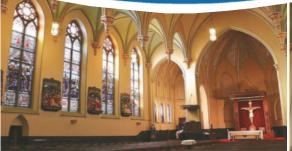


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April 27, 2025 — Divine Mercy Sunday / Octave of Easter (Low Sunday)

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

Becoming Catholic (RCIA/OCIA): Inquiry & classes

Dan Pacitti rcia@stspeterandpaulbasilica.com (contact via website)

Confessions: 30 min. before each Mass except 7 am

Marriages: Contact the parish office at least 4 months in advance

Religious Education: Sundays 10:15–11:15 am Florence Porter *dre@stspeterandpaulbasilica.com*

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Youth Ministry: admin@stspeterandpaulbasilica.com

Mass Intentions

5:30pm P Nathan Dang Sat. Apr 26 Sun. Apr 27 7:00am People of the Parish 9:00am Patricia Sevier 11:30am Katherine Nelson 1:30pm Jesse Hurst & Family Mon. Apr 28 12:00pm ♥ His Holiness Pope Francis Tue. Apr 29 12:00pm ₽ James and Corinne Swanson 7:00am ♣ Rita May Cooper Wed. Apr 30 12:00pm Healing for Cami Gerner 12:00pm For an Increase in Vocations Thur. May 1 Fri. May 2 7:00am & Dominic Joseph 12:00pm ₽ John William Dale 5:30pm & Dorothy Rais Sat. May 3 Sun. May 4 7:00am People of the Parish 9:00am Patrick Meade 11:30am & David Scott 1:30pm Albert & Jackie Vallejos

Readings for the week of April 27, 2025

Sun: Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/

Jn 20:19-31

Mon: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9/Jn 3:1-8 Tue: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15 Wed: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21 Thur: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36

Fri: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15 Sat: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14

Next Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Rv 5:11-

14/In 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

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Readings for the Extraordinary Form: Visit missalemeum.com

Mass Attendance Vigil 7:00 <u>9:0</u>0 11:30 1:30 Total Apr. 12-13, 2025 148 437 503 358 1002 **2448** Apr. 19-20, 2025 1020 447 719 411 873 3470 Apr. 17 Holy Thurs. 6:30 - 514 Apr. 18 Good Friday 6:30 - 580

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Online	379,578.00
Total	882,199.00

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67,652.00

Year-to-Date Variance

SECOND COLLECTIONS

Donations may be made on Weshare or sent to the parish office. April 27: Catholic Home Missions Appeal May 4: Haiti Collection

Please pray for the sick and suffering of our parish, especially: Virginia Aramian, Trudy Blake Medley, Brian Blatchford, Hazel Bowles, John Carlin, Christina Cone, Barbara Cooper Hickman. Jim Cooper, Morgan Cordell, Marion Davis, Judith Day, Geraldine DeBoer, Madeline Eve Doyal, Laura Duford, Jay and Omar Duggan, Susan Edenfield, Lynn 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, Vickie Mills, William Mitchener, Simon Anthony Moss, Sheila Murfin, Denise Nelligan, Baby Gus Nuar, James O'Brien, 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, 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.

***** Congratulations, Graduates!

Next weekend, May 3 & 4, our priests will be giving a special blessing to our graduating high school and college students at all our Masses. Please plan to attend!

St. Ambrose Catholic Homeschool Co-op

Registration is open through May 2 for grades Pre K-High School for the 2025-26 school year. Interested families may find all information and forms located on the Basilica website. Please email any questions to stambrosecoop@gmail.com.

BASILICA SURVEY CLOSED APRIL 22

Thanks to all parishioners who took the **The** Disciple Maker Index (DMI) survey. In the coming months, we will be able to share with you the insights we received from the survey and begin using this information to strengthen our parish. Stay tuned....



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CATHOLIC MOTHERHOOD

Mothers Fellowship

Third Thursday Mother's Brunch May 15 9:30-11:30am. RSVP to Hannah Vassil at 612-845-1964 for the address.

Well Read Mom - A chapter of this great ministry is hosted monthly by Claire Collins.

Thursday Night Family Cocktail Parties - hosted at the home of Caelan Shurina, husbands and children welcome.

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 and for details on the above events.

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.

Altar Flowers for the 2025 Easter Season were donated by:



Deacon Joe & Amanda Roy: in memory of Katie Phillips and Steve Phillips; Tony & Mary Portera: in memory of the deceased members of the Portera & Randall Families; David Pennebaker: in memory of Notre Dame Class of 1956 in honor of Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Staff; Margaret Greene: in memory of Rosemary & John Harm; William and Barb Kaine; Chris & Mayra Post; Mr. & Mrs. James Gomez; Mr. & Mrs. Jim Stewart: in memory of John & Ann Melder, Jack Melder, Beau Barclay, & Bob Melder; Mr. & Mrs. Jose Meza: in memory of: Paul Rangel & in honor of Soledad Rangel, Jaime Rangel, Rogelio Meza, & Maria de el Refugio; Patrick & Mary Margaret Murphy; Mr. & Mrs. Robert Russell: in memory of Mary M. Russell, Paul Strybing, Grandpa Holland, & Robert Holland; Geraldine Charton: in memory of Jack E. Charton & Richard G. Edgerton, Sr.; Mr. & Mrs. Carlos Guerra: in memory of Deacon Domenick Azzara in honor of the 5oth Anniversary of Carlos & Viola Guerra; Mr. & Mrs. Carl Poston; Kevin & Anne Marie Hartman; John Marcellis; Jack Marcellis

"Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul (TN) - Buy Nothing Group" https://www.facebook.com/groups/2513393815633781 — Parishioners may join to post items or services to give away/receive for free.

