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A Word from Bishop Medley

My dear people of God,

One Mother's Day, a woman's fourteen children were celebrating her life and accomplishments. Like so many big families the brothers and sisters often engaged in that old game of "who is mom's favorite?" Lightheartedly they posed the question to her: "Mom, who do you love the most, who is your favorite?"

Without missing a beat she gave one of those shrugs that said, isn't it obvious? She replied, "My favorite is always the one who needs me the most." And it was clear to her children that that probably changed day by day. Over the course of fifty years in large families (and small families, too) there have been a lot of first days of school, getting cut from the team, scraping of shins, bad report cards, lost first loves, graduation days, wedding days, leaving the nest days. Fill in the blank, when did you need mother's love?

This story came to my mind last month as the world celebrated the canonization of Mother Theresa of Calcutta. All the more appropriate as she was the most recognizable mother of the 20th century, even though she never bore a child of her own. Mother Theresa saw all of God's children as children entrusted to her and to us to care for. She preferred the ones who needed her in any given time and place. Some days she and the sisters who gathered around her were feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, sheltering the homeless, clothing the naked, visiting the sick and imprisoned, and burying the dead. Any book of her life would be filled with photographs of just these actions. These acts, along with offerings alms to the poor, constitute the ancient tradition of the corporal works of mercy.

It is most fitting then that Mother Theresa's canonization was formalized within the Jubilee Year of Mercy that Pope Francis set before the world. Apart from a few cranky and political critics, the world recognized the extraordinary holiness of a woman such as Mother Theresa. Mother Theresa achieved her Christ-like virtue because she took seriously the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We read in contemporary commentaries on the life of Jesus that he showed a preferential love for the poor. We might hesitate on that thought for a moment. Could Jesus really love some more than others? Well, I think so, because Jesus had the wisdom of a mother: my favorite is the one who needs me the most. Mother Theresa got it.

+ William F. Medley

Most Reverend William F. Medley
Diocese of Owensboro



BISHOP MEDLEY'S CALENDAR ● OCTOBER 2016

- OCT 9** 10:30 a.m. ● New Pastor Installation, Rev. Suneesh Mathew, HGN – Precious Blood Parish, Owensboro
- OCT 11** 12:00 p.m. ● Criminal Justice Policy Assessment Council – Frankfort
- OCT 12** 8:45 a.m. Staff Mass and Meeting – McRaith Catholic Center (MCC)
- OCT 15** 2:00 p.m. ● 75th Anniversary Mass/Glenmary Sisters, St. Stephen Cathedral
- OCT 16** Mass at "Old St. Stephens Parish" in Grand Rivers
- OCT 17** 10:00 a.m. ● Priest Personnel Board Meeting – MCC
1:30 p.m. ● Priests' Council Meeting – MCC
- OCT 18** 9:00 a.m. ● School Mass – St. John Paul II, Morganfield
- OCT 19** 2:00 p.m. ● Installation of Bishop Martin Holley – Memphis, TN
- OCT 20** 10:00 a.m. ● School Mass – Owensboro Catholic High School
- OCT 22** 10:00 a.m. ● Council of Religious Jubilee Celebration – St. Martin Parish, Rome
- OCT 23** 11:00 a.m. ● New Pastor Installation, Rev. Brian Roby – St. Mary of the Woods Parish, Whitesville
- OCT 25** 9:30 a.m. ● School Mass – St. Mary Elementary School, Paducah
12-3:00 p.m. ● Paducah Office Hours
- OCT 26** 12:00 p.m. ● Criminal Justice Policy Assessment Council – Frankfort
- OCT 27** 8:00 a.m. ● School Mass – Madisonville
- OCT 27-28** 2:00 p.m. ● Brescia University Board Meeting – Owensboro
- OCT 30** 11:00 a.m. ● Confirmation – St. Pius X Parish, Owensboro

Celebrating a new saint

The Diocese of Owensboro welcomed the canonization of St. Teresa of Kolkata (or Calcutta) on Sept. 4, 2016. Pictured left is McRaith Catholic Center employee Mark Vollman spending some time with St. Teresa.



Carmelite sisters see God in the elderly

BY ELIZABETH WONG BARNSTEAD, THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

Sister M. Francis Teresa Scully, DCJ, administrator of the Carmel Home in Owensboro has heard the question countless times.

“We deal with the euthanasia issue,” she said. “People look at the elderly and say ‘why not give them a (euthanasia) drug? Their life is worthless.’”

Sister Scully responds: “But their life is not worthless.”

She tells her fellow Carmelite Sisters of the Divine Heart of Jesus, who operate the Carmel Home for the elderly and infirm, that “we don’t know how they’ve offered themselves to God. We don’t have the right to take their life.”

She said she admires the mission of newly-canonical St. Teresa of Kolkata (or Calcutta), who “saw Jesus in everyone, the destitute and the poor.”

This echoes the words of the order’s foundress, Bl. Maria Teresa of St. Joseph who said, to “see God in all, serve God in all, and love God in all.”

Sister Scully said that Carmel Home gives residents medicine to keep them comfortable, but would never prescribe something to end someone’s life: “That’s a mortal sin,” and added that the Catholic Church “teaches that every life belongs to God until he decides to take that life to himself for all eternity.”

She said it is “naive” to think that all Catholics are opposed to euthanasia: “You have to educate yourself. There is plenty of material out there to know what the Church teaches, and why.”

“As Catholics, we have to be people of life and live it in every way, shape and form,” said Sister Scul-



October is Respect Life Month

October is designated as a month to promote respect for human life and dignity in all its forms, from conception through natural death. To learn more about the message of life, visit owensborodiocese.org/social-concerns.

ly. “Catholics aren’t called to just blend in. Catholics are called to be different.”



Carmel Home residents play Bingo on Sept. 12. Photo by Elizabeth Wong Banstead/WKC.



Sister M. Francis Teresa Scully, DCJ, with resident Marcella Scheppers. Photo by Elizabeth Wong Barnstead/WKC.

The choice to love

Retrouvaille helps build forgiveness, patience in troubled marriages

BY ELIZABETH WONG BARNSTEAD, THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

Karla Wagner says the best way to describe the marriage-help program Retrouvaille is “a rewiring process.”

“You have to rewire the way you look at the relationship and at each other,” she said.

Scott and Felicia Elliott, who attended Retrouvaille in February 2016, agreed that Retrouvaille provides tools to foster better communication in a marriage.

“By using those tools, we were able to learn



Felicia and Scott Elliott say Retrouvaille gave them “much-needed communication tools to re-connect with each other.” Photo courtesy of the Elliott family.

things about each other we didn’t know before, gain a whole new perspective on ourselves, and a new perspective on our relationship,” said Felicia. “We found acceptance, healing and much-needed support from and within the Retrouvaille community.”

Rediscovery

Retrouvaille, French for “rediscovery,” began in 1977 as a French-language weekend for troubled marriages in Quebec, Canada. After being adapted into English, it has spread internationally through its successful weekend and post-weekend programs.

Pam Lipp, who with her husband, Dan, coordinate Retrouvaille within the Diocese of Owensboro, said that “any couple” experiencing difficulty in their marriage can consider Retrouvaille.

That includes couples who have slowly drift apart over the years, those with critical issues such as infidelity and addictions, and those in initial stages of a marriage problem.

Scott explained that some couples have attended as a final option before divorce, and some have even been referred to Retrouvaille by marriage counselors and therapists.

“Many couples today grow apart because a breakdown in their communication starts them on a destructive path, especially when neither person will let go of their pride long enough to admit there’s a problem they need help with,” he said. “Then, they

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Living the Year of Mercy

The Jubilee Year of Mercy was established by Pope Francis to last from Dec. 8, 2015 to Nov. 20, 2016. The Western Kentucky Catholic is celebrating this holy year by featuring a series highlighting individuals who live the Works of Mercy around the Diocese of Owensboro. October’s story addresses both “bearing wrongs patiently” and “forgiving all injuries” through the marriage-saving Retrouvaille program.

both have to agree to help together.”

Karla, who completed Retrouvaille with her husband, Tom, in January 2015, said that the culture says “that everything is based on emotion: you do as you feel, you don’t see your marriage as your vocation.”

But seeing the vocation is what God calls married couples to do, she emphasized: “It’s my job to get my husband to heaven and his job to get me to heaven.”

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From hurt to healing

Scott said that Retrouvaille does not solve problems, but instead helps couples understand “the other’s reaction while working to solve the problem together.”

Felicia explained that it is undoubtedly difficult to forgive others – and it is even harder “to not be bitter about those wrongs and place our hope in God so we can endure the troubles of this world and face them with compassion.”

Pam said that all couples cycle through stages in marriage “from romance to disillusionment to misery; many never jump to the stage of reawakening – which is where Retrouvaille can help.”

The biggest obstacle to attending Retrouvaille, she said, is when one of the spouses denies a problem or resists change. An additional obstacle is when one spouse believes “their pain is too great and reconciliation is impossible.”

She added: “Attending Retrouvaille and hearing the struggles of the presenters” – the weekend leaders are all couples who have experience Retrouvaille themselves – “hurting couples realize they are not alone in their misery and receive the hope needed to trade hurt for healing.”

Forgiveness

Karla said it had never dawned on them that in order to heal and move on, “you have to forgive.”

“I can honestly say that in forgiving I wouldn’t forget, but I could still find peace,” she said. “Forgiving and healing truly go hand in hand.”

She and Tom learned that love means “not allowing your emotions to control how you act,” which means “acting out of love” even when love is not felt.

“You choose to ‘do’ love over anything else,” she said, and “you have to be open to changing yourself.”

Pam said Retrouvaille provides the tools to work with privately over the weekend and respects the anonymity of each couple.

“Love, trust and forgiveness are the three foundational decisions that Retrouvaille empowers couples to make in order to truly ‘bear wrongs patiently’ and ‘forgive all injuries,’” she said.



Vatican City - August 19, 2015. Pope Francis speaks with a newly married couple at the general audience in Paul VI Audience Hall on August 19, 2015. Catholic News Agency photo.

Places of pilgrimage in the Diocese of Owensboro

It's now the Year of Mercy and you are welcome to visit the six pilgrimage sites in our diocese! They are:

St. Stephen Cathedral, Owensboro

610 Locust Street, Owensboro
Contact: Michael Bogdan, (270) 852-8327

Chapel of Mercy, St. Thomas More Parish, Paducah

5645 Blandville Road, Paducah
Contact: Lois Bell, (270) 534-9000

Fathers of Mercy Chapel of Divine Mercy, Auburn

806 Shaker Museum Road, Auburn
Contact: Fr. Joel Rogers, (270) 361-9613

Marian Shrine at St. Joseph Parish, Bowling Green

434 Church Avenue, Bowling Green
Contact: Parish office, (270) 842-2525

St. Mary of the Woods Parish, McQuady

4711 Highway 105 S, Hardinsburg
Contact: Parish office, (270) 756-2093

Ursuline Sisters of Mount St. Joseph Motherhouse Chapel, Maple Mount

8001 Cummings Road, Maple Mount
Contact: Sister Mary Matthias Ward, (270) 229-2011

Out of consideration for the places of pilgrimage, pilgrims are asked that if more than 8-10 pilgrims are visiting, contact the site first to ensure that they can accommodate your group.

Bishop Medley confirms Burmese parishioners at St. Pius X, Owensboro

Vicki Conder at St. Pius X Parish in Owensboro writes: "At St. Pius X Parish in Owensboro we are very blessed to have been joined by several families of Catholic Burmese refugees. Several years ago the first couple came to our parish. Now we have a Burmese membership of about 31 households totaling about 125 members. Some received sacraments in their home country, or in the refugee camps where they lived before coming to the U.S. Many, however, have joined the Catholic Church since coming to Owensboro. This past weekend we celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation with 13 Burmese adults. They continue to learn and grow in faith, participating in faith formation and parish activities, and usually attending our 8 a.m. Sunday Mass."



Photo courtesy of Vicki Conder.

