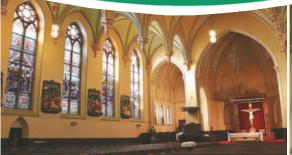


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March 2, 2025 — Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time / Quinquagesima Sunday

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)
12 PM MON-FRI English Mass (spoken)

- ♦ Church open 7:30 am-5:30 pm daily
- ♦ Vespers 5pm Mon-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.



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

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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

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Mass Intentions

5:30pm Healing for Mike Meehan Sat. Mar 1 7:00am People of the Parish Sun. Mar 2 9:00am & A.C. Sebastian 11:30am ♥ Ann Miller 1:30pm Deceased Members of Santa Cruz 12:00pmCommunion Service Mon. Mar 3 Tue. Mar 4 12:00pmSindhu James and Family 7:00am Healing for Jacqueline Mathis Wed. Mar 5 Ash Wednesday 12:00pm Edward Mahon 6:00pm ♥ Norma Sparber 8:00pm Mirelly Acosta Anand 12:00pmFor an increase in vocations Thur. Mar 6 Fri. Mar 7 7:00am Sibi Dominic 12:00pm ₽ Tony Dobbs 5:30pm Santhosh Dominic and Family Sat. Mar 8 Sun. Mar 9 7:00am People of the Parish 9:00am & Saul A. Juliao 11:30am & Alexander Charles Rennie 1:30pm Gustavo Caceras and Family

Readings for the week of March 2, 2025

Sun: Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 (see 2a)/1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45

Mon: Sir 17:20-24/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 10:17-27 Tue: Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23/Mk 10:28-31

Wed: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/2 Cor 5:20-6:2/

Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thur: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25 Fri: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15 Sat: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32

Next Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 (see 5b)/

Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

Communion Service and No Confessions 12pm Monday, March 3 due to priest travel.

Altar Flowers last weekend were donated in honor of Jack Cooper for his 90th Birthday celebrated on Feb. 25.

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Total	700,092.00
YTD Funds Required	638,180.00
Year-to-Date Variance	61,912.00

SECOND COLLECTIONS

Donations may be made on Weshare or sent to the parish office. March 2: Haiti Collection (Ash Wednesday) March 5: Church in Central & Eastern Europe March 9: Black & Indian Missions

Please pray for the sick and suffering of our parish, especially: Virginia Aramian, Trudy Blake Medley, Brian Blatchford, John Carlin, Christina Cone, Jim Cooper, Morgan Cordell, Marion Davis, Judith Day, Geraldine DeBoer, Madeline Eve Doyal, Laura Duford, Jay and Omar Duggan, Lynn Elverd, Ryan Elverd, Rosie Exum, Nancy Fisher, Richard Fleming, Lori Fountain, Matt Givens, Mark Gerry, James Virgil & Johnnie Gomez, Carlos Guerra, John Hilgeman, John Holland, Jr., Jacob Holub, Ann Hunter, Alexis Ippolito, Charles Johnson, Charles Jones, Reginald Kimbell, Jackey King, Ann Lee, Ann & Taylor Lunn, Zoann Manners, Jaqueline Mathis, Jason McCulley, Barbara McKenna, Trinity Mead, Theresa Merritt, William Mitchener, Simon Anthony Moss, Sheila Murfin, Denise Nelligan, Tip & Gayla Oxford, Cardinal Rigali, Melanie Russell, Suzy Sachs, Lauren Serio, Daniel Sharkey, Joseph Shramko, Joshua & Madeline Smith Family, Joan Spears, Jim Stewart, John Anthony Street, Jeff Terrell, Andrea & Brian Tierney, Marie Turner, Frank & Jerry Villegas, James Waters, Maggie Williams & Family, Michelle Wood, Jim & Barbara Wright, Nicole & baby Nalayva Wright

Visit our Pray for Us page to learn of some of their needs.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Safe Haven Certification Required for Basilica Volunteers In order to be allowed to volunteer in any capacity, adults age 18+ must be certified under the Diocese of Knoxville's "Safe Haven" program. Access the online training from the Diocese menu of our parish website.

Children must be accompanied by a PARENT or ADULT guardian at all times while on the Basilica campus. This includes every visit to the restroom, the nursery, the parking lot, the sidewalk, and even walking to class and leaving class.

Livestream Technicians Needed

Help us evangelize by livestreaming our 9am Sunday Mass to the sick and homebound, as well as many who are interested in the Catholic faith. Some technical skill required. Basic training will be provided. Email admin@stspeterandpaulbasilica.com.

