MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR ...



The Preface to the Eucharistic Prayer (Preface I of Lent) we have been using at Mass the last few weeks, prepares us for this Most Holy of Weeks.

"For by your gracious gift each year your faithful await the sacred paschal feasts with the joy of minds made pure, so that, more eagerly intent on prayer and on the works of charity, and participating in the mysteries by which they have been reborn, they may be led to the fullness of grace that you bestow on your sons and daughters."

As we have been preparing for these great paschal feasts, we have concentrated on purifying our minds through fasting, focusing so as to improve our intent on prayer, and through our works of charity we have increased our love for all God's sons and daughters.

If this has not been your experience of Lent, then do not lose hope. The Lord always gives us a second chance. If we have not purified our minds and hearts, call upon the Lord to help begin this process, we have not enriched our prayer life, start today. If your charity has not drawn you closer to the children of God you can begin today,

Come to **Holy Week** services with open hearts, the Lord can work wonders.

<u>Tuesday, April 15 is our Diocesan Chrism Mass</u> at the Sportscenter at 6:30pm

Thursday, April 17, Holy Thursday, we will gather at 6:00pm at St. Martin to celebrate the Lord's Supper.

Friday, April 18, Good Friday, we gather at 6:00pm in silence.

Saturday, April 19 Holy Saturday we gather at 8:00pm for the Church instructs us that it must be dark.

<u>Sunday, April 20 EASTER SUNDAY</u> we come together at 7:00am and 10:30am to Proclaim that our Lord is Risen!

-Fr. Larry McBride

MASS INTENTIONS

April 13, 2025

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Sun	04/13	07:00 AM	Pearl & Bobby Chandler
		10:30 AM	St. Martin Parishioners
Mon	04/14	07:00 AM	NO MASS
Tue	04/15	07:00 AM	Kenny Self
Wed	04/16	07:00 AM	Johnny Simms
Thurs	04/17	07:00 AM	Vivian Fischer
Fri	04/18	07:00 AM	Kathryn Thomas
Sat	04/19	04:00 PM	Nick Bumm, Jr.
Sun	04/20	07:00 AM	Bill Shelton
		10:30 AM	St. Martin Parishioners



COMING UP IN & AROUND OUR PARISH

APRIL 12-13

PALM SUNDAY

Procession at 10:30 Mass

APRIL 15

Diocesan Chrism Mass SPORTSCENTER

6:30pm

APRIL 17, 18 & 19

PASCAL TRIDUUM

HOLY THURSDAY
GOOD FRIDAY
HOLY SATURDAY

6:00PM 6:00PM 8:00PM

5 people will be joining the church Holy Saturday!!

APRIL 19

EASTER EGG HUNT 10:00am



APRIL 20



APRIL 23

OCIA

6:00PM

10:30

APRIL 23

Finance Council 5:00pm Parish Council 6:00pm

APRIL 27

1st Communion



WE NEED HELP DECORATING

April 12th for Palm Sunday

April 16th for Holy Thursday

April 18th for Good Friday April 19th for Holy Saturday

MINISTER SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 12th — 4:00 PM

Lectors:Stacy ThompsonMark McCartyEucharistic Ministers:Robynn Clark

Janice McCarthy

Jeff McCarthy

Altar Servers: Isaac Self & Emmie Buck

Sunday, April 13th —7:00 AM

Lectors: MacKenzie Murphy
Jeanne Hayden
Eucharistic Ministers: Erica Tapp
Will Clayton

Lauren Ebelhar
Altar Servers: Eli Murphy & Luke Murphy

Sunday, April 13th — 10:30 AM

Lectors: Madison Ebelhar
Matt Bell
Eucharistic Ministers: Nicole Cheek
Cheryl Clark

Nancy Greenwell

Altar Servers:

Lawson Mills & Jude Evans

Saturday, April 19th — 8:00 PM

Lectors: David Clark Robynn Clark

Eucharistic Ministers: Stacy Thompson Janice McCarthy

Jeff McCarthy J.T. Edge & Hayden Edge

Sunday, April 20th —7:00 AM

Altar Servers:

