



St. Joseph Catholic Church



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Church Contacts

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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)

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Altar Servers Patti Ferkany - 426-2627

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Mass Schedule

Sunday 9:00 am

Tues & Thurs 9:00 am

Adoration

Mass Intentions

January 19th Mary Jane Minch

January 21st Bobby Thompson

Sacraments

Baptism - By appointment at least 8 weeks prior.

Contact Karen Meiring at 406-9973

Reconciliation—Before Mass Sundays, and by appointment

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

January 17, 2021



Although the liturgical season of Ordinary Time begins this week, today's reading continues with the celebration of the Baptism of the Lord, which concludes the Christmas season. Today's reading from the Gospel according to John immediately follows John the Baptist's testimony about Jesus and his identification of Jesus as the Lamb of God. Having been baptized by John, Jesus begins to gather followers. The first followers sought out Jesus because of the testimony and witness of John the Baptist.

We are familiar with the title that John the Baptist uses for Jesus—the Lamb of God. We hear it weekly at the fraction rite during Mass. For those who heard John the Baptist, however, this title recalled key themes from the Old Testament. It alludes to the paschal lamb offered as a sacrifice when God freed the Israelites from slavery in Egypt, the event that is commemorated by the Jewish Passover celebration. The designation also recalls the prophet Isaiah's description of the suffering servant of Israel. In using this name for Jesus, John the Baptist predicts Jesus' passion and death and the new interpretation of Passover that will begin with Jesus' Last Supper.

We learn in today's reading how Jesus' first followers were gathered. The first two, Andrew and another man, were followers of John the Baptist. After hearing John's testimony, they became followers of Jesus. During their time with Jesus, the details of which are not specified, Andrew and the other follower came to believe that Jesus was the Messiah. Andrew then brings his brother, Simon, to Jesus. Immediately, Jesus gave Simon a new name, calling him *Peter*, which means "rock" in Greek. The renaming of Simon to Peter is reported in all four of the Gospels.

In the exchange between Andrew, the other disciple, and Jesus, we see an example of the usual pattern for first-century Jewish rabbinical schools. Jews sought out rabbis and established themselves as disciples of a particular rabbi. Jesus appears to have been unique in that he sought out individuals, inviting them to be his followers. In the passage that follows, John's Gospel tells us how Jesus took the initiative in calling Philip and Nathanael.

Jesus asks Andrew and the other disciple, "What are you looking for?" This is a telling question, and one that we might often ask of ourselves. John the Baptist testified to Jesus' identity, the Lamb of God, using the framework of the Old Testament. Andrew, Simon, and the other first disciples were looking for the Messiah, whom they also came to know as the Son of God. What do we look for and what do we find in Jesus?

Please continue to keep Bill Jolly in your prayers. "Bill tested positive for Covid and was moved into isolation room for 10 days.

Bill is at:

West Hills Health and Rehab

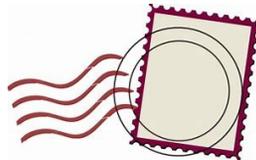
Bill Jolly

6801 Middlebrook Pike

Knoxville 37909



Kroger is committed to help our community grow through there Kroger Community Rewards Program. All you have to do is shop at Kroger and every time you swipe your Kroger card , if St Joseph is listed as your organization, they donate funds to our parish. If you have a Kroger card, sign in and go to the account page, under community rewards add St Joseph Catholic Church.



We are still collecting stamps. If you receive any mail with a stamp, please, cut the stamp off and bring it to us. There is a receptacle on the CCW Bulletin Board for stamps. Thank you in advance

With the weather getting colder and the pandemic still going on why not take this opportunity to check out a great book from the St Joseph library. Lets stay in, stay warm and read.

~ STEWARDSHIP ~

Last Week 01/03/2021	\$2,845.00
Last Year 01/04/2019	\$2,563.00

St Joseph Small Faith Community Scripture Studies

Resume at future date Catholicism the Pivotal Players For questions, Sally Jackson 494-7340

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

2nd and 4th Wednesday 11:00am, Wisdom: God's Vision for Life Contact Charley McDonald at 457-3818

Coming in 2021 Unlocking the Mysteries of the Bible For questions, Bob Kapolka 865-414-6343

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

January 24, 2021

Readers	Debbie Woodiel
Ushers	Johnny Froning, Dennis Curtin, Judy Curtin
Servers	
EMHC	
Rosary	

Birthdays



Allison Rainey	01/17
Jackie Steinkuehler	01/18
Bryan Curchy	01/19
Tim Roddy	01/19
Alexandria Perry	01/23

Anniversaries

Please pray for our parishioners

Mary Stolte, Karen Moss's Father, Bill Jolly, Mary Lou Waruszewski, Angelo Miceli, Penny Hosford, Denise Dziura, for all that have received Prayer Shawls-Comfort Blankets and those in our Book of Petitions

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.



DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER

In the case of inclement weather St Joseph Catholic Church follows the Anderson County School system. If the school system is out then Mass will be canceled that day.

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National Collection for the Church in Latin America. A second collection will be taken on January 24 in support of the pastoral work of the Church in the Caribbean, Mexico, Central America, and South America. Your donation will assist the bishops, priests and religious in countries such as Haiti, El Salvador and Chile in their work of evangelization, the formation of seminarians and religious, catechesis, and youth ministry. Thank you for your generosity in support of the Church in Latin America.

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“All the nations you have made shall come to bow before you, Lord, and give honor to your name. For you are great and do wondrous deeds; and you alone are God” (Psalm 86:9-10).

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 TBA. 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.



Senior Moments gatherings have been canceled until further notice any questions please contact Charley McDonald at 457-3818

Spiritual Life Inspiration

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

“There is such a wide spectrum of issues involving the protection of human life and the promotion of human dignity.” Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children - January 22nd

"Good people frequently disagree on which problems to address, which policies to adopt and how best to apply them. But for citizens and elected officials alike, the basic principle is simple: We must begin with a commitment never to intentionally kill, or collude in the killing, of any innocent human life, no matter how broken, unformed, disabled or desperate that life may seem. In other words, the choice of certain ways of acting is always and radically incompatible with the love of God and the dignity of the human person created in His image." USCCB Living the Gospel of Life

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) - Contact Margaret Donaldson 603-1487 to help with altar care.

Second Collections January 24, 2021- Church in Latin America

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 by Wednesday at 12:00 pm

You can view an updated calendar by going to sjnorris.org and clicking on Calendar. If you are on Facebook, check out the St Joseph page.



St Joseph’s Corner



Diocese and Community Happenings



February 19, 2021 - February 21, 2021

Location: Christ Prince of Peace Retreat Center

SEARCH helps Catholic high school juniors and seniors take a fresh look at their own faith journey, reflecting on their place within their families, schools, parishes and community as a disciple of Christ. This is accomplished through activities and experiences that lead participants to a renewed understanding of Christ at work in their lives. SEARCH is facilitated by teens for teens with the guidance of adult SEARCH Coordinators. The main focus of the retreat is three fold: Motivating the youth to seek a personal relationship with Christ. Getting young people involved with their respective parishes. Promoting leadership.



Please join the Tennessee Right to Life for the annual March for Life on Sunday, January 24th at 2 p.m at the 11th Street Garage. There will be no assembly before the March. Please come to the garage (parking is FREE) and stay in your vehicle. At 2:00, tune your radio to WRJZ Joy 62 (AM 620) for an opening prayer and instructions on when to exit your vehicle and how to proceed to the march, which will pass the abortion facility at 16th and Clinch. The annual march is a prayerful and solemn march to commemorate the thousands of lives lost and mothers wounded by abortion. For more information, please call the office at 689.1339 or visit the website prolifeknox.org.



To help people pray from home, MAGNIFICAT is offering special trial subscriptions at special discount prices to enable the faithful to follow the liturgy with personal copies of either a printed or digital edition of MAGNIFICAT (MAGNIFIKID included). Please share with parishioners, family, and friends the link <https://us.magnificat.net/free>



Saturday, January 30, 2021, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Location: [Chattanooga National Memorial for the Unborn](#)

The Diocese of Knoxville Office of Youth, Young Adult & Pastoral Juvenil Ministry invites the youth and their families to a Pilgrimage for Life on Saturday, Jan. 30 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Join us on the weekend of the March for Life at the Chattanooga National Memorial for the Unborn, learn its history, listen to speakers from Silent No More, be part of a service project, and pray together a Pro-Life Rosary! It will be a powerful experience as we unite together for LIFE!

Cost is \$10 (which includes lunch, hot chocolate, and project supplies). You can pay with cash or check the day of at the door but everyone needs to register beforehand via Eventbrite to save your spot as space is limited to 100 people. In addition to your payment, please bring your mask and dress warmly. You will also need to bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit on.

Register here: <https://>

www.eventbrite.com/e/pilgrimage-for-life-tickets-132313361827