Thank you for enhancing the beauty of our Easter celebration!

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

learning about All Things Catholic-Sundays from 10:1511:15am 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 May 13, 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.

Coffee Bar Sunday, May 4 10am-11:30am

Please join us on the rectory lawn (weather permitting) for a coffee bar on Sunday, May 4, 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!

BROWN SCAPULAR ENROLLMENT ON MAY 18

On Sunday, May 18, at 10:30 am, the rite for the Blessing and Enrollment in the Brown Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel will be offered in the Basilica. Participants will need a Brown Scapular and should prepare by reading about the devotion and the Order of Carmel prior to enrolling. Visit http://www.brownscapular.net/ to learn more.

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

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
- <u>Paid Job Training for People 55+</u> 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

First Friday Adoration with Exposition on May 2

After the 12pm Mass until Benediction at **5:30pm.** Adoration will resume through the night from **9pm 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/OCIA)

- 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. Inquiry classes are year-round.
- Candidacy Classes for those baptized, catechized, and evangelized 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, presenter, or other help, please contact Dan Pacitti. rcia@stspeterandpaulbasilica.com 865-335-3076

Forever Young Catholics (age 40+) Upcoming Events

- 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. See Forever Young page & 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:

May 14

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.

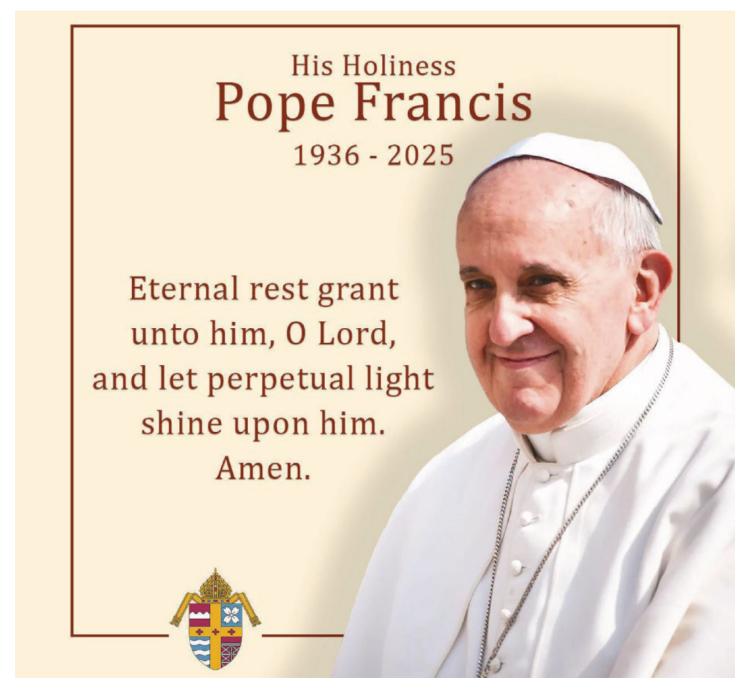
May Crowning to honor the Blessed Mother Mother's Day, Sunday, May 11, at 10:30am

Prayers, procession, and music. Please bring flowers!

Copenhagen Boys Choir and Copenhagen Royal Chapel Choir of Denmark Sunday, April 27 at 5pm at the Basilica of Sts. Peter & Paul

The free concert is part of their 100th anniversary tour and will include sacred choral music by G.P. da Palestrina, Nordic choral music, and Danish songs.





A Mass for the Dead will be celebrated for His Holiness Pope Francis at the Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul on Monday, April 28 at 12:00pm.

The Diocese of Knoxville joins Catholics worldwide in mourning the passing of Pope Francis, who died this morning at the age of 88. The Vatican announced that Pope Francis passed away on April 21 at 7:35 a.m. local time in Rome. "As we join with Catholics around the world in mourning, we remember his humbleness and his legacy of care for creation, mercy for our poor and marginalized brothers and sisters, and a profound joy in the lives of each of us in living and sharing the Gospel as followers of Jesus," said Bishop Mark Beckman in his message to the faithful. The bishop noted that he had met Pope Francis during "new bishop school" in September and had "the opportunity to personally thank him for all that he has done for the Church and to let him know our love for him." The diocese invites all people of faith to join in prayer: "Let us pray together for the eternal rest of our Holy Father and for the Church during this period of transition. May the Lord grant him a full share in the joy of the resurrection and may perpetual light shine upon him."



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