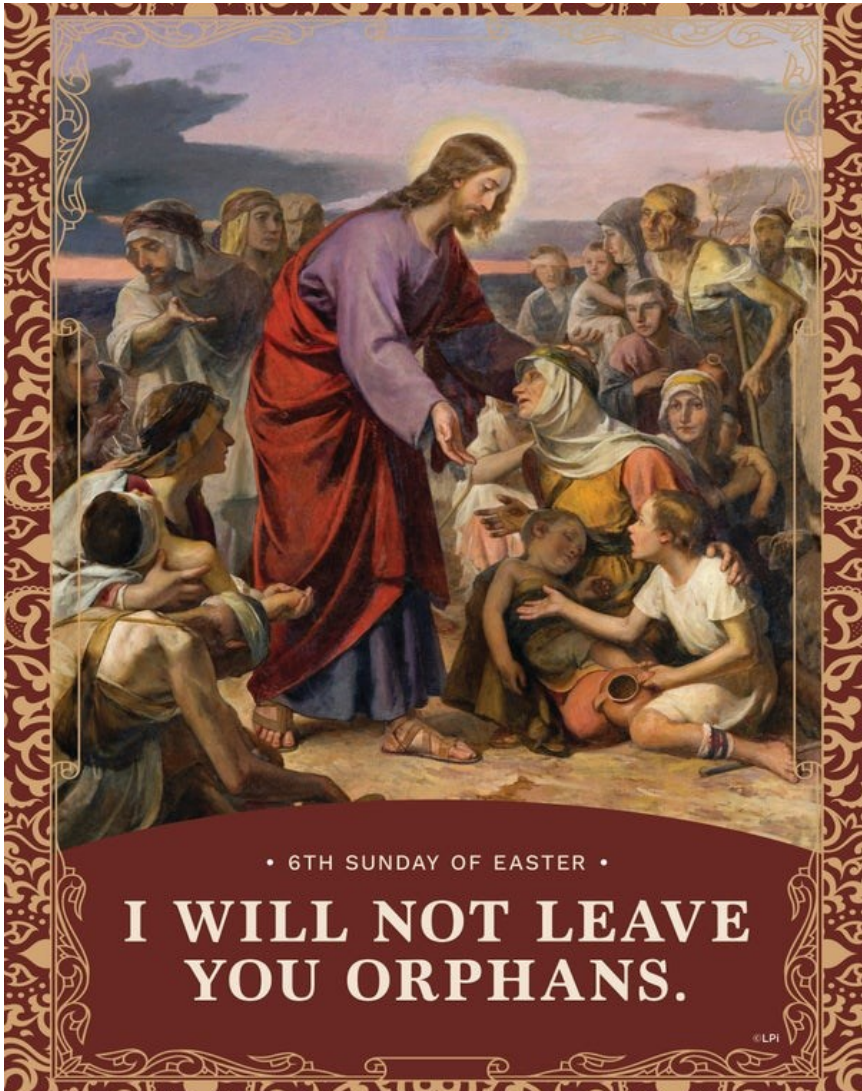




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NOTRE DAME CATHOLIC CHURCH'S MISSION IS TO WORK TO BUILD UP THE KINGDOM OF GOD, TO GROW IN FAITH IN OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, AND TO HELP OTHERS GROW IN FAITH THROUGH OUR THOUGHTS, WORDS AND ACTIONS.

HOLY WEEK MASS SCHEDULE / HOURS

Daily Mass

Tue., Thurs.-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.

FAITH FORMATION

ETERNAL REST: The Art of Dying Well - This 4 part series explores the catholic theology of death, afterlife, and dying with hope covering topics of the separation of body and soul, purgatory, the sacraments for the dying, and more. Each night consists of a 30 minutes video and discussion. The 5th night will consist of a live 2 hour session by Paul Simoneau on the mystery of human suffering and the care for the seriously ill and dying for interested adults. Make plans to join us for this interesting program.

Tues., May 12—Ep. 1 The Story of Death

Thurs., May 14—Ep 2 The Afterlife

Tues., May 19—Ep 3 The Hour of Our Death

Thurs., May 21—Ep 4 The Faithful Departed

Tues., May 26 - 2 hour seminar by Paul Simoneau on the Mystery of Human Suffering and Care for the Seriously ill and Dying

FORMED: This on demand platform is FREE to parishioners to guide you and those you evangelize to a fully Catholic life. To gain access go to <https://signup.formed.org/> then enter our parish's zip code, your name and email. An email will be sent to you with a link to begin exploring content. Once registered, no password needed - email verification is used.

