

# ST. JULIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

118 East Chester Avenue  
Middlesboro, KY 40965

#### Mass Schedule

##### Daily Mass:

6:00 pm Rosary Tuesdays

6:30 pm Tuesday Mass

8 am Wed., Thurs., & Friday

##### Weekend Mass

5:15 pm Confessions Saturdays

5:30 pm Rosary Saturday

6:00 pm Saturday

11:00 am Sunday

##### Holy Days

Please check schedule for time

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## MISSION CHURCH: ST. ANTHONY CATHOLIC CHURCH

314 Virginia Avenue  
Pineville, KY 40977

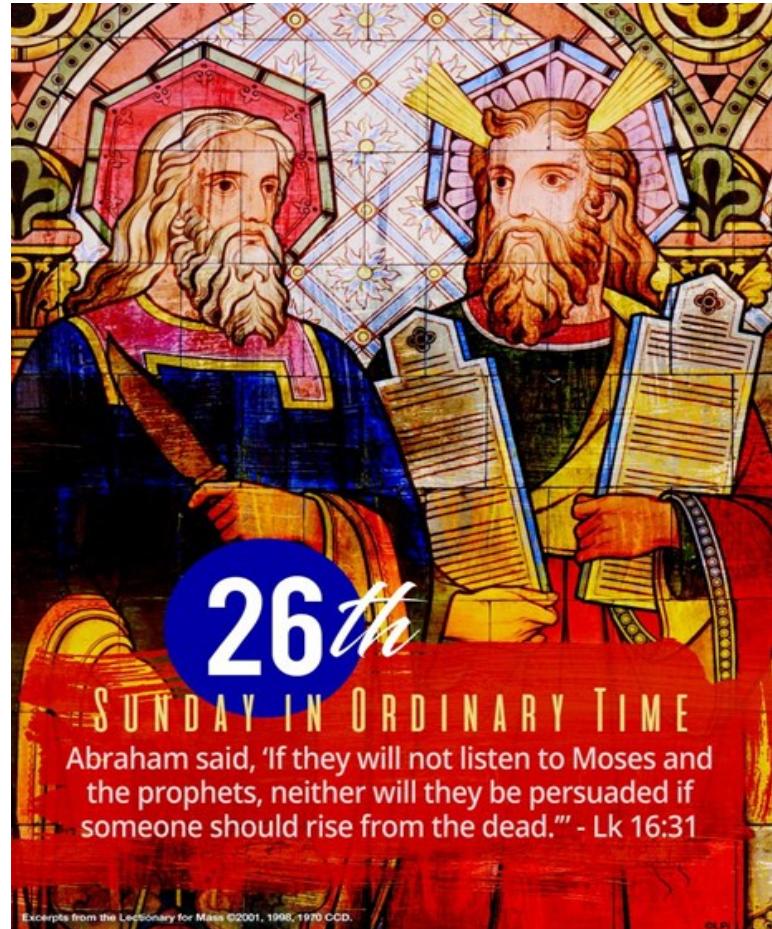
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##### Weekend Mass

9:00 a.m. Sunday

##### Holy Days

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**26th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 27 & 28, 2025**

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Facebook: [SaintJulianCatholicChurch](https://www.facebook.com/SaintJulianCatholicChurch) / Diocesan Website: [www.cdlex.org](http://www.cdlex.org)

**PARISH AND MISSION OFFICE:**  
Phone 606-248-2068/Fax 606-248-2207

Office Hours: Monday - Friday  
9:00 am until 4:00 pm

Pastor: Fr. Yohanes Akoit, M.SS.CC.  
(609-569-6192) Email: [yakoit@cdlex.org](mailto:yakoit@cdlex.org)  
Church Business Manager: Elizabeth Evans  
Music Ministry Saturday: Ginny Fraley &  
Lucia Tickle

Sunday: Linda Chadwell,  
Caroline de Albuquerque & Natalie  
Romano

#### PARISH REGISTRATION:

If you have just moved into our community,  
changed your address, or are moving, please  
call the parish office to register or with  
changes.

