

ST. ROMUALD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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dear Padre

Why can't we all celebrate Mass in Latin?

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You said we should offer Mass in several languages so everyone can participate. There is an alternative: the Latin Mass. In the past, all nationalities could attend and unite themselves to the sacrifice on Calvary without the barrier of vernacular. There is one God and one Church. There should be one Mass.

I'm writing this in the rectory of the Redemptorist parish in New Orleans. Across the street is St. Alphonsus Church, which was built for Irish- and English-speaking immigrants in 1847. Behind the rectory is St. Mary's Assumption, which was built for German-speaking immigrants in 1849. Two blocks from here is Notre Dame de Bon Secours, which was built in 1843 for French-speaking immigrants.

Until the 1960s, Mass was celebrated in Latin, but the preaching and music weren't necessarily done in Latin.

Latin has been an important part of the Catholic Church since the fourth century, but it's important to remember that language and ethnicity don't bind us—Jesus does.

I think we should do whatever we can to help people know Jesus. If celebrating Mass in Spanish, German, English, and French is going to bring people closer to Jesus, that's what we should do.

FR. PATRICK KEYES, CSsR

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February 1, 2015 - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses for the Week

February 2nd—8th

Tues	1:00 pm	Mary Schlesinger (Extended Care)
Wed	5:00 pm	Special Intention (DW)
Thurs	9:30 am (MEDCO)	Betty Lou & Mary Ann Rhodes
Fri	9:00 am	Lucye Stupak (DW)
Sat	8:00 am	Barbara Masterson
	5:00 pm	Julia Ann Brown (DW)
Sun	7:00 am	Rena & Leon Greenwell (JO)
	10:00 am	Bryan Mattingly (DM)

CONFESSIONS Wednesday: 4:30 pm
Saturday: 4:00 pm

Readings for the Week



Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28
Monday: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40
Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4/Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/Mk 6:7-13
Friday: Heb 13:1-8/Mk 6:14-29
Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Mk 6:30-34
Next Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39

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Stewardship of Finance

January 24th & 25th

Sunday Collection	\$7,662.00
Building Fund	\$65.00
Children	\$9.00
Loose Change for the Poor	\$59.25
St. Vincent de Paul.....	\$777.00

St. Romuald Parish Financial Summary

July-December, 2014

Total Income	\$264,900
Total Expenses	\$244,300
	\$ 20,600

Thank you for your financial stewardship!



**Jesus taught
with authority**

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February 7th & 8th

	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors	Ushers	Servers	Rosary Leaders	Music Ministers
5:00 pm	Jerry Jarboe Bryan O'Reilly	Stefan Cesarz Jennifer O'Reilly Christi Brooks (Intercessions)	C-David Basham* C-Davye Duggins S-Corey Masterson S-Danny O'Reilly	Ben Aldridge Caleb Masterson	Dayle Riley	Pippa
7:00 am	Tina Payne Cara Wilson	Buddy Payne	C-Byron Flood* C-Michael Flood S-Tim Glasscock S-Don Payne	Blake Flood Darrian Flood	Margie Wethington	Pippa
10:00 am	LaDonna Barton Libby Bowlin Lori Carwile Sharon Hale	Youth (Intercessions)	C-Brian David Brumfield* C-Davy Brumfield S-Chris Brumfield S-Luke Williams	Miah Glenn Autumn Wilson Spencer Wilson	Pat Whitfill	Shannon/ Youth Choir
Radio Minister: Joe Hess Children's Liturgy: No Children's Liturgy						

