

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

June 18	\$1,185
June 25	\$1,295

MASS SCHEDULE

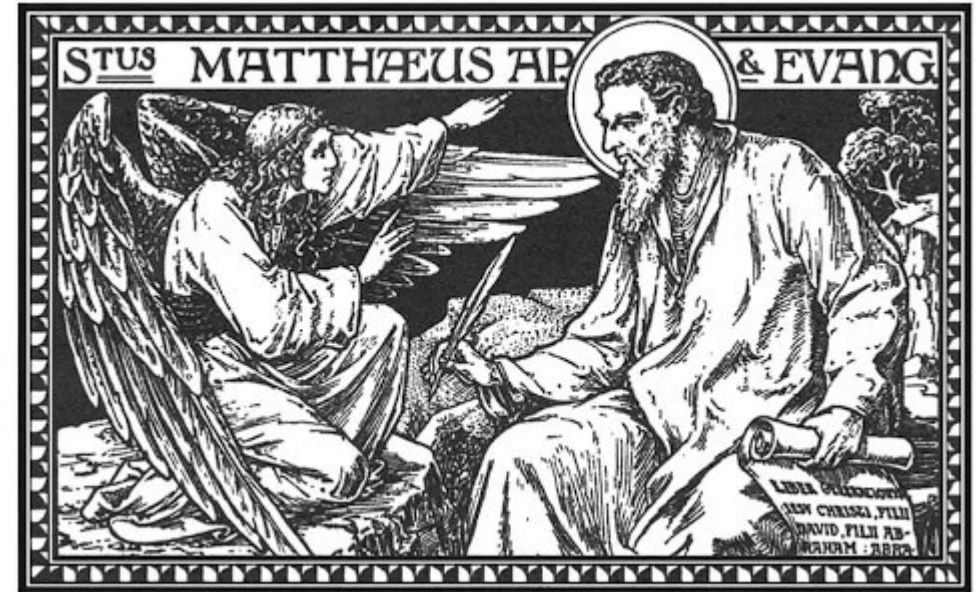
<i>THE 13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>		
Sat. July 1	5:00 PM	For †Helen Bach
Sun. July 2	9:00 AM	For †Anabella Cooper
Mon. July 3	XXXXX	NO MASS THIS WEEK-FR ON VACATION
Tue. July 4	XXXXX	NO MASS THIS WEEK-FR ON VACATION
Wed. July 5	XXXXX	NO MASS THIS WEEK-FR ON VACATION
Thur. July 6	XXXXX	NO MASS THIS WEEK-FR ON VACATION
Fri. July 7	XXXXX	NO MASS THIS WEEK-FR ON VACATION
<i>THE 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>		
Sat. July 8	5:00 PM	For †Genoa Scott
Sun. July 9	9:00 AM	For the Living and Deceased People of the Parish

PRAYER LIST—Jerry & Eileen Ehlman, Sherri Moffett, Charles Taylor, Chris Rauf, Katie Davis, Barry Bergman, Andrew Lauck, Bradley Franzen, Pam Babbington, Dave Kordenbrock, Kate & Colton Sherold, Karen Reilly, Emmitt Thomas, Jeff suffering from Meniere’s disease, Tony Bach, Hank Bond, Hudson Feinauer, Mike and Bill Lemming, Dave Neuspickel, Bonita & Jim Happe, Andy Sper, Billie Huffman, Larry Slusher, Brenda Johnson, Verna Payne, Roger High, Johnathan Briggs, Cheryl Miller, Sherry Jackson, Sarah Gripshover, Jeanne Eanes, Bill Schneider (In Storypoint Assisted Living, 9255 US 42, Apt. 44, Union, KY. 41091), Ree Wagner, Randy Goodhew, Joanne Schlacter, Rosanne Rawe, Patty Neuspickel’s son Jim, Madeline Ledford, and Alan Fields.

BIRTHDAYS—July 1-Louis Cooper, July 2-Bernie Rawe, July 8-Fr. Jacob, July 10-Addelynn Hummel, July 12-Emerson Rawe, July 15- Jimmie Baker, July 16-Tristan Feinauer, July 16-Dennis Baker, July 17-Chris Fryman, July 17-Macy Feinauer, July 20-Cliff Straub, July 24-Kevin Cooper, July 25- Warren Richardson, July 27- Tony Fariello, July 28- Darlene Schutte.

ANNIVERSARIES-July 1-Brad and Meggy Cooper, July 14- Jessie and Lindsay Rawe, July 28-Bill and Rita Funke, July 31-Cliff and Terri Straub.

Please send any requests for prayers or memorials to the parish email or call to make a request. If you birthday or anniversary is not listed, let Linda know.



