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"I am the Alpha
and the Omega,"
says the Lord God,
"the one who is
and who was
and who is to come,
the almighty."

REVELATION 1:8

**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE**
November 21, 2021

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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.



**Thank you for your support of the
Hope for the Future campaign!**

Our parish has raised \$586,221 toward our goal of \$664,000. At the start of the campaign, we hoped that we could achieve 30% participation from our parish community. **We have secured gifts and pledges from 45.4% of our parish households.**

Thank you to all our volunteers and donors who have made the *Hope for the Future* campaign such a success. We are so appreciative of your generosity!

If you haven't yet made a gift, you can always do so by visiting paulist.org/future.



Happy Thanksgiving! The Parish Staff and the Paulist Fathers wish all our parishioners and their families and friends a very Happy Thanksgiving and safe travel to all who will be on the road or in the air this week!

The Parish Office will be closed Nov. 24—Nov. 26. **We will have Mass at 10 a.m. on Thanksgiving Day.** We will follow the regular Mass schedule the rest of the week.



**Happy
Birthday
Deacon Doug!**

We wish him a very happy birthday **today, Nov. 21.**



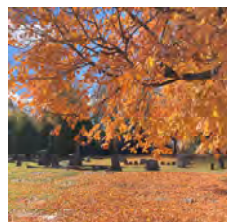
†Anna McNair



The Little Blue Book for Advent is available in the church vestibule this weekend.



The Biblical Roots of Advent, the last in our Fall Bible Study series will begin at the end of this month. If you haven't signed up but are interested in learning the deeper meaning of Advent, it isn't too late! **Someone will be downstairs in the Parish Hall after all the Masses on Sun., Nov. 28.** Copies of the study guide to accompany the short, three-week session will also be available.



Calvary Cemetery: Thank you to all who attended the Rosary for All Souls at Calvary Cemetery and to those who made donations! **Next scheduled leaf raking opportunity will be Sat., Dec. 11.** If you would like to help at an earlier date, please contact Beth Wolf at (865) 679-0535.

Gospel Reflection

As you gather as a family, recall that this Sunday is the last Sunday in the Church year and on this Sunday we celebrate the feast of Christ the King. Talk together about what it means to be a king or queen. How do those who are subjects behave toward royalty? Invite children to role-play what one does in the presence of royalty.

Jesus was and is a very different kind of king. In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us something about his kingdom. Ask your children: Does Pilate treat Jesus like royalty? What does Jesus say about his kingdom? Talk about how your family shows honor and obedience to Christ our King. Pray together and ask God to help your family act in ways that show you recognize and honor Christ as King.



Religious Education

The annual **Advent Workshop** will be held **today, from 9:15 to 10 a.m. and 11 to 11:45 a.m., in the Parish Hall.**



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 **Dec. 1.** For info, contact Wendy Waxmonsky, wwaxmonsky@gmail.com.



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., Nov. 22.** Team members will be there to answer any questions.



Paulist Vocations: Please keep Paulist novice **James Alexander Marquez** in your prayers. James "signed in" to our novitiate on Sat., Aug. 21, 2021, during a Mass at St. Joseph's Seminary in Washington, D.C. He is a 2018 graduate of UCLA in Los Angeles and previously worked as a teacher at a Catholic high school.

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
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(865) 689-3424

TWIN PARISH

St. Francis Xavier
in Fond des Blancs, Haiti



Announcements for the Dec. 12 & Dec. 19 bulletins are due **Mon., Dec. 6.**

Announcements for the Dec. 26 bulletin are due **Mon., Dec. 13.**

Announcements for the Jan. 2 bulletin are due **Mon., Dec. 20.**



Hope Kitchen: Thank you to all volunteers and supporters of our October HOPE Kitchen to Summit Towers. We served 85 residents delicious grilled burgers for lunch after a fun game of Bingo in their community room. On **Tues., Nov. 23**, we will spoil our neighbors with a Thanksgiving feast. Meal prep will start at 10 a.m., and we will distribute meals at 1 p.m. after Bingo. We need 10-15 homemade or store-bought pies (pumpkin, apple, etc) for dessert. Please drop "HOPE Kitchen" pies off in the Parish Hall kitchen after the Nov. 21 Masses or drop off a pie on Tuesday morning. For more information, please contact Caroline Zengel, at duckzengel@gmail.com or (865)335-2885.



Many thanks to all who contributed

to our gift giving project. IC filled **253 boxes** this year. With additional box donations from nine area churches, we were able to send a total of **687 boxes**. Thank you for your generous response to this annual project.



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!



Knights of Columbus

Join Us! Membership is open to all Catholic men, over the age of 18. As Knights of Columbus, we promise to help you grow closer in your relationship with Jesus, serve Christ in his Church, give you the opportunity to serve your community, and protect your family from unnecessary hardship from the loss of a breadwinner.