Words from the Pastor

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A thought came to me in reading over the gospel today that comes up every time I hear about Jesus teaching. Today the line reads, "Jesus entered the synagogue and taught. People were astonished at his teaching...." However the reading **doesn't say what** the astonishing teaching is, but then just goes on to tell about an exorcism/healing. I don't dispute that healings are astonishing. Absolutely they are miracles demonstrating the divinity of Jesus! But after hearing about such 'divine' teaching, I feel primed to be told the specifics of such unique teaching. Yet really, often we hear about Jesus teaching the crowds, as in Luke 21:37 which says "Now during the day (I assume that means ALL DAY long...) Jesus was teaching in the temple, but at evening He would go out and spend the night on the mount that is called Olivet". Or again in Luke 9:11-12, we hear about Jesus teaching all day long as it reads "Jesus spoke to them about the kingdom of God, and he healed those who needed to be cured. As the day was drawing to a close...." In addition to hearing of his personal style and the great length of time he dedicated to his people, I too hunger for what his exact words were and what he said specifically, teaching about the Kingdom of God. If we seek, we do find and have his exact words just not all in the same place at one time. For example, all through John's gospel, we hear lengthy sermons from Jesus about himself and his ministry, as when he miraculously feeds the crowds in John chapter 6 and then goes on to teach for a while about His very body and blood (Holy Eucharist) being food for his followers. Also, in places like the Matthew chapters 5-7 where Jesus spells out how to recognize and build with Him the Kingdom, that we call the **Sermon** on the Mount. Or another long sermon is found at the Last Supper in John gospel (chapters 13-17). So we do have many places in the gospels to go to and read at length his actual words of teaching. But, still I love how every time I read about Jesus teaching, my response is "Yes Jesus, tell me more!" And Jesus does, being the Word of God himself! Once after Jesus asks Peter if he wanted to leave him, Peter responds by saying "Where would I go, Lord, you alone have words of everlasting life?" (John 6:68). Now before you start thinking I have run off sidetracked here, let me add why I am bringing all of this up regarding Jesus' way of teaching. Jesus teaches with 'living words'. His teaching enlivens its students; it gives life. Much like what we read in Hebrews 4:12 "The word of God is living and active..." I find this 'enlivening-awakening' part is what makes Jesus' teaching different from the Scribes that we hear about in today's reading. So let me say something first about the people mentioning 'authority' in reference to Jesus, and then I'll finish by saying a word about just how 'differently' Jesus taught compared to the Scribes.

First, about Jesus' authority, notice the root of the word 'authority' is author! Well, Jesus can speak about the kingdom of God, because with the Father and Holy Spirit, the Kingdom is His! He is its Author! And the people picked up on that: he spoke with a familiarity about the kingdom of God, because he knew it through and through! He was there, had been there from the beginning and lived

every moment aware and informed by his experience of Kingdom living! Much like how we say about a person, "They have authority; they know it, and are experienced in just what we are seeking or asking about. If I have a question about a car, I ask a mechanic. If I have a question about my dog, I ask a veterinarian. If I have a question about lights, I ask an electrician. So if I wonder about the Kingdom of God, I go to God! And, Jesus knows because of who he is and what he experiences. We go to Jesus, and he **is** the authority because he knows! People were drawn to Jesus, because he knew intimately what he was talking about; People could pick up through Jesus' words and through his person, that he knew his teaching. Also, Jesus had 'authority' because he lived what he taught. People could see in his living, that he practiced and acted upon everything that came out of his mouth. He didn't preach on the Sabbath one thing, and then live another way all week. He didn't act one way on the weekend, and another way each weekday. No, Jesus lived and reflected all the time what he taught. His way of living, conformed to his way with words. As one of our mass prayers says, "May we profess with our lives just what we profess with our lips... " Jesus taught in word and in deed!

Secondly, this authentic, down to earth, 'stand behind what you say' living of Jesus is not the way the scribes taught. I see something of this in their very name— **Scribes**". Their name says they are preoccupied with words; they control what is written. They care more for the letter, not the action. We use a part of their name when we use our English word 'scribbling' to mean 'writing with no meaning'. The scribes really were scribblers. Their words didn't mean anything; they were only words. The lives of the scribes did not reflect what they said or taught. They might be able to repeat and read again what was written, but they couldn't translate words into action. Scribes could tell us 'good words' but couldn't show 'good living'. Another way of *describing* them is to say that they took the life out of words instead of putting life into them. As St Paul will say "The letter kills while the spirit gives life"(2 Cor 3:6). St Paul knew that a convincing word is more than a word, because what convinces a person is the practice and action resulting from the word. Conviction comes from the life and spirit picked up in actions and practices, and not just from the simple repeating of appropriate words. I find a lot to reflect upon here. Pope Paul VI challenged all of us when he wrote, "Modern man listens more willingly to witnesses than to teachers, and if he does listen to teachers, it is because they are witnesses." [41 EN] Jesus shared a living authority, as a true shepherd leader he taught through example. So, perhaps I do not need to know Jesus' exact words, but simply read of his actions and seek to imitate them (his caring service and humble walking with others). Writing all of this reminds me that I need to practice what I preach, I need to be quieted like Jesus quieted the rambling demon in the gospel today.....so let me close this reflection by saying the only word that matters, the only word to follow: Jesus!

