### STEWARDSHIP

Week 17: October 25-26, 2025 Attendance	601
Weekly Need for New Year	\$6,351
Proceeds Offertory Online Offerings. Week +/- YTD +/-	\$1085 + \$189
Capital Expenses	\$195 \$214
Family Life Center	

We're grateful for your faithful stewardship and for your continued fulfillment of your pledges. May God Bless you in all ways for your generosity.

Collections......\$4,660

YTD.....\$2,104,564

Total Pledged.....\$2,166,863

Online Giving: Tired of writing checks? Visit our web site to set up one-time and/or recurring donations. Click "Donate Now" for a dropdown selection of giving opportunities. Call the office if you want to designate a donation for a specific project. All donations are to be made payable to "St. Joseph the Worker, Madisonville, Tn.

Are you interested in investing in the future of our parish? A bequest in your Will could provide greater ministries for God's work in our parish. Please call the office for information.

#### WELCOME

We welcome our visitors with joyful hearts. If you are not registered and wish to join our faith community, please see an usher after Mass or contact the office.

#### **About Us**

First Gathering: Sept. 16, 1992; Blessing of the Building: May 25, 2001; Consecration of Altar & Church: Jan. 12, 2003; Canonically Erected Parish: May 1, 2006 (on the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker)

Mass Requests: We have openings for daily & weekend Mass requests. Have a Mass said for someone living or deceased. The Holy Mass is the best form of prayer. Call the office to request a Mass.

**Coffee & Donuts** are served after the 8 am and the 10 am Masses on Sundays. At the 10 am Mass, on the fourth Sunday of the month, a pot-luck meal is served.

The **Seven Sisters Apostolate** in our parish collectively pray every day for Fr. Julius. Our Seven Sisters are: Jen, Ann, Kellyann, Denise, Ann, Patty & Grace. If interested in joining this apostolate, contact Tina Bolton 561-202-4760; check out the website SevenSistersApostolate.org to learn more.



### **Faith Formation & Enrichment**

**OCIA classes** are held on Wednesdays, at 7:00 pm in the parish hall. Call the office for more details.

**Bible Study:** The Thursday evening Bible study class meets at 7:00 pm in the parish hall, we are studying the prophets.

**Adoration:** Please prayerfully consider signing up for Adoration on Fridays between 9:30 am and noon.

**Pray the Rosary:** Our Blessed Mother asks us to pray the rosary for world peace. Join us on Thursdays at the grotto (or in the church if weather requires).

The Bible Study on Wednesday Mornings has started. It is at 10 AM in Marion Hall on the book of Hebrews. Interested? Call Marion Croker at 423-420-0135.



### **Time and Talent**

**Help Serve Our Community**: SJTW prepares/serves a free supper at First United Methodist Church every 7 weeks. Volunteers make side dishes and desserts at home and bring them to the church. Contact Jodi at (423) 404-2258.

The Family Life Center's building fund is \$ 2,104,564! As we gather money before construction it will reduce the amount of our loan. We encourage all to honor their pledge payment schedule whether weekly, monthly, quarterly or annually. All contributions of time, money, and prayers will allow us to achieve our ultimate goal – a beautiful, debt free Family Life Center!

Order your custom brick for our new Courtyard. Return your order form or use the link: thatsmybrick.com/SJTWRCC. Remember a love one, honor a family member, or build your own legacy with a brick or tile. The 2 payment options: at the time of ordering or payments made throughout the year. If you need assistance, email Margaret <a href="mailto:mjcummings@tds.net">mjcummings@tds.net</a> or call the office. Thank you for your contribution.

**Parish Business Directory**: If you own a business and want to be included in our parishioner-owner directory, call Jennifer Newman JMeier82@aol.com

**The Welcome Committee** needs help to staff a Welcome Center Table after the Masses. Visitors are encouraged to sign our guest book at the Welcome Table in the Narthex.

**The Youth Group** meets on Wednesdays in Religious Ed Bldg. from 6-7 pm. All youth who have been Confirmed are invited to attend. Topics this month- praying the Rosary and St. Carlo Acutis. We are looking for young people who love God and want to make a difference in our Parish and community.

**Religious Ed** needs items for Christmas Crafts: Jelly mason jars and cardboard holders from paper towels & toilet paper.

### THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

"Let us help and commemorate them. If Job's sons were purified by their father's sacrifice (Job 1:5), why would we doubt that our offerings for the dead bring them some consolation? Let us not hesitate to help those who have died and to offer our prayers for them".~ St. John Chrysostom (347-407) Doctor of the Church).

