

Rosary Chapel Catholic Church

Feb 23, 2025



The Seventh
Sunday
In
Ordinary Time
Year C

Our parish seeks to build and maintain our family through the sharing of the Good News to all people, in order to leave our world more beautiful and faith filled than when we inherited it.



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Office Hours
Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday,
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.



*Liturgy
Schedule*

Mass

Sunday: 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday: 4:00 p.m.

Reconciliation

Tuesday: 3:00 p.m.
or by Appointment

Eucharistic Adoration:

1st Tuesday of the month
3-4 p.m.




Pastor
Fr. Jude Okeoma
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Staff

Bookkeeper:

Carol Baker

Pianist/Music:

Deidra Chandler

Parish Center Coordinator:

Charles Davis

Baptism, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick:

Contact:

Fr. Jude Okeoma

First Reconciliation and First Communion or OCIA:

Call the Parish Office

Finance Committee

President:

Kelley Piercefield

Members

Alisha Bobo

Lonnie Crowdus

David Roberts

Uwem Chisek

Liturgy

Mary Ann Bell

Outreach Ministry

Rose Lowery

Parish Council

President & Maintenance:

Charles Davis

VP/Secretary & Mt. Carmel Cemetery:

David Gavin

Education/Faith Formation:

Celeste Harned

Social Concerns:

Felix Akojie

Worship & Spiritual Life:

Melissa Reed

Family Life:

Sheila Matchem

Hospitality & Outreach:

Patricia Fouse

MASS INTENTIONS

Feb 23

Vincente Pastor

Mar 2

Angie Grief †

Mar 5

Robert Naas

Mar 9

Robert Naas

Mar 16

Angie Grief †

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR MAR 2025

Date	Lectors	Altar Server	Gift Bearer	Ushers	Eucharistic Minsters
Mar 2	Patricia Fouse English & Spanish				
Mar 9	David Gavin				
Mar 16	Patricia Fouse English & Spanish				
Mar 23	Rachel Gavin				
Mar 30					

Mary Queen of the Rosary, Pray for us.

Report from Sunday

Feb 16, 2025

(will be updated at later date)

Sunday Mass Attendance:

Sunday Collection:

Monthly ACH:

Special Collections



Sanctuary Light for JT Piercefield

Each Sanctuary Light burns for 14 days. For a \$10 donation, a Sanctuary Light may be sponsored in memory of or in honor of a loved one.

Reminder

Hospital visits

Fr. Jude would like to remind everyone that if you or a loved one is hospitalized, please call the office at 270-444-6383 to inform us, as we cannot obtain information from the hospital directly.

Homebound, Nursing Care Center, Hospitalized

Chen Matchen-HB

Clora Hixon-HB

Gary Hudson-Parkview Rm 410

Ruby Gibson-HB

Barbara Naas—HB

Jubilee! ¡Jubileo!



*An Evening of Adoration,
Readings, and Reflections On
Hope*

*Una velada de Adoración,
contemplación, y esperanza*

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Tuesday, March 11  
7-9 pm  
St. Leo Church  
Murray, KY

## **WE ARE HIRING!**

### **MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL**

St. Mary School System is seeking a dynamic, visionary, and forward-thinking leader to serve as Principal of our Middle and High School, beginning in July 2025. We are looking for an individual who will inspire academic excellence, foster spiritual growth, and continue to nurture the strong sense of community within our school.

To learn more and to apply:

[www.smss.org/about/employment-opportunities/](http://www.smss.org/about/employment-opportunities/)



## **Please Remember in your Prayers**

Mike Mayes  
Rose Lowery  
Mary Piercefield  
Jaxon Jones  
Aaron Burns  
Clora Hixon  
Chen Matchem  
Rose Wurth  
Linda Stiles  
Russell Davis  
Matt Evans  
Michael Nicholas  
Ruby Gibson  
Thomas Rawlins  
Darlene Shelton  
Joseph Maxwell  
Gary Hudson  
Nancy Bass  
Andrea Emilia Bernabey  
Michael Burns  
Michael Menser  
Thomas (Homeless)  
Mark & Janice Higdon  
James Rister  
Erin Brumley  
Ashley Hayden  
Kenny Reising  
Lynne Clark  
Blake Champion  
Robert & Barbara Naas  
Mike Burns  
Jack Pullen  
Godwin Okeoma

## **MEN'S MINISTRY**

Meetings will be held on the  
Third Saturday of each month.