Mass Attendance	<u>5:30</u>	<u>7:00</u>	<u>9:00</u>	11:30	1:30 Total	
Feb. 15-16, 2025	152	407	392	341	690 1982	
Feb. 22-23, 2025	142	437	376	273	652 1880	

"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

The Parish has mailed 2024 contribution statements to donors who contributed \$6,000 or more. Bishop's Appeal contributions are not included. The Diocese will mail a separate statement. To receive a statement, regardless of amount, call the parish office at 423-266-1618. Thank you for your generous support.

CATHOLIC MOTHERHOOD

Mothers Fellowship

Tue. March 11, 10am-12pm, in Varallo Hall. Children may attend. Author Sara Beth Meyer will present her book series, *The Gospels for Little Ones*.

Join Our Email and Google Chat!

Visit the **Catholic Motherhood** page on the Basilica website to participate in our meal trains, prayers, and activities, and email basilicamotherhood@gmail.com to be added to the newsletter and/or Google Chat.

Nursery Staff Needed

We are seeking adults age 18+ with experience caring for preschoolers to staff the nursery on a rotation, **Sundays from 8:45am-1pm**. Pay is \$45/Sunday; shift volunteers also welcome. Email admin@stspeterandpaulbasilica.com to inquire.

Babysitters for our Motherhood Group

Our Catholic Motherhood ministry keeps a list of babysitters. Email basilicamotherhood@gmail.com with the subject "Babysitter Directory" to access the list or to sign up, with your name, age, contact info, and any special qualifications or work location/conditions. Contact info will only be shared privately within the Motherhood group.

Coffee Bar Sunday, March 2 10am-11:30am

Please join us on the rectory lawn (weather permitting) for a coffee bar on Sunday, Mar. 2, from 10am-11:30am. Get to know members of the parish and enjoy a cup. You get to decide the price. Donations go to fund the next coffee event to make available for all to enjoy, payable by cash, venmo, paypal, and cash app. We have coffee, teas, hot chocolate, treats, and more, including decaf coffee! Hope to see you!

Lenten Retreat at OLPH with Bishop Beckman Wed. March 26 7-8pm

Bishop Beckman will speak during the Lenten Retreat at Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Chattanooga. Open to anyone who would like to benefit from the words of our shepherd on how to fully live the Passion of the Lord in the view of Lent.

KDCCW Convention-Jubilee Pilgrimage of Hope April 24-26 at St. Mary's Church in Johnson City, TN.

Early Bird registration \$125 by 3/24. Hotel Group rates are available.. Contact Susan Collins, 423-470-2560/ scollins51@hotmail.com or Pam Morgan, 423-943-4147/ pamelabmorgan@gmail.com for info. Register online: http://www.kdccw.org & select convention tab.

Catholic in Recovery—Meets every Monday at 7pm in the OLPH
Parish Life Center for healing from addictions and unhealthy
attachments. Visit: www.catholicinrecovery.com or contact
Deacon Wade Eckler at weckler@myolph.com

Struggling with Same-Sex Attraction? Courage International is a Catholic apostolate that helps men and women who experience same-sex attractions to strive for chastity. **Encourage** is for family and friends of people who identify as LGBTQ, who are looking for help to keep the faith and keep their family bonds intact. Visit **couragerc.org**

The Deacon's Table Adult Bible Study

<u>learning about All Things Catholic</u>-Sundays from 10:15-

11:15am in the McConnell Room at the back of Varallo Hall. See The Deacon's Table page on our website or contact Brenda at brendahartmcconnell@gmail.com

Pro-Life Ministry

- PREGNANCY ULTRASOUND MOBILE UNIT —free tests, counseling, resources offered the 2nd Tuesday of the month March. 11, at the Basilica's All Saints Academy (310 E 8th St.) Contact pregnancyhelp@ccetn.org or 865-864-3002 for appointments and visit ccetn.org/pregnancy-help.org
- **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.

MEMORIAL MASS FOR THE UNBORN Sat. April 26 2pm

The Basilica will offer a Memorial Mass for babies lost to abortion Sat., April 26 at 2pm. Open to all who have taken part in abortion or grieve the loss. After Mass, we will visit the National Memorial for the Unborn (6230 Vance Rd., Chattanooga, TN 37421) for the rite of committal. Contact the parish office if you would like to have your baby remembered (first name is sufficient) or to say a few words on the theme of repentance and hope.

Visit memorial for the unborn.org to order a plaque.

BASILICA BLANKET CLUB

Pro-life Crochet & Knitting Club

Find out more at: stspeterandpaulbasilica.com/crochet Email BasilicaBlanketsforlife@yahoo.com to sign up

CCETN Pregnancy Help Center

The Pregnancy Help Center is in need of volunteers.

We need to recreate the sign up list, so if you signed up during Sanctity of Life weekend to volunteer at the pregnancy center or want to be included, call Sheri Fava at 423-826-0673.

