



# St. Joseph Catholic Church



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Parish information & calendar: <http://www.sjnorris.org>

## Church Contacts

### Pastor:

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Secretary: Louann Lawrence [bulletin@sjnorris.org](mailto:bulletin@sjnorris.org)

Office Hours: Tue–Wed–Thurs–8:30-12:30

### Parish Council

Bill Ross– Chairperson (Spiritual Life)

Elizabeth Hamby- Vice Chair (Parish & Family Life)

Lynnette Currie– Secretary (Social Action)

Dennis Curtin- (Administration)

Mike Ferkany (Faith Formation)

Al Lesar (Communication)

### Committee Chairperson

Altar Servers Patti Ferkany - 426-2627

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Finance Eric Rauch - 223-9788

Liturgy Margaret Donaldson - 603-1487

Maintenance Mike Ferkany - 248-505-4778

Men's Club George Miceli - 494-7933

RCIA Judy Donovan - 494-5921

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Youth Heidi Poore - 680-6151

Spiritual Life Beverly Froning - 607-3627

Cursillo Dick Shriver-384-2133

### Mass Schedule

Sunday 9:00 am

Tues & Thurs 9:00 am

Liturgy of Hours 8:45 am Tues & Thurs

Adoration 6-7 pm Thurs

### Sacraments

**Baptism** - By appointment at least 8 weeks prior.

Contact Karen Meiring at 406-9973

**Reconciliation**-1st Thurs, 6-7 pm; before Mass Sundays, and by appointment

**Marriage** - 6 month preparation period as required by the diocese. See Fr. Armstrong

## January 26, 2020

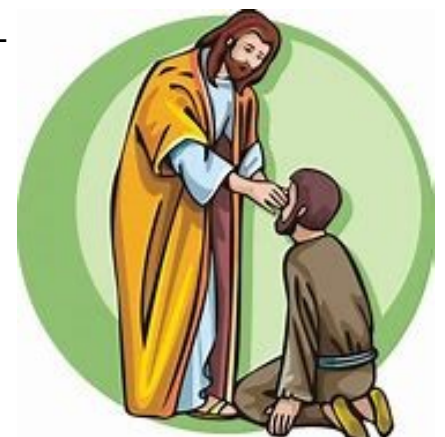


Today's Gospel describes the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. In the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke (called the Synoptic Gospels), Jesus' public ministry begins after his baptism by John the Baptist and after his retreat to the desert where he was tempted by the devil. When Jesus returns from the desert, he hears that John has been arrested.

The first part of today's Gospel places Jesus' ministry in the context of the writings of the prophet, Isaiah. Matthew wants to show that Jesus is the fulfillment of the prophecies given to the people of Israel, and he refers to Isaiah to do so. Isaiah says that the Messiah will begin his ministry in Galilee, the land of the Gentiles. When Jesus begins to preach in Galilee, Matthew points to his ministry as a fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy, proof that Jesus is the Messiah.

When Jesus called his first disciples, the Gospel tells us that the fishermen (Peter and Andrew, James and John) dropped everything to follow Jesus immediately. Yet this Gospel tells us little about the prior experience that the fishermen had of Jesus. Did they know him? Had they heard him preach? What kind of person must Jesus have been to invoke such a response? We can imagine that Jesus was a powerful presence to elicit a response as immediate and complete as these first disciples gave.

The Gospel concludes with a description of the ministry that Jesus begins in Galilee. Jesus inaugurates the Kingdom of God with his work. He teaches in the synagogue and preaches the kingdom. His ability to cure people's diseases and illness is a sign of the kingdom. In Jesus' ministry, we already begin to see the Kingdom of God among us.





The Bishop's Appeal 2020 In-Pew Commitment Weekend  
A Joyful Witness

Please spend some time this week reflecting on the Bishop's Appeal information that you received with your bulletin. Please remember that the Bishop's Appeal is **much different than a one-time special collection. It is a pledge campaign** where you can make a gift payable in installments.

As you review the work enabled by your contribution to the Bishop's Appeal, please reflect on God's gifts to you. He has given you all that you have. Your gifts to our parish, to the Diocese and to the work of the Church throughout the world should be given in gratitude for the continuing gifts that God gives you.

Each pledge makes a difference because all parishes participate in the campaign and the gifts of many enable our Diocese to deliver needed ministries and services. Our combined gifts not only signify our gratitude to God, they fund a significant portion of the work of our Diocese.