**Please join us!**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Weekly Schedule:** Tuesday, Feb 25, Reconciliation at 3:00 p.m. and Mass 4:00 p.m.

**An Evening of Adoration, Readings, and Reflections on Hope** will be: Tuesday, March 11, 7-9 pm, St. Leo Church, Murray, KY

**Future members of Rosary Chapel Catholic Church Women's Ministry:** Since the weather didn't cooperate with us last Saturday, we are rescheduling a brief meeting following Mass on March 2, 2025! Please make plans to attend! We need you and your talents!

### **Saint Thomas More Business Manager Position**

Ellen Anderson is retiring from the Business Manager position at Saint Thomas More on March 31. This position oversees the church budget and financial matters, on-site management of church facilities and properties, and management of church staff and office operations.

**Requirements:** Practicing Catholic with a Bachelor's degree in Accounting or Business preferred or an Associate's degree with equivalent accounting experience; minimum of 3-5 years prior professional experience; previous management experience preferred; knowledge of budgeting principles, accounting principles, and financial reporting; excellent organization, interpersonal skills, verbal and written communication skills; strong computer skills; ability to relate to a variety of persons who are part of the Parish and Parish staff and complete a criminal history and background check.

**Salary and Benefits:** Negotiable depending on experience. Benefit package includes health, dental, and disability through the Diocese of Owensboro.

**Resumes:** Will be accepted through **February 28, 2025**. Send to Fr. Mike Clark, Saint Thomas More Church, 5645 Blandville Rd,

### **TRANSFORMATIVE BEHAVIOR**

Years ago, we were experiencing religious tension in my country. I don't think the situation has changed significantly, though. During that time, I attended a conference to discuss Christian/Muslim relationship. One radical priest addressed the bishop and said: *"These people have slapped us on the right cheek, we turned the left for them, and they slapped us on the left. Now they want to slap us a third time. In obedience to the words of Jesus, we are ready to receive the third slap. The problem, however is that there is no cheek left, having already slapped us on both cheeks. Bishop, could you ask them to lend us their cheeks so that they can continue the slapping?"* Expectedly, there was silence in the hall after his speech.

The Christian life could be demanding. No revenge, no resistance, love your enemy, doing the extraordinary. These phrases capture the message of Jesus in the gospel this weekend. It's about applying our Christian attitude in *"disarming the enemy."* We could also call it *"transformative behavior."*

What does Jesus mean in asking us to pray for our enemies? We know that we are not supposed to have enemies in the first place. Nevertheless, sometimes life's journey grows so strange that even the best of friends could turn into the worse of foes. Reality! You try your best to mend the situation, but you are met with resistance from the other side. They can only be handled by God. So, all we can do is pray about the situation and for them and show them some love. That is transformative behavior.

Imagine that you have a life partner that doesn't reason the way you do. You, on your part fail to understand that we all are wired differently. You are convinced that they choose to do the wrong things most of the time. Or a self-opinionated child whose behavior does not impress you. They are not bothered about their wrong choices. Rather, they believe that you are responsible for their failures. So, they see you as the enemy. They certainly need your prayers, and that would be transformative behavior.

In today's world where the instinct for violence and revenge is disturbingly present, this teaching of Jesus is timely. Violence never cures violence; it increases it. Revenge doesn't heal a wound; it could cause another. Again, the demands of Christian living are huge. We are not perfect as God is, but our little acts of love and forgiveness could transform an enemy and bring us closer to God. Blessings!

Fr Jude Okeoma

### *Happy Birthday*

#### March Birthdays

|                 |        |                  |        |
|-----------------|--------|------------------|--------|
| Fran Pullen     | Mar 2  | Sarah Herricks   | Mar 12 |
| Irene Reising   | Mar 3  | Annie Evers      | Mar 18 |
| Mercedes Powers | Mar 6  | Gabriel Scarpino | Mar 19 |
| Patricia Fouse  | Mar 7  | Lorelei Harned   | Mar 21 |
| Mike Mayes      | Mar 10 | Howard Grief     | Mar 28 |
| Patricia Akojie | Mar 11 | Landon Harned    | Mar 31 |

### *Happy Anniversary*

#### March Anniversaries

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| Mr & Mrs Pastor   | Mar 5  |
| Mr & Mrs Scarpino | Mar 18 |