Brescia named fifth fastest-growing Catholic college

Brescia University in Owensboro was recently named the fifth fastest-growing Catholic college in the nation among baccalaureate institutions by the Chronicle of Higher Education in the 2016-17 almanac released in August. A press release sent by Brescia's public relations and marketing office on Aug. 29 stated: "During the 10-year period that was cited, the University experienced a growth rate of 56.7 per-

cent, seeing enrollment climb from 674 students in fall 2004 to 1,056 in fall 2014, which was the second highest total in school history."

Ursulines' 46th picnic is bitter-sweet

The Ursuline Sisters of Mount St. Joseph held their 46th picnic on Sunday, Sept. 11, 2016. The sisters had decided on July 14, 2016, that this would be their final picnic, due to the advanced age of many sisters and volunteers and the difficulty of "finding new volunteers to supplant those who have stepped down" according to a press release. Photo courtesy of the Ursuline Sisters of Mount St. Joseph.



Sister Cecilia Joseph Olinger helps a young girl in the Hog Wild booth. Smaller children were able to sit closer to a game board for a chance to win prizes.

Diocese honors married couples at marriage anniversary celebration

A total of 92 married couples from all across the diocese met at St. Stephen Cathedral on Sunday, Sept. 18 to celebrate Mass with Bishop Medley, attend a reception in their honor and receive a plaque indicating their years of marriage. The Family Life Office coordinates this annual anniversary Mass. The lon-

gest married couple in attendance was Margaret and Anthony Cox, members of Parish of the Immaculate in Owensboro. They were married in 1946.



Mr. and Mrs. Cox allowed the diocesan communications office to interview them on video about their 70-year marriage. Stay tuned for the video's release. WKC photo.

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St. Michael's in Oak Grove makes Year of Mercy pilgrimage

BY CHERYL CHILDERS, SPECIAL TO THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

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Pope Francis stated in *Misericordiae Vultus*, "The practice of pilgrimage has a special place in the Holy Year, because it represents the journey each of us makes in this life. Life itself is a pilgrimage, and the human being is a viator, a pilgrim traveling along the road, making his way to the desired destination."

The Diocese of Owensboro designated six pilgrimage sites. The Chapel of Mercy at St. Thomas More Parish in Paducah was one of the sites. On Wednesday, Aug. 17, a group of 28 members of St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Oak Grove made the pilgrimage to walk through the Holy Doors of the Chapel of Mercy. Fr. Julian Ibemere, assisted by Deacon Tom Torson, celebrated a beautiful Mass for those on the pilgrimage. Also while at the chapel, all were able to spend time in adoration as well. Afterwards, we were given a tour of the church and learned about the history of the church. To close out the pilgrimage, lunch was enjoyed at O'Charley's Restaurant in Paducah. Those that made the pilgrimage were: Fr. Julian Ibemere; Deacon Tom and Chong Torson; Janet Doyle; Angela Doyle; Aurie Thomas; Henri (Clay) Barrow; Donna Whelan; Cheryl Childers; Cathy and Al Acuna; Kathlene and Tom Armbruster; Dave and Laura Tilley; Sue Montoya; Betty Elder; Monica Bernal, husband, and son; Cal Deleuil; Daniella Caccia; Mary Johnson; Terry Averello; Sonny Xavier; Ms. Nay; Maria Sorieno; Michelle Goewey; Lonnie and Yvonne Crowdus (friends of Fr. Julian from Rosary Chapel).



The pilgrims from St. Michael the Archangel at the Chapel of Mercy. Photo courtesy of Cheryl Childers.



Pilgrims look at the statue of St. Thomas More at the Paducah parish. Photo courtesy of Tom Torson.

Grow in peace to love and serve

Holy Spirit's community garden provides 'common denominator'

BY ELIZABETH WONG BARNSTEAD, THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

A sign on the gardening shed on the property of Bowling Green's Holy Spirit Parish sums it up: "Grow in Peace."

The 40 garden plots – growing tomatoes, corn, squash, okra, peppers, melons and more – serve as a testament to the project's success three years after it began with 18 plots.

Janie Brasher, who with her husband, Leon, is actively involved in the garden ministry, said the credit goes to many of the Burmese parishioners who garden there.

"We had an idea, and then when the Burmese got involved it really took off," she said.

Fr. Timothy Khui Shing Ling is an associate pastor at Holy Spirit and is Burmese. He said Holy Spirit has about 100 Burmese families right now, and many have made use of the garden plots.

"Out of the 40 plots, about two-thirds are used by the Burmese," he said of the plots that vary by 30-by-30 feet or 30-by-60 feet.

The garden has many benefits, Fr. Ling said: "It saves money, it's organic and chemical-free."

He added that the garden is a great recreational activity for many elderly parishioners who wish to spend less time indoors.

Fr. John Thomas, pastor of Holy Spirit, said they have been "blessed with this facility and beautiful

property, and the fact that we have that much (gardening) space."

"It reminds people that it connects us with the earth," he said, and added that for several gardening families "it truly sustains them. If they didn't have the garden, they would struggle."

Brasher said the plots are organized by number, and that while gardeners must purchase their own seeds and tools, the water is free to use.

Also, when the crops grow, they grow "a ton," said Fr. Thomas. Gardeners with leftovers donate excess fruits and vegetables to the parish's St. Vincent de Paul food pantry, helping switch things up from the typical canned and dry goods.

Fr. Thomas said that early in the mornings during the week he will often see two or three cars parked outside, and several Burmese parishioners busy gardening.

"It's really been a great thing," he said.

Dr. Mike Byrne is another Holy Spirit parishioner involved with the garden. He said the garden has been a good opportunity for Burmese and non-Burmese parishioners to work together.

"When everyone's doing the same thing, we all have a common denominator," he said. "It adds another level of community besides going to Mass together."



Fr. John Thomas, pastor of Holy Spirit, encourages the community gardeners during the garden blessing in spring 2016. Photo courtesy of Janie Brasher.



The community garden stretches for 40 plots of land, each plot either 30-by-30 feet or 30-by-60 feet. Photo by Elizabeth Wong Barnstead/WKC.



Dr. Mike Byrne unlocks the garden shed of Holy Spirit's community garden. Photo by Elizabeth Wong Barnstead/WKC.



(Right) Two Burmese gardeners display some recent fruits of the harvest. Photo courtesy of Janie Brasher.

Parishes, organizations use Year of Mercy grants to serve community

Year of Mercy grants were made available across the diocese this year. A total of \$7,500 in grants was funded by the 2015-2016 Disciples Response Fund. The following 15 parishes each received a \$500 grant:

- St. Pius X Parish, Owensboro, KY** | Bed sponsor for St. Benedict's Shelter
- St. Joseph Parish, Leitchfield, KY** | Food for the Grayson County Alliance Food Pantry in the name of Saint Joseph Church
- St. John the Evangelist Parish, Sunfish, KY** | Food for St. John's Food Pantry in Brownsville
- Right to Life of Owensboro, Owensboro, KY** | Purchase Theology of the Body curriculum & Chastity Project Program
- Sts. Joseph & Paul, Owensboro, KY** | Bereavement materials
- St. John the Baptist, Fordsville, KY** | Food pantry in Fordsville
- St. Mary Parish, LaCenter, KY** | Food for community food bank
- St. Francis de Sales Parish, Paducah, KY** | Mercy at the Door
- Immaculate Parish, Owensboro, KY** | Packaged Care Kits for homeless
- Newman House, Murray, KY** | Money used to subsidize the cost for the Newman House Student Retreat
- St. Jerome Parish, Fancy Farm, KY** | "Camp Connect"
- St. Joseph Parish, Bowling Green, KY** | Bread for poor
- St. Thomas More Parish, Paducah, KY** | Food Pantry of Paducah
- Rosary Chapel, Paducah, KY** | Meals for residents at halfway house next door to church
- St. Stephen Cathedral, Owensboro, KY** | Donations to International Center of Owensboro

Disciples Response Fund gifts assist local FOCUS missionary

The diocese received a letter from local FOCUS missionary, Kaylee Murphy, who was a recipient of Disciples Response Fund grant money. She gave us permission to share her letter with you:



Dear Diocese of Owensboro,

I am writing today to thank you for your support of the Fellowship of Catholic University Students. Thank you for investing in FOCUS by bringing them to Murray State three years ago where I became involved as a student. My life is forever changed by the love of the Lord I have experience through the missionaries at Murray.

As I am now serving as a missionary myself, I wanted to say thank you for investing in my mission work for with FOCUS! I greatly appreciate the grant funds you provided me through the Disciples Response Fund. This gift will help me be radically available to the students at the University of North Florida. Please pray for me and know of my prayers in return! Thank you again and may God bless.

In Christ,
Kaylee Murphy

Considering Adoption?

Catholic Charities of Owensboro serves pregnant women experiencing an unplanned pregnancy and couples who wish to adopt. To learn more, call 270-852-8328 or visit KyCaringConnection.org.

A special christening

On Sept. 9, 2016, Bishop Medley christened the "Loree Eckstein," a towing vessel in Paducah. Photos courtesy of Kevin Kauffeld.



Hispanic community embraces pilgrimage for Year of Mercy

BY CHRIS GUTIERREZ, OFFICE OF HISPANIC MINISTRY

Pilgrimage, which in Spanish is “peregrinación” is not a foreign concept nor practice at all to Hispanic Catholics. When Pope Francis announced last year there would be a Year of Mercy and that the action of making a pilgrimage would be encouraged, that was music to Hispanic ears.

Pope Francis wrote: “The practice of pilgrimage has a special place in the Holy Year, because it represents the journey each of us makes in this life. Life itself is a pilgrimage, and the human being is a viator, a pilgrim travelling along the road, making his way to the desired destination. Similarly, to reach the Holy Door in Rome or in any other place in the world, everyone, each according to his or her ability, will have to make a pilgrimage.” (Misericordiae Vultus 14)



Sister Fran Wilhelm, OSU, sings and walks during the Aug. 27 pilgrimage. WKC photo.



Fr. Julio Barrera speaks to the pilgrims at Sts. Joseph and Paul Parish before beginning the Owensboro pilgrimage to St. Stephen Cathedral on Aug. 27. WKC photo.

Making a pilgrimage for many Latin-American Catholics is part of family life since we were very young. Even the immigrant often sees himself or herself as a pilgrim on the move and always relying on God’s grace and protection. Hispanics often times see themselves as a people on a temporary journey on earth with a final destination of Heaven. Being stationary can be dangerous including for one’s spiritual life. Being stationary kills; dynamic movement brings about life. Hispanics through pilgrimage often experience a physical and spiritual renewal and the divine encouragement necessary to continue life’s difficult journey. Often because of

people’s deep faith in Christ and during pilgrimages, healings and other miracles take place. Pilgrimage, among all other devotions and practices of popular piety holds a very special place in the hearts of many Hispanics.

The sacrifice that comes with embarking on a pilgrimage provides a unique opportunity of making amends with God, thanking God for answered prayers and for new prayers of supplication. It provides as well, an opportunity to pay a visit to one of Jesus’, Mary’s or one of the saints’ home churches. The discomfort, the pain, the blistered feet, the thirst, hunger, the heat of the sun, wetness of rain

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and other forms of uncomfortable mortification (dying to oneself) are sacrifices happily undertaken that have deep meaning in Latino spirituality. Some throughout their lives will make frequent short pilgrimages; many others will walk up to 100, 200 or 300 miles to some specific Shrine taking them more than a month to finish such journeys.

Recently on August 27, more than 450 Hispanic Catholics from across the diocese paid a visit to St. Stephen in his home Church the Cathedral and mother Church of the diocese. Everyone after driving from across western Kentucky gathered at Sts. Joseph and Paul Parish and departed at 10 a.m. walking to the Cathedral. Those that came included adults, children, families, the ill, some in wheelchairs, all exhausted but joyful, entered through the Holy Door of the Cathedral around 11 a.m. It was a wonderful gift of remembering 'home' and tradition. Bishop Medley received us all with aspersion of holy water and presided over the Eucharist. He did it in Spanish – good, understandable Spanish! And for this the Hispanic community is grateful to their shepherd.

May this pilgrimage bring about in all of us the graces and strength needed to continue our short journey on earth and bring us all together one day at the arrival gate of heaven with God.

Chris Gutierrez serves as director of the Office of Hispanic Ministry in the Diocese of Owensboro.



