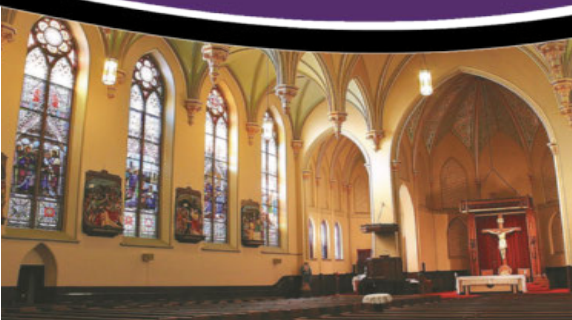




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February 18, 2024 — First Sunday of Lent

MASS SCHEDULE

- 5:30 PM SAT. VIGIL English Mass (spoken)
7:00 AM SUN. Spanish Mass (spoken)
9:00 AM SUN. English Mass (sung)
11:30 AM SUN. Missa Cantata in Latin (sung)
1:30 PM SUN. Spanish Mass (sung)
7 AM WED & FRI English Mass (spoken)
7 AM TUE & THU English Mass (spoken) - during Lent
12 PM MON-FRI English Mass (spoken)

- ♦ Church open 7:30 am-5:30 pm daily
- ♦ Morning Prayer 7:30 am Wed. & Fri.
- ♦ Vespers 5pm Tue/Wed/Thu/Fri
- ♦ Nursery open 8:45am - 12:45pm Sun. (as staff are available)
- ♦ Our sung Masses often include incense.
- ♦ The Missa Cantata is celebrated *ad orientem*, whereby the priest and people together face *liturgical east*, the symbol of the Church awaiting Christ's return in glory.



STAY CONNECTED WITH THE BASILICA



Download our **myParish** app from your phone's app store or text *app* to the number 55321. Access our messages, calendar, online giving, homilies, prayers, readings, guide to Confession, directory of ministry contacts, and more!

Also, "like" us on **Facebook** to see what is happening!

Access the Basilica's **FORMED** Catholic media subscription on our website or at stspeterandpaulbasilica.formed.org.

PASTORAL STAFF AND PARISH CONTACTS

- Rector:** Very Rev. J. David Carter, JCL, JV
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- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** 1st Friday and Lenten Fridays following the noon Mass to 5:30 pm and 9 pm - 7 am
- Baptisms:** Saturdays 10:30 am, contact the parish office
- Confessions:** 30 min. before each Mass except 7 am
- Marriages:** Contact the parish office at least 4 months in advance
- RCIA:** Sun. 10:15-11:15 am Dan Pacitti rcia@stspeterandpaulbasilica.com
- Religious Education:** Sundays 10:15-11:15 am
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PAID PARKING AT ALL SAINTS ACADEMY

We are doing a trial of offering paid parking to the public at All Saints Academy, to see if it is a good use of our property. If you park there to attend Mass or another Basilica event, you will not have to pay during the event. However, **you will need to immediately validate your parking at the Basilica with your smartphone by taking a picture of the QR code displayed at each entrance of our buildings**, and enter your **license plate number** and phone number. Note that on evenings and weekends, you may park in the UTC lot or at the Carnegie building with no validation required. See the Parking Map on our website for details.

CATHOLIC MOTHERHOOD

- **Moms' Lenten Book Study** Tuesdays 8-9pm by Zoom (contact Nikki Pacitti 423-718-2843)
- **Bible in a Year 1st meeting Sat. Feb. 17 2-4pm** at Nancy Fisher's (RSVP for address to JuliAnna Hills 931-581-7527)

Join Our Email and Google Chat!

Visit the **Catholic Motherhood** page on the Basilica website to participate in our meal trains, prayer intentions, and more, and contact basilicamotherhood@gmail.com to be added to the list.

Download the Google Chat app and send your email address to basilicamotherhood@gmail.com

"Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul (TN) - Buy Nothing Group" on Facebook - Parishioners are encouraged to join and post items or services to give away/receive for free providing a convenient channel for practicing charity and solidarity within the Basilica community.
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2513393815633781>

Please welcome Fr. Michael Hendershott, who arrived at the Basilica this week. Fr. Hendershott will be at the Basilica on a temporary assignment as our Parochial Vicar. You can read about Fr. Hendershott on our website under About, Clergy.

The Holy Face of Jesus

In the vestibule we are offering free blessed medals and materials for devotion to the Holy Face of Jesus (feast day Feb. 13).

