

# St. Joseph Catholic Church

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Parish information & calendar: <http://www.sjnorris.org>



## Church Contacts

### Pastor:

Fr. Richard Armstrong [rarmstrong@dioknox.org](mailto:rarmstrong@dioknox.org)

Sacramental Emergencies: 865-621-8499

Deacon Dan Hosford 865-603-9682

Secretary: Louann Lawrence [bulletin@sjnorris.org](mailto:bulletin@sjnorris.org)

Office Hours: Tue–Wed–Thurs–8:30-12:30

### Parish Council

Bill Ross– Chairperson (Spiritual Life)

Elizabeth Hamby- Vice Chair (Parish & Family Life)

Lynnette Currie– Secretary (Social Action)

Dennis Curtin- (Administration)

Mike Ferkany (Faith Formation)

Al Lesar (Communication)

### Committee Chairperson

Altar Servers Patti Ferkany - 426-2627

CCW Kathy Morin - 230-1390

Columbarium Eric Rauch - 223-9788

Finance Eric Rauch - 223-9788

Liturgy Margaret Donaldson - 603-1487

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Spiritual Life Beverly Froning - 607-3627

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### Mass Schedule

Sunday 9:00 am

Tues & Thurs 9:00 am

Liturgy of Hours 8:45 am Tues & Thurs

Adoration 6-7 pm Thurs

### Mass Intentions

March 3rd : Beatrice Edrington

March 5th : Virginia (Jean) Stanton Mother of Barbara Ross

### Sacraments

**Baptism** - By appointment at least 8 weeks prior.

Contact Karen Meiring at 406-9973

**Reconciliation**-1st Thurs, 6-7 pm; before Mass Sundays, and by appointment

**Marriage** - 6 month preparation period as required by the diocese. See Fr. Armstrong

March 8, 2020



For the second Sunday of Lent, we move from Jesus' retreat to the desert to his Transfiguration. Each year on the first Sunday of Lent, our Gospel tells the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert. On the second Sunday of Lent each year, we hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration.

The story of Jesus' Transfiguration is told in the three Synoptic Gospels: Matthew, Mark, and Luke. In each of those Gospels, the Transfiguration follows Jesus' first prediction of his death and his teaching about the costs of discipleship. Jesus' Transfiguration is a promise of Jesus' glory, his Resurrection.

On a mountain in today's reading, a voice affirms that Jesus is God's Son in words reminiscent of the voice at Jesus' baptism. In addition, the appearance of Moses and Elijah on the mountain connects this story with God's relationship to the people of Israel. Moses and Elijah represent the Law and the Prophets, respectively. Together with Jesus, they represent God's complete Word.

The Transfiguration occurs in the presence of just three of Jesus' disciples: Peter, James, and John. In Matthew's Gospel, those disciples are among the first whom Jesus calls. The three men are identified as an "inner circle" among Jesus' disciples when Jesus asks them to accompany him to the Garden of Gethsemane just before his arrest.





We are called Join our faith community—and more than 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a life-changing Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl. During the 40 days of Lent, we should reflect on the challenge of global hunger and how it affects our human family.

**Attention All Women of Faith:** Enjoy three special days with Catholic women. The Knoxville Diocesan Council of Catholic Women is holding their 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Convention at St. Patrick Church and Best Western Plus Morristown Convention Center in Morristown on April 23-25. Take "action" now by downloading your registration form at <http://www.kdcccw.org>. Mail the completed form by March 25 to get the Early Bird rate. Contact Susan Collins, 423-470-2560, [scollins51@hotmail.com](mailto:scollins51@hotmail.com); or Kathy DeAngelis, 423-277-6296 [krdeangelis@yahoo.com](mailto:krdeangelis@yahoo.com) for info about hotel arrangements and convention

Bishop Stika has been closely monitoring the developments related to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) and he is re-instituting the following restrictions:

1. Pastors - Suspend the distribution of the Precious Blood, knowing that one receives the fullness of the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus Christ in the Consecrated Host.
2. Pastors – Suspend offering a physical sign of peace, such as a handshake or a hug, inviting parishioners instead to bow one's head as they offer peace to those around them. Holding hands during the Lord's Prayer will remain at the discretion of each family - but all should be mindful that some parishioners may be uncomfortable with physical contact during the Lord's Prayer.

