



Mother of Good Counsel Catholic Community

Catholic Church serving in Eastern Kentucky since 1913

January 22nd | Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Eucharistic Services:

7:00 pm Wednesday - Word & Communion Service

5:00 pm Saturday - Holy Cross in Jackson, Vigil Mass

11:30 am Sunday - Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sunday after Mass; other times by appointment.

Office Hours: Wed - Friday 10 am to 5 pm

Ministers for next Sunday, January 29, 2023

Sacramental Minister : Rev. Robert Damron

Lector :

Ministers at MGC

Lori Helfrich, Parish Life Director

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Mother of Good Counsel Prayer by B.J. Ewen

Holy Mary, our heavenly mother,
keep us in your care.

Give us your good counsel

as we strive to be disciples of your son Jesus
and help us to grow in faith and in our love for God.

Bless our parish which is named in your honor.

Help us in our lives as we humbly pray and help
us be attentive to the needs of our families and our
community.

Amen

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OF LEXINGTON

Parish Mission Statement

Inspired and sustained in our Catholic faith through life-giving worship, we Mother of Good Counsel Catholic Community, have as our mission to bring Christ and the teachings of the Catholic faith to one another and the larger community in a ways that draw us together as a supportive family, yet reaches out with a genuine concern for all people, so that we can be authentic witnesses in an area where Catholics are few in number.

January 22, 2023

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Isaiah 8:23—9:3 / 1 Corinthians 1:10—13, 17 /

Matthew 4:12—23 or 4:12—17



Mountain East Deanery Meeting

Are there a couple of people who would be willing to make lunch for the Mountain East Deanery Meeting this Thursday January 26 to be held at Mother of Good Counsel. There is a sign up sheet in the gathering space.

Parish Planners

Today Sunday January 22 following Mass parish council will meet to discuss upcoming parish happenings and plan for spring events. Please join us.

Becoming Catholic

We will continue on with our formation of those who will be joining the church with our Becoming Catholic Classes on Tuesday January 24 in the evening from 7 to 9 pm.

Religious Education

During the spring semester the parish will be offering a first communion class for students who are baptized and older than 7 years old on Saturday mornings. If you are interested in this class for your child, please contact Lori and fill out registration forms for this special class.

Giving Statements

Annual giving statements will go out this week. If you need to update your email we have on record or confirm it speak with Lori. If you prefer a paper copy to be mailed or presented in person please let Lori know. your request.

Roof & Additional Building Projects

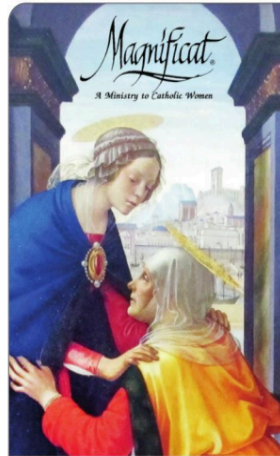
There are some upcoming building projects that will be happening at the parish, including a new roof for the church and the spiritual life center, repairing the fence and replacing the deck/ramp on the guest house. Exact cost of projects will be posted once the parish receives estimates. Please consider making a contribution to these large building projects.

Fr. Dan Noll

Fr. Dan Noll, retired priest of the Diocese of Lexington will be living in the Guest house part of the month and doing flood relief ministry in Knott County and working with Christian Appalachian Project in Martin KY. During his time here he will be offering daily Mass when he is present. Fr. Noll will offer a morning Mass on Friday January 27th.

Youth Service Opportunity

The next Diocesan Youth Service Day which will be on January 28th at St. William in London KY. We'll meet at noon at St. William to celebrate mass together, enjoy lunch, and then head out into the community to serve. Talk with Lori if you are interested in joining this service event.



MAGNIFICAT WOMEN'S BREAKFAST

SPEAKER: SHELLEY PARKERSON

Saturday, February 11, 2023
9 a.m. • (Mass at 8 a.m.)

Cathedral of Christ the King
Hehman Hall



Shelley Parkerson will share her testimony at a Magnificat Breakfast on Saturday, February 11. Shelley, a retired public school teacher and parishioner at Our Lady of Mount Vernon Catholic Church in Rockcastle County, was drawn to the Catholic Church by the Eucharist. After entering the Catholic Church in 1991 she served as lector, and teacher of CCD and adult faith formation classes. Shelley's devotion to the Holy Spirit has resulted in many amazing opportunities and friendships. She has been associated with the Roman Catholic Charismatic Renewal since 2003. She is Chairperson of the Diocesan Charismatic Renewal Commission, and also a member of the Association of Diocesan Liaisons and has been appointed by the Bishop as his representative to the diocesan charismatic renewal. Shelley, a prayer minister since 2004, trained with Christian Healing Ministries in Jacksonville, FL. In her spare time she likes the ocean, boating, and helping to run a clothing pantry at her brother's church. Come hear this amazing woman of faith! Invite a friend to share in this wonderful experience!

Contact Pat Hunt at magnificatsvp@gmail.com by FEBRUARY 8 to reserve a spot.