Bishop William F. Medley stands at the entrance of the cathedral, welcoming the pilgrims on Aug. 27. WKC photo.



(Above) Matachines dancers walk through the Holy Door of St. Stephen Cathedral on Aug. 27. WKC photo.

(Left) Approximately 450 pilgrims filled St. Stephen Cathedral for Mass in Spanish with Bishop Medley on Aug. 27. WKC photo.



Successful 2015 tri-mission reinforces need for another in 2016

BY JUDY COOMES, SPECIAL TO THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

St. Stephen Cathedral, Blessed Mother Parish, and Sts. Joseph and Paul Parish committee members met in fall 2015 to organize our first tri-mission.

Because of this very successful three-parish mission, the search soon began for a 2016 presenter and selected Fr. John Mark Ettensohn, OMI. A former pastor, director of the Oblate Preaching Team, producer of Christian spirituality TV programs, and conductor of many missions and retreats, Fr. John Mark will speak on "Free-Falling into the Mystery of the Presence of God," breaking his topic into three segments with a different theme addressed each day.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to share in Fr. John Mark's message. Desiring to reach as many people as possible, Fr. John Mark asked for daily morning and evening sessions. The morning session in the respective parish is scheduled

8:30-10 a.m. and includes Mass, a message, coffee, and donuts. Each evening presentation is 6:30-8 p.m. in church, followed by a social in the parish center.

Our tri-mission begins at St. Stephen Cathedral on Oct. 24, focusing on "Christ, our Yesterday, Today, and Forever." Blessed Mother hosts the Oct. 25 segment, "Dry Days, Dark Nights, and the Cross of Christ." Sts. Joseph and Paul closes the mission on Oct. 26 with, "You are the Salt for the Earth."

Sometimes we allow our arms to fill with life's stresses, leaving no room for God's love and gifts. Spell "stressed" backwards and what do you have? "Desserts" – the 2016 tri-mission with Fr. John Mark!

Judy Coomes is a parishioner of Blessed Mother Parish, Owensboro.

Slow me down Lord: A poem

Slow me down slowly Lord when my pace gets too fast
When I race through my day while putting you last
Slow me down Lord when the day's problems take their toll
For my days on earth are numbered so why not take them slow

When I was younger my days seemed so long
Now that I am older I just wonder where time has gone
Trying to make a living occupies so much of my day
So, slow me down Lord, give me time to reflect and to pray

Slow me down Lord, so I can see your beauty on display
The butterfly on the rose and the sunshine that brightens my day
Slow me down Lord that I might cherish my loved one's embrace
And time to observe the smile on a child's face

Slow me down Lord because there's so much in life to see
Let my time be spent helping others and less on me
For my success will not be measured by how fast I finished the race
But by steps I take toward others, so I can see beauty in every face

I know Lord the aging process will surely slow me down
But look how much I will be missing if I wait for that to come around
So slow me down now Lord as only you can Continue to walk beside me while you gently hold my hand

Larry O'Bryan writes from Owensboro.

2nd Annual Tri-Parish Mission Oct. 24-26, 2016

A Tri-Parish Mission in Owensboro, KY

6:30-8 p.m. each night • 9:15-10 a.m. after morning mass


Presented by Fr. John Mark Ettensohn, OMI. Fr. Ettensohn has served as a Pastor, Director of the Oblate preaching team, and as a television producer/writer/director creating programs about Christian spirituality.

Join us for a three night gathering of fellowship and prayer. Refreshments served after each service. Child care available in the evenings.

Mon., Oct. 24 - St. Stephen Cathedral - 6:30-8 p.m.
CHRIST, OUR YESTERDAY, TODAY, AND FOREVER
Message with coffee & donuts - 9:15-10 a.m.

DRY DAYS, DARK NIGHTS, AND THE CROSS OF CHRIST
Tues., Oct. 25 - Blessed Mother Church - 6:30-8 p.m.
Message with coffee & donuts - 9:15-10 a.m.

YOU ARE THE SALT FOR THE EARTH
Wed., Oct. 26 - Sts. Joseph & Paul Church - 6:30-8 p.m.
Message with coffee & donuts - 9:15-10 a.m.



For more information, contact Rick Rhodes at 270-302-6982 or ricksjpc@yahoo.com

Holy Year Popes: Vicar general presents historical collection

BY ELIZABETH WONG BARNSTEAD, THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

On Sept. 15, 2016, an exhibit opened at Brescia University in Owensboro, displaying a selection of memorabilia from the Catholic Church's rich history of holy years from years 1300 through 2016.

"The Holy Year Popes: History and Memorabilia 1300-2016" was assembled from a collection belonging to Fr. J. Patrick Reynolds, vicar general of the Diocese of Owensboro and pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Owensboro.

"Since this year 2015-2016 was designated as a 'holy year' by Pope Francis, I thought it would be interesting to feature all the popes through the centuries who have inaugurated these jubilees or holy years," said Fr. Reynolds.

Years before Pope Francis' proclamation of the 2015-2016 Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy, Fr. Reynolds

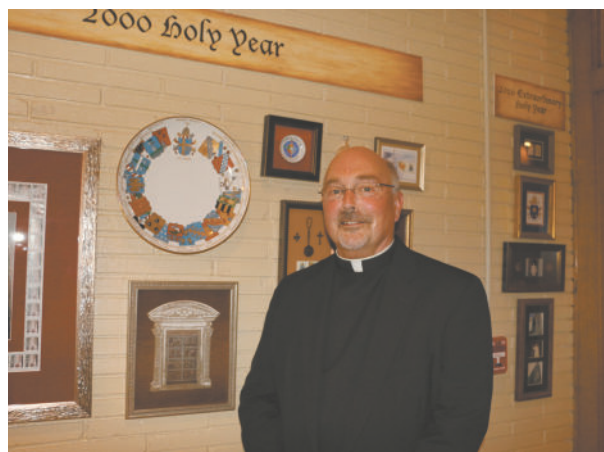
became interested in the "Holy Door," which a pope opens at St. Peter's Basilica to usher in a holy year.

And after finding a platter made in honor of the Great Jubilee of 2000, bearing the coat of arms of all popes involved in holy years, Fr. Reynolds decided to learn more about this tradition of the Church.

The popes featured stretch from Pope Boniface VIII, who established the jubilee tradition in 1300, through today's Pope Francis. Fr. Reynolds' memorabilia includes "pictures of these popes, souvenirs from the many holy years, postage stamps, medals, coins, medallions, old post cards, etcetera."

Fr. Reynolds said several of the items were gifts from his father, "who was the most interesting collector I have ever known," and expressed thanks to several benefactors who assisted in the framing of several items. He said he is also grateful to Brescia for hosting the exhibit, and Brescia's president, Fr. Larry Hostetter, for welcoming all visitors to the display.

"It had always been my intent to have a display regarding the holy years," said Fr. Reynolds. "So when Pope Francis announced the Extraordinary Holy Year of Mercy last year, I knew the time had come to allow others to view these interesting objects - and to share a little teaching of Church history, coupled with theology, spirituality and some interesting and curious traditions of the Roman Catholic Church."



Fr. Reynolds standing beside some of the pieces he has collected from the 2000 Holy Year. WKC photo.



A holy water font in Fr. Reynolds' collection, made in honor of the Jubilee Year 2000. Photo courtesy of Fr. J. Patrick Reynolds.

i View the exhibit

This exhibit is presented by the Office of the Vicar General and the Reeves/Helder Legacy and hosted by Brescia University. The exhibit is open from Sept. 16 to Nov. 20, 2016.

You can view the exhibit, located in the Brescia University Administration Building Lobby (120 West 7th Street), Owensboro, KY, 42301.

The exhibit is open from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday-Friday.

For groups of 20 or more, or for weekend tours, please contact Sally at (270) 686-4236 or sallyh@brescia.edu.

The St. Hubertus Benevolent Society

BY HEIDI TAYLOR-CAUDILL, ARCHIVIST

Most Catholics are aware of the Knights of Columbus and their good works. Did you know that St. Joseph Parish in Owensboro had a similar society that formed eight years before the Knights?

St. Hubertus Benevolent Society was organized in 1874 by the men of St. Joseph Parish who wished to offer assistance to the sick and needy. It was one of thousands of benevolent societies formed across the United States in the mid to late 1800s. These organizations served a similar purpose as insurance companies today, helping dues-paying members cover health care costs, funeral expenses, and financial hardships. They also promoted a sense of community, provided charitable services, and hosted social events. In the parish history "That All May Be One," Gerald M. Wilkerson writes that St. Hubertus Benevolent Society "was comparable to the present day Knights of Columbus, bringing material and spiritual aid to widows and orphans in need of such service."

The original inspiration for St. Hubertus Benevolent Society seems to have come from one man's encounter with a rabid dog. Reverend Eugene Spiess, pastor of St. Joseph Parish from 1906 to 1921, remembered: "Mr. Rose was bitten by a vicious dog that had hydrophobia [rabies] in a developed state. Mr. Rose was sure to die. He promised St. Hubertus that he would start a society in his honor, if he was spared. He was, and the society was begun by him."

The society formed with 51 charter members and the first officers were: Henry Rose (president); An-

thony Eger (vice-president); Michael Dittmann (secretary); Paul Tennes (treasurer); and Frank Kamauf, John Gillis, Nick Mischel, Jacob Vollmann, William Emler, August Rose and Maximilian Breidenbach (trustees). By 1924, the society had added 240 new members and distributed over \$18,000 in charitable donations and sick and death benefits.

Do you have questions for the Diocesan Archives? Contact them at (270) 683-1545 x 333 or heidi.caudill@pastoral.org.



Officers of St. Hubertus Benevolent Society, 1896. (Image courtesy of Diocesan Archives.)

Blessed Mother Catholic Church presents Spirit Alive

Meg Hunter-Kilmer

Sat., Nov. 5, 2016 at 9 AM in the church
"Mama's Family: Life with the Blessed Virgin Mary"

Dr. Scott Hahn

Sat., Dec. 10, 2016
A day of inspiring talks to kick off the season of Advent:

- 7 AM - Check-in
- 8 AM - "The Lamb's Supper"
- 9:15 AM - "Evangelizing Catholics"
- 10:30 AM - "The Healing Power of Confession"

FREE Admission.

Register online: www.blessedmotherchurch.org
Questions? nicholashardesty@gmail.com
270-683-8444 | 601 E. 23rd St, Owensboro, KY

Prayer Services for the November Elections

Mon, Sept 5, 2016—6:30 to 8 p.m.

Mon, Oct 3, 2016—6:30 to 8 p.m.

Mon, Nov 7, 2016—6:30 to 8 p.m.

Rosary, Mercy Chaplet & other prayers.

Sermons by Fr. Louis Caporiccio, CPM

Passionist Monastery, Whitesville, KY

Keep this flyer handy

and bring your family and friends

**"For the sake of His Sorrowful Passion,
have mercy on us!"**

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Camino of Mercy, the Way of Mercy

In *Misericordiae Vultus*, the Bull of Indiction of the Jubilee of Mercy, Pope Francis states, “The practice of pilgrimage has a special place in the Holy Year, because it represents the journey each of us makes in this life. Life itself is a pilgrimage, and the human being is a viator, a pilgrim travelling along the road, making his way to the desired destination. Similarly, to reach the Holy Door in Rome or in any other place in the world, everyone, each according to his or her ability, will have to make a pilgrimage. This will be a sign that mercy is also a goal to reach and requires dedication and sacrifice. May pilgrimage be an impetus to conversion” (MV 14).

The Holy Father desires that everyone be given the opportunity to experience pilgrimage. For this reason, he has asked each diocese to designate particular shrines or churches as places of pilgrimage for the faithful. Bishop Medley has designated six pilgrimage sites for the Diocese of Owensboro. Two of those sites are located in the Bowling Green Deanery: the Shrine of Mary on the campus of St. Joseph Parish and the Chapel of Divine Mercy on the campus of the Fathers of Mercy in Auburn.

Entering into the history and tradition of the Church, a pilgrimage between the Diocesan Shrine of Mary and the Chapel of Divine Mercy on the campus of the Fathers of Mercy will take place on Saturday, Oct. 15. Join other pilgrims in walking the Camino of Mercy.

