00 p.m.  | St. Elizabeth | Lana McGee               |
| Thursday  | 8:00 a.m.  | St. Paul      | Clark/Stinson Families   |
| Friday    | 11:30 a.m. | St. Paul      | Leslie Berryman          |
| Saturday  | 5:00 p.m.  | St. Paul      | Parishioners             |
| Sunday    | 8:30 a.m.  | St. Paul      | Steve Akridge +          |
|           | 10:30 a.m. | St. Elizabeth | CL Mercer +              |

# **Prayer List:** Betty Baker, Charlie Brangers, Dennette Brown, Glen Campbell, Georgia Carter, Anna

Jean & Dale Clark, Rita Clark, Mike & Debbie Clemons, Sharon Clemons, Temperance Clemons, Chad Durbin, Tiffany Durbin, Nelson Galloway, Frank Gawarecki, Lisa Graas, David Grant, Mateo Gregorio, Loyd Haven, Heidi Hickerson, Wanda Higdon, Mary Huffman, Eve Jarboe, Mary Jackie, Louellen Jones, Johnny Ladasz, Chris Lampton, Travis Lampton, Otis Larue, Mike & Pat Leonard, Daisie Lizotte, Teresa Lynn, Lana McGee, Kellie & Baby McKee, Christine Mandy, Savanna Mercer, Lois Pack, Kenny Pierce, Mary Pierce, Sharon Portman, James Ryan, Beverly Schmidt, Wayne Scobee, Iris Smith, Mary Rose Sott, Larry Spear, Linda Steinhoffer, Brenda Stinson, Tiffany Webb, Floyd Wilaby, Bill Wortham **For those who are serving in the military:** Ryan Clemons, Isaac DePoyster, Matt Fischer, Ben Foster, Dan Harrison, Dereck Lorusso, Kali Milliner, Cody Penny, John Penny, Kyle Portman, Peyton Spears

#### St. Paul

Jimmy Tilford- Chair Melanie Crawford – Secretary Richard Darst- Youth/CCD Mike Foster- St. Paul School Terry Jaggers- Social Activities Mark McGrew- Maintenance Bobby Robinson – Liturgy & Faith Ruth Ann Thomas-Outreach/Service St. Elizabeth

Mary Ellen Wygant- Chair Laura Baxter- Secretary Blake Aubrey-Social Activities Julie Cox- Liturgy and Worship Sheila Harris- Youth Mason Hayes- Building and Grounds Amanda Roberts - Outreach Donna White- Art and Environment

Grayson County Catholic Outreach: 270-287-3776

## Pastor's Corner

Third Sunday of Lent March 3, 2024

## CONTINUE THOSE LENT PENANCES, EVEN IF YOU MESS UP

When one makes a mistake, especially a big mistake, there is always a tendency to fall into DESPAIR. Despair is a great tool that Satan uses that essentially tells us "Well, I messed up one time, I might as well keep messing up, because I can never make up for messing up." It tells us that we can never make up for any failures, big or small, and once we have done it, we can never go back. Not a good way to look at it.

Lenten observances, whether they be prayer, penance of charity, is an important part of our journey with God, that remembers our own need of forgiveness of our sins, allows us to take part in a small way in the Passion of Christ, and giving an offering to Jesus Christ. I hope each of you has made some personal commitment to what you are doing for Lent. If you mess up, through weakness, or simply absent-mindedly forgetting, simply go back to getting it right the rest of the days during Lent.

Take every opportunity to use this time of Lent to come closer to Jesus. As I mentioned in the sermon last week (and this week), you cannot experience resurrection until you experience death. The celebration of Easter means more if we go through the experience of the crucifixion with Jesus during these 40 days.

## **RCIA CANDIDATES HEADING TOWARD ENTERING THE CHURCH**

I really have to say that I have greatly enjoyed working with our RCIA candidates this past year, as I pretty much always do. In sharing more with them about our faith, it helps me to refresh on the finer points of MY Catholic faith. We have three who are going through with their entry into the church. Ashley Milliner and Adam Scott have already been baptized in other churches, but will now enter into the Catholic Church. Hayden Bradley will actually be baptized on Easter Vigil itself (most likely in freezing cold water). You will be seeing a lot of these three at various masses, as they come up the next three weeks for the "Scrutinies." These are times of self-examination of themselves and where they stand before the Lord. Keep the in your prayers at they approach Easter.