Visit: www.holyface.com

2024 Chattanooga Deanery Penance Services

Tue., Feb. 27—Sts. Peter & Paul, Chattanooga, 6:30 p.m.
 Wed., Feb. 28—Holy Spirit, Soddy-Daisy, 7 p.m.
 Thur., Feb. 29—St. Stephen, Chattanooga, 6 p.m.; St. Bridget, Dayton, 6:30 p.m.
 Mon., March 4—St. Augustine, Signal Mountain, 7 p.m.
 Tue., March 5—St. Thérèse of Lisieux, Cleveland, 7 p.m.
 Tue.-Wed., March 5-6—Notre Dame High School, Chattanooga
 Tue, March 12—St. Jude, Chattanooga, 7 p.m.
 Mon., March 18—St. Mary, Athens, 7 p.m.
 Wed., March 20—Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Chattanooga, 5:30 p.m.

The Deacon's Table Adult Bible Study

discussing and learning about All Things Catholic
Sundays from 10:15-11:15am in the Dcn. Tom McConnell Room at the back of Varallo Hall. See The Deacon's Table page on our website or contact Brenda at brendahartmcconnell@gmail.com

MARRIED AND ENGAGED MINISTRY—All ages welcome!

Join the "Basilica Married and Engaged Ministry" group on Facebook to keep up with events. For info, email birdkatiec@gmail.com; or amelia.smith4815@gmail.com.

PRO-LIFE MINISTRY

- **ADOPTION Services** now offered by Catholic Charities of East TN! Visit alovingoptionadoption.org for info.
- **Sign the petition to defend the Human Life Protection Act** https://www.tnrtl.org/hlpa_petition (on Basilica Pro-Life page)
- Please join in support of our pro-life efforts by praying the prayers on the Pro-Life Ministry page of our website.

BASILICA PARISH POTLUCKS

Due to the great blessings of more children and more work, the Gajewski family has discerned that they need to step away from hosting the Basilica Party each month. They are very grateful to the many people who have come together since January 2022 to make this party a success.

There is still great need to gather regularly as a parish community, so a planning committee is working together to determine a more sustainable long-term way to host the monthly Basilica Party. If you are interested in helping, please contact Jim Gajewski or Jonah Coronis. 423-424-8616.

Calling Women for the Seven Sisters Apostolate

*The Seven Sisters Apostolate is a call for women to strengthen the Church by ensuring that a Holy Hour is prayed each day of the week for the sole intention of a specific priest or bishop—a "holy wasting" (cf. Mt. 26:10) or lavishing of prayer for his deeper conformity to Christ. **The Holy Hour can be before any Tabernacle for a set day of each week, for one year.***

To find out more, visit sevensistersapostolate.org and contact Melissa Wexler: 706-537-8742 wexwoman@hotmail.com

FATHER RYAN: A HIGHER CALL, the docu-drama, is now available on FORMED! You can watch it on the Basilica's FORMED subscription at stspeterandpaulbasilica.formed.org. DVD's are also available at the Ombrellino gift shop for a minimum \$10 donation to support the Cause of Fr. Patrick Ryan. Medals, mugs, pens, and pencils are also available.

Mount Olivet Catholic Cemetery

*Where will your mortal remains will lie until the day when Christ comes again and our bodies are raised? You are invited to consider purchasing a plot or a niche at **Mount Olivet Catholic Cemetery** alongside generations of Chattanooga Catholics. Visit mountolivet.net and call David Hale at (423) 622-0728 for more information.*

WAYS TO GIVE AND RECEIVE HELP

- **CHATT Foundation** serve meals or get help 423-756-4222.
- **St. Vincent de Paul Society** get help/donate 423-999-6332.
- **Ladies of Charity** call 423-622-3222 to get help/donate.
- **St. Alexius Outreach Ministries** serves seniors in isolation. Give/receive help: 423-755-3446 or stalexiusoutreach.org
- **Chattanooga Food Bank:** visit ChattFoodBank.org.
- **Pregnancy Help Center:** call 423-826-0673 to volunteer.
- **Catholic Charities of East TN** offers "Telehealth" online counseling for mental health at counseling@ccetn.org.
- **Chattanooga Workforce Development** - Employment, training, education, & social services. Submit request at wfdchatt.org or wfd@chattanooga.gov or 770-548-5997.
- **Meals on Wheels and MY Ride for seniors/disabled**—To volunteer, contact Janet Sullivan, 423-424-4286 or jsullivan@sedev.org. To get help, visit setaad.org/www
- **Paid Job Training for People 55+** Call 423-629-2501 x3130 Kimberly Crider; offered by Goodwill Industries.
- **RiseUP Cooperative works to engage and equip teens and young adults**, all over the Chattanooga area, with life & leadership workshops. There are many ways to support RiseUP and the youth they serve - riseupcooperative.org
- **Volunteers in Medicine** - primary care clinic for the needy; apply at vim-chatt.org.