#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

The Church requires one preparation class.  
These classes are set by appointment with  
the Pastor.

#### SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:

The Diocese of Lexington requires couples to  
give a minimum of 6 months notice, and to  
participate in a marriage preparation course,  
before setting a date for marriage. Please  
contact the parish office for more info.

#### OCIA:

This program sees to the needs of adults who  
wish to become Catholic or wish to learn  
more about the Catholic faith. Please contact  
the parish office for details. Sessions are on  
Thursdays at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall.

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

Classes begin the Sunday after Labor Day and  
end the last Sunday of May.  
Grades K-6: Sunday 9:45 am - 10:45 am

#### 9-HOUR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

1st Friday of each month 9:00 am - 6:00 pm

#### 1-Hour Eucharistic Adoration

Weekly Eucharistic Adoration—Wednesdays  
at St. Julian 5:30- 6:30 pm

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

(Meets 2nd Saturday of each month) Contact  
Dan Bingham 606.309.2747

(Hosts of End of Month Rosary at all Masses)

#### ST. JULIAN PARISH COUNCIL:

(Normally meets the third Tuesday of each  
month)

Chairperson: Ben Barnett

Vice Chairperson: Jim Gregg

Secretary: Rita VanBebber

Members: Anna Voges, Anthony Hensley, Gabriel  
Crumley

#### ST. JULIAN FINANCE COUNCIL:

Meets quarterly President: Barry Tanner  
Members: Linda Chadwell, Eddie Hensley,  
Barbara Arch

#### ST. ANTHONY PARISH/FINANCE:

Chairperson: Martha Combs-Woolum  
Finance Chairperson: John M. Combs  
Secretary: Jeanne Kelemen  
Members: Tom Kelemen, Kerry Woolum, James  
Arno

**ST JULIAN & ST ANTHONY DAILY READINGS  
AND MASS INTENTION**

**Sat Vigil, Sept 27—St Vincent de Paul, Priest**  
**6:00 pm—Gwen Latiff †**  
 Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Lk 9:43b-45

**Sun, Sept 28—Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**9:00 am—St Anthony—For the Parish**  
**11:00 am—St Julian—Bridget Henley †**  
 Am 6:1a, 4-7/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31

**Mon, Sept 29 – Saints Michael, Gabriel & Raphael,  
Archangels**  
**NO DAILY MASS—Day of Prayer**  
 Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Jn 1:47-51

**Tues, Sept 30—St Jerome, Priest &  
Doctor of the Church**  
**6:30 pm—Bob Steely †**  
 Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Lk 8:19-21

**Wed, Oct 1—St Thérèse of the Child of Jesus,  
Virgin and Doctor of the Church**  
**8:00 am—Arlene Lorenzo †**  
**5:00 pm Prayer Group**  
**5:30-6:30 pm Adoration**  
 Neh 2:1-8/Lk 9:57-62

**Thurs, Oct 2—The Holy Guardian Angels**  
**8:00 am—Deceased Members of Bisceglia Family †**  
 Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Mt 18:1-5, 10

**Fri, Oct 3 — Weekday—First Friday**  
**8:00 am—Freddie Williamson †**  
 Bar 1:15-22/Lk 10:13-16

**Sat Vigil, Oct 4—St Francis of Assisi—First Saturday**  
**8:00 am—Richard & Georgianna Tamer †**  
**6:00 pm—George & Sophie Mika †**

**Sun, Oct 5—27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**9:00 am—St Anthony—J E & Carlin Carpenter**  
**11:00 am—St Julian—For the Parish**  
 Hb 1:2-3, 2:2-4/2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/Lk 17:5-10

**Birthdays & Anniversaries**



**St. Julian Birthdays:**

Glenda Higdon 9/30, Charito Downs 10/1, Bobbie Bisceglia 10/2, James Onkst 10/02, Lydia Wright 10/02

**St. Anthony Birthdays:**

George Hoe 9/28, Kelsey Lowe 10/5

**St Julian Anniversaries:**

Roger & Luann Hembree 9/29, Darrel & Helen Coleman 9/29.