MY CATHOLIC WILL

My Catholic Will is the only online Catholic will-writing tool available. You can access MyCatholicWill on our website. In as little as 15 minutes, you can write your will for FREE and consider a legacy gift to The Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul, and also specify your wishes for a Catholic funeral and burial. Visit https://mycatholicwill.com/stspeterandpaulbasilica

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 <u>mountolivet.net</u> and call David Hale at (423) 622-0728 for more information.

WAYS TO GIVE AND RECEIVE HELP

- <u>Counseling</u> stspeterandpaulbasilica.com/counseling has a list of local and online resources
- 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.
- <u>St. Alexius Outreach Ministries</u> 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.
- <u>Chattanooga Workforce Development</u> Employment, training, education, & social services. Submit request at wfdchatt.org or wfd@chattanooga.gov or 770-548-5997.
- <u>Meals on Wheels and MY Ride for seniors/disabled</u>—To volunteer, contact Janet Sullivan, 423-424-4286 or jsullivan@sedev.org. To get help, visit setaaad.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
- <u>Volunteers in Medicine</u> primary care clinic for the needy; apply at vim-chatt.org.
- <u>ABIDE</u> Respite care for people with dementia, to help their caregivers. Call 423-756-2021 x3108 to participate/volunteer. Visit firstcentenary.com/abide

<u>Lenten Friday Adoration with Exposition starts March. 7</u>

After the 12pm Mass until Benediction at **5:30pm.** Adoration will resume through the night from **8pm Friday**—**7am Sat**.

Religious Education Age 4* – Grade 12

Register on our website. *Registration for preK is full. Classes have begun, Sundays 10:15-11:15am *Volunteers needed!*

Class attendance required for 1st Holy Communion (2nd grade) & Confirmation (6th grade), encouraged for all grades. Contact Florence Porter dre@stspeterandpaulbasilica.com

Confirmation for Adult Catholics

The Bishop normally confirms adult Catholics once a year. Contact the parish office to discuss the process.

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. Began on Sept. 8.
- **Mystagogia Classes** meet Wednesdays 7pm in the RE building. Next session will begin May 21.
- 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@stspeterandpaulbasilica.com 865-335-3076

Forever Young Catholics (age 40+) Upcoming Events

- MARCH EVENT—TBA
- BOOK CLUB 2nd Wednesdays 7-9pm at the Swineys' house. We are now studying the Letter of James.
- HIKES & WALKS Mon. mornings, Wed. evenings, and Saturdays. Easy to moderate. Email AdventurousCatholics@gmail.com for announcements.
- Email cathy.palisoc@gmail.com to receive emails and RSVP for events. Visit stspeterandpaulbasilica.com/forever-young.

YOUNG ADULTS — Catholic Chatt

Catholic Chatt is a place for young adults ages 18-39 to grow in faith, support each other, and build Catholic community in Chattanooga. We plan hiking, game nights, socials, bonfires and more throughout the year and would love for you to join us. Sign up for event alerts at CatholicChatt.com

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

DYM Nights with Fr. Alex Hernandez:

Downtown Youth Ministry (DYM) meets one Wednesday each month from 6-8pm in Varallo Hall:

Mar. 26, Apr. 23, & May 14

SEARCH retreat (11th & 12th graders) Feb. 21-23 @St. Therese

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

During the school year—Sundays 6:30 to 8pm at St. Jude

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

Visit stspeterandpaulbasilica.com/youth-group for details. Register for Youth Group on our Basilica website to stay informed, and contact admin@stspeterandpaulbasilica.com.

Discerning a call to the priesthood, diaconate, or religious life? Learn more at dioknox.org/vocations or call the vocations office 865-584-3307.

LECTORS, USHERS, and SACRISTANS needed*

Lectors proclaim the Word of God at our 5:30 and 9:00 Masses. Good speaking skills required. Workshop will be held Sat. March 15. Contact Gabrielle Cipriano through the parish office.

Usher/Greeters welcome people who come to the Basilica and do many important tasks at Mass. See an usher/greeter after Mass or contact Dan Mueller through the parish office.

Sacristans assist the clergy to set up and take down for Mass. We will train you. We rotate serving, about once a month. Contact Joe Polchek through the parish office.

* Confirmed Catholic adult parishioners in good standing

LENT PREVIEW

- Ash Wed. March 5—Masses 7am & 12pm English, 6pm Latin Novus Ordo, 8pm Spanish
- Adoration Fridays of Lent 12:30-5:30pm and 9pm-7am
- Stations of the Cross Fridays after 5:30pm Benediction
- Fish Fry Fridays 6:15-8pm at the Knights of Columbus Hall 313 Sylvan St.
- Penance Service—Mon. March 24 6:30pm
- 40 Cans for Lent Food Drive for the Chattanooga Food Bank by Knights of Columbus

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