## JAMAICA MISSION TRIP, READY FOR TAKEOFF AGAIN

On Monday, March 11, we will once again be embarking on a mission trip to the Diocese of Mandeville, Jamaica. We appreciate the overwhelming support that we have had from people in terms of their prayers and financial support for this mission. On this trip, we will once again be involved in building a home for a family in need, as well as doing some work at a Catholic school, and helping out with an AIDS ministry that the diocese is involved in. Also, we will be spending a day painting and fixing up at a local church. In addition to this, we have collected a good bit of money, \$10,000 including money for the house building, which will be distributed to some of these ministries and schools, as well as to the diocese itself. Keep us in your prayers as we head out for this mission.

#### ST. ELIZABETH LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS:

 Collection:
 \$828.00

 Needed for Budget:
 \$1,442.00

Collection: <u>\$3,716.00</u> Needed for budget: \$2.423.00

Date:Sunday, March 10Lector:Ron, TravisServers:Euch. Ministers:Sherri, Edna, PattyGifts:Collection Counters for March:Edna, Roberta

#### ST. PAUL LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS:

Date: Saturday, March 9 Lector: Barbara Tilford; Mary Pierce Eu Min: Melanie, Angie, Bobby Servers: Bailey, Greyson, Colton Gifts: Dale & Anna Jean Clark Date:Sunday, March 10Lector:Teresa Lush; Erica CockerelEu Min:Keith, Dale, RichardServers:Alli, Mollee, LaytonGifts:Murrell & Ann Sims

**Special Diocesan Collection This Weekend**: Infirmed Priests **Special Diocesan Collection Next Weekend**: Catholic Relief Services

**<u>Sympathy</u>**: Please remember in your prayers the family of Spike Johnston, brother of Sharon Roberts, who passed away this past week.

## THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

| Sunday, March 3    | Voting on painting the parish, after mass            |  |
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|                    | CCD for both parishes, after masses at St. Elizabeth |  |
|                    | Lent Holy Hour; St. Paul, 4:30 PM                    |  |
| Tuesday, March 5   | Fellowship Café; Trensia Skaggs' Team                |  |
| Wednesday, March 6 | Confessions; St. Elizabeth, 5:00-5:45 PM             |  |
| Thursday, March 7  | Extra Confessions; St. Paul, 4:00-5:00 PM            |  |
|                    | Parish council meeting; St. Paul; 6:00 PM            |  |
|                    | Jail Ministry; both county jails                     |  |
| Friday, March 8    | Stations of the Cross; St. Paul; 5:30 PM             |  |
|                    | Fish Fry; St. Paul, after stations of the cross      |  |
| Sunday, March 10   | CCD. St Paul only; 9:30 AM                           |  |
| •                  | RCIA; St. Paul, 3:00 PM                              |  |
|                    | Lent Holy Hour; St. Elizabeth; 4:30                  |  |
|                    | Youth Event; AT ST ELIZABETH; 5:00 PM                |  |

**FATHER STEVE WILL BE GONE SUNDAY**: Fr. Steve will be going to his nephew's wedding this weekend in Florida, and thus will not be here for Sunday masses. Fr. Joe Schoettle from Owensboro will be there to fill in for both Sunday masses. Fr. Steve will return on Tuesday.