You can join or receive additional information online at kofc.org/joinus and enter Council 645. 1st year membership is waived when you use code MCGIVNEY2020. You can also return the completed cards that were distributed after each Mass during our membership drive to any member of the Knights of Columbus.



**FISH Hospitality Pantries
Christmas Gift Cards**

Why buy a Hallmark card when a \$5 FISH card will feed a family of 4 for 3 days? FISH Hospitality Pantries provides an excellent opportunity for giving gifts to family and friends while helping end hunger in our community. They are feeding twice as many people this year then they did pre-pandemic. Your support is greatly appreciated. For more information, visit <https://www.fishpantries.org/shop>.



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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

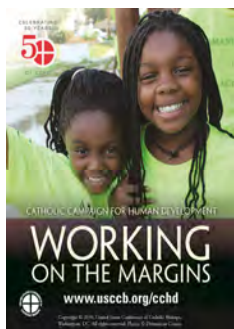
*Please mark for Summit Towers.
Thank you for your kindness.*



Thank you to all who helped make the 2021 ICWG Craft Fair a great success. The winners of the gift baskets are:

<i>A Plethora of Pez</i>	Rebecca Rosadas
<i>Girl's Stuff</i>	Patricia Forde
<i>Iced Down From Indiana</i>	Beth Wolf
<i>Paulist Special</i>	Doris Narro
<i>Boys' Stuff</i>	Barb Sirknen
<i>Books, Puzzles, Activity</i>	Amanda Peavyhouse
<i>Cozy Comforts</i>	T. Brown
<i>Celebrate With Wine</i>	Jack Crawford
<i>Christmas Tea</i>	Marilyn Reda
<i>Relaxation Basket</i>	Diane Lanzarott
<i>Bath Luxury</i>	Patricia O'Hagan
<i>Mom & Dad Basket</i>	Michele Wedekind
<i>Alpaca Cape</i>	Brenda Walles
<i>Bath Plus Basket</i>	Doris Narro
<i>May Your Blessings Be Sweet</i>	Tommy Wade
<i>Money Tree \$300</i>	Fr. Charlie
<i>Money Tree \$275</i>	Wes Sheedy

We wish to thank the following people for their donation of these baskets: **Kaye Williams, Margo & Dan Phillips, Jeannie Matthews, Al & Marcelle Hazari, Theresa Hurley & friends, Fr. Charlie, Fr. Tim, & Fr. Jim, I.C. Bees, and Pat Ryan.** The baskets were wonderful.



Annual Collection for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development:** Please be generous in today's annual CCHD collection, to help promote and support non-Catholic community-controlled, self-help organizations and transformative education programs.



Calling all crafters & artisans!!! Holy Ghost is having a Christmas Market on **Sat., Dec. 11 at the St. Joseph School gymnasium, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.** If you would like to participate, please contact Christine Blair, at (865) 356-2017 or christine.h.blair@gmail.com, for more information or to register.



Tennessee Right to Life is planning an exciting new event to bring Christ's message of LIFE to our community this Christmas. We hope you will participate. The Festival will celebrate Christ's message to the world that *I have come that they might have life.*

The event will bring together the faithful of our community to spread this message by focusing on our Savior's birth as portrayed in Nativity Scenes in all their various forms, telling the story of their importance in our observance of the Christmas Season and as a reminder of the Sanctity of LIFE.

We would like to invite you to exhibit a cherished, handmade, vintage, or new Nativity Scene (or multiple!) for this event. For more info or to exhibit your Nativity Scene(s), please contact Mary Amber Dunn at maryamberdunn@yahoo.com. Thank you for your commitment to LIFE!



WESHARE DONOR MATCH PROGRAM

The holiday season is one of the largest giving seasons for our church. Our online giving provider WeShare is generously providing a donor match program to help us increase recurring giving. Online gifts help reduce costs and our time spent handling other forms of payment.

For every first gift from a new recurring donor that is added between **November 1 and December 31, 2021**, WeShare will match that first gift, up to \$50, with a maximum match of \$1,000 for our church. To be eligible for the matching gift, more than one installment must be set-up and the first recurring gift must be transacted by December 31, 2021.

We appreciate your generosity and your support of our church. We prayerfully ask that you consider helping us meet this goal by creating your recurring online gift today.

Visit our WeShare site or reach out to the WeShare Customer Support team at 877-316-0260
<https://icknoxville.weshareonline.org/>



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS®

Christmas Toy Drive for East Tennessee Children's Hospital

In past years the Knights of Columbus have provided a free Christmas dinner in association with our annual toy drive for ETCH. Due to COVID - 19 the dinner must be cancelled for the second year. We hope to return next year with our dinner.

Mark your calendars for **Sun., Dec. 5 and 12** and join the Knights of Columbus – Knoxville Council 645 for the annual Children's Hospital Toy Drive.