Peace, Fr. Brian

Email Prayer Chain: If you would like to be part of an email prayer chain to pray for those in need of prayers due to illness or other needs, please send an email to Marie Rose at rosejm@bbtel.com to become a prayer warrior. You will then be added to the group database. When others are in need of prayer you will be notified by email to begin praying for them. To request prayers for yourself or someone else please notify the parish office or Marie Rose at 270-617-0538.

"Frozen" Movie Night (Kids in K-6th Grade)

This is scheduled for Saturday, February 7th after the 5PM Mass. We will start around 6:00. Following the movie, we will have a short Bible study lesson that goes along with the movie! We will serve pizza, chips & drinks! ***This is for students in grades K-6th Grade.*** There will be a sign-up sheet at the front door of the Church on the bulletin board. Or you can call the Church office 756-2356 or text Kim Brumfield @ 270-945-2787. Please contact us by Monday, February 2nd to let us have an idea of how much food to get! We will finish the night w/ a snowman craft. ***Each child needs to bring 2 white crew socks!*** And our evening should end around 8:30. Call Kim if you have any questions @ 270-945-2787.



Youth Group Forming: to receive daily text bible passages and reflections, please text to 81010 if interested, a replay email@a783e will send, to

sign up for daily bible passages. Also, the group is considering a Paoli Peaks tubing trip or other youth trips. Please contact Pam Pollock or Gayle Poole for more information.

"If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts." Moses heard the word of the Lord, and he responded. Where is God calling you to go? What is His will for you? As you discern God's will for your life, listen, follow, harden not your hearts. If you feel that God might be calling you to priesthood, let the Office of Vocations assist you in your discernment. 270-683-1545, www.owensborovocations.com, or jason.mcclure@pastoral.org

Family Holy Hour: Thursday at 6:00 pm. Please join us as we pray for peace, vocations and other special intentions.

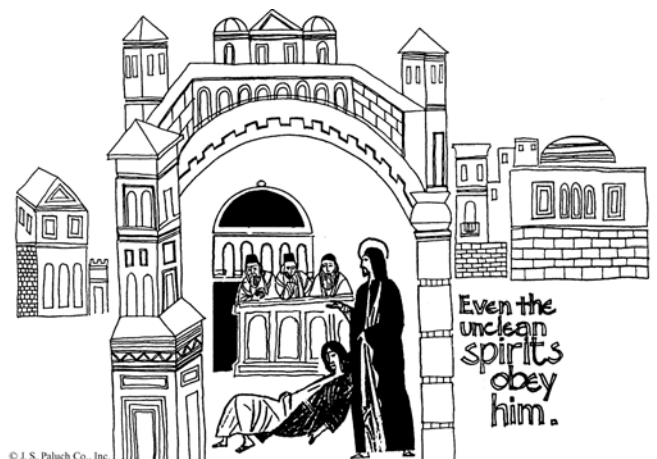
The Catholic Men's Conference of Western Kentucky will take place Saturday, February 7, 2015 at St. Stephen Cathedral in Owensboro beginning at 8:00 am.

The conference is open to men who are high school seniors or older. The cost is \$30 for adults and \$15 for students, and includes lunch.

For more information visit their website www.kycatholic.com or call Randy Clemens at 270-316-5067.

Bishop William Medley invites you to join him as he celebrates his 5 year Episcopal Ordination Anniversary as the 4th bishop of the Diocese of Owensboro with Mass at Saint Stephen Cathedral on Tuesday, February 10, 2015 at 12:05 pm.

Renew Intl. has given us a new contact person if we have any questions concerning the "where do I go from here" process. So many of have asked "Now what?" Anne Scanlon who is the head of the Arise program at Renew has this to say...It has been our experience at Renew Intl. that good resources along with strong leadership are essential, I introduce to you the Small Community Resource Specialist who will be able to answer questions, guide you in your efforts to sustain, nurture, and grow your small groups. Carolyn Newkirk has many years with Renew and is available to assist by telephone or e-mail. She may be reached at 908-769-5400, ext. 101 or Carolyn@renewintl.org. God bless you for all the hard work and enthusiasm as we have collaborated to build the kingdom of God in the Diocese of Owensboro. Feel free to contact us.