Proceeds to benefit Disaster Relief in Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Schedule for Saturday, October 15:

Diocesan Shrine of Mary on the campus of Saint Joseph Parish

Check-in begins: 7:00 a.m.

Rosary: 7:30 a.m.

Mass: 8:00 a.m.

Continental Breakfast: 8:30 a.m.

Blessings and Departures: 9:00 a.m.

Registration Fee: \$20 per person, \$50 per natural family. **Registration deadline:** Oct. 7, 2016

Registration is available through the St. Joseph Parish Office, (270) 842-2525.

To Report Allegations of Sexual Abuse

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 or the Kentucky Child Abuse Hotline (toll-free: 1-877-KYSAFE1; 1-877-597-2331). In addition, to report to the diocese abuse by church personnel (paid or volunteer) either past or present, please call the Pastoral Assistance Coordinator at this confidential phone line: 270-852-8380. The Diocese of Owensboro revised

its sexual abuse policy, effective July 1, 2014 and it is available at parishes and also on the diocesan website (owensborodiocese.org/safe). The members of the Board who deal with sexual abuse allegations in the Diocese of Owensboro are as follows: Mr. Ken Bennett (Chair, Rev. Mike Clark, JCL, Dr. Michael Farina, Rhonda Gillham, Ed Hodskins, Mary Beth Hurley, Tony Kraus, Mike Marsili, Leslie Phelps, Kelly Roe, Lanny Thomas, and Jennifer Hendricks-Wright. Richard Murphy serves as the Bishop's liaison to the Review Board. The safety of our children is the responsibility of every Christian.

MOUNT SAINT JOSEPH CONFERENCE AND RETREAT CENTER

OCTOBER

- 4 Evening with an Ursuline dinner & presentation: Pleasing Personality**
- 8-9 Catholic Engaged Encounter
- 10-14 Priests Retreat (Diocese of Owensboro)
- 13 A Father Who Keeps His Promises**
- 15 Marian Retreat Day with Msgr. Powers**
- 17-21 Spiritual Direction Training (Week 5)**
- 18-20 Chix with Stix
- 24-28 Quilt Guild
- 28-30 Diocese of Owensboro Diaconate Program

NOVEMBER

- 1 Evening with an Ursuline dinner & presentation: Thomas Merton**
- 3-4 Academy of Young Leaders
- 4-6 Yarn Spinners Weekend**
- 5 What's Your Story Writing Workshop**
- 10 A Father Who Keeps His Promises**
- 11-13 Ordained Deacons Retreat Weekend
- 12 Making Mats for Shelters Workshop
- 18-19 Campbell Sewing Weekend
- 18-20 Diocese of Owensboro Diaconate Program

DECEMBER

- 1-5 Cursillo Leaders Workshop
- 6 Evening with an Ursuline dinner & presentation: Gift (Theological)**
- 8 A Father Who Keeps His Promises**
- 10 Advent Day of Prayer w/Msgr. Powers**
- 13 Advent Evening with Bishop Medley**
- 16-18 Diocese of Owensboro Diaconate Program

Center-sponsored programs are **BOLD**. Please call to register or to schedule an event. **270-229-0206**

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ursulinesmsj.org

Located 12 miles west of Owensboro on Hwy. 56



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Conference and Retreat Center

Office of Spiritual Life for the Diocese of Owensboro

UPCOMING EVENTS

Events at Mount Saint Joseph Conference and Retreat Center

To register for these sponsored events at Mount Saint Joseph Conference and Retreat Center, or to schedule an event, contact Kathy McCarty at (270) 229-0206 or kathy.mccarty@maplemount.org

Evening with an Ursuline

Dinner/Presentation
First Tuesday of each month
5 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

The \$20 fee includes dinner.

2016

Oct. 4 - Sister Vivian Bowles - *The Power and Pleasure of a Pleasing Personality*

Nov. 1 - Sister George Mary Hagan - *Thomas Merton*

Dec. 6 - Sister Pam Mueller - *Gift, A Theological Reflection*

2017

Jan. 3 - Sister Rose Marita O'Bryan - *Exploring Teilard de Chardin's Universal Vision of Life*

Feb. 7 - Sister Ruth Gehres - *Language: Gift and Mystery*

March 7 - Sister Vivian Bowles - *Belief and Expectations*

April 4 - Sister Amelia Stenger - *The Environment and Our Health*

May 2 - Sister Mary Matthias Ward - *Mary, The Mother of God...The Mother of the Church*

June 6 - Sister Ann McGrew - *Mandalas*

July 11 - Sister Marietta Wethington - *Centering Prayer*

Aug. 1 - Sister Ann McGrew - *Lectio Divina*

Eucharistic Adoration

Second Sunday of each month: **Oct. 9, Nov. 13, Dec. 11** (Note: There is no Adoration on Sept. 11 – Picnic Day) | 3 p.m.-5 p.m. The time has been extended to two hours during the Year of Mercy.

Mount Saint Joseph Motherhouse Chapel

Adoration will conclude with evening prayer. Adoration also takes place every Friday from 3 p.m.-5 p.m.

"A Father Who Keeps His Promises"

Second Thursday of each month: **Oct. 13, Nov. 10, Dec. 8** | 10:30 a.m. -12:30 a.m.

Presenter: Sr. Ann McGrew

Fee: \$10 (includes lunch)

"A Father Who Keeps His Promises" is a book by Scott Hahn on God's covenant Love in Scripture. It explains how God patiently reaches out to us — despite our faults and shortcomings — to restore us into relationships with his divine Family. Hahn begins with Adam and Eve and continuing down through the generations to the coming of Christ and the birth of the Church.

Mount Saint Joseph Quilt Club

Sign up by Oct. 6 to get your name into the new Quilt of the Month Club drawings at Mount Saint Joseph. The drawings take place on the first Friday of each month, and the first drawing of the year will be on Oct. 7. For a \$20 ticket, you get 12 chances to win a handmade quilt. Only 2,000 tickets are available, and half have already sold! (Note: If you sign up by Nov. 3, you will get 11 chances to win a quilt.) The proceeds support

the retired Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph in Maple Mount, Ky. To order your Quilt Club ticket(s), contact Kris Mango at (270) 229-2009 or kris.mango@maplemount.org. For more information, visit ursulinesmsj.org. Click on Help the Sisters, then Quilt Club.

Advent Day of Prayer

Saturday, Dec. 10 | 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Led by Monsignor Bernard Powers

Fee: \$25 (includes lunch)

This Advent Day will prepare us for this holy time of waiting.

Advent Evening with Bishop Medley

Tuesday, Dec. 13 | 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Led by Bishop William Medley of the Diocese of Owensboro

Fee: \$20 (includes meal)

This Advent Evening will prepare us for this holy time of waiting.

You are cordially invited to the
75th Anniversary celebration of the



Eucharistic Celebration

Saturday, October 15, 2016, 2:00pm (CDT)
St. Stephen Cathedral

Followed by:

75th Anniversary Celebration

Doors open at 5:30pm (CDT)

Cliff Hagan Boys & Girls Club

Buffet Dinner - Live Music - Cash Bar - Silent Auction

ROY KYLE AND THE HOT ROD CRUISERS

Tickets are \$45.00/person – Limited seating

No one under 21 admitted.

RSVPs for the Mass and ticket purchases for the celebration must be in by September 15th.

Contact Kim at the Glenmary Center:
kim@glenmarysisters.org or 270-686-8401
See flyer at glenmarysisters.org for more info.

OCTOBER 2016 BULLETIN BOARD

■ Register for 2016 Mid-South Catholic Leadership Conference

Looking for a way to reinvigorate yourself in your ministry? The Nov. 6-9 Mid-South Catholic Leadership Conference not only offers the expertise of speakers known nationwide, but is held in the beautiful, relaxed setting of Lake Barkley State Resort Park. Speakers will include Fr. Denis Robinson; Sister Mary Angela Shaughnessy; and Dr. Ray Guarendi. Tuesday evening session features keynote speaker Bishop John Stowe of the Diocese of Lexington. Register at owensborodiocese.org/leadership-conference.

■ Does your marriage need help?

Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness. Others experience conflict in their relationship. Most don't know how to change the situation or even how to communicate this with their spouse. This program has helped thousands of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information or to register for the Jan. 13-15, 2017 program, (270) 683-1545 ext. 346, email dpretrows@aol.com or visit the website at retrouvaille.com.

■ Register for Gasper's Christmas/New Year's Camp

Camp takes place Dec. 29-Jan 1 and is open to eighth grade and high school teens. For more information or to register, visit gasperriverretreatcenter.org, call (270) 781-2466 or email gasperriver@hotmail.com.

■ 'A scout is reverent'

Retreat change of location! This year's annual Boy Scout Retreat has been updated to take place at the Land Between the Lakes on Friday, Nov. 11 through Sunday, Nov. 13. Our focus this year will be on the Year of Mercy. Details regarding this retreat are available on owensborodiocese.org/scouting. This upcoming year's Mass with the conferral of Religious Emblems with Bishop Medley presiding will take place on Sunday, March 12, 2017 at 2 p.m. at St. Stephen Cathedral. At this Mass, scouts from throughout the diocese will receive their religious emblems that they have earned throughout the year. For Cub Scouts, Webelos Boy Scouts and Venturing Crew Members that would be Light of Christ, Parvuli

Dei, Ad Altari Dei, Pope Pius XII, and Light is Life for Eastern Catholics. Girl Scouts can receive the Family of God; I Live my Faith; Mary, the First Disciple; and The Spirit Alive emblems. Now is the time to begin in order to complete the requirements in time for the Mass with conferral of the Religious Emblems.

■ Whitesville schools seek Director of Advancement & Admissions

Trinity High and St. Mary of the Woods Catholic Schools have an opening for a Director of Advancement and Admissions. This is a full-time, year round position requiring a highly motivated, self-starter. Responsibilities include planning, guiding, and evaluating a comprehensive advancement effort to include student recruitment. A practicing Catholic is preferred. The schools are located in Whitesville Kentucky, a largely rural community 15 miles southeast of Owensboro. Send cover letter, resume and a minimum of three references to Lane Rhodes, Lrhodes1228@gmail.com. Resumes accepted until position is filled.

■ Thomas Merton Presentation Oct. 12

Brescia University is bringing Jonathan Montaldo, former director of the Thomas Merton Center at Bellarmine University and former associate director for the Merton Institute of Contemplative Living to present, *We are Already One*, Thomas Merton's Legacy of Love, Mercy and Hope. His presentation takes place on Oct. 12 at 7 p.m. in Taylor Lecture Hall. His presentation outlines the spiritual and literary legacy of Kentucky-homed monk and writer, Thomas Merton.

■ Alzheimer's Association education programs

Registration required for all programs; please call 1-800-272-3900 to register and for class descriptions. Designed for general public; \$5 donation suggested, \$15 fee for professionals.

Healthy Living for Your Brain and Body Workshop: Lunch will be provided by Wellington Parc. Oct. 6, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Health Park, 1006 Ford Ave, Owensboro.

The Basics: Memory Loss, Dementia and Alzheimer's Disease: Oct. 25, 10-11:00 a.m., Lourdes Hospital, Borders Room, Paducah.

Dementia Conversations: Lunch & Learn: Can bring your own lunch. Oct. 25, 12-1:00 p.m., Lourdes Hos-

pital, Borders Room, Paducah.

■ Oct. 27 is annual Right to Life banquet

Annual Right to Life of Owensboro banquet is Oct. 27 at the Owensboro Convention Center Doors open at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$30 a person, \$50 a couple. Tables may be purchased for \$200 each; seats eight people. Sponsorship opportunities are available. Call (270)685-4922 or email rtlo1973@att.net to purchase tickets or for more information.

■ St. Benedict School reunion Oct. 16

The St. Benedict School reunion will be Oct. 16, 2016, at St. Benedict Catholic Church in Wax, Ky. Potluck lunch after the 10:15 a.m. Mass. For more information you may call LaMont Miller, (270)259-3303.

To have your events listed in our Bulletin Board, email information of no more than 200 words to wkc.editor@pastoral.org by the 15th of the month prior to the publishing month.



