

CHRONOLOGY

- July, 1945** Parish boundaries were approved by the Bishop of Covington; The Most Reverend William T. Mulloy. Father George O'Bryan, Chaplain of St. Joseph Hospital, Lexington, was named pastor. The First Mass was celebrated at St. Catherine Academy's Auditorium on North Limestone Street.
- August, 1945** Ill health forced the resignation of Father O'Bryan. Father Richard Garland O'Neill was appointed administrator and then pastor.
- November 1945** The estate of Henry Clay sold property for the site of the parish to Bishop Mulloy.
- May, 1946** A white frame church was donated by St. Agnes Parish, Ft. Wright, KY. It became the first church.
- 1949** A wing was added to the original church.
- 1950** An elementary school was dedicated and staffed by ten Sisters from the Congregation of Divine Providence
- 1958** Final additions were added to the original church building. The expansion of the school building and construction of the convent were completed.
- March, 1965** Construction of the church began. It was designed in a contemporary ecclesiastical cruciform design and built of polished Bedford stone.
- May, 1967** The church and rectory were dedicated.
- March, 1988** The diocese of Lexington was established. The Most Reverend J. Kendrick Williams was installed as the first Bishop and served until 2002. Christ the King Church was elevated to the status of Cathedral. Father Lawrence Hehman, pastor since 1986, became the first rector of the Cathedral.
- August, 1992** The Cathedral Center (Hehman Hall) was dedicated.
- December, 1999-2000** The Jubilee Year "Open Wide the Doors to Christ" was celebrated.
- 2000-2001** Rectory was redesigned as an administration center. The facility was dedicated to Monsignor O'Neill. The Convent was demolished and an addition to the school was built. The school and the parish-hall were renovated.
- August, 2002** Reverend Ronald Gainer appointed Bishop of the Diocese of Lexington.
- February, 2003** Bishop Ronald Gainer installed as Bishop of the Diocese of Lexington.
- June, 2004** A temporary Perpetual Adoration Chapel is opened.
- 2011- 2012** Fund Raising and Construction of several modifications to the church:
- Spring 2012 the new baptistery is dedicated
 - In the new baptistery, there is a permanent pool for baptism by immersion for adults and for infants (if requested).
 - The addition of a permanent Adoration Chapel
 - Enhancements to the Sanctuary and New Organ
 - The addition of a new Rectory
 - Modifications to the Recreation area

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MAIN ENTRANCE WINDOW

St. Isaac Jogues, S.J., 1607-1646, first American Martyr
 Father Junipero Serra, OFM, 1713-1784, established California missions
 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. S.C., 1774-1831, founded first American religious community
 St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, 1850-1917, first U.S. citizen to be canonized -1946
 Christ the King with orb and sceptre
 Sister Lucie Demedio, CDP, of the Sisters of Divine Providence
 Mother Catherine Spaulding, SCN, of the Sisters of Charity
 Father Charles Nerinckx, 1761-1824, Belgian missionary to Kentucky
 Father Stephen Theodore Badin, 1768-1853, first priest ordained in the U.S. 1793, celebrated first Mass in the diocese; Apostle of Kentucky.

East Nave

Blessed Michael Pro, S.J., 1891-1927, first Mexican Jesuit Martyr
 St. John Vianney, 1786-1859, patron saint of diocesan priests
 St. Richard de Wyche, 1197-1253, Bishop of Chichester
 St. Catherine of Siena, 1347-1380, virgin and doctor of the church
 St. Patrick, 389-464, Bishop of Ireland

West Nave

St. Dismas, the Good Thief
 St. Therese of Lisieux, 1873-1897, French Carmelite
 Blessed John Martin Moye, 1730-1793, founder of Sisters of Divine Providence
 St. Anthony of Padua, O.F.M., 1195-1231, confessor and doctor of the church
 Blessed Brother Andre Bessette, C.S. C, 1845-1937, Miracle Man of Montreal

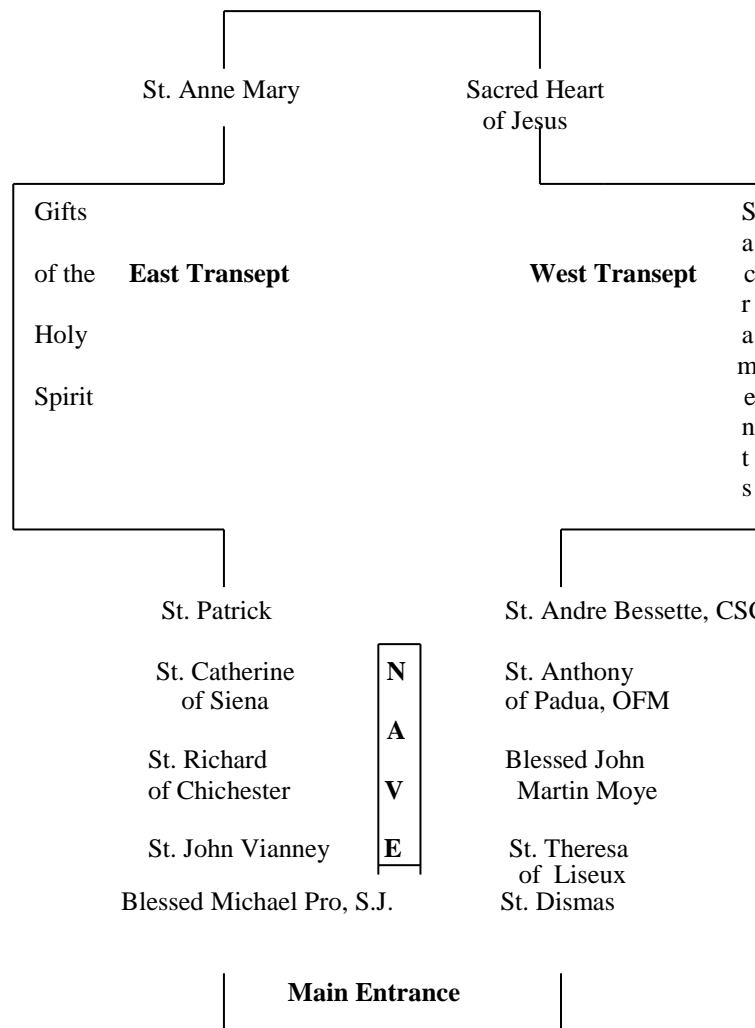
East Transept - Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Reverence
 Wisdom
 Knowledge
 Understanding
 Right Judgment
 Courage
 Wonder and Awe in God's Presence

West Transept - Sacraments

Baptism
 Reconciliation
 Confirmation
 Holy Eucharist
 Anointing of the Sick
 Holy Orders
 Matrimony

CATHEDRAL DIAGRAM



Gabriel Loire, an internationally famous artist whose studio is in Chartres, France, was commissioned to make the windows. The windows are made of faceted stained glass set in concrete. Sister Mary Ernestine Ott, CDP, designed the great window of Christ the King. Gabriel Loire designed the remaining images based upon Msgr. O'Neill's choice of subject.