If you received your pledge form in the mail and have not sent it in, please complete it and mail it back or bring it to Mass next weekend. For those of you that did not receive a mailing or have not had time to respond to it, we will conduct our in-pew pledge process at all Masses next weekend. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.



Knoxville Diocesan CCW is offering 1 Free Registration for the NCCW Convention 100th Birthday Celebration to a women under the age of 41. If you would be interested see Sally Jackson for more information.

**St Joseph Small Faith Community Scripture Studies**

2nd & 4th Sunday After Mass *Catholicism the Pivotal Players* For questions, Sally Jackson 494-7340 starts

Tuesday After Mass at 9:45 am For questions, George Miceli 494-7933

1st and 3rd Wednesday Evenings 6:30 pm, *First Corinthians* Contact Judy Curtin 494-0372 or dtcurtin05@comcast.net starts

2nd and 4th Thursday of the month *Catholicism the Pivotal Players* 7:00 pm, Contact Beverly Froning 865-607-3627.

	<b>St. Joseph Ministries</b> February 2, 2020
<b>Readers</b>	Jackie Lawson, Elaine McCloud, Deacon Dan
<b>Ushers</b>	Karen Thompson, Chuck Stearle
<b>Servers</b>	Elizabeth Cole, Seth Rohde, Morgan Perry
<b>EMHC</b>	Sue Campbell, Bill Donaldson, Sally Jackson, Mike McGee, Deacon Dan
<b>Rosary</b>	Ginny Miceli

**Mass Intentions**

Jan 28th  
Jan 30th  
Grace & Luke Williams

**Birthdays**

Deborah Woodiel, Ann Straille, Marie Ensley, John Seymour, II

**Anniversaries**

Don & Susan Forbes  
Bill & Barbara Ross

**Please pray for our parishioners**

Donald Stringfellow, Dottie & Chuck Stearle, Mary Hicks, Angelo Miceli, Penny Hosford Denise Dziura, Bill Jolly, Mark Grim, Mary Stolte, Joe Sprouls, Mary Jane Minch, Dave Marantette, Bobby Thompson, Ron Johnson, for all that have received Prayer Shawls-Comfort Blankets and those in our Book of Petitions

~ STEWARDSHIP ~	
Last Week (1/19/20)	\$2,144.00
Last Year (1/20/19)	\$2,480.00
Total for November	\$11,300.22
Monthly Fiscal Year Budget	\$10,844.58

**Mission Statement**

St. Joseph Catholic Community strives to strengthen the Kingdom of God thru our worship, service to others, spiritual growth and evangelization. We are a family-oriented, welcoming community, with Christ as our focus. We participate with and support the greater community in works that encourage strong families and community development. Our growing family includes all age groups, caring for each other's needs.

When we go to Eucharistic adoration], we meet the same Jesus whom Mary brought into the world, whom the shepherds [and Magi] found lying in a manger, whom Mary and Joseph nurtured; the same Jesus who called the Apostles to follow Him, who taught the multitudes, who performed miracles, who said He was the light and life of the world, who for love of us suffered and died on the Cross; that same Jesus who rose again and appeared to the Apostles, who ascended into heaven, who now is seated in glory at the right hand of His Father, and who, in union with the Father, sends us the Holy Spirit. Our Eucharistic Lord is not a passive object for our adoration, He is living; He sees us, listens to us, answers our prayers, and showers us with graces.

Father Gabriel of St. Mary Magdalen, O.C.D., Divine Intimacy, Med. 201, pp 602-3



Saint Joseph Catholic Church offers adoration on Thursdays at 6:00 pm. All are welcome.



On February 2nd at 5pm the Parish Council will have it's first "Junk Food and Game Night" for the ENTIRE Parish. This will be a night of fun board games and yummy snacks. Please make plans to attend.



CCW's annual St Valentine's Bake Sale will be held Sunday, February 9th before and after Mass. All proceeds will go to the Second Harvest Food Bank.

**BUY SOME WONDERFUL TREATS TO HELP FEED THE HUNGRY!!**

Bakers and Volunteers are needed. See Karen Meiring for details.

#### Celebration of Love



It's unbelievable! 8 couples in our church have/will soon celebrate their 50th Anniversary. St Joseph CCW is again celebrating this tremendous milestone with a banquet and program that you will not want to miss. Please plan to purchase your tickets soon, as we must let the caterer know in advance. Tickets available after Masses.

### Spiritual Life Inspiration

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### God really loves us!

