

**Spiritual Bouquet:** For the next several weekends there will be two Spiritual Bouquets available in the narthex. One book will be for Fr. Richard Meredith on the occasion of his 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Priesthood. This Spiritual Bouquet will be given to him at the celebration on Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>. The second book will be for Fr. Basilio as he departs from us and heads to Saint Joseph



and Paul Parish in Owensboro on Tuesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>. We ask you to please take your time and write each of these priests a short note telling them how you will be praying for them as they continue shepherd the people of the Diocese of Owensboro and Saints

Peter and Paul Parish. This Spiritual Bouquet will be presented to Fr. Basilio the weekend of June 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Fr. Richard's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration:** Mark your calendar to join with us on Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> as we celebrate the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Fr. Richard Meredith. We will begin with a 4:00 p.m. Holy Hour then we will go to Meredith Hall for food and fellowship. Please come and join us as we gather with people from across the diocese as we celebrate this special occasion for Fr. Richard.

**Friday, June 1<sup>st</sup>** - Holy Spirit Parish in Bowling Green is hosting the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration for Fr. John Thomas who was ordained to the Priesthood on May 29, 1993. This celebration will begin with Mass at 6:00 p.m. followed by a meal in their parish center. (Fr. John served Saints Peter and Paul Parish from 2003-2011)



**Weekend of June 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>** – We will celebrate with Fr. Basilio his last weekend with us here at Saints Peter and Paul. We pray for him and send him forth as he continues the service to God's holy people at Saint Joseph and Paul Parish in Owensboro. Reception will be held at all weekend Masses.

**Weekend of June 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>** – We will welcome Fr. Michael Charles Ajigo Abiero to Saints Peter and Paul as he begins serving us as our Associate Pastor effective Tuesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Our Holy Father's Decree:** In a decree dated February 11, 2018, "Pope Francis has decreed that the Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, should be inscribed in the Roman calendar on the Monday after Pentecost and be celebrated every year." Therefore, in the Latin-rite Church, the celebration of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church – as an obligatory memorial – will have precedence over any other memorial of a saint or blessed on the Monday following



Pentecost. So this year, on Monday, May 21<sup>st</sup> we will celebrate for the first time this Memorial for our Blessed Virgin Mary.

**Sophia Award:** Do you know of someone in the parish that lives a life of stewardship (giving of time, talent and treasure)? The Diocese would love to honor her/him with a Sophia Award! Sophia Award Nominations are now being accepted by the Diocese of Owensboro. The nominees must be 65 years of age or older, they can be single, divorced, widowed, a priest or religious, married people can be nominated as a couple or singularly. The nominee should be an outstanding example of their Catholic faith whether they are involved in one or all parish ministries. The nominee can be homebound, can be nominated based on past outstanding contributions, or nominated posthumously. Sophia Award nomination forms are included in the bulletin this weekend or you can come by the parish office for a copy. The Sophia Awards Mass will be held on Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at St. Stephen Cathedral in Owensboro at 2:00 p.m. with a reception following in the Undercroft. The deadline to submit your Sophia Award Nomination is Monday, July 16<sup>th</sup>. Past winners were: Helen Brown, Theresa Stites, Ernie Tuggle, Anne Garnett, Margie Nosbusch, Chuck Puckett, Franki Durbin, Beverly Todd, Shirley Prunitsch and Rocky Spader, Maria and Trinidad Soriano and Dr. John Cotthoff, Jerry Brockman and Mary Ann Keel and Jim Creighton and Tony Esposito.

**RCIA:** RCIA continues for their final session this Thursday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. and will be held in Meredith Hall. This is a time for deepening the Christian experience, especially in appreciation for the sacramental life, for spiritual growth, and for entering more fully into the life and unity of the Catholic community.

**Weekly Food Donations** to the Aaron McNeil Center: This week's food item is **Canned green peas**. All items can be placed in the barrel in the coat closet near the restrooms. Thank you so much for your generosity.



## Youth Ministry

**Our Middle School and High School Youth:** Our classes continue **this Wednesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>** beginning with Mass at 5:30 p.m. This is our last class for the semester and will be "Trivia Night" as requested by the youth. Come and have fun and see what awaits you this summer.

**Appreciation Dinner:** If you have served Saints Peter and Paul Parish as a teacher, aide, kitchen helper and volunteer for our PSR Program, Middle School Program, our High School Program or RCIA Team, you are invited to an appreciation dinner on **Wednesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>**. We will begin with Mass at 5:30 p.m. and continue in the gym. We thank you for your dedication and commitment to sharing your Catholic faith with our children and youth.

