

Rosary Chapel Catholic Church

Apr 27, 2025



Second Sunday
of Easter
Sunday of Divine
Mercy
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
 jude.okeoma@pastoral.org.



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 Crowds

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

Apr 27

Robert Naas

May 4

Angie Grief †

May 11

Robert Naas

May 18

Angie Grief †

May 25

Robert Naas

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR MAY 2025

Date	Lectors	Altar Servers	Gift Bearers	Ushers	Eucharistic Minsters
May 4	Paula Hudson Patricia Fouse (Spanish)	Oliver Otu Faith Moss-Menser	Bunch Family	Sheila Matchem, Paula Hudson	Felix Akojie, Charles Davis, Kathy Roberts
May 11	Celeste Harned	Matthew Scarpino Kingsley Otu	Gavin Family	Sheila Matchem, Paula Hudson	Howard Grief, Rachel Gavin, Kelley Piercefield
May 18	David Gavin Patricia Fouse (Spanish)	Alexander Gavin Levi Harned	Piercefield Family	Sheila Matchem, Paula Hudson	Charles Davis, Rachel Gavin, Felix Akojie
May 25	Rachel Gavin	Tristan Moss-Menser Oliver Otu	Moss-Menser Family	Sheila Matchem, Paula Hudson	Kelley Piercefield, Howard Grief, Kathy Roberts

Mary Queen of the Rosary, Pray for us.

Report from Sunday

Apr 20, 2025

Sunday Mass Attendance: 140

Sunday Collection: \$2180.00

Special Collections:

Easter Seminary: \$266.00

Holy Land-Good Friday: \$100.00

Monthly ACH:



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.

Homebound, Nursing Care Center, Hospitalized

Chen Matchen-HB

Clora Hixon-HB

Gary Hudson-Parkview Rm 410

Ruby Gibson-HB

Barbara Naas—HB

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.

Men's Retreat

The Diocese of Owensboro is excited to offer an overnight men's retreat April 25-26, 2025 at Rough River Dam State Resort Park located at 450 Lodge Road, Falls of Rough, KY 40119. The retreat will begin Friday evening and end at 3:00pm Saturday. We welcome John Edwards, host of the Just a Guy in the Pew podcast as our retreat host. We will have both double occupancy rooms and single occupancy rooms available for the retreat. To register and see a schedule of events visit <https://owensborodiocese.org/cor-retreat/>.

Saint Thomas More Catholic Church in Paducah, KY, is seeking a full-time Business Manager

Description: The Business Manager equips the parish to effectively accomplish its mission by managing parish finances, facilities, and personnel. The manager works closely with the Pastor and other staff members and is directly responsible for financial reporting, budget development, and supervision of maintenance and administrative staff.

Contact Details: Saint Thomas More Catholic Church is an equal opportunity employer. All interested applicants are invited to submit a resume and cover letter to Fr. Mike Clark – mike.clark@pastoral.org. No phone calls, please.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

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

Please join us!

MEN'S MINISTRY

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

Please join us!

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 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
Russell Tomlinson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Weekly Schedule: Tuesday, Apr 29, Reconciliation at 3:00 p.m. and Mass 4:00 p.m.

Bishop Medley be here next Sunday to administer the sacrament of confirmation on one of our parishioners

Mt. Carmel Cemetery is a nonprofit organization operating under the umbrella of the Diocese of Owensboro. More info at mtcarmelcemeterypaducah.org.

Special Collections: Apr 27 will be for **Home Missions Collection**.

Support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal today! Nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its current and former territories are considered mission territories because they are unable to fund the essential pastoral activities for their communities. Your support funds religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training, and other programs that build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. Find more information at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

Did you know.....What is happening in the diocese to protect children?

- Training is provided for all adults and youth to identify warning signs and develop strategies for maintaining a safe environment for all.
- A designated Victim Assistance Coordinator is available to receive reports and accompany victims through their journey.
- A volunteer independent Review Board assists the bishop in the review of cases and makes recommendations for moving forward.
- A Safe Environment Coordinator assists parish and school personnel with training and background screenings for anyone who may have access to children.
- An audit is conducted by an independent firm to evaluate implementation of the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*. Findings are incorporated with those of other dioceses and made available in an Annual Report and eparchy must have in place systems for tending to those who have been harmed, protecting those in our care and seeking restorative justice.

You are invited to a Night of Inspiration, Celebration and Hope sponsored by the West Kentucky Right to Life. Inspired Threads: Quilting a Tapestry of Hope will be an evening *"To Celebrate Life and the Fabric That Binds Us All!"* The program will be held on Thursday, May 1 at St. Thomas More Catholic Church Parish Hall, 5645 Blandville Road, Paducah. Doors open at 6:00 pm and the program begins at 6:30 pm. The evening will include speakers: The Honorable Addia Wuchner, Executive Director of KY Right to Life and Retired State Representative and The Honorable Nancy Tate, Kentucky State Representative. A Silent Auction is planned and refreshments will be available. Donations for the work of West Kentucky Right to Life will be appreciated. For more information go to <https://www.wkrtl.com/> and <https://www.kyrighttolife.org/>. Join us in the Quilt Capital of Kentucky for a heartwarming evening that honors the beauty and dignity of life.

THE TWIN BROTHERS/SISTER OF THOMAS

This weekend's gospel story centers on the man, Thomas who is also called the Twin. The names, Thomas and Didymus, in Hebrew and Aramaic respectively mean twin. Surprisingly, Scripture makes no mention of the twin brother or sister of Thomas. That leaves a lot of room for argument as to what is meant by Thomas, the twin, and who was his twin brother or sister.

My take on this, through personal reflection, is that you and I, on daily basis behave like Thomas as if we were twins with him. So, suffice it to say that we are the twin sisters and brothers of Thomas. We are his twin brothers and sisters when live in spiritual and physical doubts, when we refuse to accept the reality before us, and prefer to live otherwise. Sometimes we go as far as questioning and doubting the presence and role of God in our lives. That makes us one with Thomas.

The second Sunday of Easter is traditionally celebrated as Sunday of Divine Mercy. Jesus, in the gospel reading, commissions the apostles to forgive sins. This apostolic mandate to forgive sins is what Catholic priests exercise at the sacrament of penance. However, many people struggle with this sacrament. They ask such questions as *"why can't I kneel in the comfort of my room, and confess to God? Do I have to appear before a priest? Can't I just call the priest on the phone and make my confession?"* There could be more. Sometimes, people doubt whether they could be forgiven certain offences, or be able to forgive others.

Doubting, questioning the power of mercy. This is Divine Mercy Sunday. When was the last time someone committed an offence against you which you considered unforgivable, and vice versa? Have you ever been to the sacrament of reconciliation and came out still feeling not forgiven? Or repeated previously confessed sins out of doubt whether they were really taken care of when you confessed them in the past? Believe it, God forgives our sins every time we sincerely go to him at the sacrament of mercy. Then he sends us out to forgive one another. Blessings.

Fr Jude Okeoma

*Happy Birthday***May Birthdays**

Marie Miller	May 1	Isabel Reed	May 19
Lucinta Thompson	May 6	David Roberts	May 27
Alisha Bobo	May 8	Jim Piercefield	May 28
Mary Piercefield	May 8	Genaro Lopez	May 31

*Happy Anniversary***May Anniversaries**

Gary & Paula Hudson	May 8
Jim & Kelly Piercefield	May 16
Aaron & Celeste Harned	May 28