"God loves me. I'm not here just to fill a place, just to be a number. He has chosen me for a purpose. I know it. He will fulfill it if I don't put an obstacle in His way. He will not force me, but He wants me to say yes."

Heart of Joy, St. Teresa of Calcutta

**Mass Intentions** - For Mass intentions, contact Sally Jackson or Louann Lawrence in the office.

**Parishioner Registration** - New to the Parish? Welcome! Please register. Ask an usher for a registration form.

**Eucharistic Ministry Visits** - contact Lynnette Currie - 865-494-2260 or the office to schedule eucharistic visits to home or hospital.

**Sacristan (Altar Care)** - Thanks **Sally Jackson** for serving as Sacristan during Dec. **Sally Jackson** will serve during Jan. Contact Margaret Donaldson 603-1487 to help with altar care.

**Second Collections** February 26th; **Collection for Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe**

### HOW TO CONTACT US

**St. Joseph Website** You can read each week's bulletin online, <http://www.sjnorris.org>

**Calendar Events** please fill out the form that is on the Parish Office door. You can slip it under the door of the Parish Office.

**Bulletin Announcements:** Complete form on office door or email [bulletin@sjnorris.org](mailto:bulletin@sjnorris.org) by Wednesday at 12:00 pm

You can view an updated calendar by going to [sjnorris.org](http://sjnorris.org) and clicking on Calendar

If you are on Facebook, check out the St Joseph page.



### On the lighter side



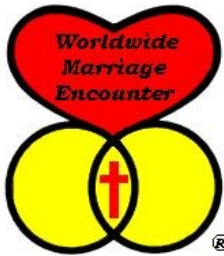
My sincerest apologies to anyone who got injured last week when we scheduled the bake sale and weight watchers for the same evening



# Diocese and Community Happenings

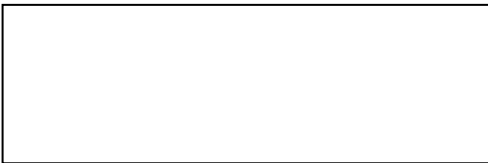
## Catholic Charities' Events and Advocacy Committee

Are you someone who likes to help with events? Are you passionate about making a difference in our community? If you answered "Yes" to one (or both) of these questions, then Catholic Charities of East Tennessee needs you! CCETN is looking to grow our Events and Advocacy Committee (EAC). For details, please contact Jessica Allen at ([jmallen@ccetn.org](mailto:jmallen@ccetn.org)) or (865) 963-4727. Thank you for being so giving of your time and talents for our neighbors in need!



**Married Couples:** God is going to shower us with the gift of super-gratuitous abundant love with the birth of His Son. Shower your spouse with the same abundant love by putting a Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience on your calendar. The next dates are February 28

-March 1 and April 17-19. You can get more information or apply online at [GATN-wwme.org](http://GATN-wwme.org) or by calling **678-242-WWME**.



2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Call to Love Marriage Conference

**Saturday, March 21, 2020**

[Sister Anna Marie McGuan, RSM](#), SSL Director of the Office of Christian Formation

will offer three talks on Pope St. John Paul II's "[Theology of the Body](#)" and how better understanding his teaching can enrich your marriage.

[Cathedral of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus](#)

Begins at noon in the Shea Room

Concludes with Mass at 5:00 p.m.

\$25.00 per couple (lunch included) [Paraclete Catholic Books and Gifts](#)


Registration/payment due by Friday, March 13, 2020

Online registration/payment option <https://tinyurl.com/DoK-Call-to-Love-20> or

[mail check](#) to the Chancery, Attn. Karen Byrne


Contact: Karen Byrne at [kbyrne@dioknox.org](mailto:kbyrne@dioknox.org) or (865) 584-3307

Avila, Spain





**PILGRIMAGE to SPAIN** June 1 - 9  
In the footsteps of St. Teresa of Avila 2020


Barcelona



Toledo


Sister Anna Marie McGuan, RSM  
Director of Christian Formation

The Diocese of Knoxville 

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**⚡ Make your reservation**

To reserve, fill-out the reverse-side form and send it to us.  
A \$450 / person deposit is required to make your reservation.

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## Join us for KNOXVILLE'S ANNUAL Catholic Charities Dinner

MARCH 5, 2020

5:30 PM

at

ROTHCHILD CATERING  
+ CONFERENCE CENTER

For tickets or sponsorships,  
visit [www.ccetn.org/events](http://www.ccetn.org/events)  
or call 865-963-4727