- An email confirmation will be sent to you. We cannot accept walk-ins. Please cancel reservations, if you cannot attend, three days prior to event. If circumstances prohibit timely cancellation, please consider sending a donation to our Magnificat Chapter to cover the cost of the meal that was ordered. Payment of \$15 can be made at the time of the breakfast for those with reservations.
- Breakfast will be served by Suggins Restaurant.

QUESTIONS? Contact Pat Hunt at pwhunt27@aol.com

Mark your calendar for future breakfasts: 4/29/2023



Congregations and Denominational Leaders of
Central Baptist Church
Episcopal Church of the Resurrection
Gethsemani Lutheran Church (ELCA)
Pax Christi Catholic Church
Phillips Memorial CME Church
Providence Christian Church (DOC)
Quinn Chapel AME Church
Walnut Hill Church
Word of Hope (ELCA)/St. Martha Episcopal

We pleased to once again join with together as the Body of Christ to enter into prayer with our brothers and sisters for the unity to which we are called and to find ways together to seek justice for all.

Eighteenth Annual Celebration of
Week of Prayer Service
Sunday, January 22, 2023 at 7:00 PM
at Pax Christi Catholic Church
4001 Victoria Way, Lexington

The World Council of Churches and the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity Joint Commission on the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity has shared with Graymoor the Scriptural Theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2023.

The theme is from Isaiah 1:17, "Do good; seek justice." The entire scriptural passage for the theme is Isaiah 1:12-18, lamenting a lack of justice among the People of God. Yet, it also promises redemption by encouraging acts of justice.

Church Cleaners

Are you willing to help clean the church? Please sign up for a month to clean the church. You can sign up as a family or a couple individuals. See the sheet in the back.

Teen Disciples

Teen Disciples will meet today Sunday January 22 from 5 to 6:30 pm. All students in grades 7 -12 are welcome to join us.

Upcoming Events

- 1/24 - Becoming Catholic 7-9 pm
- 1/25 - Rosary, Word & Communion Service
- 1/26 - Mountain East Deanery Meeting
- 1/27 - Morning Mass
- 1/28 - Youth Service Event

A Call from the Wild

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

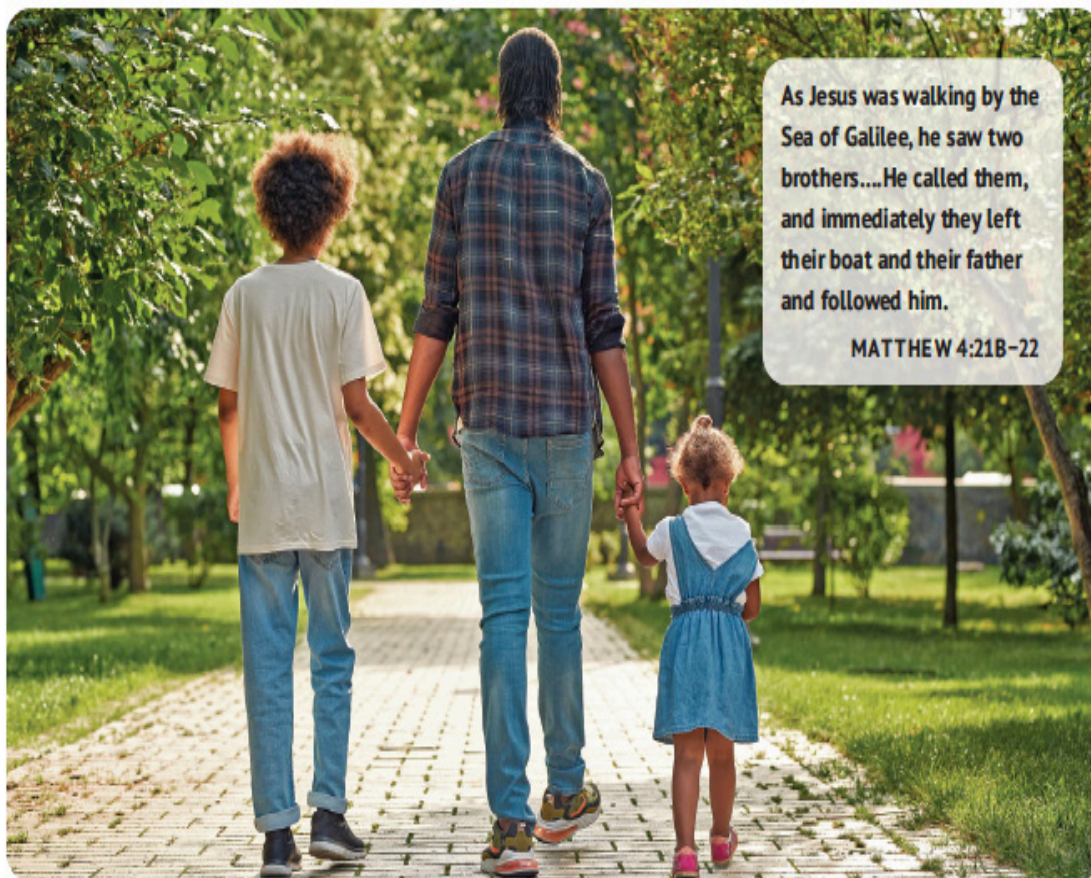
Sometimes, as if by divine instinct, life draws us into new and uncharted lands, a kind of "call of the wild." It happens when we leave childhood, when (if) we leave the single life, and when we grieve the loss of love or health. The call, then, is also to trust that God will walk with us and show us the way through the coming wilderness.

