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The Paulist Fathers Serving the University of Tennessee

6th Sunday of Easter

May 25, 2025

*Acts 15:1-2, 22-29;
Rev 21:10-14, 22-23;
Jn 14:23-29*

Summer Hours!

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Thursday at 5:05 pm

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:30 pm
Sunday: 9 am, 11:15 am,

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Monday and Thursday - 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm
or by appointment

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Congratulations!

Please call the office at least 4 months before
your planned wedding date.

WANT TO BE CATHOLIC?

Please contact Fr. Rich at
(865) 523-7931 or rmwhitney3@gmail.com

The annual outdoor Memorial Day Mass at the diocesan Calvary Cemetery (1916 Martin Luther King Blvd) will be Monday, May 26th at 9:00 am. Join us to pray for all those who fought and died for our country. Limited seating so please bring a chair. For more information contact Beth Wolf 865-679-0535.

Memorial Day Prayer

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Heavenly Father,

Bless those men and women who served in the Armed Forces,
who gave the full measure of their devotion.
Grant them eternal rest with you in heaven.

Bless their families,
who mourn the loss of their loved ones across time.
Grant them peace in their hearts.

Guide the thoughts and actions of our leaders,
Whose decisions directly affect military action.
Grant them wisdom and courage to do what is right.

Touch the hearts of those who do not serve,
That we will never take for granted the enormity of another's sacrifice.
Grant us the means to honor and serve military families with respect.

Thank you Lord for this Memorial Day.
May we never forget that the freedoms we so casually enjoy,
Were purchased with the blood and sacrifice of others.

Amen



Of Sound Mind and Spirit



Happy Ordination Anniversary to our Priests!

Fr. Bob - 51 Years of May 4th
Fr. Larry - 36 years on May 13th
Fr. Rich - 4 year on May 22nd

Reflection:

Our faith is rooted in the Bible, prayer, the witness of holy people, the Eucharist and the sacraments. We tend to describe the base of our hope through stories about Jesus. If I asked you about a phrase from the apostles creed “I believe in the resurrection of the dead.”, you might answer with a Gospel story. The stories range from the empty tomb to Mary Magdalene’s meeting with the Gardener, to conversations in the upper room, to the stranger on the shore when the apostles went fishing.

What do you hear when Jesus says, “Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him? Can you visualize it? The Father and Jesus share our space. The risen Jesus and the Father dwell in our hearts. They make their home with us. We do not have to search for the risen Jesus.

He already dwells within.

Jesus says the Holy Spirit will guide us. If we can tune into her daily promptings, we will feel a desire from within to respond. We are much more than distant strangers guided by a list of ten

commandments marking off forbidden choices or an authority telling us what to do. Jesus and the Father dwell within making us chosen ones capable of knowing and accomplishing the works of God’s love in the world.

This is why prayer matters. No one else can make the choices and do the work each of us is called to do. With Jesus we are fashioning the holy city described in the second reading. It has no need of light because the community’s light dwells within its citizens. In this scarred world of ours it may be hard to see where we are going. The readings tell us of a light within, a guide who is never confused or lost. Trust that light. All of us may have been blind, deaf, or lame in the past. Now, we’re family. Charles Mulligan

FREE YOUNG ADULT DIOCESAN MINI RETREAT

“The Eucharist: Jewish Roots & Catholic Sacrifice” PRESENTED BY: DEACON BOB HUNT



05/30/2025
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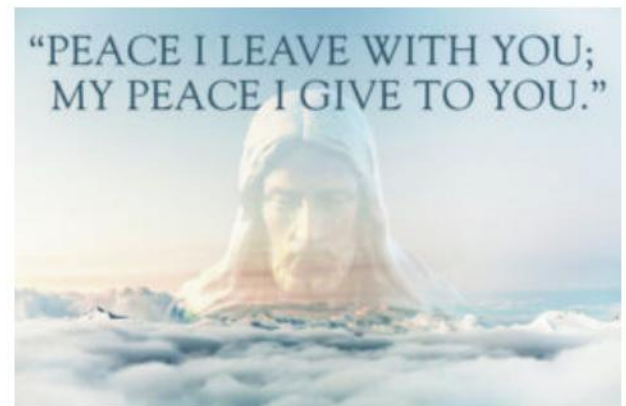
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DINNER, TALK,
DISCUSSION,
PRAYER, SCHULZ
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FOR ALL YOUNG
ADULTS IN THE
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AREA

INVITE YOUR
NON-CATHOLIC
FRIENDS TOO!







