

SAINT FRANCIS BORGIA



Welcomes Visitors & New Parishioners

Reaffirming our own faith in
Jesus, the Christ, we gladly
welcome you into this
community of faith, enfolding
you with our love and
committing ourselves to your care.

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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 23

*Saint Francis Borgia was dedicated on September 30, 1952 by the
Most Reverend Francis R. Cotton, D.D. Bishop of Owensboro, Ky.*

FAITH, FAMILY & FRIENDS

SACRAMENTS

CONFESSION

Sunday 8:00 AM - 8:30 And by appointment

BAPTISM

Preparation Classes required for parents.

Call the office for more details.

HOLY COMMUNION

Contact Fr. Ryan or the church office

HOLY MATRIMONY

Contact Fr. Ryan at least 6 months prior to the proposed
wedding date.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK

Holy communion is taken to the sick and to the nursing homes
weekly. Contact the parish office for anyone in need.

Parish Council Members

Joe Thomas.....270-952-0099

Don Edd Wright.....270-836-7509

Miki Wright.....270-952-8803

Mark Greer270-333-2250

Chris French.....270-952-1772

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August 1 - Kindergarten Orientation, 5:30 pm

August 1 - Pre-School Orientation, 6:30 pm

August 6—MEETING FOR CHILDRENS LITURGY (PARENTS & VOLUNTEERS) FOLLOWING MASS IN THE HALL

August 7 - Opening Day for staff, orientation for grades 1 - 8, 5:30 pm

August 10 - First day of school for all students

August 23—50+ and Going Strong! Holy Name 1:00-2:30

August 25-26 Friends, Faith & Flip Flops Catholic Women's Retreat
Ky Dam Village Resort

August 25—Sisters of Charity "Super Raffle" **\$20,000 Grand Prize**
\$20.00 per ticket call 502-348-1586

TODAYS REFLECTION

WHEAT, SEED & LEAVEN

The Gospel for this Sunday is taken from the 13th Chapter of the Gospel of Matthew and it features three marvelous parables of Jesus. How rich and inexhaustible in meaning are these three parables! Take some time to read and contemplate these parables in light of your own suffering and faith as we seek together the Kingdom of God.

For Jesus, faith is power. When we have linked ourselves to the God who fashions and governs the cosmos, we allow enormous power to flow through us for the transformation of the world. To have faith is to live in the "great soul." It is to expand the horizons of our consciousness and activity infinitely.

Paul Tillich, the 20th century theologian, said, "Faith is the most misunderstood word in the religious vocabulary". Faith is an attitude of trust in the presence of God, which is simple enough to say, yet to live by faith means to surrender your entire life over to God, abandoning your own desires and becoming a servant under the realization that everything you have (including your very existence) is a grace, a gift. As we see in the lives of the saints, amazing things happen when we make this transformation; indeed, that which begins with a mustard seed of faith can grow, by the grace of God, to bless the whole world.

Sometimes God does things we can't understand. This is where our need to walk by faith and not by sight comes in play. We trust in God's purpose, and his purpose often manifests itself in the least likely of sources—the mustard seed, for example. A young man on a cross, dying alone and mocked, was the mustard seed out of which a global religion, one billion strong, grew. This is the story of so many other influential Christians, such as Francis of Assisi, Charles Lwanga and Mother Teresa. They could have been easily overlooked, forgotten, ignored, but instead they sprouted into among the most revered in our history. This is a lesson of not giving up. It's a lesson of walking by faith, and not by sight.

Bishop Robert Barron

Our Return to the Lord

JULY 16

Attendance (128)

Tithes	\$ 1582.00
Pastoral Associate	\$ 40.00
Votive Candles	\$ 6.00
Peters Pence	\$ 5.00
TOTAL	\$ 1633.00

BULLETIN BITES!!

"If you pull up the weeds you might uproot the wheat along with them.

Let them grow together until the harvest."