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PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Sharon Folk Chairperson

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. May 9 5:00pm SI Happy Mother's Day
 Sun. May 10 8:00am SI Happy Mother's Day
 11:00am SI Parishioners of Notre Dame
 1:30pm SI Feliz Dia de las Madres
 Tue. May 12 8:30am † Esther Vazquez
 Wed. May 13 6:00pm † Joyce Nickett
 Thu. May 14 8:30am † Dorothy Nachazel
 Fri. May 15 8:30am † Sabas & Braulio Gonzalez Silva
 Sat. May 16 8:30am Fr. Joseph's Intention
 5:00pm SI Douglas & Rachel Paul

DAILY MASS READINGS

Sun. May 10: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; 1 Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21

Mon. May 11: Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:25-19:4a

Tue. May 12: Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11

Wed. May 13: Acts 17:15,22: 18-1; Jn 16:12-15

Thur. May 14: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17

Fri. May 15: Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23

Sat. May 16: Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28

TN STRONG FAMILIES PROGRAM: Pregnant? We'd love to help. This program is through Catholic Charities and funded by the state of Tennessee. It includes group classes and events for pregnant women and can assist with financial needs as well. Contact Jacky Mejia at (423) 214-1573 to sign up. New program hours will be coming to Greene County and held at Notre Dame Church.

OCIA "CANDIDACY CLASSES" FOR ADULTS: The summer session begins on Tuesday, May 5, 2026. Baptized Christians who practice their faith will learn about being a Catholic Christian with the celebration of Confirmation and First Eucharist in August. Our team of five catechists facilitate the program, and interested persons volunteer to be sponsors to share the faith journey with the candidates. We would love to share our faith with you. Please call Judy Collins 639-0688 or email her collinsj02@gmail.com for further information.

PRAYER BLANKETS: St. Catherines' Guild has a Prayer Blanket Ministry. Do you know of someone carrying a heavy cross? Blessed Prayer Blankets are available in the office.

STEWARDSHIP

April ONLINE	\$2,730.20
May 3 Collection	\$7,743.00
Building Fund Collection	\$2,212.00
5 de Mayo	\$3,551.00

IN OUR PRAYERS

Patty Mayo, Antonio Zamori, Karina Justiz, Terry Costello, Linda Halen, Danny Collins, Lauren Casale, Kate Fabio, Michael Godleski, Gary & Mary Laun, Elaine Engle, Nancy Dessez, Harry Ziegler, Michael Dolezar, Christopher McBride, Samatha Starnes, Rosana Beyer, Brian Roberts, Rich & Barbara Jones, Patterson Family, Kacey Nicholas Payson, Robert Jenkins, Michael Walter, Sandramary Evans, Robert Jones, Noah Britton, Michelle Williams Hughes, Joel Rivera, Linda LaSorsa, Elizabeth Girton, Sue Pearson, Jerry Collins, Jennifer Kusnierczyk, Myron & Elsie Smith, Julie Hocutt, 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, Andrea Bernabey, John Nickett, Linda & Edwards Reynolds, Bill & Bernadette Moughamer, Ralph Williams, Rick Longworth, Mary Noe and for the repose of the souls of Alberta Johnson and Mike Lucius.

HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST OR NEED A PASTORAL VISIT?

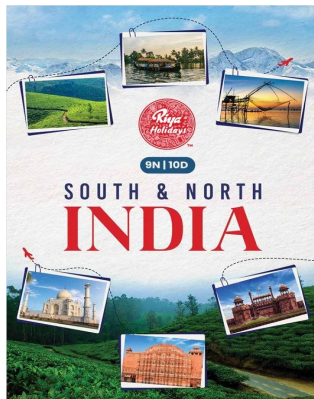
Contact the office for your name to be added to our prayer requests or request a pastoral visit by Fr. Joseph. Names are published for six (6) weeks unless otherwise notified. Thank You!

Call the office to update this list.

THE PASTOR'S DESK

May 10, 2026 Sixth Sunday of Easter

Our readings this weekend remind us that God must come first in our lives, and that love of God is shown through concrete actions. St. Peter, in the second reading, challenges us to "Sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts." In other words, we are to put Christ above all else. His role is not only as Savior, as essential as that is, but as Lord of our lives. As His disciples, we are called to place Him at the center of everything, our time, our talent, and our treasure. The beauty of the stewardship way of life is that it gives us a concrete way to live this out. It allows us to demonstrate that Christ truly is Lord of our lives, because love is not merely a feeling. "Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who loves me," Jesus tells us in our Gospel. True love is an act of the will. It requires obedience, humility, and deep trust in God. But the reward is extraordinary. Christ tells us, "Whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him." Could there be anything more fulfilling than living in such a way that the God of the universe reveals Himself more fully to us?
Fr. Joseph Kuzhupil



Want to get away from winter weather this January?