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Ordination Mass

The Cathedral of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Saturday, June 7, 2025, 10:30am



Ordination to the
Priesthood

DEACON RENZO
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DEACON A.J.
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A reception will follow in
the Cathedral Hall.

The Diocese of Knoxville is seeking a talented Multimedia Reporter to join our Communications team. This role will create engaging content for the East Tennessee Catholic newspaper, our website, and social media platforms, connecting with our diverse and growing community across East Tennessee. This position will work closely with our Hispanic Ministry, so bilingual is a plus (English/Spanish). Go to <https://dioknox.org/> to read the complete job description and for information on submitting a resume.

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Scripture Readings:

Sunday

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rev 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

Monday

Memorial of Saint Philip Neri, Priest

Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Jn 15:26-16:4a

Tuesday

Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday

Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14; Jn 16:12-15

Thursday

Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9; Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53

Friday

Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Jn 16:20-23

Saturday

Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Zeph 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Lk 1:39-56

NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS

May 26- June 1

Monday: **Church and Office Closed**
Happy Memorial Day

Tuesday: 5:05 pm - Daily Mass

Wednesday: 5:05 pm - Daily Mass
7:00 pm - Vol Catholic

Thursday: 4:00 pm - Confessions
5:05 pm - Daily Mass

Friday: NO Daily Mass

Saturday: 5:30 pm - Mass

Sunday: 9:00 am - Mass
11:15 am - Mass



If you still have not signed up for Flocknote please do so now. We will be using this to help with announcing Weather closures and other immediate changes to schedules. We also send out a weekly email through this to keep you informed.



If you're not a fan of QR codes, you can use your computer to go to:
<https://l.ead.me/bf4g2M> and register.



St. John XXIII Prayer List

We are blessed to have a caring group of people at St. John XXIII who pray for the people on our prayer list. Each year we restart this list on the **first weekend of June**. Please send the names of people you would like to add to or remain on the new prayer list to john23@utk.edu.

Donate Online to St. John XXIII!

Your help is needed for us to continue to serve the students, faculty, staff, alumni, and friends at the University of Tennessee.

We are contracted with Vanco Services for the processing of both one time and on-going electronic donations! Please scan the QR code to donate:



PRAYER REQUESTS



Let us pray for peace and justice throughout the world. Other prayers are needed for Augusta Ingadottir, Alice Peterson, Allen McGinley, Becky, Chance Adams, Charles, Christine Hassil, Cindy Cunningham, Connie Beeler, Dale Lockett, Diego Puigserver, Dominic Mackey, Dominic, Elizabeth Bowman, Erin Evans, Faruk and his family, Floyd, Glen W., Ian Wolff, Isabella Bleu, Isabella Linguidi, Jackson Igou, Jerry Carney, Jeyden, Jim Foster, Jim Romain, Joe Lee, John Fox, John Prados, Karen Pearson, Kari Stefansson, Katie Busscher, Kylie Hemphill, Liz Mattson, Lorelai, Lynn Prados, Mary Pat Hable, Melissa Cupp, Mets Family, Millie Geib, Patrick Metts, Peg Hart, Rich, Rowan Haylett, Schramm Family, Sheila M. Murphy, Thordis Ingadottir, V. J. D'Innocenzo and his family, Vic and Barbara Kaminsky, Wayne Jones, and those serving in the military, residents of NHC North, and for any too reserved to let us know.

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