Jesus knew his followers would live in a world that is full of temptations - to do evil, to take the easy way out, to take advantage of others to gain wealth and power. He knew we would be challenged to abandon our efforts to know Him and to imitate Him to the best of our ability. Jesus also knew that one of God's greatest gifts to us is free will - the ability to choose between good and evil, to choose between doing right and doing wrong, to choose between being generous and being selfish. But Jesus taught us by word and deed that being his follower - a Christian - is not about feeling good, it is about doing good. It is not about looking right; it is about doing right. It is not about how much we acquire for ourselves, it is about how much we share with others. God creates us in this world with many temptations so we could demonstrate our love for him by seeking to discern His will and choosing to do His will.

Our God is an awesome God!

4 STAGES OF MARRIAGE:

The 4 stages of marriage are: (1) **ROMANCE**, (2) **DISILLUSIONMENT**, (3) **MISERY**, AND (4) **AWAKENING**. Quite a few marriages experience the first 3 stages but end never to reach the Awakening Stage. Don't give up!! If you think your marriage may be in need of awakening, please contact Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i). There is a program in August, the weekend of August 18.

Call 270-852-8346 or email felliott@yahoo.com and visit the web site at www.retrouvaille.org

CHILDRENS LITURGY MEETING:

AUGUST 6 AFTER MASS

FOR PARENTS AND VOLUNTEERS

PLEASE COME OVER TO THE HALL FOR DONUTS & DRINK AND MEET WITH STEPHANIE ABOUT OUR

CHILDRENS LITURGY PROGRAM

Ministry List / Liturgical Apostolate

JULY 2017

Ushers: Bob Greenwell & Reburn Collins
Holy Communion to the Sick: Beth Kemp
Rosary Leader: Irene Price (Sunday 8:15 a.m.)
Eucharistic Ministers: Beth Kemp, Lita Pfingston & Alex Wright
Lector: Greg Little
Gift Bearers Mary Monarch & Virginia Quinn
Sacristan: Reburn Collins
Childrens Liturgy: Stephanie Beverly & Miki Wright
Coffee & Donuts: Leroy & Kathy Willett
Servers: July 2—Stephen Little, Cady Fulkerson
 July 9—Sydney Thomas, Ava Arnett
 July 16—Jaden Fulkerson, Emma Wright
 July 23—Sydney Thomas, Ava Arnett
 July 30—Stephen Little, Emma Wright

AUGUST 2017

Ushers: Leroy Willett & Jimmy Curtis
Holy Communion to the Sick: Lisa Jones
Rosary Leader: Irene Price (Sunday 8:15 a.m.)
Eucharistic Ministers: Jama Wells, Hilary Liles & Ann Conn
Lector: Barbara Wells
Gift Bearers Tony & Lita Pfingston
Sacristan: Irene Price
Childrens Liturgy:
Coffee & Donuts: David Wright & Girls
Servers: Aug 6—Stephen Little, Cady Fulkerson
 Aug 13—Sydney Thomas, Ava Arnett
 Aug 20—Jaden Fulkerson, Emma Wright
 Aug 27—Sydney Thomas, Ava Arnett

Knights of Columbus
BINGO EVERY WEDNESDAY!!
 Bingo night doors open at 6:00 and games begin at 7:00
 Proceeds go toward helping the community!!

50+ and Going Strong! 

The Catholic Church teaches that sexual abuse of any person is a grave moral evil. To report an instance of sexual abuse by an employee of the Catholic Church, call the Office of the Bishop in Owensboro, KY. (270-683-1545)

Wouldn't you like that said about you? Learn how to be the best version of you, healthier, active, and enjoying your Golden Years. **Participate in the Aging Mastery Program for yourself or to see about bringing it to your parish!** This program starts on August 23, 1:00-2:30 PM at Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church in Henderson or on September 12, 1:30 – 3 PM at St. Stephen Cathedral in Owensboro. The program will meet for 10 weeks and will include ways to make small changes that will have a big impact on your health, financial security and overall well-being. A non-refundable deposit of \$30 is required with registration. For additional information contact: Ranni Dillard 270-212-1125 to attend Holy Name's or Richard Murphy at 270-683-1545 to attend the Cathedral's.

St. Vincent de Paul is in need of volunteers
 to take clothing out of bags and put on hangers. Many hands are needed. No commitment necessary, just drop in to St. Vincent De-Paul store any day Tuesday – Friday from 9:00 – 3:00 and stay as long as your schedule allows. The ladies at the store are looking for help, so any day, just walk in and the ladies can direct you.

