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MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil Mass
Sunday (English)
Sunday (Spanish)

Daily Mass (Tue -Fri) and 1st Saturday

4 pm
8 am and 10 am
12:00 pm
9 am

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Mass at 9 am and 7 pm (Bilingual)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday 9:30 am – 1 pm Bulletin items due Tuesday before 12:30 pm

Call office to schedule facilities.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptismal preparation is required for parents who desire their baby / child to be baptized. Parents must be registered with the church. Forms and information are available in the office.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE DUE TO COVID PLS CALL

Saturday **3pm** Sunday **9:15** – **9:45 am** or upon request Domingo **12:00 pm** Spanish

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

If one is seriously ill or having surgery, please call the parish office or the rectory for Anointing of the Sick. A Priest or extraordinary minister of Holy Communion will administer Holy Communion on a weekly basis to shut-ins.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples should contact the Pastor a minimum of \underline{six} (6) months in advance. Dates may \underline{not} be set prior to the second meeting with the priest. The Diocese requires that couples attend an Engaged Encounter or Picture of Love Weekend.

First gathering: Sept. 16, 1992 Blessing of Building: May 25, 2001
Consecration of Altar & Church January 12, 2003
Canonically erected Parish May 1, 2006 Feast of St. Joseph the Worker



St **Joseph the Worker**, as a happy faith community, welcomes you and your family with joyful hearts to our church. If you are not registered and want to belong to this happy family of worshippers, please stop one of the

ushers or myself, Fr. Julius, and request a registration form. Or you may always call the office at (423) 442-7273.



A Week Ahead in our Parish

Mon April 19 - **no church**

Tues Apr 20 - 9 am Mass Dr & Mrs Om Kapoor

By: Trudy P-P

Weds Apr 21 - 9 am Mass Dr & Mrs Om Kapoor

By: Trudy P-P

9:30am Rosary church

Thu Apr 22 - **9 am Mass** Dr & Mrs Om Kapoor

By: Trudy P-P

7 pm Rosary (MH)

Fri Apr 23 - 9 am Mass Dr & Mrs Om Kapoor

By: Trudy P-P

9:30am – 12pm Adoration

Sat Apr 24 – 4 pm Mass † A. J. Ruggiero

By: Al R

Sunday April 25 **4th Sunday of Easter**

8 am Mass No Intention

By:

10 am Mass † Dan Harteis

By: Harteis

12:30 pm Mass (Spanish) People of the Parish

CCD 11:15 - 12:15 Marian Hall

 April 24/25
 4pm
 8am
 10am

 Usher
 Donna T
 Gary C
 Mike H

Steve L Cami E

Frank U

Server Conrad K Katie E

Emmett K

Reader Jim H Donna H Art S

Dottie E Marvin D

EMHC Please check with Fr Julius before Mass

Temperatures will be checked

Church Cleaning April 26 - Chris C Tami W

Counters: Susan M Chuck T

WEEKLY FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP:
April 10/11, 2021 Week 41

Attendance: 305 weekly Need: \$ 4063

Offering	Online	week +/-	YTD	
3483	30	-550	+ 1756	

Capital Exp 215 Good Shepherd 147 Rice Bowls 779 Capital Build Fund 110 Feed My Sheep 75

Thank you all who give so generously. God Bless you!



Tray for the Sick of our Farish

Dale Bauer Mary Cornejo Charles Downs Ron Eydt Maria Figueroa Jeanne Huffor Alvaro Pina Karen Ruggiero Susie Ryan Hugo Schielke Patty Swatzell Dennis Wilson

Any parishioner who is sick or having surgery, notify Fr. Julius or the office (privacy is extended to those who request it).

Event of Death: notify the office if you would like the Parish to share your grief if a family member dies. Mass can be offered immediately or at a date convenient to the family.

Happy Birthday – Dan Beck, Efrain Corona, Axel Cortez, Guadalupe Espinoza, Guadalupe Figueroa, Giselle Lopez, Janeth Lopez, Oscar Lopez-Parra, Maria Martinez, Jean Schneider, Donna Thompson, Sarah Trejo, Carol VanDriel

Happy Anniversary - Frank & Rose Urban, Baltazar & Juliana Gallardo

To add or remove a name from the list, please contact the office.



Our Blessed Mother has asked us to pray the rosary for world peace. Join us to recite the rosary together at 7:00 PM on Thursdays at the grotto.

Thought for the Week: "The joyful news that He is risen does not change the contemporary world. Still before us lie work, discipline, sacrifice. But the fact of Easter gives us the spiritual power to do the work, accept the discipline, and make the sacrifice." – Henry Knox Sherrill

"I really do believe that God is love, one of deep affection and grace and forgiveness and inspiration." – William P. Young



Year of St Joseph
Project: Our first event
to honor St. Joseph is
joining with Good
Shepherd to gather
items to provide Layettes
for new mothers. Please
see the list of needed

new items. Bring items to Mass or drop them off at church during the week before 1 PM. If you care to make a monetary donation, make your check to SJTW Catholic Church, and designate for Good Shepherd Layette on the check. Items needed: receiving blankets, onesies, sleepers (footed pajamas), hooded towels, wash cloths, baby tubs, diaper bags, bottles, pacifiers, bibs, booties, thermometers, baby nail scissors, rattles, brush, shampoo, lotion, soap. The ending date for the project is Mother's Day weekend (May 8/9). Thank you for your help. For information contact mjcummings@tds.net or bcallan111@aol.com



The Knights of Columbus will be collecting iktems for their **Annual Yard Sale**. Contact Ed Harless (423-884-2575) or Dan Callan (423-884-6760) for more information.

