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23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion?
... In the same way, anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple.” - Lk 14:28, 33

PASTORAL STAFF

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NOTRE DAME CATHOLIC CHURCH'S MISSION IS TO WORK TO BUILD UP THE KINGDOM OF GOD, TO GROW IN FAITH IN OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, AND TO HELP OTHERS GROW IN FAITH THROUGH OUR THOUGHTS, WORDS AND ACTIONS.

MASS SCHEDULE & HOURS

Daily Mass

Tue., Thur.—Sat. 8:30 am
Wednesday 6 pm

Weekend Mass

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am
11:00 am
1:30 pm in Spanish

Confession

Sat.: 4:15 pm - 4:45 pm
Sun.: 7:15-7:45 and 10:15-10:45
Or by appointment

Adoration / Exposition

Thur.: 7:00—8:00 pm
First Friday: 9:00 - 10:00 am

Office Hours

Mon.-Thurs.: 9:00 am - 3:30 pm
Friday: 9:00 am - noon

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Recommended to be celebrated at Sunday Mass. At least one parent must be a registered parishioner and Baptismal classes for parents are required. Contact the Pastor at least three (3) months before the desired date.

Anointing & Holy Communion for the Sick: Call the office to inform us of anyone who is hospitalized, in a nursing home, or unable to attend regularly scheduled Mass.

Marriage: Please do not set a date until you contact the Pastor at least six (6) months before desired wedding date to schedule marriage prep.



WELCOME

If you have newly moved to our parish, please fill out a registration form located in the alcove just before you enter the church. Forms can be placed in the collection basket or bring it by the parish office during business hours.

SAFE HAVEN: The Diocese of Knoxville Safe Environment compliance training is a condition of employment and for volunteer ministry in the Diocese of Knoxville. More info is located on a table in the narthex. The mandatory renewal training must be completed every 5 years and a new background check submitted before the 5-year expiration. Since the Safe Haven program has begun, many volunteers have reached the 5 yr mark and may be receiving an email for renewal. The website is <https://cmgconnect.org> or call Susan Collins at the office for more information.

FORMED (Free Subscription): Go to <https://signup.formed.org/> Enter our parish's zip code, Enter your name and your email address. An email will be sent to you and you can enjoy this service.

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY: Our Catechist will receive a special blessing at the 11 am Mass on Sun., Sept. 14 as we begin a new year in religious education. Please let these special ministers know they are appreciated and continue to keep them in prayer.

SAFETY DAY: Circle of Grace is the Safe Environment program used in the Diocese of Knoxville and will be presented to the Youth Group on Wed., Sept. 24 and the RE students on Sun., Sept. 28 . More info is on www.dioknox.org under safe environment.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Mark Sweet, *Chairman*

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Sharon Folk Chairperson

Members: Don Myers, Ray Jones, Mike Hollowell, Donna Hughes

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. Sept 6 5:00pm † Steve Bailey
 Sun. Sept 7 8:00am † Bill Kaiser
 11:00am SI Parishioners of Notre Dame
 1:30pm † Eliseo Montes Canales
 Tue. Sept 9 8:30am **NO MASS**
 Wed. Sept 10 6:00pm **NO MASS**
 Thu. Sept 11 8:30am **NO MASS**
 7:00pm **Spanish Mass**
 Fri. Sept 12 8:30am † Bobby Hebert
 Sat. Sept. 13 8:30am Fr. Joseph's Intentions
 5:00pm SI Samantha Starnes

DAILY MASS READINGS

Sun. Sept 7: Wis 9:13-18b; Phlm 9-10,12-17; Lk 14:25-33
 Mon. Sept 8: Mi 5:1-4a; Mt 1:1-16,18-23
 Tue. Sept 9: Col 2:6-15; Lk 6:12-19
 Wed. Sept 10: Col 3:1-11; Lk 6:20-26
 Thur. Sept 11: Col 3:12-17; Lk 6:27-38
 Fri. Sept 12: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Lk 6:39-42
 Sat. Sept 13: 1 Tm 1:15-17; Lk 6:43-49



ADORATION CHAPEL

Our beautiful Chapel is available to spend some time with our Lord. Are you interested? Our Lord is always available for Adoration. Call the office for the code to enter and spend some time in prayer.

STEWARDSHIP

July ON LINE	\$3,484.00
August 3 Collection	\$6,187.00
Building Fund Collection	\$1,521.00
August 10 Collection	\$4,752.00
Catholic School Collection	\$537.00
Maintenance Fund Collection	\$634.00
August 17 Collection	\$5,469.00
August 24 Collection	\$6,060.00

IN OUR PRAYERS

Elaine Engle, Nancy Dessez, Pam Conley, Mike Lucius, Harry Ziegler, Michael Dolezar, Britt Sides, Christopher McBride, Bob Sachno, Samatha Starnes, Rosana Beyer, Brian Roberts, Rich & Barbara Jones, Patterson Family, Kacey Nicholas Payson, Robert Jenkins, Michael Walter, Sandramary Evans, Robert Jones, Ray & Terry Costello, Noah Britton, Michelle Williams Hughes, Yaeira Acevedo, Joel Rivera, Linda LaSorsa, Elizabeth Girton, Sue Pearson, Jerry Collins, Jennifer Kusnierczyk, Myron & Elsie Smith, Julie Hocutt, Raymond Costello, Christina Russo, Matt Mazur Jr, Yvonne Killewald, Carol Flynn, Marlene Wilds, Mikey Kapalin, Bob & Clara Russo, Maggie May; Ernest & Geraldine Hampton, Roger Brault, Nathan Presnell, Ted McBride, Sharon Thompson, Annette Noble, John Straub, Andrea Bernabey, John & Joyce Nickett, Linda & Edwards Reynolds, Bill & Bernadette Moughamer, Ralph Williams, Rick Longworth, Mary Noe, Arlene Antonelli, Eleanor LaPoint .

HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST OR NEED A PASTORAL VISIT?

Contact the office for your name to be added to our prayer requests or request a pastoral visit by Fr. Joseph. Names are published for six (6) weeks unless otherwise notified. Thank You!

Call the office to update this list.

THE PASTOR'S DESK

September 7, 2025 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Everyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." Luke 14:33

When we first hear this statement, it seems that Jesus is making an unrealistic demand upon us. How can we renounce all of our possessions? We need them to live. However, what we must renounce is the belief that they belong to us. Everything that we have belongs to God alone. All of our resources are entrusted to us not only for our own use, but also so that we can help others. Once we renounce the idea that we possess or are entitled to anything, it is much easier to share the many gifts that God has given us. Then we truly are His Disciples. *Fr. Joseph*

PARISH INFORMATION

COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN: We will be hosting our annual Meet & Greet on Sun., Sept. 21 at 3 pm. All women 18 and older are members of the Council of Catholic Women. We will share our plans for the new Council year and explain the many ways you can participate in contributing to the church. Please join us in the parish hall for some fun and festivities as we start down the road to finding our Joy in the Journey.

FOOD BANK: The commodity item for September is Crackers. Our barrel is on the left of the alcove as you enter the church. Thank you for your generosity.

MYSTAGOGIA CLASS- If you are a baptized Christian but not Catholic or if you are a baptized Catholic who has never received any other sacraments, we invite you to meet with faithful Catholics who love the Lord and would consider it a privilege to share their faith with you. The 3-month fall session begins on Tuesday, September 9, 2025. You will learn about being a Catholic Christian with the celebration of Confirmation and First Eucharist on November 30. Our team of six catechists facilitate the program and interested persons volunteer to be sponsors during your faith journey. Please call Judy Collins 639-0688 or email her collinsj02@gmail.com for further information. Registration forms are in the Narthex.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INIATION FOR ADULTS - Are you or someone you know interested in the Catholic Faith? Notre Dame will soon begin a new journey in faith to share the richness of the Catholic Church. Our OCIA team invites you to join them, as faithfully and constantly, the living God is proclaimed. If you are not a baptized Christian, allow your heart to be opened by the Holy Spirit so you may believe and be freely converted to the Lord. The first session of this 9-month program is Tuesday, September 9, at 7:00 p.m. in the Marian Room. Please call Judy Collins 639-0688 or email her collinsj02@gmail.com for further information. Registration forms are in the Narthex.

DIOCESAN INFORMATION

THE MYSTERY OF CATHOLICISM: Bishop Mark Beckman invites young adults (18-35) to explore the mystery of Catholicism on selected Tuesday evenings at the Diocese of Knoxville Chancery. (805 S. Northshore Dr., Knoxville, TN 37919) beginning Tuesday, Sept. 9, 6:30-8:30 p.m. and continues on Sept. 16, 23, 30, Oct. 7, 14 and 28. *More dates to follow. Subject to change based on Bishop Beckman's schedule.* Attendees are invited to bring their own beverages and snacks. RSVP on www.dioknox.org under events tab to help with preparation.



The next committee meeting will be on Mon., Sept. 8 at 6 pm in the Parish Hall.

RAFFEL TICKETS: \$2 ticket for 3 chances to win \$500. Consider taking a couple packs to sell to family and friends.

VENDORS: Space is still available, however the fee increased to \$50 after Sept. 1. Applications in the narthex.

YARD SALE: Last week to drop off items. Nice clean items can be dropped off at the Ganz Youth Center for the Festival Yard Sale on Monday from 10 until noon. No electronics and nice clothes accepted must be on hangers.

SILENT AUCTION: If you have an item for our Silent Auction, please be sure to drop it off by Wed., Sept. 10.

BAKE SALE: Homemade goodies are needed for the Bake Sale at the Fall Festival. Please consider contributing and contact Elaine Pletsch 423-823-7318.

PHYSICAL ARRANGEMENTS: Help is needed the entire week before the festival. Do you have a few hours to assist? Contact Joe Mineo at 917-417-9739.

Help is needed in many areas...

Please see the display board to assist!

NOTICE: Bidding will be open for the Silent Auction after all Masses next weekend, Aug. 13 & 14. Please stop by the Marian Room and check out the many items available.

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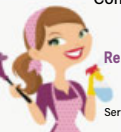
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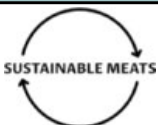
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2022 "Senior/Caregiver Resource EXPO"

Date: Thursday, November 10, 2022
Time: 10:00am - 2:00pm (Free Lunch is provided)
Veteran Tribute: 12:00pm
Place: First Baptist Church, Christian Activity Center
211 North Main Street, Greenville, TN 37745
Please use entrance at the rear of the building.
Enter near the flagpole.



The "Senior/Caregiver Resource EXPO" is for anyone interested in learning about community resources available to help assist throughout life's journey.
For more information call Renee Lowery at (423) 638-2226



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