The aforementioned restrictions go into effect immediately and will remain in effect until such time that Bishop Stika deems appropriate. Also, remember:

1. avoid close contact with people who are sick;
2. avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth;
3. stay home when you are sick;
4. cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash;
5. clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe;

and wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or, if soap is not available, clean hands with an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.

**6. It is important to remember, if you are sick, you are not obligated to attend Mass, school or church activities.**

## St Joseph Small Faith Community Scripture Studies

2nd & 4th Sunday After Mass Catholicism the Pivotal Players For questions, Sally Jackson 494-7340

Thursday Morning For questions, Bob Kapolka 865-414-6343

1st and 3rd Wednesday Evenings 6:30 pm, *First Corinthians* Contact Judy Curtin 494-0372 or [dtcurtin05@comcast.net](mailto:dtcurtin05@comcast.net) starts

2nd and 4th Thursday of the month *Catholicism the Pivotal Players* 7:00 pm, Contact Beverly Froning 865-607-3627.

**If any parishioner is interested in joining an ongoing Scripture Study, please contact the group facilitator for details.**

## St. Joseph Ministries

March 15, 2020

<b>Readers</b>	<b>Margaret Donaldson, Sally Jackson, Deacon Dan</b>
<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Bill Donaldson, John Froning</b>
<b>Servers</b>	<b>Landon Rainey Donovan Rainey, Shea Rainey</b>
<b>EMHC</b>	<b>Addie Lackovic, Karen Thompson, Dennis Miller, Mike McGee, Deacon Dan</b>
<b>Rosary</b>	<b>Karen Meiring</b>



### Birthdays

Father Richard Armstrong



### Anniversaries



### Please pray for our parishioners

Donald Stringfellow, Mary Hicks, Angelo Miceli, Penny Hosford, Denise Dziura, Bill Jolly, Mark Grim, Mary Stolte, Joe Sprouls, Mary Jane Minch, Dave Marantette, Bobby Thompson, Ron Johnson, for all that have received Prayer Shawls-Comfort Blankets and those in our Book of Petitions



**The Lenten Penance Service will be held on March 11th at 7pm at St Joseph.**

### **~ STEWARDSHIP ~**

Last Week (3/1/20)	\$1,878.00
Last Year (3/2/19)	\$3,229.15
Total for January	\$12,515.72
Monthly Fiscal Year Budget	\$10,844.58

### **Mission Statement**

St. Joseph Catholic Community strives to strengthen the Kingdom of God thru our worship, service to others, spiritual growth and evangelization. We are a family-oriented, welcoming community, with Christ as our focus. We participate with and support the greater community in works that encourage strong families and community development. Our growing family includes all age groups, caring for each other's needs.



Every Friday during Lent at 6pm, St Joseph will have a Soup Supper followed by Stations of the Cross at 7pm. The Stations on March 13th will be conducted by the CCD.

Thank you to everyone that helped celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the CCW. Thanks to your generosity \$200 was collected for the Vocation Purse Project.



We will celebrate our patron, **St Joseph** with the St Joseph Table on Sunday, March 15 immediately after Mass. St Joseph Table is sponsored by CCW. Please plan to bring breads, casseroles, and/or soups for the table. Also, grocery staples may be brought. After the blessing of the foods, you are invited to take home the food and leave a donation for it. All donations and the grocery staples go to Crazy Quilt Food Pantry in Newcomb, TN. Call Allison Rainey 865-556-8022

Bishop Stika requests that a "Second Collection" be taken again next weekend to support those impacted by the Middle-Tennessee tornados. All funds collected will be sent to the Diocese of Nashville (Catholic Charities).

### Save the Date

On April 1st at 6pm **Father Richard** will be presenting an in-depth view on **Jesus the Bridegroom**. You do not want to miss this.

*Jesus is the bridegroom, and His disciples are the wedding guests. John the Baptist presented himself as the "friend who attends the bridegroom," which is the person we would today call the "best man" (John 3:29).*

**DEATH IN THE FAMILY:** If you would like St. Joseph to share in your grief in the event of a family member's death, please officially notify the parish office. A Mass will be offered for the deceased at a date convenient to the family.



The next Prayer Shawl/Comfort Blanket gathering will be on March 28th at 10am. All are welcome. The Ministry offers Prayer Squares. Prayer Shawls and Comfort Blankets for babies, youth and adults. Items are available for all those wanting to experience the Lord's healing, love, peace, comfort and guidance.



