

**ST. ELIZABETH
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Diocese of Knoxville

**Mass intentions
for the week
of Dec. 2, 2018**

First Sunday of Advent

Saturday 5 p.m. —

† Marsha Hupko
By: Mike Hupko

Sunday, 9 a.m. —

† Debbie Cooper
By: Mary Carr

St. Francis Xavier

Monday, 10 a.m. —

† Souls in purgatory
By: Lisa Palmieri

Tuesday — No Mass

Wednesday, 5 p.m. —

Vocations
By: Knights of Columbus

Thursday, 10 a.m. —

Reparation of sins

Vigil for Immaculate Conception

Friday, 7:30 p.m. —

Second Sunday of Advent

Saturday 5 p.m. —

† deceased of Tummers family
By: Jos & Thea Tummers

Sunday, 9 a.m. —

† Grace Davis
By: Mary Carr

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First Sunday of Advent

Jeremiah 33:14-16
Psalm 25:4-5, 8-10, 14
1 Thessalonians
3:12—4:2
Luke 21:25-28, 34-36



A JUST SHOOT

Judaism, like Catholicism, is a connective religion. This means that individuals do not have to carry the burden of salvation alone. We are saved by our link to others in our faith: we're all in it together. For the Jewish people this is hereditary. God promised to bless Abraham and his descendants. This explains why there are so many genealogies in the Bible — Abraham was the father of Isaac, and so on. The most important family tree was that of King David. The "just" or honorable "shoot" would be part of that tree. Jeremiah predicts this and points to Jesus.

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Weekly readings

Monday

Isaiah 2:1-5
Matthew 8:5-11

Tuesday

Isaiah 11:1-10
Luke 10:21-24

Wednesday

Isaiah 25:6-10a
Matthew 15:29-37

Thursday

Isaiah 26:1-6
Matthew 7:21,24-27

Friday

Isaiah 29:17-24
Matthew 9:27-31

Saturday

Genesis 3:9-15, 20
Psalm 98:1-4
Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12
Luke 1:26-38

Sunday

Baruch 5:1-9
Psalm 126:1-6
Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11
Luke 3:1-6

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and generosity**

Offertory Collection for
Nov. 25, 2018

Regular, \$2,688
Backpack Buddies, \$9.30

Lay ministers for Dec. 8/9

Altar servers

Sat. —

Sun. — Kieran Smith, Daniel Grubb, Haile Sexton

Commentators/Readers

Sat. — B. Gamache, J. Kilby, D. Alexander

Sun. — T. Manning, E. Messmer, C. Smith

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Sat. — L. Duncan, P. Dobes

Sun. — M. Carr, J. Mace

Ushers

Sat. — B. Peoples

Sun. — R. Barker, J. Townsend

Gift Bearers

Policky

Saintly Wisdom

"Patience is the companion of wisdom."

— St. Augustine —

Parish Life

Holy Day Mass on Friday — Saturday (Dec. 8) is a holy day of obligation — the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. A vigil Mass will be celebrated at 7:30 p.m. Friday at St. Elizabeth.

Holy Hour on Sunday — The Knights of Columbus will conduct a Holy Hour starting at 3 p.m. this Sunday. This Eucharistic adoration, including communal rosary and prayers, is part of the new Knights of Columbus "Faith in Action" program. All are welcome.

Knights of Columbus — The Knights of Columbus will meet at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, following the rosary at 4:25 p.m. and the Mass for vocations at 5 p.m. A social hour/dinner will follow the meeting at 6:30 p.m.. All members are encouraged to attend.

'Keep Christ in Christmas' Magnets — The Knights of Columbus are selling "Keep Christ in Christmas" magnets after the weekend Masses. The funds raised will be used for charity programs. The cost of each magnet is \$5.

Free Shower Bench — A shower bench with back and arms is available to anyone who could use it. Valued at \$75, it has never been used. Call Ron or Nancy at 610-0111 if interested.

Advent and Christmas

Music Practice for 10:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass — Practice for music for the 10:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass will be this weekend, at 4:30 p.m. Sunday.

Advent Books — Advent reflection books are available (for free) in the vestibule.

Advent Penance Service — The Advent penance service for St. Elizabeth is scheduled for 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 10. Several priests will be available for confessions.

Christmas Flowers — Sunday, Dec. 23, is the deadline for turning in Christmas flower envelopes for those people who would like to remember a loved one. Please be sure to note for each name if it is a memorial or an "in honor of" request. Thank you.

Christmas Mass Schedule — St. Elizabeth's Christmas Masses will be at these times:

- 4 p.m. Monday, Dec. 24 (children's Mass)
- 10:30 p.m. Dec. 24 (music starts at 10 p.m.)
- 9 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 25

Social Action

Angel Tree — Next Sunday is the deadline for bringing in angel tree gifts, which will be distributed through the Elizabethton school system before the holidays. Leave the gifts in the basement or in the education building. Please do not leave gifts outside. Thank you.

Food Drive — The Knights of Columbus are conducting a food drive through Dec. 23. Nonperishable food (no glass, please) may be placed in the collection box in the vestibule. The food collected will be given to ARM (Assistance and Resource Ministries).