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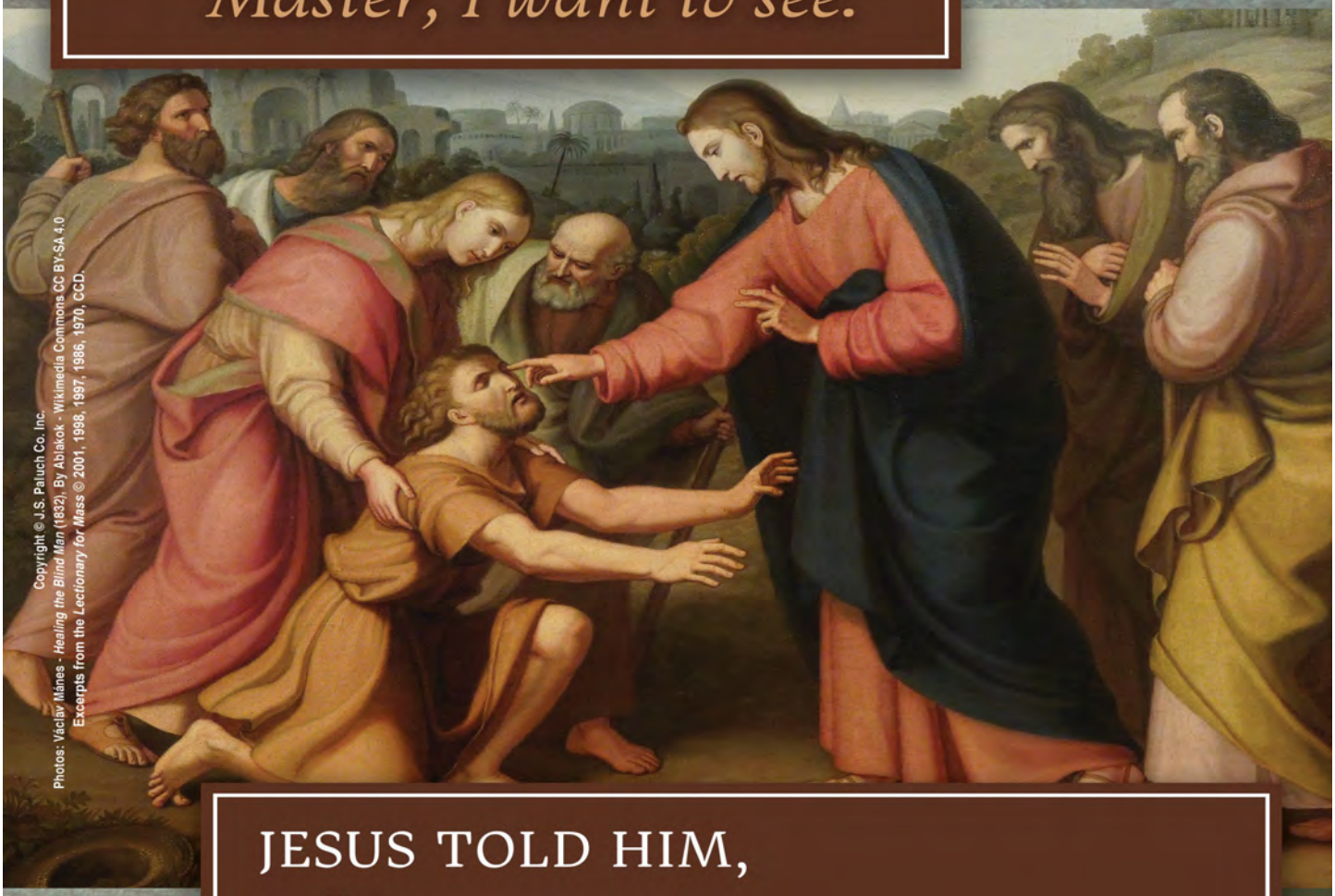
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE BLIND MAN SAID,
"Master, I want to see."



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JESUS TOLD HIM,
"Go your way;
your faith has saved you."
MARK 10:51-52

October 24, 2021

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OFFICE HOURS

Mon—Thurs, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Closed Fri

BULLETIN

Deadline is **noon on Monday** unless otherwise specified. Please submit announcements to Jenifer Dills.