The next Senior Moments gathering will be on 3/19/20 at Austin's on Merchants Drive in Knoxville at 11:30am. To make reservation or for questions please contact Charley McDonald at 457-3818

### Spiritual Life Inspiration

The Second Sunday of Lent

**"Examination of Conscience is a Partnership..."**

"Let us really learn the lesson of holiness from Jesus, whose heart was meek and humble. The first lesson from this heart is our examination of conscience, and the rest -- love and service -- follow at once. Examination is a partnership between us and Jesus. We should lift our hearts to God and let His light enlighten us and let Him have His way with us." Heart of Joy, St. Teresa of Calcutta

**Mass Intentions** - For Mass intentions, contact Sally Jackson or Louann Lawrence in the office. 865-494-7746

**Parishioner Registration** - New to the Parish? Welcome! Please register. Ask an usher for a registration form.

**Eucharistic Ministry Visits** - contact Lynnette Currie - 865-494-2260 or the office to schedule eucharistic visits to home or hospital.

**Sacristan (Altar Care)** - Thanks **Addie Lackovic** for serving as Sacristan during Feb. **Addie Lackovic** will serve during Feb. Contact Margaret Donaldson 603-1487 to help with altar care.

**Second Collections** March 22nd; **Catholic Relief Services**

### HOW TO CONTACT US

**St. Joseph Website** You can read each week's bulletin online, <http://www.sjnorris.org>

**Calendar Events** please fill out the form that is on the Parish Office door. You can slip it under the door of the Parish Office.

**Bulletin Announcements:** Complete form on office door or email [bulletin@sjnorris.org](mailto:bulletin@sjnorris.org) by Wednesday at 12:00 pm

You can view an updated calendar by going to [sjnorris.org](http://sjnorris.org) and clicking on Calendar. If you are on Facebook, check out the St Joseph page.



### On the lighter side

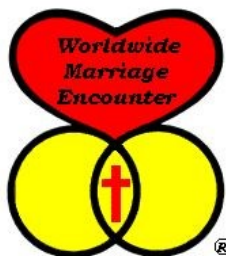




# Diocese and Community Happenings

## Catholic Charities' Events and Advocacy Committee

Are you someone who likes to help with events? Are you passionate about making a difference in our community? If you answered "Yes" to one (or both) of these questions, then Catholic Charities of East Tennessee needs you! CCETN is looking to grow our Events and Advocacy Committee (EAC). For details, please contact Jessica Allen at ([jmallen@ccetn.org](mailto:jmallen@ccetn.org)) or (865) 963-4727. Thank you for being so giving of your time and talents for our neighbors in need!



**Married Couples:** God is going to shower us with the gift of super-gratuitous abundant love with the birth of His Son. Shower your spouse with the same abundant love by putting a Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience on your calendar. The next dates are April 17-19.

You can get more information or apply online at [GATN-wwme.org](http://GATN-wwme.org) or by calling **678-242-WWME**.

**The Diocese of Knoxville**  
invites you on a pilgrimage to the

## EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS AND HIGHLIGHTS OF CENTRAL EUROPE

with His Eminence  
**Cardinal Justin Rigali**

**September 17-27,  
2020**






## See Spiritual Life Bulletin Board for more info.

**Avila, Spain**

**PILGRIMAGE to SPAIN** **June 1-9 2020**  
In the footsteps of St. Teresa of Avila

**Barcelona**

**Toledo**



Sister Anna Marie McGuan, RSM  
Director of Christian Formation

The Diocese of Knoxville

**Make your reservation**

To reserve, fill-out the reverse-side form and send it to us.  
A \$450 / person deposit is required to make your reservation.

**Canterbury Pilgrimages**

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**Book Corner in the Norris Area Food Pantry.** Ways you can help: donate items on the list; donate other books which may be used for credit at McKay's Used Bookstore; pick up books and donate from yard sales or the dollar store; donate McKay's Used Bookstore credit by dropping it off in the church office designating it for the Book Corner; donate directly to the Book Corner. Checks to Norris UMC Pastor's Discretionary Fund for Book Corner.

Suggested books and magazines are listed on the **COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD IN THE SOCIAL HALL**.

Thank you for supporting the Book Corner and keep those books coming!