THE DIOCESE OF OWENSBORO SHRINE OF MARY

presents the

2016 Marian Congress

Mary, Mother of Mercy and the Rosary

marking the 800th anniversary of the founding of the Dominicans

Keynote Speaker: Rev. Thomas Petri, OP

Sunday, October 23 • 2 - 5 pm
Free & Open to the Public

Saint Joseph Catholic Church Parish Center
434 Church Ave. • Bowling Green, KY



UPCOMING EVENTS

Mount Saint Joseph Academy and Junior College

Alumnae Memorial Mass

Sunday, Nov. 6

11 a.m.
Maple Mount



This Mass is celebrated in remembrance of all deceased alumnae, family and faculty. Please RSVP for lunch by Oct. 31. Contact Marian Bennett: 270-229-2006
alumnae.msj@maplemount.org



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2017 Catholic Men's Conference of Western Kentucky

February 11, 2017 | RiverPark
Center, Owensboro, KY

We think the conference will be standing room only when you learn the name of our keynote speaker!

Find out next month!

Visit kycatholic.com for an event schedule.



*What's
Your Story?*
MEMOIRS & MORE

Writing Workshop Saturday, Nov. 5, 2016

Facilitator: Kristine D. Adams



Time: 9:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m. followed by lunch. Fee: \$30

Everyone has a story, what's yours? Ask yourself, "Has my work or travel brought unusual people and situations into my life? Do parts of my life read as 'survivor' journals? Will my challenges – obstacles – discoveries be lost, if I don't record them?" Come away to jumpstart your personal life review. You'll gain techniques to make sense of it all.

The two-hour workshop is offered in the pristine environment of Maple Mount, with all materials provided. The interactive, multi-media presentation explores techniques to enable discovery. Participants receive original, take home memory-prompting materials. Do it for yourself, to preserve family stories, or to share stories with others.

To register, contact Kathy McCarty
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Marian Retreat Day

Presented by
Monsignor Bernard Powers

Saturday,
October 15

8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
\$25 (includes lunch)

This retreat will focus on Mary and will include opportunities for solitude as well as communal prayer, recitation of the rosary, Reconciliation and Eucharistic Liturgy.

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Una Palabra del Obispo Medley

Mi querido pueblo de Dios,

Un Día de las Madres, estaban los catorce hijos de una señora celebrando la vida y los logros de sus vida. Como muchas familias grandes los hermanos muchas veces echaban relajo preguntando “¿quién es el favorito de mamá?” Luego jugando le preguntaban a su mamá: “¿Mamá, a quien quieres más, quién es tu favorito?”

Sin perder un momento hizo uno de sus gestos para decir ¿no es obvio? Contestó, “Mi favorito es siempre el que me necesita más.” Y fue claro para sus hijos que eso seguramente cambiaba de día a día. En el transcurso de cincuenta años en una familia numerosa (y en las familias pequeñas también) han pasado muchos momentos: entrar en la escuela, ser dado de baja del equipo deportivo, caerse y cortarse las

rodillas, sacar malas calificaciones en la escuela, perder el primer amor, graduarse, casarse, salir de la casa. Cada uno podríamos contestar, ¿cuándo ocupaba el

amor de mamá?

Me vino a la mente este cuento el mes pasado al tiempo en que en todo el mundo celebrábamos la canonización de la Madre Teresa de Calcuta. Fue apropiado porque ella fue una de las mamás más reconocidas del siglo 20, aunque nunca dio a luz a ningún hijo propio. La Madre Teresa consideró a todos los hijos de Dios como hijo que se los habían encargado a ella y a nosotros para cuidarlos. Ella prefería los que la necesitaban en tal lugar y a tal hora. Algunos días ella y las hermanas que se juntaron a su grupo estaban dando de comer a los hambrientos, dando algo de tomar a los sedientos, dando albergue a los desamparados, dando ropa a los desnudos, visitando a los enfermos y encarcelados y sepultando a los muertos. Estas obras, junto con ofrecer limosna a los pobres, constituyen la tradición antigua de las obras corporales de la misericordia.

Que bien cabe entonces que la Madre Teresa haya sido canonizada formalmente durante el Jubileo de la Misericordia que el Papa Francisco convocó al mundo. Aparte de unos críticos políticos y de mal humor, el mundo entero reconoció la santidad extraordinaria de una mujer como la Madre Teresa. La Madre Teresa alcanzó la virtud de ser como Cristo porque tomó en serio el evangelio de Jesucristo. Podemos leer en comentarios sobre la vida de Jesús que él mostró un amor preferencial para los pobres. Tomemos un momento para pensar en eso. ¿Podría Jesús amar a algunos más que a otros? Bueno, yo pienso que sí, porque Jesús tenía la sabiduría de una madre: mi favorito es el que me necesita más. La Madre Teresa lo entendió.

+ William F. Medley

Obispo William F. Medley
 Diócesis de Owensboro

EL CALENDARIO DEL OBISPO MEDLEY PARA OCTUBRE 2016:

- OCTUBRE 9** 10:30 a.m. • Instalación del Nuevo Párroco, Padre Suneesh Mathew, HGN – Parroquia Santísima Sangre, Owensboro
- OCTUBRE 11** 12:00 p.m. • Consejo de Evaluar las Leyes de Justicia Criminal – Frankfort, KY
- OCTUBRE 12** 8:45 a.m. • Misa y Reunión del Personal – MCC
- OCTUBRE 15** 2:00 p.m. • Misa del 75 Aniversario de las Hermanas de Glenmary – Catedral de San Esteban
- OCTUBRE 16** Misa en “La Antigua Parroquia de San Esteban” en Grand Rivers
- OCTUBRE 17** 10:00 a.m. • Reunión del Consejo de Personal Sacerdotal – MCC
 1:30 p.m. • Reunión del Consejo Sacerdotal – MCC
- OCTUBRE 18** 9:00 a.m. • Misa Escolar – San Juan Pablo II, Morganfield
- OCTUBRE 19** 2:00 p.m. • Instalación del Obispo Martin Holley – Memphis, TN
- OCTUBRE 20** 10:00 a.m. • Misa Escolar, Escuela Secundaria Católica de Owensboro
- OCTUBRE 22** 10:00 a.m. • Celebración de Jubileo del Consejo de Religiosos – Parroquia San Martin, Rome
- OCTUBRE 23** 11:00 a.m. • Instalación del Nuevo Párroco, Padre Brian Roby – Parroquia Santa María del Bosque, Whitesville
- OCTUBRE 25** 9:30 a.m. • Misa Escolar, Escuela Primaria de Santa María, Paducah
 12-3:00 p.m. • Horas de Oficina en Paducah
- OCTUBRE 26** 12:00 p.m. • Consejo de Evaluar las Leyes de Justicia Criminal – Frankfort, KY
- OCTUBRE 27** 8:00 a.m. • Misa Escolar, Cristo Rey – Madisonville
- OCTUBRE 27-28** 2:00 p.m. • Reunión de la Mesa Directiva de la Universidad de Brescia – Owensboro
- OCTUBRE 30** 11:00 a.m. • Confirmación – Parroquia San Pio X, Owensboro

Los Hispanos Peregrinamos

En este mundo todos somos peregrinos. Algunas veces vivimos, nos acomodamos, pretendemos, o nos comportamos como si fuéramos a ser habitantes eternos en esta tierra, sin embargo al final y después de templada reflexión, bien sabemos que vamos de paso. El peregrino obviamente no es estático sino dinámico porque entiende que el movimiento le da vida. Esto se aplica a la vida espiritual. Para la mayoría de nosotros los hispanos católicos peregrinar no es cosa rara o de otro mundo. En muchos de nuestros países las procesiones y peregrinaciones son costumbre y tradición de nuestra fe. Ya lo llevamos en la sangre. En el peregrinar va mucho. Nuestro agradecimiento y reconciliación con Dios, nuevas suplicas y también un sacrificio y mortificación física muy esencial de nuestra espiritualidad que nos conecta con nuestro Padre Dios, la Santísima Virgen María y los Santos.

Recientemente y siendo precisos el pasado 27 de Agosto una representación de casi 500 de nosotros hispanos de alrededor de la diócesis nos dispusimos a peregrinar. Dentro del marco del Año Jubilar de Misericordia nos traslada-



Aproximadamente 450 peregrinos llenaron la Catedral de San Esteban para la Misa en español con el Obispo Medley el 27 de Agosto. Foto por el WKC.

mos a la Catedral de San Esteban, iglesia madre de nuestra diócesis en Owensboro. Asistieron delegaciones de más de 10 parroquias. Hombres y mujeres, niños y jóvenes, discapacitados, enfermos y sanos, adolescentes y ancianos. Todos juntos en caminata bajo el brusco calor pero motivados por el encuentro con cada uno y con Jesucristo.

No nos queda más que agradecer el esfuerzo y sacrificio que todos realizaron en este memorable día. Que las gracias espirituales que en el peregrinar y entrar por la puerta santa durante



El Padre Julio Barrera habla con los peregrinos en la Parroquia Santos José y Pablo en Owensboro antes de comenzar la peregrinación diocesana hacia la Catedral de San Esteban el 27 de Agosto. Foto por el WKC.



El Obispo William F. Medley se para en la entrada de la Catedral, dándole la bienvenida a los peregrinos el 27 de Agosto. Foto por el WKC.

este año produzcan fruto abundante en cada una de nuestras familias. Como Católicos tenemos una meta y es que vamos rumbo al cielo. Como dice el canto: *“Somos un pueblo que camina, que marcha por el mundo, buscando otra ciudad...somos errantes peregrinos en busca de un destino, destino de unidad...”*

Que nuestro Señor Jesucristo nos ilumine siempre el sendero de peregrinos.

Cristóbal Gutierrez
Diócesis de Owensboro



Los danzantes matachines pasan por la Puerta Santa de la Catedral de San Esteban el 27 de Agosto. Foto por el WKC.



La Hermana Fran “Panchita” Wilhelm, OSU, canta y camina durante la peregrinación el 27 de Agosto. Foto por el WKC.

El jardín comunitario del Espíritu Santo provee un ‘denominador común’

POR ELIZABETH WONG BARNSTEAD, EL CATÓLICO DE KENTUCKY OCCIDENTAL

Un letrero en la bodega del jardín en la propiedad de la Parroquia Espíritu Santo resume todo: “Crecan en Paz.”

Las 40 parcelas del jardín – donde crecen tomates, maíz, calabazas, oca, pimientos, melones y más – sirven como testimonio del éxito del proyecto porque cuando empezó hace tres años solamente tenía 18 parcelas.

Janie Brahser, quien con su esposo, Leon, es muy activa en el ministerio del jardín, dice que es gracias a los muchos parroquianos birmanos que cultivan en este jardín.

“Teníamos una idea y pegó cuando se involucraron los Birmanos,” dijo ella.

El Padre Timothy Khui Shing Ling es un vicario parroquial en Espíritu Santo y es Birmano. Él dice que Espíritu Santo tiene unos 100 familias birmanos ahora y muchos han utilizado las parcelas del jardín.

“De las 40 parcelas, dos terceros son utilizadas por los Birmanos,” dijo de las parcelas que miden de 30 por 30 pies o 30 por 60 pies.

El jardín tiene muchos beneficios, dijo el P. Ling: “Ahorra dinero, es orgánico y sin químicos.”

Añadió que la parcela es una actividad recreativa para los parroquianos mayores que quieren pasar menos tiempo adentro.

El Padre John Thomas, párroco de Espíritu Santo, dijo que han sido “bendecido con esta instalación y propiedad hermosa, y el hecho de tener tanto espacio (del jardín).”

“Les recuerda a la gente nuestra conexión a la tierra,” dijo y añadió que para muchas familias cultivar “realmente los sostiene. Si no tuvieran el jardín, estaría luchando.”

Brasher dijo que las parcelas están organizadas por número, y los jardineros tienen que comprar



Dos jardineros birmanos exponen algunas frutas recientes de la cosecha. Foto por cortesía de Janie Brasher.

sus propias semillas y herramientas, pero el agua es gratis.

También cuando llega la cosecha hay “un montón,” dijo el P. Thomas. Los jardineros con comida extra donan sus frutas y verduras al almacén de alimentos del San Vicente de Paul de la parroquia. Así ayudan que la gente reciba algo más que la comida enlatada de siempre.