Lectors: Jeanne Hayden
Eucharistic Ministers: Betty Hamilton
Darlene May

Mike Wadé Hagan Ebelhar & Ali Murphy

Altar Servers: Ha

<u>Sunday, April 20th — 10:30 AM</u>

Lectors: Keith Evans
Eucharistic Ministers: Michaeline Chandler
Bobby Kennedy

Nicole Cheek

Altar Servers: Lawson Mills & Jude Evans

STEWARDSHIP

April 6, 2025

Regular Collections: Building Fund: Special/Designated Collections:	\$ \$ \$	7,230.00 1,094.00 55.00
TOTAL:	\$	8,849.00
Weekly Budget:	\$	9,615.38
Collections (YTD):	\$	378,788.14
Budget (YTD):	\$	384,615.38
Over/(Under):	\$	(5,827.24)

FAITH FORMATION

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

We are in session this Sunday, April 13th. After Sunday, there is only 1 session remaining, May 4th. We are not in session on April 20 (Easter Sunday), and April 27 (First Communion). There will be an outdoor May Procession (weather permitting) during the May 4 session, weather permitting, ending with prayers in church, with flowers for the Blessed Mother. All are invited to come, honor our Blessed Mother, and bring a few flowers if you have them.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

We will not meet this Thursday, due to Holy Thursday services. We resume on April 24th, on May 1st, and ending May 8th.

RCIA IS NOW CALLED OCIA,

the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults. Please continue to pray for our catechumen and candidates, especially now, as we enter Holy Week: Mary-Kaitlyne McCarthy, Jacob Allen, Lauren Bickett, Alex Hopewell, and Steven Vaught. Consider writing them a note of encouragement and welcome, and drop it in the collection, mail, or drop off to the parish office or staff.

BIBLE ADVENTURES 2025!

une 30-July 3 evenings (Monday-Thursday). SAVE THE DATES! The next planning session on: Monday, April 27, at 6:00 p.m. in the parish center. Please consider helping us with Bible Adventures!

We are planning some "upgrades" this time around, with each night more intentionally focused on the highlighted biblical person, that is: Abraham; then his daughter in law, Rebekah; then her grandson, Joseph, and then a leap of 400 years in Egypt to young Moses. The attention to detail means "more hands-on-deck."

For all those who think they "outgrew" VBS years ago, or never experienced it, just come along with us. There is a role for every one of us in Bible Adventures. This is no "out of the box" VBS. This is truly a unique experience, a journey through salvation history, and a fun way to get to know many more people in the parish, especially the children!

SAVE THE DATES!

· April 15, Chrism Mass, SportsCenter 6:30 pm

· April 17+18, Holy Thursday + Good Friday services, 7:00 pm

· April 19, Easter Egg Hunt, 10:00 am, Easter Vigil, 8:00 pm

· April 23, OCIA *April 24, and May 1, Adult Bible Study

· April 26, 1st Communion mini-retreat and practice, 9:30-11:30 am

· April 27, 1st Communion, 10:30 am Mass

· May 4, last Faith Formation, 9:00-10:15 am. and May Procession, 9:45 am.

· May 8, last Adult Bible Study

· June 22 week, set-up for VBS

 \cdot June 30—July 3, Bible Adventures VBS, 6:00 pm, more info to come

-Debi Hopkins

WE PRAY TO THE LORD FOR: All serving in foreign countries and all over the World, the victims of natural disasters, and for Danny Campbell, Phillip Cecil, Allen Coomes, Cindy Coomes, Theresa Crowe, Jean Dennis, Anita Dixon, Judy Duncan, Delaney Ebelhar, Harold Ebelhar, Elaine Glenn, James Glenn, June Hamilton, Richard Hamilton, Wayne Hamilton, Bob Hayden, Lorraine Hayden, Rose Hayden, Meredith Hendershot, Larry Hermann Tommy Hermann Dena Hiller, Lucy Hines, Dan Hopkins, Steve Hopkins, Dorothy Howard, Hubert Hurm, Julie Jackson, Donna Kamuf, Jeremy Leet, Brent McCarty, Ella Meyers, Debbie Millay, Theresa Murphy, Patrick O'Bryan, James Payne, Robbie Phillips, Rosalee McCarty, Theresa Rhinerson, Martha Riney, Susan Risse, Mark Roberts, Matthew Roberts Family, Will Roberts, Barbara Schell, Jennifer Self & Family, Todd Self, Jane Shelton, Wayne Shelton, Aaron Simmons, Jimmy Simmons, Erica Tapp Family, Ashton Thompson, Ben Thompson, Betty Wedding, Jerry Wink, Patti Wink, Theresa Wyatt & any others in need of prayer. TO ADD OR REMOVE A NAME: nicole@grayskymusic.com