PARKING

Free Sunday morning Mass parking available in the Eagles' lot across Cafego Place, the LMU lots on Locust Street and Cafego Place, and the Crowne Plaza. On weekdays, the **only** free parking available is our own parking lot. **Free parking for evening (after 5 p.m.) and weekend events** available in the LMU lots.

HOPE FOR THE FUTURE:
A Comprehensive Campaign for the Paulist Fathers

How can I give to the *Hope for the Future* campaign?

Selecting the best gift plan depends on one's personal financial situation and goals. Gifts made by cash, check, credit card or Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) are the most common and will allow the Paulist Fathers to address its immediate needs. Checks should be made payable to the *Hope for the Future* campaign.

Gift intentions are made in good faith, but are not legally binding. Paulist President Fr. Eric Andrews, C.S.P., is encouraging all donors to consider stretching your gift over a three-year period to maximize the total amount of your support. Your commitment can be fulfilled through monthly, quarterly, semi-annual or annual installments.

If you wish, you can give to the campaign gifts of stock, real estate, life insurance and other planned gift opportunities. As tax laws are always changing and everyone's situation is unique, donors are encouraged to consult with financial advisors to determine which method of contributing is most beneficial to them. The Paulist Office of Mission Advancement can assist you with making the necessary arrangements for such gifts. Contact ***development@paulist.org*** or (212) 586-2074.

To date, our parish has raised **$316,660** toward our goal of $664,000.

Today we celebrate **World Mission Sunday.** Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous this week in our annual collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

Rosary for All Souls
Sun., Nov. 7
at 2 p.m.
Calvary Cemetery

Everyone is welcome. A tour of the cemetery, highlighting the veterans buried there, will follow the Rosary.

Gospel Reflection

In today's Gospel, we hear the story of Blind Bartimaeus. Mark wove this story to make an artful contrast between the disciples and Bartimaeus. In the last few weeks' readings, Jesus had turned toward Jerusalem and had been trying to prepare his disciples for all that was to come, but they refused to see his point. When Jesus asked Bartimaeus what he wanted from him, Bartimaeus responded without hesitation, "Master, I want to see." Bartimaeus wanted precisely what the disciples were avoiding: to see things clearly. His was the request Jesus had longed to grant and one that he could grant only to someone who had the faith and courage to ask for it.

When we pray, God wants us to be so confident he will help us that we don't permit anyone to keep us from bringing our needs to God in prayer.

Invite family members to identify the things they need most from God. Pray these prayers of petition together as a family, confident that God will hear and answer your prayers.

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Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic or exploring the Catholic Faith? Inquirers are always welcome. For more info, contact Brigid Johnson at brigidjohnson50@gmail.com or (865) 522-1508 ext. 28. **Join us in the Parish Hall at 6:45 p.m. on Mon., Oct. 25**. Team members will be there to answer any questions.

Religious Education

Our classes meet **9:15 - 10 a.m. in the Parish Office building**. All children, from 4-years -old to 5th grade, are invited to register. Masks, while not required, are highly recommended.

Youth Ministry

Youth Ministry is open to all middle and high school students in the parish. We meet in the Parish Hall **at 7 p.m. on Wednesdays. Our next meeting is Oct. 27.** Contact Wendy Waxmonsky, at wwaxmonsky@gmail.com, for more information.

Altar Server Training

for all students, 3rd grade and older - who have made their First Communion, takes place **today at 11 a.m. in the church**. Experienced servers are needed to help with the training.

MASS SCHEDULE
Weekend
Saturday: 5 p.m.
Sunday: 8:15, 10, 11:45 a.m.

Weekdays
Monday - Friday: 12:10 p.m.*
Saturday: 8:30 a.m.
**The church is open from 11 a.m. until the end of Mass.*

Livestream Masses on Facebook Live
Sunday: 8:15, 10 a.m.
Special Occasion Masses: TBA
A link is posted on our website.

DEVOTIONS
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: First Friday after 12:10 p.m. Mass
Rosary: First Saturday after 8:30 a.m. Mass

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Monday - Friday:
11:30 a.m. - 12 noon
Saturday: 4 - 4:30 p.m.
or by appointment

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
Parents must attend a preparation meeting. Please call the parish office to register in advance.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE
6 months preparation time required. Contact one of the priests to schedule an appointment. Deposit required to secure date.

