



St. Joseph Catholic Church



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Parish Council

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Mass Schedule

Sunday 9:00 am

Tues & Thurs 9:00 am



May 10 † Mary Lou & John Currie

May 12 Mary Merrill

Sacraments

Baptism - By appointment at least 8 weeks prior.

Contact Karen Meiring at 865-406-9973

Reconciliation—After Mass Sundays, and by appointment

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

Fourth Sunday of Easter † May 8, 2022



In our three year cycle of readings on the Fourth Sunday of Easter, we always read from the tenth chapter of John's Gospel. In this chapter Jesus identifies himself as the Good Shepherd and his disciples as the sheep. The section from chapter ten we read this Sunday is very brief. It is only three verses: *"Jesus said: My sheep hear my voice; I know them and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one can take them out of my Father's hand. The Father and I are one."*

We should not presume that the brevity of this Gospel suggests it is unimportant. In fact quite the opposite is true. This Gospel tells us three very important things.

1. Jesus is continually calling us to follow him. We need to listen, though, in order to hear that call.
2. We cannot accidentally fall away from God or be snatched out of God's hand. Rather, we are meant for eternal life with God.
3. Jesus is able to promise these things because he is one with the Father, not subordinate to the Father.

* Jesus said that my sheep hear my voice. How do you "listen" for the voice of Jesus?

* What helps you to listen for the voice of Jesus?

A Mother's Day Prayer

Dear Lord,

Please watch over
and support all mothers
on earth and in heaven . . .

and help them to know how much
they are loved and appreciated
on Mother's Day and every day.

God bless the Mothers, Grandmothers and
Great-Grandmothers of St. Joseph Church!

All are welcome to join us for Breakfast after
9am Mass, provided by the men of the parish!

St. Joseph Ministries

Sunday May 15, 2022

Readers: John Froning, Linda Rauch

Ushers: Judy Curtin, Dennis Curtin,
Phillip

Servers: Maja Williams, Brooks Reid

EMHC: Cheri Ridenour, Bev Froning

Rosary: John Froning

BIRTHDAYS

Mary Ann Toennisson May 13

Lawrence Donovan May 16

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY!**

If your BIRTHDAY or ANNIVERSARY is missing,
please contact Parish Secretary
Maureen Romanoski

Please pray for our parishioners

Dr. Ron Yatteau, Paul & Pandi Blihar, Kerry &
Mary Foster, Jon Curchy, Chuck & Dottie
Stearle, Jackie Steinkuehler, Mary Lou
Waruszewski, Penny Hosford, Chuck Kuhens,
Ron Johnson, Bradley Williams & for all that
have received Prayer Shawls-Comfort Blankets
and those in our Book of Petitions

ST. JOSEPH

Council of Catholic Women



The CCW Card Ministry will meet Thurs-
day, May 19th after Mass in the social hall
to make Memorial Day Cards for the resi-
dents of Norris Health & Rehab

Save the Date CCW Annual Tea
Saturday, June 11 2-4pm



Community/CCW Yard Sale
Saturday May 14 9am-1pm
at St. Joseph Religious Ed Building
****Workers Needed! ****
Please signup this weekend in social hall

Mission Statement

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

~ STEWARDSHIP ~

Last Week 5/01/2022	\$3,297.00
Last Year 5/02/2022	\$2,892.00



Plea For Religious Ed Staff
We have volunteer opportunities to work with St. Joseph children in grades Kindergarten through fifth. This will be in the religious education with a minimum of two adults per classroom.

The sessions will start in September and end in May.

Please call Lynnette Currie (865-494-2260) or Email (lynnette_currie@parentcraft.us)

St Joseph Small Faith Community Scripture Studies

Jesus-The Way, The Truth, The Life

2nd & 4th Thursday of the month. Contact Beverly Froning at 865-607-3627 for more information.



Parishioner Registration Welcome to St. Joseph parish. Ushers will provide you with registration forms. Please notify the office of changes to your address, phone numbers and email.

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

Sacristan (Altar Care) Contact Margaret Donaldson 865-603-1487 to help with altar care.

Bulletin Announcements: PLEASE complete form on office door or email bulletin@sjnorris.org by Wednesday at 12:00 pm.

DEATH IN THE FAMILY: If you would like St. Joseph to share in your grief in the event of a family member's death, please officially notify the parish office. A Mass will be offered for the deceased at a date convenient to the family.

Mass Intentions For Mass intentions, contact Sally Jackson. Consider Mass intentions for the deceased, joyful occasions, and special needs.