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Worship Schedule:

Saturdays – 5:00 PM

Sundays – 9:00 AM

Weekdays – 8:00 AM

Eucharistic Adoration: Thursdays 6-7:00 PM

Confession Times:

Saturdays – 4:00-4:50 PM

Sundays – 8:00-8:50 AM

Thursdays—6:00-7:00 PM

Parish Staff and Volunteers

Religious Education – Roseanne Rawe (859) 635-1572

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Parish History/Cemetery Info – Patty Neuspickel (859) 472-2508

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JULY 2, 2023

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIBLE STUDIES—Matthew Wiseman continues to lead our bible study series which meets at church at 6:30 PM on Mondays. Don't miss this. It is very enlightening as Matthew is so knowledgeable about theology. Due to Matthew's family moving to Texas soon there will only be a few more classes left to attend.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST GOODBYE—We will be having a pancake breakfast after the 9 AM Mass on July 9. This is to say goodbye to the Wiseman family who will be moving to Texas in late July for a different job for Matthew. Please try to attend.

DPAA 2023—As of last bulletin our parish has pledged or collected \$8,335. We are over the half-way mark! Our goal is \$12,100. If you have not responded to the appeal, please do so.

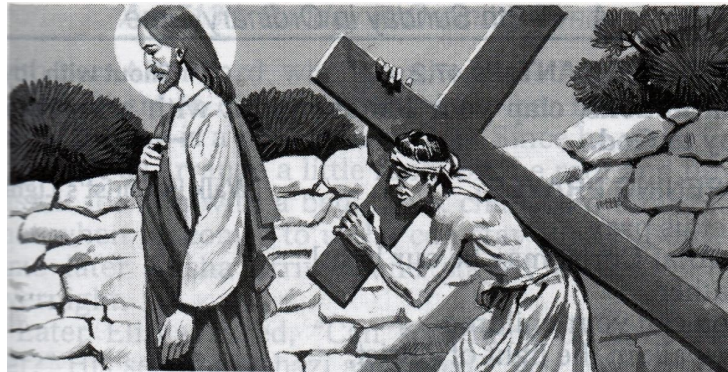
OUR LADY'S MEMORARE ARMY—The Diocese is asking everyone to pray one Memorare prayer every day for an increase in holiness and an abundance of priestly vocations for the Diocese of Covington. Pray for priests! Pray for holy priests! Pray for more priests!

SECOND FESTIVAL MEETING—It's time to begin planning our next festival! The festival will be on Sunday, September 17, so mark your calendars. Our next festival meeting will be July 12 at 7pm. If you wish to volunteer, sponsor, or have ideas, please attend. Thanks!

SILENT AUCTION AND CHINESE BAG RAFFLE ITEMS—It's not too early to start bringing in items for the silent auction and/or the Chinese bag raffle for the festival. Just leave your items down-stairs on a table. Thanks.

LECTOR— July 2-Julie Feinauer,
July 9-Bill Funke

CLEANING—Chris and Linda



"Whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me."

FROM THE PASTOR – ON THE PRECIOUS BLOOD

The month of July is traditionally dedicated to devotion to the Precious Blood of Christ. It is by the shedding of His blood that Christ bought us from sin and death. It is in that blood and water pouring from the pierced side of Our Lord that we are refreshed in the sacraments. Only one drop of that Precious Blood was needed to save us, yet Jesus freely offered every drop upon the Cross for our salvation.

This is how the Divine Physician seeks to heal our souls from the deadly effects of sin: by washing us clean in His Precious Blood. Jesus so loves each one of us that He freely offers every drop of blood in His body so that we may be cleansed from sin and restored to the Father. It was by the sprinkling of blood on the doorposts that saved the Israelites from the final plague in Egypt, and it is in the blood of Christ that we are saved from the plague of sin.

What ought to be our response to this wonderful gift? The psalmist asks the same question: "How can I repay the Lord for all the great good done for me?" And his response is ours: "I will raise the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord." (Ps 116:12-13) We do this as the people of God each Sunday when we worship the living God at Mass. We join ourselves to the priest who offers the sacrifice of thanksgiving to express our gratitude to the Lord who freely shed His blood for us, and we call upon Him to continue to bless us.

Yet we are called to be thankful not on Sunday alone, but we are meant to live thank-filled lives. "Give thanks in all circumstances," Saint Paul tell us (1 Thes. 5:18). If we are to be truly thankful for the Precious Blood of Christ by which we are saved, we must exude that gratitude in our daily living. Each day, we ought to rejoice that God has done such marvels for us, and seek to repay the Lord with the little that we can offer Him: our time, our talents, our treasure.

One of the old charges Protestants laid upon Catholics was that they were feasting too often, which supposedly being lazy and prone to avoid work. Yet the opposite is true: we are always willing to work if we are true to our faith. It is in those feast days that we remind ourselves that it is not we who have earned our salvation, but Jesus Christ who has done it for us by the shedding of His blood.

Let us give thanks for the great good that God has done for us through His Son. Let us seek to repay the Lord for the good He has done for us every day, so that we may be prepared for the eternal banquet of thanksgiving that awaits us in the glories of eternal life.

Fr. Jacob Straub

P.S. I will be away on a family vacation until Friday the 7th. Thanks to Fr. Paul Berschied for covering the Saturday evening Mass and our new priest Fr. Michael Elmlinger for covering the Sunday Mass. May you have a blessed week and a happy Fourth of July!