**St. Anthony Anniversaries:**

**Bulletins Online**

If you wish to view our bulletin online, please visit Catholic Directory.com and fill in the zip code 40965 for St. Julian to open. St. Anthony, please use zip code 40977.

**Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Sat Vigil, Sept 27—6:00 pm**

Greeter: Pete Turnblazer  
 Altar Servers: Bernie Bisceglia, Ben Barnett  
 Lector #1: Lynda Miller  
 Lector #2: Anna Voges  
 Offertory: Volunteers  
 EMHC: Lisa Moyers—C, Rita VanBebber-C

**Sun, Sept 28—11:00 am**

Greeter: Julie Do  
 Altar Servers: Anthony Hensley, Jim Fortner  
 Lector #1: Cecile Cadle  
 Lector #2: Eddie Hensley  
 Offertory: Volunteers  
 EMHC: Barry Tanner—H, Marty Brown—C  
 Tom Coker—C, Eddie Hensley—Choir

**Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Sat Vigil, Oct 4—6:00 pm**

Greeter: Barb Arch  
 Altar Servers: Bucky Harris, Noah Harris  
 Lector #1: Rita VanBebber  
 Lector #2: Bernie Bisceglia  
 Offertory: Volunteers  
 EMHC: Lisa Moyers—C, Anna Voges—C

**Sun, Oct 5—11:00 am**

Greeter: Julie Do  
 Altar Servers: Eddie Hensley, Barry Tanner  
 Lector #1: Terry Tanner  
 Lector #2: Carolyn O'Boyle  
 Offertory: Volunteers  
 EMHC: Marty Brown-H, Monica Poore —C  
 Carolyn O'Boyle-C, Anthony Hensley-Choir

**Everyone scheduled is very important to the smooth running of each Mass.**

Please contact the parish office, 606-248-2068, or Lynda Miller 317-997-9655, if you cannot serve at your scheduled time and

**First Friday Adoration**

First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is Oct 3, 2025, 9:00 am to 6:00 pm. A sign up sheet is available in the entrance of the church. The sign up sheet is to ensure someone is present with our Lord at all times. All are welcome to come for 5 minutes or an hour to spend quiet time with the Lord any time during the day.



*“Thou hast made us for thyself, O Lord, and our heart is restless until it finds its rest in Thee.”*

—St. Augustine

## Words from Fr. Yohanes

### The Influence of Images and the Disappearance of Moral Action

Human history has always been shaped by the way we see the world. Take transportation, for example. In the beginning, we used to walk or rely on animals such as horses. The tiring experience of long journeys made us view transportation as something that needed improvement. From this came cars and other modes of transportation. This applies to every area of our lives. In that sense, we shaped the world according to our image.

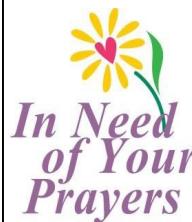
But today, it is no longer we who shape our environment by our image. On the contrary, images gaze back at us, shaping our thoughts, desires, and entire lives. We are living in an era often called visual culture. We are surrounded by endless floods of images, symbols, photos, and videos. From the moment we wake up, open our eyes, and see the world, until the moment we close our eyes, our gaze is constantly fed by a stream of visuals. Responding to this atmosphere -this endless flood of images, we simply say, "It is what it is." Unknowingly, we fail to recognize that images are never neutral. Every visual carries a message, an ideology, a trademark, and a social identity. It molds and shapes our way of life. The more we consume images, the more they shape our behavior and redefine our needs. Over time, we begin to lose our independence. Our choices are no longer truly ours. Instead, we become slaves to capitalism, driven by desires that were never ours to begin with.