Then this trip is for you!
Leaving Jan. 11 and trip itinerary begins on Jan. 13 for 10 days in North & South India. Contact Maureen for cost and more info at (423) 466-8938 or email mpellet92@proton.me
See Display in Narthex

TRAVELING VOCATION CHALICE PROGRAM: Notre Dame's Vocation Ministry Committee is pleased to announce the start of our *Traveling Chalice for Vocations Program*. The goal of this program is to provide families with a meaningful opportunity to open their hearts and listen for God's call through prayer. Each family is invited to sign up to take the chalice home for one month. During that time, the chalice should be placed in a prominent location as a reminder to gather daily in prayer for vocations. A prayer card will be provided with the chalice, but feel free to use your favorite Vocations prayer. We encourage all families to prayerfully consider participating in this special ministry. A sign-up sheet is located in the narthex. Please add your family's name along with the Mass you normally attend.

FALL FESTIVAL OF NATIONS: A new design for our 17th annual Parish Fundraiser has been selected for our Festival T-Shirt. Congratulation to Ember Reid for a wonderful design. Order forms are available in the narthex. Festival sponsors are wanted for our Sept. 19 event and forms are also in the narthex. Many benefits available for sponsors! Consider joining our Festival Committee Team and more info is on the display board along with sign up sheets. Vendor and Display applications are also available in the narthex. Share the information with family & friends!

****USA Food Tent Chairman Position Wanted****

Contact the Triple chairs if you are willing and able to assist: DJ Dalton 423-588-0150; Andrea Pletsch 423-823-7165; or Susan Collins 423-470-2560. Monthly meeting begin Mon., May 11 at 6 pm and only last an hour. New ideas welcome!

PARISH INFORMATION

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

Barry & Brenda Litchfield 25 Years

Mark & Martie Benko 55 Years

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

CCW MEETING: Ladies are invited on Sun., May 17 at 3 pm in the Parish Hall for an end of year picnic. Bring a side to share. Charity donations will be given away at this time.

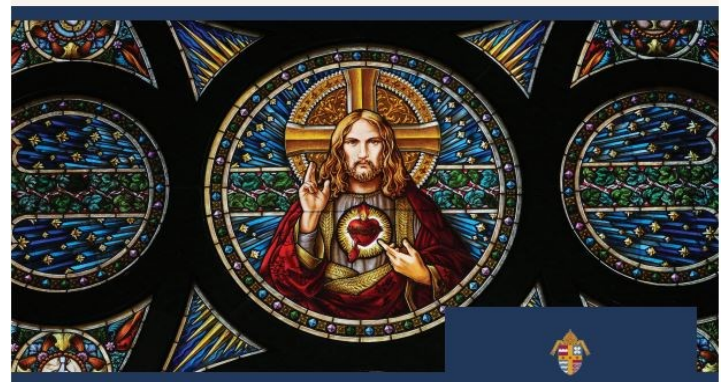
ATTENDANCE AWARDS: Twelve students had perfect attendance and fifteen students only missed one day of RE classes this school year. They were awarded a free waffle cone compliments of Scoop Dog's Creamery!

VBS: Vacation Bible School: Please pray about assisting in our Vacation Bible School held every Wed. night in the month of June. A new theme this year is a Cool Kingdom Party: Mary leads me closer to Jesus. Students strengthen their Catholic faith by attending. Help is needed in meal prep, crafts, games, music, skits, faith formation and more. Sign up in the narthex or call Susan at 423-470-2560 to help. Students entering Kindergarten to those in the 5th grade may attend and cost is only \$5. Students in 6th grade and up and assist in a leadership role. Decorating will take place on Wed., May 27 after the evening Mass and help is needed to create the Castle of Notre Dame.

DIOCESAN INFORMATION

COME AND SEE: Have you ever wondered what it means to live a life of simplicity, joy and service in the spirit of St. Francis? Come & See! You are warmly invited to a Franciscan "Come & See" Gathering at the St. John Neumann Catholic school library on Saturday, May 16, 2026 at 12 noon. For more information contact Terry Paradis at (931) 265-4028.

A Community Living Its Faith in Action



The 2025 Bishop's Appeal for Ministries exceeded expectations, with over 6,300 households helping raise \$3,221,483, surpassing the goal by more than \$200,000 and setting a new record. This strong response reflects a generous and engaged community, united in support of essential ministries across East Tennessee.

"The Bishop's Appeal for Ministries is a living expression of our faith in action, strengthening our ministries and bringing hope and care to those we are called to serve. Your participation and generosity make this mission possible." – Bishop Beckman

Through the generosity of many, this mission is lived out across five key priorities that guide the life of our diocese: fostering vocations to the priesthood, engaging youth and young adults, serving neighbors in need, forming missionary disciples, and strengthening Catholic schools. In each of these areas, lives are impacted and the love of Christ is made visible.

Thank you to all who generously supported last year's Bishop's Appeal for Ministries. We are grateful for you!

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