At other times that wild divine instinct is to go where we would rather not go, but somehow we also sense we must, if for no other reason than to be true to ourselves. It happened to Jesus, as this week's Gospel begins with our Lord picking up where John the Baptist left off. "When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee....From that time on he began to preach" (Matthew 4:12, 17). Who could know where that divine instinct would lead him?

Sometimes that call pulls us into what life needs at this moment, whether we choose it or not. It may come in the face of the premature death of a spouse that finds us raising a young family alone, or it may be an aging spouse's needs that require us to be a caregiver. It may be the daily grind of a job we can't stand but have to keep for one reason or another, or it may be no job at all that forces us to reorganize our lives. The call of God may come out of the blue and from the many wilds of life. ●

Reflect

*Have you ever felt called to go where you did not want to go?
How did faith help you decide what to do?*



As Jesus was walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers....He called them, and immediately they left their boat and their father and followed him.

MATTHEW 4:21B-22

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CHRISTOPHER GOSWAMI/ISTOCK

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

I beg the Lord to grant us more politicians who are... disturbed by the state of society, the people, the lives of the poor! It is vital that government leaders and financial leaders...[work] to ensure that all citizens have dignified work, education, and health care. Why not...ask [God] to inspire their plans?

THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL, EVANGELII GAUDIUM, 2013



Readings for the Week

Monday

January 23
Day of Prayer
for the Legal
Protection of
Unborn Children
Heb 9:15, 24-28
Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday

January 24
St. Francis de Sales,
Bishop and Doctor
of the Church
Heb 10:1-10
Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday

January 25
Conversion of
St. Paul, Apostle
Acts 22:3-16 or
Acts 9:1-22
Mk 16:15-18

Thursday

January 26
Sts. Timothy and
Titus, Bishops
Heb 10:19-25
Mk 4:21-25

Friday

January 27
Weekday
Heb 10:32-39
Mk 4:26-34

Saturday

January 28
St. Thomas Aquinas,
Priest and Doctor
of the Church
Heb 11:1-2, 8-19
Mk 4:35-41

Sunday

January 29
Fourth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Zep 2:3; 3:12-13
1 Cor 1:26-31
Mt 5:1-12



Dear Padre,

Could you explain "lead us not into temptation" from the Lord's Prayer? That doesn't seem like something God would do.

Part of the problem lies in the translation of the Greek verb. *Lead* is the word used, but it means a request that we not enter into or yield to temptation (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 2846). As we read in the Letter of James, "No one experiencing temptation should say, 'I am being tempted by God'; for God is not subject to temptation to evil, and he himself tempts no one" (James 1:13).

Pope Francis agrees with you that this translation is confusing. He has approved changing this one line of the Lord's Prayer from "lead us not into temptation" to "do not let us fall into temptation." This wording places the focus on us and our activity, as the original Greek implies. It is a plea that we do nothing to put ourselves in the way of temptation or give in to temptation.

This change will appear in the latest edition of the Italian *Roman Missal*, but there are no plans now to change the wording in English-speaking countries. If you would like to read more about the Lord's Prayer, the *Catechism* includes an article that goes into a lot of detail (CCC 2777-2865). ●



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The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org

Our Weekly Offering

for 1/15/2023

Loose: \$25

Envelopes : \$875

Opportunities for Life : \$20

Online: \$140

Total Weekly Offering: \$1060



Birthdays

1/26 : Chatzie Turk

1/29: Maria Hall

Prayer Family Maria Hall

Stay Connected
to MGC on
Social Media



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Prayer List

Joey Napier, John Meehan, Roy Varghese, Brian Campbell, Matt Tuttle, Willie Gomez, Joe Fehribach, Louise Ayres, Charles McDaniel, Jon Latunik, Deb Night, Harvey Richardson, Delois McIntosh, Karen Davis, Zachary Hollan, Bob Rogers, Deedee Wells, Sherrian Noble, Stephanie Welch, David Napier, Martha Huggins, Willie Wagers, Christina Askew, Charles Brotherton, Willow Brockman, Tina Dawhare Fields, Valarie Maggard Dye, Marleen Combs, Robert Caldwell, Monica Spare, Don Davis, The Rice Family, Renee Messer, Maria Hall, Neal Boggs, Jackson Varela, Cecilia & Lucia Cory, Julie And Jonah Spencer, Jace Combs Mandi Dishner, Brandon Robinson, Michael Whitaker, Thomas Stidham and Abby Turk.

If you know of someone who needs a pastoral visit or is in the hospital and would appreciate a visit contact the parish and let Lori know about the request.

Pope Francis Prayer Intention

Intentions for January

For educators

We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.