El P. Thomas dijo que entre la semana muy temprano con frecuencia ve dos o tres vehículos afuera y varios parroquianos birmanos trabajando la parcela.

“Realmente ha sido una cosa buena,” dijo.

El Doctor Mike Byrne es otro parroquiano de Espíritu Santo involucrado con el jardín. Dijo que el jardín ha sido una buena oportunidad para los parroquianos birmanos y no-birmanos para trabajar juntos.

“Cuando todos están haciendo la misma cosa, todos tenemos un denominador común,” dijo. “Añade otra nivel de comunidad aparte de ir a la Misa juntos.”

Para Hacer Informe de Alegatos de Abuso Sexual

Cualquier persona que sepa de un abuso de un menor de dieciocho años es obligado por ley informarles a las autoridades estatales apropiadas: policía local o la línea dedicada para el Abuso Infantil de Kentucky (gratis: 1-877-KYSAFE1; 1-877-597-2331).

Además, para informar a la Diócesis sobre el abuso por parte de algún personal (pagado o voluntario) de la Iglesia, en el pasado o presente, favor de llamar a la Coordinadora de Asistencia Pastoral a esta línea confidencial: 270-852-8380. La Diócesis de Owensboro acaba de revisar su reglamento sobre el abuso sexual, efectivo el 1 de Julio del 2014 y está disponible en todas las parroquias y también en el

sitio web diocesano (www.rcdok.org/safe).

Los miembros de la junta que responden a las alegaciones de abuso sexual en la Diócesis de Owensboro son los siguientes: Mr. Ken Bennett (Presidente), Mr. Mike Boone, Ms. Kaye Castlen, Rev. Mike Clark, JCL, Dr. Michael Farina, Mr. Mike Flaherty, Ms. Rhonda Gillham, Mr. Brandon Harley, Ms. Mary Beth Hurley, Mr. Tony Kraus, Mr. Michael Marsili, Ms. Kelly Roe (Vice-Presidente), y Ms. Jennifer Hendricks-Wright. Richard Murphy sirve como enlace entre el Obispo y la Junta de Revisión Diocesano. La seguridad de nuestros niños es la responsabilidad de cada Cristiano.

Conozcan los Seminaristas

Conozcan los seminaristas discerniendo su llamado al sacerdocio en la Diócesis de Owensboro. Por favor ruegan por estos hombres durante su tiempo de discernimiento y formación.



Nombre: Corey Bruns
Parroquia: Santa Ana,
Morganfield



Nombre: C.J. Glaser
Parroquia: Madre Santísima,
Owensboro



Nombre: Chris Kight
Parroquia: Santo Tomás Moro,
Paducah



Nombre: Martin Mikulcik
Parroquia: San Enrique,
Aurora



Nombre: Doug Payne
Parroquia: Santo Redentor,
Beaver Dam

EL VBS del Condado de Todd explora el poder de Dios

Karen Stasiorowski, directora de la educación religiosa de la Parroquia San Francisco de Asis en el Condado de Todd, escribe: “Los estudiantes de la Parroquia San Francisco de Asis en el Condado de Todd participaron en una Escuela Bíblica del Verano emocionante al final de Julio. El tema fue Everest – el Poder de Dios. Los estudiantes viajaron con Elías huyendo de Israel. Elías enfrentó muchos desafíos, y los niños aprendieron como superar los desafíos en sus propias vidas y que ¡Dios siempre está a nuestro lado para ayudarnos!

“¡Los niños escucharon atentamente cuando Kristin Koester los guió en el viaje de Elías mientras enfrentó viento y terremotos y fuego! Karen Stasiorowski, Rosana Stasiorowski, y Kristin los guió en muchas actividades y aprendieron qué

tan importante es ayudar uno al otro para superar los desafíos. También vieron videos que los enseñaban la forma que otros niños han ayudado a sus familias y comunidades. Nuestros niños sacaron ideas para ayudar en sus propias familias y comunidades.

“También cada noche compartimos lo que habíamos aprendido en una cena deliciosa preparada por Susan Hightower y Helen Hock.

“¡Fue un placer recibir al Padre Frank Ruff y el Diácono Heriberto Rodríguez quienes llegaban por ratos durante la semana para divertirse! Al final de la semana celebramos una Misa con los niños y sus familias. ¡Se divertieron enseñando a sus papás los nuevos cantos que habían aprendido! ¡Ya estamos emocionados para el próximo verano!”



El Camino de la Misericordia

En Misericordiae Vultus, en el Impulso de Convocatoria al Jubileo de la Misericordia, el Papa Francisco nos dice, “La práctica de peregrinación tiene un lugar especial en el Año Santo, porque representa el camino que cada uno de nosotros debemos hacer en ésta vida. La vida misma es un peregrinaje, y el comportamiento humano es un viator, un peregrino viajando a través del camino, haciendo de éste camino, la decisión que hemos escogido. De manera similar, para llegar a la Puerta Santa en Roma o en algún otro lugar del mundo, todos debemos realizar una peregrinación, cada uno de acuerdo a su disponibilidad. Esto será un signo que la Misericordia es también una meta que debemos alcanzar y requiere dedicación y sacrificio. La peregrinación es un impulso de “conversión”. (MV 14).

El Santo Padre desea que todos tengamos la oportunidad de experimentar una peregrinación. Por esta razón, él delegó a cada diócesis la elección de las capillas o Iglesias como lugares de peregrinación, para ésta muestra de fe. El Arzobispo Medley designó seis lugares para la Diócesis de Owensboro. Dos de estos lugares están localizados en el área de Bowling Green: El Santuario de María en la propiedad de la Parroquia

de San José y la Capilla de la Divina Misericordia en la propiedad de los Padres de la Misericordia en Auburn.

Introduciéndonos en la historia y tradición de la Iglesia, una peregrinación entre el Santuario de María y la Capilla de la Divina Misericordia en el campus de los Padres de la Misericordia se llevara a cabo el sábado 15 de octubre. Únase a otros peregrinos en caminar el Camino de la Misericordia.

Calendario para el sábado 15 de octubre:

Inicio de Registración: 7:00 AM

En el Santuario Diocesano de Maria en el campo de la Parroquia San José

Rosario: 7:30 AM

Santa Misa: 8:00 AM

Desayuno Continental: 8:30 AM

Bendición y Salida: 9:00 AM

Costo para Inscripción: \$20 por persona | \$50 por familia (Padres e Hijos)

Fecha límite de Inscripción: 7 de octubre, 2016

Los formularios para inscribirse están disponibles en la oficina parroquial de San José.

La recaudación es para beneficio del Alivio del Desastre En Baton Rouge, Lusiana

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El Congreso Mariano del 2016 es el 23 de Octubre

El Santuario Mariano de la Diócesis de Owensboro presenta el Congreso Mariano del 2016: “María, Madre de la Misericordia y del Rosario,” marcando el 800 aniversario de la fundación de los Dominicos. El orador principal fue el Padre Thomas Petri, OP. Fecha: Domingo, 23 de Octubre de 2-5 p.m. Lugar: Centro Parroquial de San José, 434 Church Ave., Bowling Green, KY. Es gratis y abierto al público.

Parroquias con Misas en Español

Parroquia del Santo Redentor, Beaver Dam

Sábados – 5:00 p.m.

13th & Madison Streets, Beaver Dam, KY 42320
Contacto: Padre Juan René (270) 903-8070

Parroquia de San José, Bowling Green

Jueves – 6:30 p.m.

Sábados – 7:00 p.m.

Domingos – 12:30 p.m.

434 Church Street, Bowling Green, KY 42101
Contacto: Sra. Gina Holmes (270) 777-5925

Parroquia de San Francisco de Asís, Elkton

Domingos – 12:00 p.m.

Misa en Guthrie, KY - 6:00 p.m.

221 Allensville Street, Elkton, KY 42220
Contacto: Diácono Heriberto Rodríguez (302) 438-7335
o Roberto Cruz (270) 498-8559

Parroquia de Santa María, Franklin

Domingos – 1:30 p.m.

403 North Main Street, Franklin, KY 42134
Contacto: Padre Daniel Dillard (270) 586-4515

Parroquia del Santo Nombre de Jesús, Henderson

Domingos – 1:00 p.m.

511 2nd Street, Henderson, KY 42420
Contacto: Abraham Brown (270) 724-2172

Parroquia de Santos Pedro y Pablo, Hopkinsville

Domingos – 2:00 p.m. y 10:30 p.m.

Jueves – 5:30 p.m.

902 East 9th Street, Hopkinsville, KY 42240
Contacto: Padre Julio Barrera (270) 885-8522 o Mayra Tirado (270) 498-6456

Parroquia San José, Leitchfield

Cada 2do y 4to Domingos de Mes 10:30 p.m.

109 West Walnut Street, Leitchfield KY 42754
Contacto: Padre Steve Hohman (270) 784-1520

Parroquia de Cristo Rey, Madisonville

Domingos – 6:00 p.m.

1600 Kingsway Drive, Madisonville, KY 42431
Contacto: Padre Juan Vaughan (270) 821-5494

Parroquia de San José, Mayfield

Domingos – 12:30 p.m.

702 West Broadway, Mayfield, KY 42066
Contacto: Hermana Eloisa Torralba (270) 356-0339

Parroquia de la Santísima Trinidad, Morgantown

Domingos – 9:15 a.m.

766 Logansport Road, Morgantown, KY 42261
Contacto: Padre Juan René (270) 903-8070

Parroquia de San Leo, Murray

Sábados – 5:30 p.m.

401 North 12th Street, Murray, KY 42071
Contacto: Padre Eugene Batungbacal (270) 753-3876

Parroquia Santos José y Pablo, Owensboro

Domingos – 12:00 p.m. y 10:30 p.m.

609 East 4th Street, Owensboro, KY 42303
Contacto: Hermana Pilar Hinojosa (706) 936-3525

Parroquia de Santo Tomás Moro, Paducah

Domingos – 1:00 p.m.

3er. Jueves de Mes 8:30 a.m. (Capilla Hospital de Lourdes)

5645 Blandville Road, Paducah, KY 42001
Contacto: Hermana Celia Sanchez (423) 883-5757

Parroquia del Sagrado Corazón de Jesús, Russellville

Domingos – 2:00 p.m.

296 West 6th Street, Russellville, KY 42276
Contacto: Hermana Patricia Sullivan, OP (270) 726-6963

Parroquia Cristo Rey, Scottsville

Cada Primer Martes de Mes – 7:00 p.m.

298 Bluegrass Drive, Scottsville, KY 42164
Contacto: Padre Daniel Dillard (270) 586-4515

Parroquia de San Miguel Arcangel, Sebree

Miércoles – 12:00 p.m.

Jueves – 12:00 p.m.

Domingos – 12:00 p.m. y 7:30 p.m.

57 Watkins Road, Sebree, KY 42455
Contacto: Patti Gutiérrez (270) 302-2782 o Padre Carmelo Jiménez (270) 881-7737



Raspados para la Vuelta a la Escuela

La Parroquia Santa María en Franklin patrocinó una "Fiesta de Vuelta a la Escuela" el 7 de Agosto después de la Misa dominical de la mañana. El Padre Daniel Dillard en la foto aquí disfruta un raspado del camión Kona Ice. Aparte de los raspados, todos los niños recibieron una variedad de útiles escolares. Foto por cortesía de Cathy Abell.

St. Stephen Cathedral celebrates 90th anniversary of dedication of 610 Locust Street location

BY DONNA TARANTINO, SPECIAL TO THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

On Thursday, Sept. 1, nearly 300 worshippers gathered to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the dedication of St. Stephen Church at its present 610 Locust Street location. Fr. Jerry Riney, rector, celebrated the Mass, joined by concelebrants Fr. John Vaughan and Fr. Ed Bradley, former rectors; Fr. Jamie Dennis, current parochial vicar; and Fr. Josh McCarty and Fr. Suneesh Mathew, former parochial vicars. Serving as deacon was Dr. Dirck Curry. The liturgy was enhanced by beautiful sacred music led by the St. Stephen Cathedral Choir, under the direction of music director James Wells.