ONLINE GIVING Visit our website at www.sjtwrcc.org click on the "Donate Now" button

Council of Catholic Women Activities:

Smoky Mountain Deanery CCW: May 1, 2021 - General Meeting at Our Lady of Fatima, Alcoa. Mass at 9:00 am. Meeting to follow.

Knoxville Diocesan CCW: June 10, 11, 12: Convention at The Cathedral of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Theme "Heart to Heart: Our Yes to Jesus through Mary". For more information contact Barbara Callan or contact Michelle Peckham at mishal109@yahoo.com.

National Collection for Catholic Home Missions:

Please be generous in supporting the Catholic Home Missions Appeal on April 25. This collection helps to strengthen the Catholic Church in the U.S. in its 87 mission territories. As the Diocese of Knoxville is one of the smallest dioceses in the nation, it is a direct beneficiary of Catholic Home Missions assistance. Your generosity in support of this appeal is greatly appreciated for the additional blessings it brings to our diocese. Thank you.

Pope Francis proclaims 2021 as the Year of St.



Joseph. The feast of St. Joseph the Worker was instituted on May 1, 1955. The faithful can gain a plenary indulgence through such diligence. Those "who daily entrust their activities to the protection of St. Joseph and all the faithful

who invoke with prayer" the intercession of St. Joseph the Worker "so that who is looking for work can find a job and work [for] everyone is more dignified" will benefit. *National Catholic Registry*.

First Annual Race for Kids Virtual 5K & Family Walk:

You can help support CCETN's Children's Emergency Shelter and C.H.A.P. Program by joining the Kids Virtual 5K & Family Walk. Held Sunday, April 18-Wednesday, April 28, 2021. You can do it virtually, from home or anywhere. For details or to sign up, go to www.ccetn.org/RaceForKids



From the Diocese of Knoxville: Bishop Richard F. Stika has issued an updated COVID-19 safety procedure for parishes with an eye toward restoring

the Sunday Mass obligation on Pentecost weekend. The revised protocols come in the wake of the nation's move to extend vaccinations to more people and stem the impact of the virus on the public and the healthcare system. As of March 26, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reported that more than 53 million Americans have been completely vaccinated against COVID-19, and more than 93 million have received at least one dose of a vaccine.

In a formal decree issued on March 25, Bishop Stika asked pastors to remind the faithful that currently their obligation to attend Sunday mass remains dispensed. He added, "It is my intention to restore the obligation to attend Sunday Mass, effective Pentecost Sunday, May 22-23."

The Dioceses of Memphis and Nashville restored the Sunday obligation on Palm Sunday, but Bishop Stika expressed concern that such a move for the Diocese of Knoxville is premature.

"I am still not comfortable about the situation here in East Tennessee," Bishop Stika said. "Some people have received the vaccine and some have not. Spring break is going on, and there are still many uncertainties out there with the new strains of the virus. I do not want to place an undue burden on the faithful, so what I have decided is to wait."

Public Masses were discontinued in March 2020. Public Masses resumed on Pentecost weekend 2020, but under strict COVID-19 safety protocols. "Last year, we reopened public worship on Pentecost, the birth of the Church, 50 days after the celebration of Easter. My goal (this year) is to lift the dispensation from Sunday observance on Pentecost weekend," Bishop Stika said. Bishop Stika reiterated the continued need to wear masks at Masses and to follow diocesan safety protocols.

From the desk of Fr. Julius

Brothers and Sisters in Christ; Grace and peace!

On this Third Sunday of Easter, we continue our jubilant celebration of The Risen Christ, and truly rejoice with our seventeen First Holy Communion candidates who reflect an ancient tradition! Through their first reception of the Body and Blood of Our Lord, Holy Mother Church provides our new and longer-standing Catholic Christians with renewed eagerness for our risen Lord.

The first reading from the Acts of the Apostles describes Saint Peter's second sermon with the Jewish assembly at the Portico of Solomon in Jerusalem. With justifiable reprimand, Peter declares how the messianic prophecies have been fulfilled in the cru- cified and Risen Jesus; he challenges the people to turn back to God so that their sins may be wiped away. St. John instructs us, in the second reading, that to be perfected in God's love, we must keep His commandments.

Our Gospel describes Jesus' appearance to his unbelieving apostles hiding in the Upper Room. Jesus did not recount their acts of denial and cowardice as I referenced during my homily on Divine Mercy Sunday, but removed their doubts with his consoling greeting, "Peace be with you". Additionally, He invites their touch and demonstrates his measurable presence by eating the cooked fish. We see how the disciples were initially afraid to allow themselves to believe, after witnessing our Lord's agonizing suffering and death. But peace begins to take root in their hearts. Jesus goes ahead to share the apostles' "Upper Room experience" like our Eucharistic celebrations; in the "Liturgy of the Word of God," Jesus speaks to us. In the "Liturgy of Bread and Wine," Jesus becomes our spiritual food and drink.

Thus, today's gospel scene is repeated every Sunday on our parish altars. Like the early disciples, we come together to repent of our sins, express our gratitude for the blessings received, listen to God's words and offer our lives to God along with our petitions and His gifts of Body and Blood. We essentially share in the spiritual food Jesus furnishes, His body, His blood, thereby gaining the strength necessary for sharing His message with the world. Just like the early apostles, Jesus needs us as witnesses to continue his mission; not selfish and lukewarm followers, but Spirit-filled followers chosen to be His eyes, ears, and hands. Like last week's Divine Mercy observance, we pray to bear witness to His love, mercy, and forgiveness. May our daily lives be a true reflection and the means of experiencing and sharing the Risen Lord with our faith community and others. Amen.

Joyous Sunday!