We will have a manned table (in the Parish Hall) after all Sunday Masses at IC Church where you will be able to drop off new, unwrapped toys, or make cash donations. Below is a list of possible toys to consider.

Last year we delivered about \$4,500.00 in gifts and donations to ETCH due to the caring parishioners here at IC. Hopefully we can improve on the amount this year.

For additional information about dropping of gifts at IC, contact Phil Flanagan at (865) 679-2465 or utkncr@utk.edu.

Wish List

Books

Board books (infant/toddler)
Crossword puzzles / word searches
Early reader books
Look and find books / I Spy books

Clothing & Personal Care Items

Infant clothing (0-3 months and 3-6 months)
Pajama pants / pajama sets (all size)
Socks (fun, bright colors)
Sweatpants / sweatshirts (all sizes)
T-shirts (all sizes)
Underwear (girls and boys, all sizes)

Electronics

Batteries (AA, AAA, C, D)
CD music for all ages (English and foreign languages; no advisory)
DVD players
Digital cameras with memory cards
DVDs (rated E, G, PG, PG-13)

Gift Cards

Amazon
Domino's
Publix
Taco Bell
Target
Wal-Mart
Wendy's
Visa / Master Card
Other area stores

Games

Apples to Apples
Battleship
Boggle
Catch Phrase
Checkers
Chess
Clue (regular and Jr.)
Construction toys (Bristle blocks, Duplo, wooden blocks, etc.)
Fishing Around
Guess Who
Headbanz

Jenga

Left Center Right Game

Life

Lucky Ducks
Magnadoodle
Memory Games
Monopoly

Phase 10

Playing cards / card games (Old Maid, Go Fish, Crazy 8s, etc.)

Pretty, Pretty Princess

Scattergories

Scrabble

Sequence

Skip-Bo

Sorry

Trouble

Uno/Uno H2O

Wooden Puzzles

Infant and Toddler Items

Fisher Price Waterfall Soother
Infant sound machines
Infant light up musical toys
Plastic infant and toddler toys
Pop-up toys
Rattles (plastic and vinyl only)
Sesame Street Singing Pop-Up Pals
See and Say
Stacking toys
Teething rings
V-Tech toys

Toys

Action/superhero figures
Animals/dinosaurs (plastic)
Barbie and Ken doll clothes
Hot Wheels/Matchbox Cars
Legos/Duplos
Little People (Fisher Price)
Character/animals
Medical play kits
Toy cash registers
Trucks and cars
Musical instruments

Parish Offertory

Nov. 14 Collection
\$ 5,798.54

Online Donations
\$ 3,989.50

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
\$ 253,962.57

Balance Remaining
\$ 65,709.43

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 20

5 p.m. The People of Immaculate Conception

Sunday, November 21

8:15 a.m. Lesley Brennan by the People of Immaculate Conception

10 a.m. †Carlos Hernandez & †Lolita Hernandez
by Phil & Rosilyn Flanagan

11:45 a.m. †deceased members of Langowski, Lipecki, & Hosey families
by Aleksandra Lipecki

Monday, November 22

12:10 p.m. †Rose & †Park Gettys family by the family

Tuesday, November 23

12:10 p.m. †Ray Stephens by Fr. Jim Haley, CSP

Wednesday, November 24

12:10 p.m. †Lucy Monnier by Gerry & Carol O'Farrell

Thursday, November 25

10 a.m. The People of Immaculate Conception

Friday, November 26

12:10 p.m. Thelma Ryan by the People of Immaculate Conception

Saturday, November 27

8:30 a.m. IC Prayer List

5 p.m. The People of Immaculate Conception

Sunday, November 28

8:15 a.m. †Tom Ryan by Pat Ryan

10 a.m. †Carolyn Lowe by the People of Immaculate Conception

11:45 a.m. †Lidia Langowski by Aleksandra Lipecki

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for November: *People who suffer from depression.* We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.



Immaculate Conception

Through September 2021

Annual Parish Goal: \$52,200



You make ministries possible!

Readings for the Week

Monday: Saint Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr

Dn 1:1-6,8-20

(Ps) Dn 3:52-56

Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Saint Clement I, Pope, Martyr; Saint Columban, Abbot; Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro, Priest, Martyr

Dn 2:31-45

(Ps) Dn 3:57-61

Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Saint Andrew Dũng-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

Dn 5:1-6,13-14,16-17,23-28

(Ps) Dn 3:62-67

Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin, Martyr

Dn 6:12-28

(Ps) Dn 3:68-74

Lk 21:20-28

Friday: Weekday

Dn 7:2-14

(Ps) Dn 3:75-81

Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Weekday

Dn 7:15-27

(Ps) Dn 3:82-87

Lk 21:34-36

Sunday: FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Jer 33:14-16

Ps 25:4-5,8-9,10,14

1 Thes 3:12-4:2

Lk 21:25-28,34-36

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