The first two St. Stephen Church buildings were

located at 2nd and Cedar Streets. At the time of the dedication of the present building in 1926, St. Stephen Church was not yet designated as a cathedral; it was elevated to cathedral status in 1937 when Pope Pius XI created the Diocese of Owensboro. St. Stephen Cathedral continues to be an active, vibrant faith community and is proud to serve as the Mother Church for the diocese, welcoming Catholics and non-Catholics alike for various diocesan and community events throughout the year.

St. Stephen Cathedral celebrates the past and looks toward the future by continuing to carry out its mission statement: “The Catholic Community of



A Mass celebrating 90 years at St. Stephen Cathedral's current location is held Sept. 1, 2016. Photo courtesy of Terry Brown.

St. Stephen Cathedral serves as the Mother Church for the Diocese of Owensboro to welcome, evangelize and worship in the name of Jesus Christ.”

Fr. Jerry Riney reflected, “As we celebrate 90 years since the dedication of this church building, what we are really celebrating is not a building, but the living faith of hundreds and hundreds of St. Stephen Cathedral parishioners throughout the years.”

After Mass attendees enjoyed a dinner, served in the Fr. John Vaughan Community Center.

Learn More

To learn more about the Cursillo movement in the Diocese of Owensboro, contact Mary Hagan at (270) 240-4778, email haganm95@yahoo.com or visit cursillo-owensboro.org. Subscribe to the Cursillo email newsletter and/or submit prayer requests by emailing Brett Mills at bmills9590@aol.com. Cursillistas may access CdC registration forms on the home page of cursillo-owensboro.org.

Bishop Medley to celebrate Mass for Cursillo de Cursillos

BY MARY HAGAN, SPECIAL TO THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

Have you often wished that you could make another Cursillo? The Cursillo movement has begun offering a second Cursillo called Cursillo de Cursillos (CdC). It is for those who wish to renew Cursillo friendships and also for Cursillistas in the process of making Cursillo their primary apostolate.

A national Cursillo leader and regional team will give a CdC on Thursday, Dec. 1, through Sunday, Dec. 4, 2016 at Mount St. Joseph Retreat Center.

Our very own Bishop Medley of the Diocese of Owensboro will celebrate closing Mass at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday. A brief closing will be held for all Cursillistas. The participants will share their

impression of the weekend right before Mass ends on Sunday.

The weekend is based on our original Cursillo weekend consisting of 13 rollos (talks) and four meditations. It will also feature the Way of the Cross, prayers and chapel. Please note that Pilgrim's Guide will be used and Cursillistas should bring theirs; we will also have some extra copies.

We have to discern and prepare to be renewed in a Catholic atmosphere of God's love, mercy, peace and joy.

Mary Hagan is the lay director of the Diocese of Owensboro's Cursillo movement.

Blessed Sacrament's 'Sew Much Love' project presents corporal work of mercy opportunity

BY GLORIA C. ADAMS, SPECIAL TO THE WESTERN KENTUCKY CATHOLIC

In 2006, I invited several ladies to join my making clothes for children project. Upon completion of that project, we were able to fill a large suitcase for Fr. John Okoro of St. William and St. Lawrence Parishes to take to Nigeria for Christmas that year.

The inspiration hit me again in 2012 as I contemplated what to do with a stash of fabric that seemed to keep growing. I spoke with Dick Murphy in the Diocese of Owensboro's Office of Social Concerns about sewing for the October 2012 shipment to our sister Diocese of Mandeville in Jamaica. I also spoke to Sister Sharon of the Glenmary Mission about a Christmas project for home missions and sent a bulletin notice to the parishes.

Those women who generously responded are Bernadine Wilhite (Blessed Mother Parish), Mrs. Clouse (Owensboro Catholic High School), Frances Johnson (Blessed Sacrament Chapel), Doris McCrary (Our Lady of Lourdes Parish), Theresa Barnette and Betty Wagner (St. Pius X Parish, Owensboro), Sheila Byrne (St. Augustine Parish, Henderson), Joanne Mason (Sts. Joseph and Paul Parish), Bertha Pounds (Church of God), Lucy Hines and Angela Crowe (St. Martin Parish), and Virginia Peterson (St. Alphonsus Parish).

What a joy it was to meet, pray, plan, sew, share stories, laugh and potluck with a group of strangers who instantaneously became friends - friends who quickly fell in love with children we would never meet. We prayed for each child as we made his/her

garment. Each week the very simple "Little Dresses for Africa/Sun Dresses" came in a little bit fancier with embellishments of ruffles, lace and buttons, and the kids for whom we were sewing became our very own as we prayed for each child while making his/her garment.

We prayed "Loving God, watch over the child who receives this garment wherever he/she may be. Strengthen him/her when disappointed or sorrowful. May your peace which is beyond all understanding be with him/her. Abide in his/her heart all the days of his/her life. Amen."

During this eight-week project we made 300 dresses, 50 sets of boys' shorts and shirts, baby quilts and crocheted preemie hats. The ladies very generously purchased underwear, socks and shoes.

The Glenmary project was successful as well. We sewed and collected enough items to fill Sister Darlene's car - front, back and trunk - with clothing, toys and miscellaneous items.

But our plan was not God's plan! Christmas 2010-2012 came and went. Unable to get the Jamaica project shipped, I contacted Fr. John Okoro, who it turned out had just gotten a call from a sister in Nigeria requesting any help he could give regarding clothing for children in her newly-established school.

We gathered for a potluck with Fr. Okoro and packed the 300-plus dresses, etc., for his trip home for Christmas 2013. The prayers were still valid - the Lord knew where they were going.



Fr. John Okoro at a Nigerian orphanage in 2006. Photo courtesy of Sew Much Love.

How to Help

All are invited to join the Sew Much Love sewing group for their next project. They sew for ages six months to 12 years old; fabric is provided but you may provide your own. They sew at home and meet on the second Tuesday of each month at Blessed Sacrament Chapel, 602 Sycamore St., Owensboro. For more information contact Gloria Adams at (270) 922-2139. Upcoming meetings are Sept. 13 and Nov. 8.

St. Gerard Life Home

Providing housing and services to pregnant women and their babies

If you or someone you know is experiencing a crisis or unplanned pregnancy, call us at 270-852-8328 or toll-free at 1-877-803-5064.

Come and see what the priesthood is all about on Oct. 21-23

BY FR. JASON MCCLURE, OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

In the first chapter of John's Gospel, John the Baptist, while standing with two of his disciples, acknowledges Jesus, who is walking by as he calls the disciples to "Behold the Lamb of God." Upon hearing this, the two disciples begin to follow Jesus. When Jesus turns and sees them following him, he asks them, "What do you seek?" They ask Jesus where he is staying and he responds, "Come and see," and they stay with him (John 1: 35-42).

At least once a year, the Office of Vocations hosts a "Come and See" weekend for high school men at Bishop Simon Bruté College Seminary and Marian University in Indianapolis, Indiana. This weekend is for young men interested in learning more about seminary and priesthood.

The next "Come and See" weekend is scheduled for October 21- 23, 2016. We will leave from the McRaith Catholic Center on Friday afternoon and return on Sunday. The vocations office will provide transportation. Participants will stay at the seminary and all meals will be provided, and there is no cost for this weekend.

During the weekend, participants will interact with seminarians and seminary staff, tour the seminary and Marian University's campus, spend time in prayer and have the opportunity to ask questions or express any fears or concerns. We will also visit

downtown Indianapolis for an evening of fellowship and fun. The goal of this weekend is to answer questions and give young men a better image of what seminary is like. Participants will walk away with a deeper knowledge of discernment, vocation, seminary and priesthood.

Most men begin thinking about priesthood because someone mentioned it to them. As part of our four-point plan (Pray, Invite, Teach, and Celebrate) for promoting vocations throughout the diocese, we are asking the faithful to personally invite young men to consider a vocation to priesthood and to attend vocation events sponsored by the Office of Vocations.

Every healthy Catholic man owes it to himself to consider all vocations, including whether or not God is calling him to priesthood. For some, without some kind of invitation, a vocation to priesthood may never be considered.

The goal of our vocation plan is to make the Diocese of Owensboro one in which vocations are promoted and encouraged. If you know a young man who has qualities that you think would make him a candidate for seminary and who seems to be prayerful and serious about his Catholic faith, encourage him to consider the priesthood.

Moreover, be sure to promote our annual voca-



Upcoming Come + See weekend

Come and see what the priesthood is all about during the Oct. 21-23 weekend for high school men at Bishop Simon Bruté College Seminary on the campus of Marian University in Indianapolis.

All high school men who would like to know more about seminary and the priesthood are invited. This is a weekend to interact with seminarians and staff, tour Marian University, pray, come and see the seminary for yourself, ask questions, express concerns. There is no cost and no obligation – just a time to learn more about discernment, seminary and priesthood. Transportation from the Diocese of Owensboro will be provided.

For more information, contact Fr. Jason McClure in the Diocese of Owensboro Vocations Office at (270) 683-1545, jason.mcclure@pastoral.org, or contact your parish priest. Visit owensborodiocese.org/come-see-weekend to register and learn more.

tion events in your parish, school, or campus ministry. I'm asking you to extend an invitation to high school men to participate in our upcoming "Come and See" weekend.

Last year, we had eight young men join us for

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Meet the seminarians

Meet the seminarians discerning the priesthood in the Diocese of Owensboro. Please pray for these men during their time of discernment and formation.



Name: Corey Bruns
Parish: St. Ann,
Morganfield



Name: C.J. Glaser
Parish: Blessed Mother,
Owensboro



Name: Chris Kight
Parish: St. Thomas More,
Paducah



Name: Martin Mikulcik
Parish: St. Henry,
Aurora



Name: Doug Payne
Parish: Holy Redeemer,
Beaver Dam

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this “Come and See” weekend. I’m very happy to report that one of those eight men is now a seminarian for the Diocese of Owensboro and another is seriously discerning whether or not God might be calling him to continue discerning his vocation in the seminary.

Each parish and Catholic high school vocation plan representative has received more information about the “Come and See” weekend and will be distributing that material in your parish or school. You can also learn more and register for the weekend at our website (owensborodiocese.org/come-see-weekend) or by contacting the vocations office.

Please continue to pray for vocations to priesthood and for those men whom God is calling to be a part of this next “Come and See” weekend.

Fr. Jason McClure serves as director of the Office of Vocations and vicar for clergy in the Diocese of Owensboro.



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Thank You!

...to the many volunteers who helped in any way to make our 46th annual picnic a resounding success! Thanks to all who came to enjoy this beautiful day with us. Thanks for supporting the Mount picnic through all the years. The Ursuline Sisters look forward to your help wherever the future takes us.



May God bless each of you for your kindness and generosity.



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St. Mary Magdalene VBS includes visit from camel



St. Mary Magdalene in Sorgho held Bible Adventures Vacation Bible School at the end of July. The week was spent immersing children in Bible Times. Each night there was singing and dancing, worshipping our Lord, making bread in their “tribes,” and visiting a Bi-

ble character. Many of the stories this year included camels, so the final night saw a visit from a real camel. Photos courtesy of Crissy Stevenson.

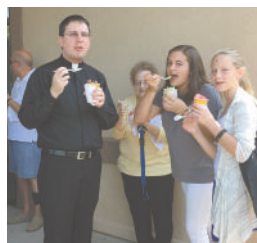
4-H champion in Paducah

Noah Watson, 13, of St. Francis de Sales Parish in Paducah was awarded Grand Champion at the 2016 4-H State Communications Day. This is Noah's third year competing and his third time winning Grand Champion. Prior to the state level he had to win at the county and regional level as well. This year, Noah's demonstration, “Bananas for Chocolate,” provided instruction on how to make chocolate chip banana bread. Photo courtesy of Rachel Watson.



Frosty treats for back-to-school

St. Mary Parish in Franklin held a “Back to School Bash” on Aug. 7 following



the early Sunday morning Mass. Fr. Daniel Dillard is pictured enjoying a treat from the Kona Ice truck. In addition to this treat, all youth were given a variety of school supplies. Photo courtesy of Cathy Abell.