FAITH FORMATION FOR CHILDREN
(September - May)
Pre-K (age 4) - 5th grade
Sundays: 9:15 - 10 a.m.
6th - 12th grade
Wednesdays: 7 - 8:30 p.m.

CALVARY CEMETERY
1916 Martin Luther King Jr Ave
Knoxville, TN 37915
Volunteer Work Day:
2nd Saturday, 10 a.m. - noon

SCHOOL
St. Joseph School (PK - 8th grade)
www.sjsknox.org
1810 Howard Drive
Knoxville, TN 37918
(865) 689-3424

TWIN PARISH
St. Francis Xavier
in Fond des Blancs, Haiti

Hope Kitchen: Thank you to all volunteers who served 75 of our neighbors at Summit Towers in September! The residents are so grateful for the Church's generosity and commitment.

Due to upcoming holidays, the remaining 2021 Hope Kitchen dates are: **Tues., Oct. 26, Tues., Nov. 23, and Tues., Dec. 21, all from 9:30 a.m. until noon.**

We will play Bingo with residents in their community room before we distribute lunches. We are collecting prizes (cleaning supplies, holiday decor, anything!) in a box marked "Bingo" behind the partition in the parish hall. Contact Caroline Zengel, at duckzengel@gmail.com or (865) 335-2885, for more information.

Our parish is collecting items to be placed in a ***Bag of Blessings*** that will be given to the homeless in Knoxville. Needed items: ***adult socks, sanitizing wipes, tooth brush & paste, and chapstick. Water, fruit cup/applesauce, granola bars, cheese or PB crackers and tuna salad kits*** are food items needed. Donated items may be left in a tub in the back of the church. Financial donations are most appreciated. Thank you for your support!

Breakfast Today: In 1882 when Father Michael McGivney established the Knights of Columbus, he sought to establish a fraternal Order whose members live the Christian virtues through the principals of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. As we try to live out the principles of Charity, through good works and greater service to our Priests, Church and Community, the Knoxville Council 645 invites everyone to **join us for breakfast and fellowship today.** In conformity with the directives from Bishop Stika, we are serving assorted meat biscuits, coffee and juice. This will allow us to serve our church family and continue to keep everyone safe.

Also in the Parish Hall, **we are sharing membership information** for all Catholic men, over the age of 18, who are interested in learning more about the Order. We are Catholic men who are called to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others and defend our Catholic values in a busy changing world. Knights of Columbus membership brings Catholic men together in a powerful way. If you would like to join today, simply go to KofC.org/joinus and enter council #645 for more information. 1st year membership is waived when you use code MCGIVNEY2020.

Band Together for Haiti! Our efforts to continue supporting education in Haiti is an ongoing one. Pre-pandemic, many of you joined us in celebration to fundraise for these efforts. With community support and the work of our parish through *Haiti Fest*, we've built bathrooms for students & faculty and an outdoor kitchen. We built a science and technology lab and provided computers and equipment. We continue to cover teacher salaries.

While the majority of funds went towards COVID relief in 2020, this year our sister parish would like your help to provide a generator, batteries, solar panels and an inverter to provide sustainable and reliable electricity for this growing community school in Fond des Blancs, Haiti.

In lieu of Haiti Fest, we have organized an online fundraiser at GoFundMe at https://gofund.me/6e79cfe4. If you have problems using that link, visit gofundme.com and search ***For the Love of Fond des Blancs***. We appreciate your support and generosity!

The 40 Days for Life National Campaign will hold Prayer Services outside abortion facilities across the country for 40 days, 24 hours a day. As we affirm our belief in the dignity for life in all stages, **The Knights of Columbus /Immaculate Conception Church will gather in front of Planned Parenthood, 710 N Cherry Street, from 10 a.m. until noon every Tuesday through Oct. 30. Fr. Tim Sullivan will lead the Rosary at 10 a.m.** We invite everyone to join us. If you are unable to be there you can join any group throughout the week or simply join us in the Rosary wherever you are.

IC WOMEN'S GROUP

Craft Fair

The ICWG annual **Craft Fair** will be held in the Parish Hall *tentatively* **Nov. 13 & 14**.

If you would like to donate a basket, contact Jeanie Matthews at (865) 320-4673 or jeanie@urbanwellnesstn.com.