**<u>ST PAUL CEMETERY MOWING</u>**: Anyone interested in mowing the cemetery at St. Paul, please contact the office or Richard Darst by MONDAY, MARCH 4<sup>TH</sup>.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Jamaica Mission Trip March 11-18 March 16 Reverse Raffle; Livestreamed from St. Paul; 6:00- 8:00 PM March 19 Parish Council: St. Elizabeth, 6:00 PM March 20 Senior Meal: St. Elizabeth, 11:30 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast; St. Elizabeth (NOTE CHANGE); 8:00 AM March 23 March 26 CHRISM MASS; Owensboro Sportscenter; 6:30 PM March 31 EASTER SUNDAY April 7 Easter Egg Hunt; both churches Youth Lock in; St Paul, begins at 8 PM April 13-14 April 29-May 1 Parish Mission, various churches

**FISH FRY TO TAKE PLACE AT ST PAUL**: On Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup> there will be at fish fry after Stations of the Cross. The parish will provide fish, tater tots, onion rings, and drinks. We ask parishioners to bring desserts or side dishes they wish, and to drop those in the hall before Stations. ALSO, if you have a fryer, please bring it to church or hall as soon as possible with your name on it. Everyone is invited!

**BRING IN PALMS**: Please feel free to bring in your old palms and leave them in the vestibule of either church throughout Lent.

**<u>RICE BOWLS</u>**: The Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowls are available in church and will be collected on Holy Thursday.

**LENT VESPERS CONTINUE**: We are once again having our Holy Hours each Sunday throughout Lent. This will include Liturgy of the Hours, rosary, Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction. They will begin at 4:30 PM each Sunday, and they will rotate between the two churches. The schedule is as follows: St. Paul - February 18, March 3, March 17 St. Elizabeth- February 25, March 10, March 24

**LENTEN STATIONS OF THE CROSS EVERY FRIDAY**. Likewise, are also having Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent. The format will change each week. They will be at 5:30 PM and will alternate churches. St. Paul- March 8, March 22 St. Elizabeth- March 1, March 15

**<u>ST. PAUL EASTER EGG HUNT</u>**: The Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup> after 8:30 AM Mass. We have 1000 eggs and are in need of individually wrapped candy for the eggs, baskets are available in church. Rain date April 14<sup>th</sup>.

**YOUTH GATHERING NEXT WEEK, SOMETHING DIFFERENT**: The youth group will be gathering will be next Sunday, March 10. This will be for all kids grades 6-12. The topic will be a fun activity called "What's missing in the cookie, what is missing in your faith." This will be held AT ST ELIZABETH, just this one time. It will go from 5-7 PM, and will begin with adoration, and then move to the parish hall for the next activity.

**YOUTH MINISTER STILL BEING SOUGHT- STIPEND AVAILABLE**: We continue to search for a person to replace Fr. Steve as youth minister. There will be a \$4000 stipend available for anyone who will take this job. This may be taken by one person or split between two. For more information, see Fr. Steve

**MENS PRAYER BREAKFAST HAS AN ADDED ELEMENT:** On Saturday, March 23, there will be a Men's Prayer Breakfast. This will be held AT ST ELIZABETH (which is a change from what was originally stated). It will start with breakfast at 8 AM, and then followed by prayer, discussion and fellowship. This part will end at 9:30 AM. AFTER this, we will go up the road and clear off the head to the St. Elizabeth cemetery with loppers, chain saws, shovels, etc to clear out as much of that hedgerow as possible. This is a badly needed job. We can use all the help we can get from as many men as we can get. Bring your own tools.

## SCHOOL NEWS:

SCRIP ORDER – March 4, please have turned in by 10:00 AM

**Reverse Raffle** is coming up soon on 3/16/24. We have the \$50 tickets available now and will only be selling a max of 100 raffle tickets! If you would like a ticket, contact Angie at 270-287-3311. We will be live streaming this event again and have the auction online. This is always a fun event for us, and we have lots of participation.

The safety of our children is the responsibility of every Christian. Anyone aware of the abuse of a person under the age of eighteen is required by law to report this to the proper state authorities: local law enforcement 270-259-3024 or the Kentucky Child Abuse Hotline (toll-free: 1-877-KYSAFE1; 1-877-597-2331).

To report to the diocese abuse by church personnel (paid or volunteer) either past or present, please call the Pastoral Assistance Coordinator at this <u>confidential phone line</u>: <u>270-852-8380</u>.

The Diocese of Owensboro's sexual abuse policy is available at this parish in the parish office, in the school office, and also on the diocesan web site (https://owensborodiocese.org/safe).