**Gaspar River Catholic Retreat Summer Camps:** For several weeks we have had parents and youth speak about Gaspar River Retreat Center. Many of you have been touched by these talks and want to put it into action.



So, several families have asked if they could sponsor or help sponsor a young person to attend camp this year. The answer is overwhelmingly “Yes”. If you wish to sponsor or help sponsor a youth to camp, please see Libby.

If you have a young person who wants to attend a camp offered by Gaspar River and need help financially, please know we have camp booklets available at the adoration table, in the sacristy and in the parish office. Bring your completed registration form ([gasperriverretreatcenter.org](http://gasperriverretreatcenter.org)) to Libby who will match you with a donor. Don’t let this opportunity pass you by.

**Christian Leadership Institute (CLI) - June 10-15:** For Youth who want to learn skills in leadership, decision-making, communication, and organization to be a better leader in school, church, home, and life. (Grades 10th-12th). For registration information contact Libby. Registration deadline is **May 14th**.

### Bible Quiz for All Ages

1. In a parable, Jesus mentioned that the leaves on a fig tree announced the coming of this season. (Luke 21:29, 30)
2. What animal did the staff brought to Pharaoh turn into when Aaron threw it down? (Exodus 7:10-12)
3. David rejoiced when this object was finally returned to Jerusalem after years of being away. (II Samuel 6:16-18)
4. Where did God give the Israelites the Ten Commandments? (Exodus 19:16-25)

### Bible Quiz Answers (see above for questions)

1. Summer; 2. A snake; 3. The ark of the covenant;
4. From Mt. Sinai

**Dear Lord,** Prepare me for the coming week. Take away my worries and my regrets. Recharge my soul and renew my hope. Please go before me, clear the way and protect me. Bring the right people into my life. Help me to look for and always see the good in others. Guide me with Your love and give me Your joy. Bless my family and friends and be with them this week. In your name, I pray. Amen.



**Outstanding Teacher of the Year:** Nominate your favorite Catholic School Teacher to receive the “Outstanding Teacher of the Year” Award through the Catholic Schools Office and Principals Association. Visit [owensborodiocese.org/educator-award](http://owensborodiocese.org/educator-award) for an online nomination form and complete details. Deadline to submit a nomination is **July 1, 2018**.



**2018 Corpus Christi Procession:** A Corpus Christi procession through the streets of Owensboro will be led by Bishop William F. Medley on Saturday, June 2nd, starting from Brescia University at 10:00 am and ending at St. Stephen Cathedral around 12:00 pm. This is in honor of the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, also known as Corpus Christi. Every parish from across the Diocese of Owensboro is most invited to participate.

## Community News

**Public Hearing:** The City of Hopkinsville will be conducting a Public Hearing on Thursday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the War Memorial Building located at 1202 South Virginia Street. The purpose the of the Public Hearing is to obtain citizens’ and other interested parties’ views regarding the City of Hopkinsville’s 2018/2019 Action Plan. All are welcome to attend.

### Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic School Third Quarter Principal’s List and Honor Roll



#### Principal’s List

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: Evan Chavez
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade: Tobias Duncan, William Pyle, Susanna Sargeant
- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Tyler Adock, Claire O’Connor
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade: Eva Blankenberger, Carly Chaudoin
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Walter Kunnmann

#### Honor Roll

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: Victor Hatcher, Lila Jorgensen, Jaxon O’Connor, Garrett Sharp, Aaron Stevens
- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade: Johnathan Allard, Gabriela Cedano, Laney Chaudoin, Grace Galvin, Viktor George, Hunter Goodin, James Graves, Myles Hewell, Cecilia Langhi, Elizabeth Stevens, Mariana Vieyra
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade: Isabella Adcock, Stella del Valle, Charlotte Diedrich, Franco Fiscella, Andrew Folz, Tahlon Goodin, Aiden King, Ryan Luckey, Eliza Renshaw, Melissa Valdez
- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Livie Jorgensen, Bryan Linares, Martin Nguyen, Lucy Wilkins
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade: Callee Everett, Elizabeth Langhi, Nic Luckey, Ashley Stevens, Luke Sunderhaus
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Piper Davis, Eli Folz, Josh Groves, Amelia King, Vy Nguyen, Ruben Quinonez