THIS WEEK:

Sun	8:30 am	K-6 Religious Ed Classes
Mon	1:00 pm	Blue Army Rosary
Tues	1:00 pm	Mass at Extended Care (hospital)
	4:00 pm	Rosary Group
	5:00 pm	Finance Committee Meeting
	6:00 pm	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
Wed	5:00 pm	RCIA
Thur	6:00 pm	Family Holy Hour
Fri	9:00 am	School Mass
	10:00 am	24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration
Sat	8:00 am	First Saturday Mass
	8:00 am	Men's Conference (St. Stephen, Owensboro)
Sun	8:30 am	K-6 Religious Ed Classes
	10:00 am	Youth Mass
	11:30 am	7-12 Religious Education Classes

Upcoming

Feb 10	4:00 pm	School Board
	7:00 pm	Knights of Columbus
Feb 12	5:00 pm	Picnic Meeting



Scripture Study: Tuesday morning Scripture Study (in the works) would you prefer it to be at 9:00, 9:30, or 10:00 am. Contact Fr. Brian for which time would be more convenient.

Old Palm: We are collecting old palm to burn in preparation for ashes for Ash Wednesday. Please leave in the back of church. Thanks

We Pray For:

Mark Aldridge, Martha Alexander, Rooney Alexander, Pauline Allen, James Bast, Tricia Blevins Beard, Bradley Berry, Chad Brown, Judy Brown, Billy Carwile, Jerry Carwile, Diane Charlebois, **Dennis Day**, Joe Paul Flood, Pete Flood, Stacy Flood, Sam Frazier, Tom Gardner, Don Gedney, Kristen & Matt Gedney, JoAnn Henning, Kitty Himmelhaver, Anna Muriel Hines, Bill Hinton, Mary Ann Johnson, Kelly Keenan, Darlene Losik, Josh Lucas, Joshua Lucas, Evie Masterson, Angela Matthews, Michael Matthews, Tom Matthews, Sean Megan, Bevan Michael Miller, Emily Savannah Miller, Blaise Mills, Owen Mills, Don Mundt, Debbie Oelze, Eddie O'Bryan, Don O'Donoghue, Earl O'Donoghue, John J. O'Reilly, Harold Osborne, Trace Paris, **Ronnie Payne**, Joe Priest, **Penny Rannebarger**, Bob Roach, Isabel Rose Roderiguez, Judy Seelye, Lucye Stupak, Adalee Taul, Beavin & Gina Thornsberry, Betty Tindle, **Audrey Vanhoosier**, Greg Weise, Donny Wethington, Diane Whitney. **Serving in the Armed Forces:** Kevin Arnold, Cody Garst, Parker Findlay, James Hanor, Jack Hayes, Stevie Higgs, James Howard, Charles Kuhlman, SSgt Bradford O'Reilly, Jordan Pate, Cody Simmons, Trevor Thompson, Liana Tindle, Chase Upchurch.



RCIA - Wed 5:00 pm (Parish Hall)

Topic—Holy Orders & Marriage

For more information contact Lyvenia Anthony (270/863-2504) or Fr. Brian.



We extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Doug Diehl (brother of Cathy Henning). You are in our thoughts and prayers. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord.

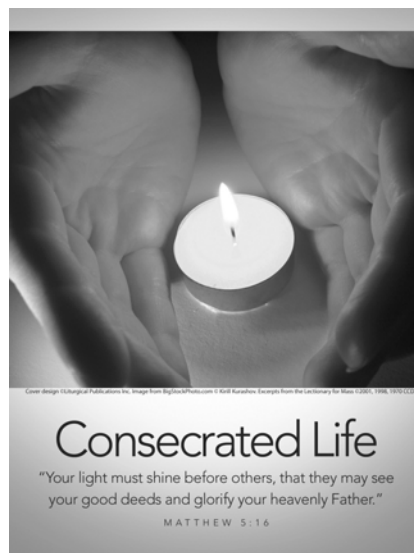
"It Is Right and Just"

The Ash Wednesday Collection on February 18, 2015 will again be for our Sister Diocese of Mandeville Jamaica.

As the Priest begins the Eucharistic Prayer at Mass, he says "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God" and our response is "It is right and just." As we share from our sacrifices for the needs of our Sister Diocese in Mandeville Jamaica, we respond not only with words, but also with deeds to thank the Lord for His many blessings to us and share in His ongoing mission to tell the whole world of His kindness.

Please consider a generous response to this collection again this year.

Food for the Poor Sunday: Next weekend (Feb 7-8), Fr. Luis Grunde from Food for the Poor will be with us at all masses inviting us to share in their ministry of feeding, sheltering and clothing the poor of the world. Food for the Poor is an interdenominational Christian relief and development organization working primarily in 17 countries in the Caribbean and Latin America, to assist the poorest of the poor.



February 2, 2015