PAULIST FATHERS

Paulist Vocations

Please keep Paulist seminarian **Christopher W. Lawton, CSP** in your prayers. Chris entered the Paulist Fathers' novitiate on Aug. 25, 2018 and made his first promise on Sept. 6, 2019.

Chris graduated *cum laude* from Harvard University, earning an AB in Biochemical Sciences, and from Columbia Medical School. He was active in campus church life as an undergraduate and later as a parishioner and ministry team member of The Church of St. Paul the Apostle.

After living in New York City for years, he moved back home to reconnect with his family and enjoy a simpler routine while working as an Assistant Professor of Medicine in palliative care. He believes that rest and contemplation for his new phase in his life was needed to discern whether God was calling him to religious life.

Chris trusts God and His plan for him. Medicine afforded him the opportunity to walk with people. Similar to medicine, he now wants to be a "vessel for people -- someone that walks with people in whatever God Experience they are made for."

Choir

Choir rehearsals for the 10 a.m. Sunday Mass meet on **Thursdays at 7 p.m. in the Church**. If you are interested in joining us, please don't hesitate to contact me at karljake@gmail.com or see myself or Amanda after any weekend Mass. All are welcome.

Box of Joy
FOR CHILDREN WHO WISH FOR JUST ONE GIFT

Box of Joy: Once again, the ICWG is sponsoring the Cross Catholic International gift giving program called Box of Joy. Boxes will be available in the back of the Church and the Parish Hall during the month of October. **Last day to drop off a box will be Sun., Nov. 7. All dropped boxes must contain the $9.00 handling fee (no cash).** You are invited to participate in the following ways: 1) Fill your own box, including the handling fee. 2) Join together with other people to fill a box/es and share the cost of the handling fee. 3) You may donate money for us to fill your box. Handling fee must be included. Your request may be placed in the offertory box in the back of the Church.

The IC Bees are making dresses for girls and shorts for boys. The dresses are very popular and have received national recognition. Dresses come in all sizes and will be available to you to put in your box on request. Contact Marilyn Reda, at mreda51@gmail.com or (865) 919-1540, if interested.

Gift suggestions are listed below. For some of these children, this box will be the only gift that they receive. Think in terms of practical and/or fun items. This is a hard time for all. It is always a hard time for these children. Please do what you can. For more info, please contact Pat Ryan at paryan6540@yahoo.com or (865) 687-0050.

PERSONAL NOTES & PHOTOS:

We encourage you to write a personal note or handmade Christmas card and share a photo of yourself or family.
(It is advisable for a parent or teacher to review notes written by children.)

TOYS

- Handheld toys
- Small plush animals
- Small balls (tennis, etc)
- Mini puzzle
- Finger puppets
- Silly putty
- Bean bag / Hacky sack
- Small erase board and markers
- Teddy bear
- Unopened Happy Meal toys
- Binoculars
- Legos
- Harmonica
- Recorder
- Tambourine
- Jump rope
- Paddle ball
- Yo-yo
- Handheld Etch A Sketch
- Slinky
- Mini board games
- Balloons
- Craft kit (beads, elastic, etc.)

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- Pencils, colored pencils and sharpener
- Small board books
- Erasers
- Pencil case
- Crayons
- Pens or markers
- Ruler
- Glue stick
- Safety scissors (no point)
- Coloring book
- Notepads
- Stickers
- Self-inking stamp
- Flash cards

HYGIENE / HOME

- Comb / Brush
- Plastic eating utensils
- Cup/bottle with lid
- Sewing kit
- Bar Soap
- Toothpaste (in the box)
- Toothbrush
- Bandages
- Hand wipes
- Tissues
- Lip balm
- Manicure Kit
- Emery board/Nail clippers

CLOTHES / JEWELRY

- Socks
- Flip flops
- Sunglasses
- Bandanas
- Necklace
- Watch
- Hat
- Shoelaces
- T-shirts
- Plastic poncho
- Drawstring bag

IDEAS FOR BOYS

- Ball (deflate) with pump
- Cars / Trucks
- Kazoo
- Compass
- LED keychain
- Duct tape
- Tape measure
- Shorts
- T-shirts
- Solar-powered flashlight