Rosemary Krampe Derrick Thompson Margaret Lambert





Dorothy Howard

Lorraine Hayden

Aaron Simmons

04/06/91 Gary & Karen Bickett 04/07/18 John & Dee Dee Wethington 04/09/63 Richard & Anita Dixon **04/16/16** Walker & Michaeline Chandler 04/16/05 John & Lauren Edge 04/22/17 Luke & Lauren Bickett 04/25/20 Nick & Elizabeth McGehee **04/25/75** Thomas & Teri Murphy **04/28/79** Ralph & Roni Reisz

To have your birthday or anniversary listed or if your birthday or anniversary date is missing, call the office. (270) 685-0339.

CANDY DONATIONS

Please consider donating candy for the annual **Easter Egg Hunt** in the back of church. Please no suckers as they do not fit. Most smaller individually wrapped candies or chocolates do fine though. THANK YOU!!



ROSARY FOR VOCATIONS

PLEASE CONSIDER PRAYING THE ROSARY - JUST 1 DAY MONTH- FOR YOUNG MEN AND O WOMAN TO DISCERN BECOMING A PRIEST OR NUN. PRAYING THE ROSARY IS A POWERFUL TOOL!

"Thanks to all the ladies of the parish (and some husbands) for Alter Society dues. If we missed you, you can put your \$10 in an envelope, mark it for dues and drop it in collection basket.



We appreciate you all!"

Want to know how to make money for the parish and NO COST to you? Sign up for Kroger Rewards This is easy and free to you This is how much Kroger Rewards we received for last quarter

\$382.72!

Sign up at Kroger.com Need Help? Contact Nicole Gray nicole@grayskymusic.com

MEN'S CLUB MEETINGS Men's club meets the 1st Monday of the month. 6:00pm in Winter & 7:00pm in Summer

Holy Week—from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday—is the most sacred time in the Church, even more profound than Christmas!

Holy Week recalls the final days of Jesus' life and invites us into deeper reflection, sacrifice, and renewal.

We begin with Palm Sunday, remembering Jesus' entry into Jerusalem and receiving blessed palms as we reflect on His Passion.

The Chrism Mass, held early in the week, is when sacred oils are blessed and priests renew their vows.

Holy Thursday marks the start of the Easter Triduum. At the Mass of the Lord's Supper, we remember the Eucharist and witness the washing of feet—a sign of Christ's call to serve.

On Good Friday, we honor Jesus' crucifixion. In silence, prayer, and the Stations of the Cross, we reflect on His sacrifice and the gift of redemption.

Holy Saturday is a quiet day of waiting. That evening, the Easter Vigil celebrates the Resurrection in a powerful liturgy full of light and joy, often welcoming new members into the Church.

Easter Sunday proclaims Jesus' victory over death—the heart of our faith. The Easter season begins, inviting us to live with renewed hope and joy in Christ's Resurrection

'A OUICK JOURNEY THROUGH THE BIBLE' 2 more dates!



April 24 May 1

To report suspected abuse, call the Kentucky Child Protection Hot Line: 1-877-597-2331 (Toll Free) or contact your local Commonwealth Attorney. To report abuse to the diocese, current or past, by anyone acting in the name of the Church, call Scott Ingram, Pastoral Assistance Coordinator (English) at 270-852-8380 or Miguel Quintanilla, Pastoral Assistance Coordinator (Spanish) at 270-880-8360. You may also visit the Office of Safe Environment (owensborodiocese.org/safe) for more information. To make a report of sexual abuse of a minor and related misconduct by bishops, go to ReportBishopAbuse.org or call 1-800-276-1562.