Religious Education Age 3 – Grade 12

Register now on our website.

Sundays 10:15-11:15am during the school year.

(Waiting list for 3, 4, and 5-year-olds)

Class attendance required for 1st Holy Communion (2nd grade) & Confirmation (6th grade), encouraged for all grades.

Contact Florence Porter dre@stpeterandpaulbasilica.com

Confirmation for Adult Catholics

While we have no bishop, pastors have received permission to confirm baptized Catholic adults. See our website under Sacraments, Confirmation, and contact the parish office.

Becoming Catholic (RCIA & Mystagogia)

- If you are interested in **learning more about the Catholic Faith** (whether you're already Catholic or not!) or know someone who is, please contact Dan Pacitti to discuss.
- **Registration is open on our website.** Classes are 10:15-11:15am Sundays. Newcomers are welcome.
- **Mystagogia Classes** meet Wednesdays 7pm in the RE building. Next session will begin May 15.
- **RCIA needs volunteers!** If you are interested in assisting RCIA as a sponsor, presenting topics, or providing prayer/worship aids, please contact Dan Pacitti.

Contact Dan Pacitti: rcia@stpeterandpaulbasilica.com 865-335-3076

Basilica Student Piano Recital

Sun. March 3 4pm in Varallo Parish Hall

Andrea Tierney will host a piano recital featuring students of the Basilica's music program. All are welcome to attend.

Forever Young Catholics (age 40+) Upcoming Events

- **Wed. Feb. 21 6-9pm** — \$10 Beer & Burger Night at Food Works 205 Manufacturers Rd.
- **Sat. Feb. 24** Relics of St. Jean Brebeuf at the Cathedral in Nashville 2:30-8:30pm Central. See <https://brebeuftour24.org/>
- **2nd Wed. Book Club 7-9pm** at the Fishers' - The Gospel of Mark. **4th Wed. Book Club 7-8:30pm** at Dcn. Gaspar's—"The Imitation of Christ"

RSVP for all events to Todd Kyle: foreveryoungSPP@gmail.com
Find out more on stpeterandpaulbasilica.com/forever-young, and join the Forever Young Catholics Facebook Group.

YOUNG ADULTS — Catholic Chatt

If you're a young person looking for community and friendships, Catholic Chatt is a place for young adults ages 18-39 to grow in faith, support each other, and build Catholic community across Chattanooga. We plan faith formation, hikes, game nights, bonfires, and more, and would love for you to join us. Sign up for event alerts at CatholicChatt.com

YOUTH GROUP NEWS**Downtown Youth Ministry w/Fr. Carter (6th-12th graders)**

Wed., Feb. 21 6-8pm at the Basilica (meet in Varallo Hall)