St. Joseph Website You can read each week's bulletin online, <http://www.sjnorris.org> as well as learn more about the parish. You can view an updated calendar on the website by clicking on **Calendar**.

Calendar Events Please fill out the form that is on the Parish Office bulletin board. You can slip it under the door of the Parish Office.

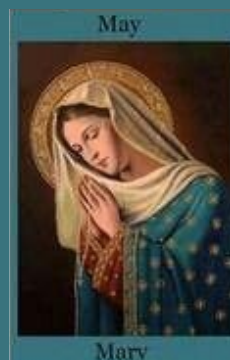
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Spiritual Life Inspiration

The Month of May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary

Fourth Sunday of Easter Thanks for Life Mom!! Happy Mother's Day!!
On this Mother's Day let us ask our Holy Mother Mary for her intercession in our prayers for all mothers, grandmothers, godmothers and those in motherly roles. Let us pray for those mothers who are currently pregnant, those who want children but are still waiting, and those mothers who have lost children. Let us also pray for the mothers who are considering an abortion that they will choose to make a godly and wise decision. "O Most Blessed Mother, heart of love, heart of mercy, ever listening, caring, consoling, hear our prayers." Hallow Website

Catholic Devotion for May



See the Spiritual Life table in the parish hall for more information.

St. Joseph Parish Pastoral Council Seeking New Council Members.

The purpose of the Council is to advise the Pastor of the growth and betterment of the parish and to assist the Pastor in strategic planning, studying pastoral situations and rendering him advice on his governance of the parish. The Council should foster unity in the parish; encourage full participation of parishioners in parish life; and promote ongoing dialogue among the staff, parishioners, and various parish organizations.

Every year, two members rotate off the Parish Pastoral Council. Lynnette Currie's and Mike Ferkany's terms will end June 30 of 2022, and we need two laypeople to replace them.

All who have been members (18 years or older) of the parish from June 1, 2021 or longer are invited to be a member of the PPC.

Do you have a vision for St. Joseph Parish?

Do you have passion for a certain ministry?

Have you thought you might want to contribute
more to the growth of St. Joseph?

Have you thought how you might serve St. Joseph
or our immediate community in a more meaningful way?

Please prayerfully consider attending this meeting and see if it is something you feel called to do.

Please contact Fr. Richard with a Letter of Interest via email to byzantinepriest10@gmail.com by Sunday, May 29.



DIOCESAN EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Diocese of Knoxville Office of Christian Formation

Sr. Peter Miriam, Director srpetermiriam@dioknox.org (865) 584-3307

Diving into Baptism

Thursday nights in May 7:00-8:30pm on Zoom

presented by Rod Bennett. To register and receive the Zoom link email Chris Kite at ckite@dioknox.org

May 5th	<i>Baptism Now Saves Us</i>
May 12th	<i>Baptism is Enlightenment</i>
May 19th	<i>All Valid Baptisms Are Catholic</i>
May 26th	<i>Guard this Gift</i>

The Office of Christian Formation is hosting a four-part webinar series on the sacrament of baptism led by Rod Bennett Thursdays in May, 7-8:30 p.m. over Zoom. To register and receive the link, email Chris Kite at ckite@dioknox.org.



come and pray a

Holy Hour for Vocations

Chattanooga Deanery

St. Thérèse of Lisieux

Friday, May 6, 2022

9am

Smoky Mountain Deanery

Our Lady of Fatima

Monday, May 9, 2022

7pm, Bilingual

Five Rivers Deanery

St. Dominic

Wednesday, May 11, 2022

7pm

Cumberland Deanery

St. Mary, Oak Ridge

Thursday, May 12, 2022

6pm



Diocese of Knoxville Office of Vocations Dioknox.org 865-584-3307

Community Events

The Norris Lions Club Community-Wide Yard Sale Saturday, May 14th 8am–2pm

is back this year by popular demand and will take place on Saturday, May 14th. The Lions and residents throughout the Norris community will hold individual yard sales at their homes. In addition, the Lions Club will host a sale at the Lions Pavilion on the Norris Commons for the sale of items donated by club members.

For a fee of \$10 individuals wishing to host a yard sale will be provided advertising and a yard sign. Based on the success of last years yard sales event, we anticipate drawing a large number of buyers. All proceeds from the Lions Club sales at our pavilion will go towards our service projects in Norris and surrounding communities. Individuals hosting a yard sale will have the option to donate all or a portion of their sales to the Norris Lions Club. As always, any donations to the club are greatly appreciated and will fund our service projects and local charities we support.

Here is your chance to clean out that garage, make some money, and support your community! Watch for more information on how to participate in the yard sale in upcoming issues of the Norris Bulletin.