"But by the prayers of the Holy Church and by the salvific sacrifice and by the alms which are given for their spirits, there is no doubt that the dead are aided, that the Lord might deal more mercifully with them than their sins would deserve."

~ St. Augustine (354-430) Doc. Of the Church-City of God 21:13

# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**Horseshoe Tournament** by the Knights on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month. Registration is at 1:00 pm; the fee is \$20.00. Tournament starts at 2:00pm. For information, contact Bill Schlueter at 513-295-2841.

On the last Saturday of the month the Knights have a **free breakfast** at 9 am for the men of our parish. After eating breakfast there will be a short "Faith in Action" program designed to bring Catholic men together to share our faith and our desire to serve family, parish, and community. **RSVP** to **elharless@comcast,net** to ensure that we have enough food for all.

## WOMEN'S GROUP

**Women's Group Meeting** on Saturday, Nov 15, at 11 am in the Parish Hall. See the bulletin insert.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

The Funeral Mass for John Reiner will be here at SJTW on Monday, Nov. 3 at 11:00 AM. Lunch will be served by the Women's Group & the Bereavement Group of Kahite.

Parish Picnic @ Hidden Lake Campground (Sponsored by KOC) Sunday, November 2 - from 3:00 to 8:00 pm — a bounce house & obstacle course for kids, golf pitching and putting contest, bad mitten, corn hole, fishing on hidden lake (bring your poles), hiking, and more. Drinks for kids & adults, snacks, and a cookout dinner about 5pm. Bring your favorite appetizer or dessert to share. At 1481 Belltown Road, Tellico Plains, TN 37385. Call Gerry Schlueter for questions, may leave a message (423) 295-2161 or text cell, (217) 454-2991.

ATTENTION ALL RCIA/OCIA ALUMNI: You are invited to join the current OCIA class on Wednesday, Nov. 19th, at 7:00-8:00 pm for a gathering of sharing & fellowship. Meet the new class, lend support to their faith journey, and even maybe share the story of your own faith journey. Refreshments will be provided.

We are looking to hire a part-time office assistant to compile the bulletin each week. Call the office if you are interested.

**Save the Date!** St. Joseph the Worker Fundraising Committee is excited to announce our 1st Gala, benefitting the Family Life Center. The Gala will be held on Saturday, April 11th, 5-9PM at the Tellico Village Yacht Club.



## **Prayer Intentions**

For God's Healing: Madeline Albach, Karen Burris, Howard Clarke, Mary Cornejo, Ron Cross, Barbara Hill, Bruce Mackenzie, Karen Ruggiero, Hugo Schielke, Bill Swars, Patty Swatzell, Donald Synder, Dennis Wilson. Please pray for the soul of † John Reiner.

**For Our Military:** Liam Adams, Nicholas Dickson, Matthew Fioravanti, Jacob Hill, Quinn Mackenzie, Ian Perdue, Sara Ruggiero, Chris St. Pierre, Seth Turpeinen

**For Vocations:** Lord, we pray for an abundance of vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life, including those called to serve as religious sisters and brothers. May all who are called respond with generous hearts to build up Your Church.

Call the office to add someone to our prayer intentions.



Happy Birthday: Bruce Alberque, Jesus Arroyo, Mary Ellen Beck, Rolando Castaneda, Valeria Contreras, Estefany Cortez, Ashly Estrada, Josefina Guzman, Santiago Hernandez, Linda Lakomiak, Gabriela Lopez, Dariel Mejia-Mora, Nicole Mora-Corona, Gabriel Mora-Frutos, Mary Beth Raimondi, Jeremiah Salazar, Jesus Salazar, Salvador Vargas-Rodriguez, Salvador Vargas, Yesenia Velasquez, Yuliana Velasquez

**Happy Anniversary:** Jeff & Karen McMillan, Joe & Jennifer Robison, Roger & Jean Schneider, Franklin & Shannon Liner

**Sanctuary Candles:** Donations are \$25 per candle, which burns for one week. The continuous flame symbolizes Christ's unending love and His constant presence and reminds the faithful their call to loving adoration in return.

Call the office with parishioner names for **Thanksgiving Baskets**.



### **Special Second Collection**

The Second Collection this November 1-2 weekend is for Diocesan Catholic School Tuition support. Over the past years, the need for supplemental tuition support has more than doubled. With your help, more children will experience the spiritual and academic advantages of a Catholic school education. Please be generous.

On November 9, a second collection will be taken up for the Archdiocese for Military Services (AMS). This collection is only taken up every 3 years. The AMS provides much needed priest-chaplains for Catholic military members and families spread out among military installations across the world. The AMS receives no funding from the military or the government and relies on private donations to fund all pastoral programs and services. Please be generous in your support of the AMS.