IDEAS FOR GIRLS

- Colored markers
- Hair ribbons
- Silly bands
- Ponytail holders
- Barrettes
- Small pots/pans/utensils
- Bangle bracelets
- Clip-on earrings
- Doll
- Pom-poms
- Purse

DO NOT PACK

Food (hard candy & gum are ***allowed***) • Liquids (shampoo, etc.) • Gels (hand sanitizer, etc.)
Chocolate • Military / Police Toys • Toy Weapons • Glass / Breakables • Knives / Tools

Join us for Admissions Open House! It's an immersive experience into the many facets of life at Catholic. Prospective families and students will learn about the unique advantages of a Knoxville Catholic education. Teachers will speak about course content and curriculum and the afternoon concludes with the Irish Athletics and Arts Fair with varsity coaches in attendance for students interested in Irish Athletics, and our Theatre, Band, Digital Media and Fine Arts leaders will be on hand for students interested in the Irish Arts programs and Robotics. **RSVP not required! Please gather in the KCHS gym starting at 1:30 p.m. today.**

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SJS students thank you for your consideration and support!

GO BULLDOGS!!!

Immaculate Conception Outreach

Helping disabled and elderly residents at Summit Towers

Current Needs – in priority order:

* Household Cleaners, e.g., Mr. Clean, Pine Sol or Fabuloso
*Toilet paper *Dish detergent & sponges
*Liquid laundry detergent *Gently used or new towels
*Simple "tube socks" for men or women

Please mark for Summit Towers.

Thank you for your kindness.

Parish Offertory

Oct. 10 Collection
$ 5,173.00

Online Donations
$ 4,234.03

Home Capital Campaign August 2021

Pledges & Donations
$ 384,520.51
Total Received
$ 334,318.26
Balance Remaining
$ 50,202.25
Parish Share
$ ***168,410.23***

Together.... Our Future Fulfilled St. Joseph School Capital Campaign

Pledged
$ 319,672.00
Total Remitted
$ **253,523.07**
Balance Remaining
$ 66,148.93

Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 23
5 p.m. †Leone Lawsom by the People of Immaculate Conception

Sunday, October 24
8:15 a.m. †Pat Yochim by Carole Wunderlich
10 a.m. †Jerry Vandenberg by the Benedict family
11:45 a.m. The People of Immaculate Conception

Monday, October 25
12:10 p.m. †Mary Cunningham by the People of Immaculate Conception

Tuesday, October 26
12:10 p.m. †Phil Leadbetter by the People of Immaculate Conception

Wednesday, October 27
12:10 p.m. all who have been impacted by COVID-19

Thursday, October 28
12:10 p.m. those with Alzheimer's and their caregivers

Friday, October 29
12:10 p.m. IC Prayer List

Saturday, October 30
8:30 a.m. †Pat Yochim by Pat & Therese Hurley
5 p.m. †Sam Shipman by the People of Immaculate Conception

Sunday, October 31
8:15 a.m. †Pat Yochim by Judy Vaughan
10 a.m. The People of Immaculate Conception
11:45 a.m. †Jim Wright Sr. by the Wright family

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for October: *Missionary disciples.* We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavor of the Gospel.

Readings for the Week

Monday: Weekday
Rom 8:12-17 **Ps 68:2,4,6-7b,20-21** **Lk 13:10-17**

Tuesday: Weekday
Rom 8:18-25 **Ps 126:1b-6** **Lk 13:18-21**

Wednesday: Weekday
Rom 8:26-30 **Ps 13:4-6** **Lk 13:22-30**

Thursday: SAINTS SIMON AND JUDE, APOSTLES
Eph 2:19-22 **Ps 19:2-5** **Lk 6:12-16**

Friday: Weekday
Rom 9:1-5 **Ps 147:12-15,19-20** **Lk 14:1-6**

Saturday: Weekday
Rom 11:1-2a,11-12,25-29 **Ps 94:12-13a,14-15,17-18**
Lk 14:1,7-11

Sunday: Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
Dt 6:2-6 **Ps 18:2-4,47,51**
Heb 7:23-28 **Mk 12:28b-34**

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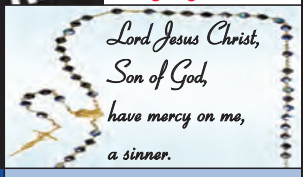

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