Todd County VBS explores the power of God



Karen Stasiorowski, director of religious education at St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Todd County, writes: “Students at St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Todd County participated in an exciting 4-day Vacation Bible School in late July. The theme was Everest

- The Power of God. Students traveled with Elijah as he fled Israel. Elijah encountered many challenges, and the children learned how to overcome challenges in their own lives as they learned how God is always there to help us!

“The children listened intently as Kristin Koester led them along Elijah’s journey as he encountered wind and earthquakes and fire! Karen Stasiorowski, Rosana Stasiorowski, and Kristin led them through many fun activities as they learned how important it is to help each overcome challenges. They also watched videos of children showing what they have done to help in their families and communities. Our children came up with ideas to help in their own families and communities.

“We also had dinner every evening sharing what



we’ve learned while eating delicious meals prepared by Susan Hightower and Helen Hock.

“We were happy to welcome Fr. Frank Ruff and Deacon Heriberto Rodriguez as they popped in throughout the week to join in the fun! We ended the week with a Mass for the children and their families. They had fun showing their parents the new songs they learned! We are already looking forward to next summer!”

‘C’ is for crucifix

St. Mary School System in Paducah recently submitted this photo



of the four-year-old preschoolers learning about the letter “C” by wearing caps and painting a crucifix. Ashley Wright, marketing coordinator for St. Mary School System, writes: “Only in Catholic schools can you paint a crucifix in class! How blessed we truly are.” Photo courtesy of St. Mary School System.

Notebooks for Mandeville



Kayla Rothrock of St. Romuald School in Hardinsburg writes: “On the last Wednesday of every month, students of St. Romuald School usually bring money for a charity so they can come out of uniform for the day. On August 31, students collected 1,408 notebooks so they could come out of uniform. The notebooks are being sent to the Diocese of Mandeville for their schools.”

October Wedding Anniversaries

5, 10, 25, 40, 50 and More Than 50 Years of Marriage

Blessed Mother, Owensboro

John & Sylvia Morton, 50
Jake & Tori Martin, 10
Paul & Rita Merritt, 25

Jeremy & Melissa Evans, 10
Ernie & Lou Davis, 56

Christ the King, Madisonville

Quentin & Ave Lomache, 5
Ted & Elaine Will, 25

Holy Guardian Angels, Irvington

Everette & Carolyn Pool, 50

Holy Name of Jesus, Henderson

Christopher & Amanda Bowen, 5

Raul & Yolanda Crespo, 25
Dwight & Diana Emerson, 52
John & Laura Gabe, 25
Allen & Marva Gendek, 40

Carey & Sherri Hogg
Hazelwood, 10

Ronald & Kelley Inge, 25
Dean & Mary Ann Jorgensen, 51

Ray & Evelyn Shoemaker, 69
Tony & Margaret Strawn, 40
Herman & Mary Ruth Thomas, 63

Holy Spirit, Bowling Green

Robert & Georgia Zoellner, 53
Damien & Janet Karpinski, 40
Charles & Diane Ewan, 40
Ed & Debbie Klingman, 40
Chuck & Patti Chandler, 25
Todd & Leah McGee, 25
Adam & Melissa Kruminas, 10
Blake & Sandy Layne, 10
Matthew & Allison Thomas, 5
Kevin & Megan Jones, 5
William & Erica Faulkner, 5
Ngey Reh & Lu Meh, 5

Immaculate Conception, Hawesville

Monty & Noel Quinn, 40
Larry & Kay Ramsey, 40

Our Lady of Lourdes, Owensboro

Mark & Lori Tipmore, 10

Ronald & Dian Anderson, 25
Jerry & Virginia Harper, 50
Thomas E. & Joann Castlen, 70
Joseph & Mary Jane Clark, 54

David & Patricia Hamilton, 64
Jerry & Vickie Kennedy, 53
James & Marilyn Kurz, 60

Parish of the Immaculate, Owensboro

J. C. & Mildred Higdon, 62
Billy & Anna C. King, 66
Joe & Ann Roth, 52

Lester & Helen Schaick, 67
George L. & Anna Weldon, Jr., 60

Paul & Jill Mayfield, 5
Edward Ray & Martha Jane Garvin, 5

Shane & Lori Russelburg, 5
Philip & Elizabeth Cecil, 10
Byron & Lucy Rhoades, 40

Precious Blood, Owensboro

Aaron & Kassey Coomes, 5

Sacred Heart, Russellville

Kerry & Sharlet Beauregard, 52

Sacred Heart, Waverly

Donald & Ellen Buckman, 62

St. Agnes, Uniontown

Larry & Kelly Taylor,

St. Alphonsus, St. Joseph

Bob & Janette Warren, 59

St. Ann, Morganfield

Austin & Dru Perkins, 5
Paul & Kathy Monsour, 40
Eddie & Peggy Salyers, 65

St. Anthony, Axtel

Charles & Patricia Bissinger, 50
Francis & Sue Henning, 55
Dan & Pat Rhodes, 56

St. Anthony, Browns Valley

Denny & Jane Hughes, 40

St. Anthony, Peonia

Randolph & Judy White, 50
Ervin & Coreen Moore, 50

St. Benedict, Wax

Joseph & Rudell Higson, 60
Buck & Carla Meredith, 10

St. Anthony, Browns Valley

Kerry & Diana Shelby, 25
Greg & Deloris Smith, 40

St. Denis, Fancy Farm

Tommy & Christy Goatley, 53

St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Clarkson

Christopher & Barbara Neff, 25

St. Francis de Sales, Paducah

Stuart & Lois, Stephany, 56
Siro & Marcella Pandolfi, 68

St. Henry, Aurora

Carl & Sharon Nank, 55
William & Pat Day, 57
Ken & Myrna Vasquez, 25

St. Jerome, Fancy Farm

Logan & Candace Atkins, 10
Marty & Lisa Feezor, 25

Clay & Karen Willett, 51
Jack & Mary Ann Purcell, 58

Billy & Pauline Gore, 52
Terry & Hettie Wilson, 53

St. John the Baptist, Fordsville

Joe & Eileen Fulkerson, 58
Junior & Mary Roby, 50

St. John the Evangelist, Paducah

James & Diania O'Nan 51
Gerald & Pat Roof, 56
Stephen & Amanda Wurth, 5
Paul Louis & Martha Wurth, 56
Wayne & Michelle Wiley, 25

Charles & Margaret Ballard, 56
Charles M. & Lynda Hatton, 51

St. Joseph, Bowling Green

Kevin & Megan Jones, 5
Brian & Ashley Barczak, 5
David & Lisa Updegraff, 25
Brian & Patricia Bour, 50

St. Joseph, Leitchfield

Estille & Joan Dobson, 57

St. Joseph, Mayfield

Robert & Judy Hayden, 54
David & Barbara Koonce, 50
Mike & Nancy Bisto, 55
Harold & Barbara Hayden, 61

St. Lawrence, Philpot

Coty Lee & Lora Johnson, 5
Edward & Marcella Wethington,

51

Bernard & Kathleen Wright, 59

St. Leo, Murray

Andy & Christine Todek, 40
LeRoy & Janice Gerl, 50
John & Marie Clark, 55
Alfred & Patricia Koehler, 59

St. Mark, Eddyville

David & Ann Harkins, 51
Joseph & Patricia Merimee, 51

St. Martin, Rome

James & Margaret Bickett, 61
Bill & Patti Wink, 61

St. Mary, LaCenter

Henry & Shirley Gollon, 56
Larry & Dorothy Starr, 40

St. Mary Magdalene, Sorgho

William D. & Mary Ann Knott, 56

Dustin & Amanda Clary, 10

St. Mary of the Woods, Whitesville

Jason & Anastacia Simon, 10
Larry & Jean Ann Mills, 40
Shelby & Kay Howard, 50
Harold & Barbara Morris, 55

Val & Bernadine Payne, 55
M. C. & Barbara Roberts, 56
Lawrence & Mary Jo Wright, 53

St. Michael, Sebree

John & Brenda Badertscher, 53

St. Paul, Leitchfield

Frank & Catherine Gawarecki, 57

Murrell & Ann Sims, 51

Virgil & Darlene Keown, 51

Daniel & Linda Clark, 51

St. Paul, Princeton

Thomas & Martha Stewart, 52

St. Peter of Alcantara, Stanley

David & Mary Beth Clark, 25

St. Pius Tenth, Owensboro

Gene & Carolyn Abel, 40
Thomas & Elizabeth Johnson, 51

St. Romuald, Hardinsburg

Jason & Julie Whitfill, 5
Leroy & Dee Anna Henning, 40
Guy & Hattie Glenn, 25
Danny & Erin Flood, 10
Alvin & Margie Mattingly, 54
Harold & Mary Jo Beard, 53
John & Marcia Simmons, 51

St. Rose of Lima, Cloverport

Joe & Marie Haycraft, 50
John & Libby Popham, 99

St. Sebastian, Calhoun

Charles & Faye May, 50

St. Stephen, Cadiz

Bill & Kim Allen, 10
Robert & Helen Vidmar, 53
Richard & Marlene Goll, 52

St. Stephen Cathedral, Owensboro

Matt & Jessica Weafer, 10
Chris & Annette Sapp, 25
Ronald & Cissy Sullivan, 56

St. Thomas More, Paducah

Ben & Janie VonBokel, 5
Francisco & Melissa Fierro, 10
Wesley & Beverly Wilson, 10
Tony & Lucy Milliano, 25

Manuel & Lorenza Perez, 40
Stephen & Melody Walker, 40
Mike & Ann Wurth, 52

Bill & Marge Wurth, 53
Bill & Mary Brucker, 54
Kelly & Barbara Robinson, 58

St. William, Knottsville

Jeremy & Theresa Jackson, 5
Clint & Amy Lanham, 5
Brandon & Carla Shown, 10
Edward & Judy Bertke, 52
Marvin & Josephine Bolig, 52
Kenny & Marguerite Lanham, 54
Claudie & Erma Millay, 64
Ralph & Catherine Mudd, 57
Allen & Becky Payne, 56

Sts. Joseph & Paul, Owensboro

James & Doris Mills, 58
Robert & Mary Helen Ward, 56
Joe & Sarah Stelmach, 5
Wesley & Maghan Fares, 5
Joe & Helen Vinson, 5

St. Francis of Assisi, Todd County

Bob & Barbara Arms, 53

Sts. Peter & Paul, Hopkinsville

Lyndon & Sheila Goode, 56
Ronald & Beverly Todd, 53
Clarence & Helen Allard, 51
Richard & Cheryle Dymek, 40
Irl & Vickie Roberts, 40
Chris & Mary Keel-Johnson, 25
Todd & Jo Ashley Hall, 10
William & Karen Hall, 40

Sister Kathleen Condry, Ursuline assistant congregational leader, dies at 66

Sister Kathleen Condry, 66, an Ursuline Sister of Mount Saint Joseph, died Sept. 5, 2016, at Mount St. Joseph, in her 46th year of religious life. She was a native of Ottawa, Kan., but grew up in Kenner, La.

Sister Kathleen was an Ursuline Sister of Paola, Kan., prior to the merger of that community with Mount St. Joseph in 2008. She was superior in Paola from 2002 until the merger, and had previously served 16 years in community leadership (1982-90, 1994-2002). She was elected as assistant congregational leader for the Ursulines of Mount St. Joseph in December 2015, and was installed in office July 17, 2016.

She was renowned in Kansas for her leadership skills as an educator, serving as a teacher, principal and administrator at several schools and assistant superintendent for leadership and mission for the Archdiocesan Education Office, Kansas City, Kan. (1998-2002). From 2009-2016, she served in pastoral ministry for the Church of the Nativity in Leawood, Kan.

What people will always remember about Sister Kathleen was her sense of humor, her ability to make others feel accepted and loved, and her great spirituality.

Survivors include two sisters, Ellen Mary Condry of Belle Chasse, La., and Patri-



cia Frelich of Carriere, Miss.; nieces, a nephew and the members of her religious community.

The funeral Mass was Sept. 8 at Mount St. Joseph, with burial in the convent cemetery.

Gifts in memory of Sister Kathleen may take the form of donations to the Ursuline Sisters of Mount St. Joseph, 8001 Cummings Road, Maple Mount, KY 42356.

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