We can easily recognize the social status of a person by looking at the products they consume. So, consumption is not just an act of satisfying human needs; it becomes a way to introduce a person's social status to their neighbors. Based on that, we build our standards of living, ethics, and culture. Upon these standards, we measure our success in life. But our inner strength is weak. We are easily influenced by advertisements and their algorithms. Because of this overwhelming influence, our minds and consciences are injected with dreams and desires for certain products. Something that was once unconsidered and unnecessary is now desired and needed. Yes, we are shaped by images. And as we drown in the flood of visual culture, we lose our virtue of action. This happens because visual culture replaces the virtue of action. It's as if we fall back into a childhood stage - the early phase of learning reality, where seeing comes before words. A child observes and recognizes before they can speak. Visual culture traps us in that moment, keeping us in a state of passive observation. No action follows.

This tendency was already recognized by Jesus in His time, as shown in the parable of the rich man and Lazarus (Luke 16:19–31). The rich man was absorbed in his personal comfort and moral isolation. His failure to act was not due to ignorance or lack of opportunity, but a deliberate choice to remain passive. His indifference was not accidental. It was the result of habits shaped by self-centered living. Even though he saw Lazarus suffering daily, that sight alone did not move him. He had become numb to the needs of others, or no action follows.

Considering all this, we learn that images are never neutral. They always carry an ideology. If we fail to recognize this, then we will be shaped according to its mechanism. We will have a fake identity. So let us not be passive. The Gospel calls us to have critical thinking, respond with compassion and avoid indifference. Like Jesus taught, seeing must lead to action - faith must shape how we live. And in this flood of visual culture, we must also learn to discern between true needs and mere wants. Only then can we live with integrity and resist being shaped by illusion.

### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK



**Please offer your prayers for our family & friends:** Jeremy Ellis, Melissa Ellis, Donna McManaway, Georgia Quillen, Kay Garland, Kari Burchfield, Juliana, Joyce Boatright, Jerry Shoffner, Eulon Barnett, Nancy Weist, Allie Browning, Don Russell, Judy Hale Everett, Patty Oliverio, Emily

Niespodziany, Emma Gray, Hunter Hoskins, LuAnn Hembree, Leslie Onkst, Cathy Combs, Lonnie Wilder, Gina Burchfield, Dana Petrocelli, Haley Lawson, Bobbie Bisceglia, Jimmy Young, Barb Young, Emily Rose May, Doris Mays, Jeff Campbell Family, Lawson Family, Jordan Morris, Tim Mathis, Varina Kowalik, Margaret Steele, Ricky Baker, Bryan Hunley, Rob Arch, Emily Bingham, Jerry Kollenkark, Perry Oviedo, Ellie Lintelman-Nader, Nancy Hobbs, Pat Sellers, Danial Dubin, Joy Goins, Jeff Allen, Ernest Baker, Dustin Middleton, Julie Binnineger, Cory Bickford, Helen Schmidt, Ann Iovine, Emma Runles, Sam Palumbo, Rosemary Combs, Patsy Sowders, Raymond J. Kowalik, Jr., Paul Harrison, Kenny Davis, Carolyn Bonitati, Sean Cruess, Violet Reese Kenney, Billy Napier, Bakhshy Family, Ron Obenshain, Joseph L. Kennedy IV, J.L. Woods Kennedy, Mercy, Duke Blair, Jimmy Gulley & Family, Katherine Wise & Family, Ruben Messamore & Family, Charlie Goodman, Lyndsey Howard

**If we need to add or remove names from this list, please contact the parish office 606-248-2068.**

### Parish Prayer Group

The Parish Prayer Group will meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 5:00 pm prior to Adoration. We will pray for the intentions of the parish, the church and the world, as well as personal intentions brought before the group.



All are welcome to join us next month on **Oct 1st and Oct 15th** for the prayer group. If you have a prayer request, please contact Maureen Cruess 559-920-6731.