JULY Anniversaries

Karen & Gary Thomas	07/01	39 years
Tyler & Allison Gentry	07/03	1 year
Tommy & Mary Holt	07/18	37 years
Mark & Theresa Greer	07/27	33 years
Charlie & Gloria Mendoza	07/29	45 years





JULY Birthdays

Marie Little	07/06	Gary Thomas	07/26
Francis Berry	07/13	Don Edd Wright	07/29
Carol French	07/14	Peggy Russelburg	07/30
Rebecca Holt	07/15		
Jessie James	07/15		
Jacob Wolfe	07/17		
Tony Alvey	07/20		
Malorey Gray	07/21		



WEEKLY LITURGICAL CALENDAR

AT LEAST A MONTHS NOTICE IS NEEDED FOR ANY SPECIAL REQUESTED DATE FOR MASS INTENTIONS please indicate the NUMBER of masses you are requesting with your stipend!

Sunday, July 23, 2017 green	9:00 a.m. St. Francis Borgia Confession 8:00-8:30 a.m.	Jane Brown, RIP Birthday --By Mary Holt By Mary Holt
Sunday, July 23, 2017 green	11:00 a.m. St. William Confession following Mass	Parish Family
Monday, July 24, 2017 green/white Saint Sharbel Makhluf, Priest	7:00 a.m. St. Francis Borgia Confession following Mass Ex 14:5-18/Mt 12:38-42	Paul Farr, RIP By Karolyn Farr
Tuesday, July 25, 2017 red Saint James, Apostle	7:00 a.m. St. Francis Borgia Confession following Mass 2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 20:20-28	Fran Hamilton, RIP By Robin Johnson
Wednesday, July 26, 2017 white Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary	12:00 noon St. Ambrose Confession following Mass Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Mt 13:1-9	Jeanelle Coomes RIP Anniversary of Death 7/26/84
Thursday, July 27, 2017 green	12:00 noon St. William Confession following Mass Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b/Mt 13:10-17	Anne Newcom, RIP By Sr. Alicia Coomes
Friday, July 28, 2017 green	NO MASS Ex 20:1-17/Mt 13:18-23	NO MASS
Saturday, July 29, 2017 green, Vigil 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	5:30 p.m. St. Ambrose Confession 4:00-5:00 p.m. <i>(Sat rdgs) Ex 24:3-8/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42</i>	Parish Family
Sunday, July 30, 2017 green 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9:00 a.m. St. Francis Borgia Confession 8:00-8:30 a.m. 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46	Juklia Barcheski RIP 5th Anniversary of Death
Sunday, July 30, 2017 green 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	11:00 a.m. St. William Confession following Mass 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46	Ann Newcomb, RIP By Sr. Alicia Coomes

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Ginny Alder	Delorse Smith Drone	Fr. Ron Green	Jamie Payton	Denise Timmons
Alayna Baxter	Viola Drury	Edith Greer	Lita Pffingston	Jun Valensia
Francis Berry	Phyllis Durham	Jesse James	Bill Puckett	Ray Wells
Royce Bickett	Bernadette Farr	Darrel Jones	Rose Rochford	Jeanette Willett
Charlene "Tinker" Brantley	D'Ann Farr	Eddie Jones	Bernice Russelburg	Leroy Willett
Clayton Brantley	Jim Fortman	Bernice Kampf	Cletus & Peggy Russelburg	Mary Smith Willett
Lisa Brown	Christopher French	Wanda Little	Sharon Russelburg	Richard Workman
Charlotte Byrd	Leroy French	Eric Livers	Francis Sieverding	Pope Francis
Travis Chatham	Carla Gahafer	Aurora Loew	George Smith	Our President
Helen Conn	Ladonna Gatten	Mary Monarch	Harold Smith	
Eva Cobb Darnell	Vickie, Kayla & Rick Gilland	Warren Omer	Sara Rose Thomas	
Morgan Day	Derek Gray	Damita Papineau	Mary Thornsberry	