Sts. Peter and Paul 8th-12th graders join St. Jude Youth Group

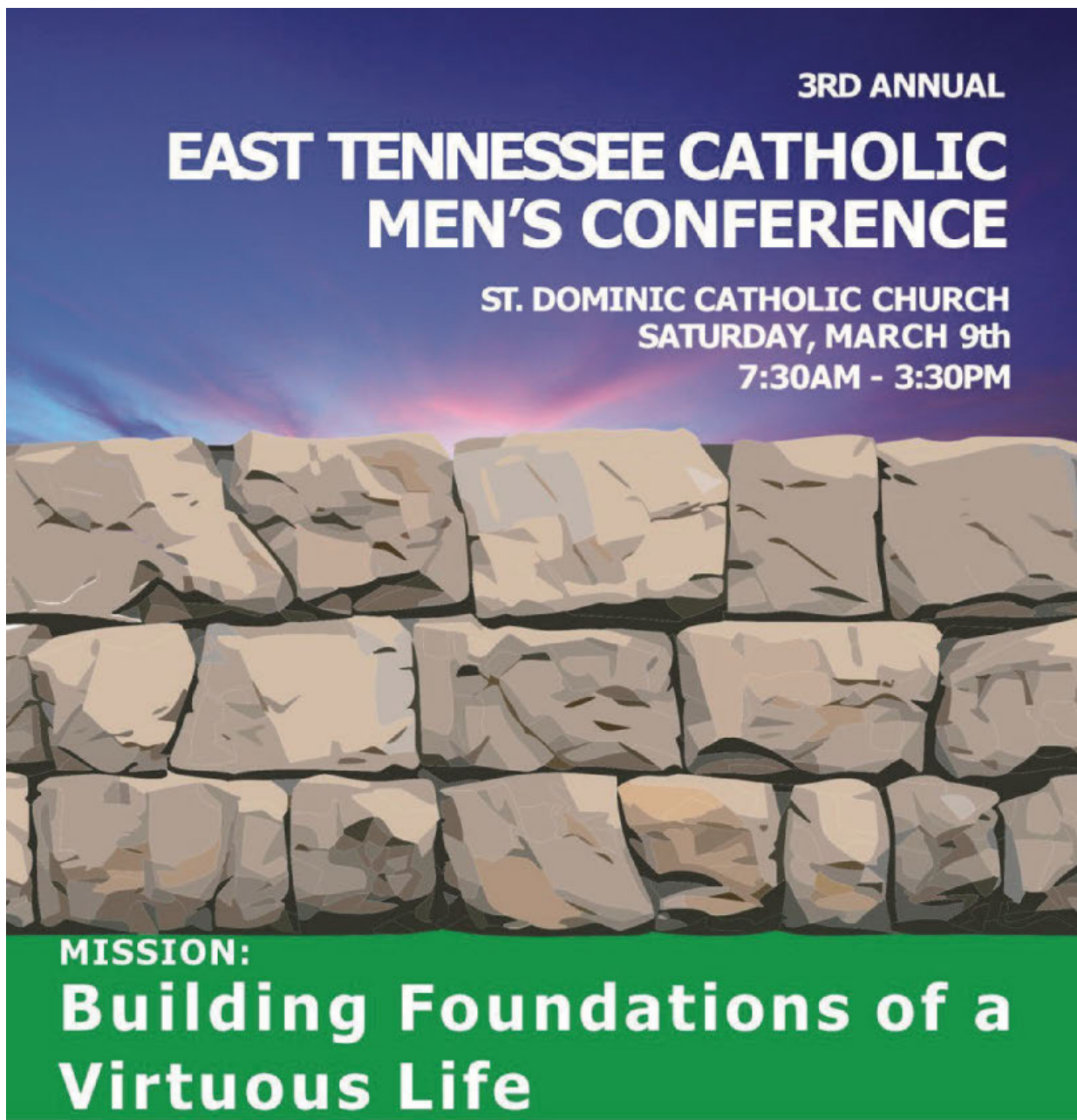
Sundays 6:30 to 8pm at St. Jude

929 Ashland Terrace, Hixson, TN 37415 (back entrance)

Register for Youth Group on our Basilica website to stay informed, and contact admin@stpeterandpaulbasilica.com.

LENT OPPORTUNITIES

- **Adoration** Fridays of Lent 12:30-5:30pm and 9pm-7am—individuals and groups, please sign up in the vestibule
- **Stations of the Cross** Fridays after 5:30pm Benediction
- **Additional 7am Mass** Tuesdays & Thursdays during Lent
- **Fish Fry** Fridays 6:15-8pm at the Knights of Columbus Hall 313 Sylvan St.
- **Penance Service**—Tues. Feb. 27 6:30pm
- **40 Cans for Lent Food Drive** for the Chattanooga Food Bank by Knights of Columbus
- **Moms' Lenten Book Study** Tuesdays 8-9pm by Zoom (contact Nikki Pacitti 423-718-2843)
- **East Tennessee Catholic Men's Conference** Sat., Mar. 9 7:30am-3:30pm at St. Dominic in Kingsport, TN. \$35 (under 18 free). Register at saintdominickpt.org/mens-conference
- **Men's Spiritual Retreat** Sat. Feb. 24 8am-2pm at St. Augustine Catholic Church on Signal Mountain. RSVP parishoffice@staugustinecatholic.org or 423-866-3424
- **"Accompany Me" Women's Retreat** Mar. 15-17 w/Fr. Zachary Griffith and the Dominican Sisters at Bethany Retreat House, 2002 Garner Creek Rd. Dickson, TN. \$260. Space is limited. Register with Denise Eckler 423-322-5218
- **FORMED** has many online Catholic programs for Lent via our parish subscription. Visit <https://watch.formed.org/lent>



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EAST TENNESSEE CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

ST. DOMINIC CATHOLIC CHURCH
SATURDAY, MARCH 9th
7:30AM - 3:30PM

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Scan the QR Code above to reserve a seat for you and your friends, or for more information, visit us online at:

<https://www.saintdominickpt.org/mens-conference>

We look forward to seeing you there!



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