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### Quote of the Week

*"Grant me, O Lord my God, a mind to know you, a heart to seek you, wisdom to find you, conduct pleasing to you, faithful perseverance in waiting for you, and a hope of finally embracing you."*

*St Thomas Aquinas*

**ST. JULIAN WEEKLY OFFERING**

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| Sept 21: Parish Support:             | \$ 3,253.59  |
| Total FY to date:                    | \$ 41,526.28 |
| Other: Devotional Candles            | \$ 33.00     |
| Soup Kitchen                         | \$ 70.00     |
| Formation of Ordained & Lay Ministry | \$ 370.00    |
| The Cross Roads                      | \$ 55.00     |
| Repair & Maintenance                 | \$ 25.00     |

**ST. ANTHONY WEEKLY OFFERING**

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| Sept 21: Parish Support              | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Total FY to date:                    | \$ 7,319.00 |
| Other: The Cross Roads               | \$ 15.00    |
| Formation of Ordained & Lay Ministry | \$ 153.00   |

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**Date Pad**

Wed, Oct 1 - 5:00 pm Prayer Group  
5:30—6:30 pm Adoration  
Fri, Oct 3—9:00 am –6:00 pm First Friday Adoration  
Sat, Oct 4—8:00 am First Saturday Mass  
Sat, Oct 18—5:00-pm Annual Diocesan Wedding  
Anniversary Mass and Reception at Cathedral  
Sun, Oct 19—11:00 am Installation Mass with Bishop John

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**Upcoming Second Collections**

Sept 28—Repairs and Maintenance  
Oct 5—CCM (Cooperative Christian Ministry)

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**Interested in Learning about Catholics?**

Interested in learning more about the Catholic Church?  
**Join us each Thursday evening, 6:00 –7:30 pm in the St Julian Parish Hall—or—each Sunday, after 9:00 am Mass in the St Anthony Parish Hall.** If you know someone who is interested, bring them with you. We cover the upcoming Sunday readings, discuss what Catholics believe, ponder many questions and share our faith. We follow the guidelines of the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA).

If you have questions, please contact:

- Eddie Hensley 606-671-0703 (St. Julian)
- Karen Arno 606-515-7146 (St Anthony).
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**CCD Classes on Sunday**

CCD and Faith Formation classes for ages 5-12 are each Sunday morning in parish hall.

St Anthony—after 9:00 am Mass  
St. Julian—9:45 to 10:45 am

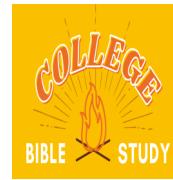
These classes support our parents teaching their children our faith—plan for them to attend CCD. classes!

**College Column****College Student Events****Students Please Register!!**

We welcome all students who come to worship with us. If you are new to our parish, we ask you to complete a student registration sheet available in the entrance of the church. Please complete the registration and return in the collection basket on Sunday or email to [eevans@cdlex.org](mailto:eevans@cdlex.org) or bring to church office.

This allows us to send you information on student activities, bulletins for upcoming Sundays and other info. If you have already registered and your information has not changed, there is no need to register again.

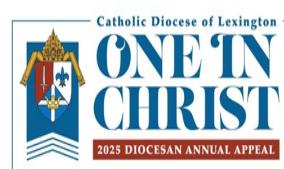
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**FIAT Bible Study**

FIAT (Faith in Action Today) Bible Study is held each Tuesday at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Plan to come join us as we gather to discuss the readings for the upcoming Sunday. Food and drinks are provided.

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We welcome the students coming to worship with us. Students are welcome to join the choir, help with Soup Kitchen, become altar servers, greeters, lectors and eucharistic ministers while you are part of our parish family. If you wish to pursue these ministries, please contact the Liz at the parish office 606.248.2068 or Lynda Miller 317.997.9655..

**2025 Diocesan Annual Appeal**

Last weekend was “commitment weekend” for the Diocesan Annual Appeal (DAA).

We hope a Commitment Card will be completed for every household. The card can be complete with or without a pledge amount. Each household can make a pledge of funds or prayers or both. We realize all families may not be able to make a monetary pledge, but please complete your card showing prayerful support of the Diocesan Annual Appeal. This also includes all our students who worship with us!

**St Anthony goal:** \$5,125.00  
Pledges 3 of 26 families

**St Julian goal:** \$18,962.50  
Pledges 10 of 102 families

You can support DAA by mailing your card, putting card in the collection basket, bringing to the church office, or giving online at [www.cdlex.org/donate](http://www.cdlex.org/donate).