

ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH

Diocese of Knoxville

**Mass intentions
for Nov. 8, 2020
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Saturday, 5 p.m. —

† Joshua Barnett
By: Laura Barnett

Sunday, 8:30 a.m. —

People of the parish

9:30 a.m. —

† John Hathaway
By: Carolyn Hathaway

Wednesday — No Mass this week

Parish Life

Veterans Day — On Veterans Day this Wednesday, let us remember all who have protected our country and all of its freedoms.

Catholic School Tuition Collection — The diocesan collection for Catholic school tuition will be this weekend and next (Nov. 14-15). The bishop asks that the collection be taken up over two consecutive weekends given the lower Mass attendance parishes are still experiencing and because our Catholic schools have experienced an increase in requests for tuition assistance.

Bereavement — Patricia Maher, aunt of parishioners Donna, Jimmy and Lisa Townsend, died recently. Please keep his family in your prayers.

COVID-19 Assistance — East Tennessee COVID-19 assistance is available for those impacted by the pandemic since March 1, 2020. Help is available for mortgage, rent and utilities bills. Apply by Tuesday at covidrelief@cctn.org or call 865-963-4730.

Dispensation

Catholics living in the diocese are not obligated to attend Sunday Mass until further notice. While not required, participating in Mass online is encouraged.



FALLEN ASLEEP

Paul is teaching about the resurrection. Some of the people of Thessalonica expected the Second Coming of Christ to happen in the immediate future. They also anticipated that they would ascend to heaven with him. But some believers had died. This led survivors to fear that the dead wouldn't share in Jesus' triumph. Paul answers that the dead Christians hadn't really died; they had merely entered a sleep-like state pending the resurrection.

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Weekly readings

*Dedication of
Lateran Basilica*
Monday

Ezekiel 47:1-2,
8-9 12
1 Corinthians
3:9c-11, 16-17
John 2:13-22

St. Leo the Great
Tuesday

Titus 2:1-8, 11-14
Luke 17:7-10

St. Martin of Tours
Wednesday

Titus 3:1-7
Luke 17:11-19

St. Josaphat
Thursday

Philemon 7-20
Luke 17:20-25

*St. Frances
Xavier Cabrini*
Friday

2 John 4-9
Luke 17:26-37

Saturday

3 John 5-8
Luke 18:1-8

Sunday

Proverbs 31:10-13,
19-20, 30-31
Psalm 128:1-5
1 Thessalonians 5:1-6
Matthew 25: 14-30

Saintly Wisdom

"Doubt is the
origin of wisdom."
—St. Augustine—

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Reading 1

(Wisdom 6:12-16)
Resplendent and unfading is wisdom, and she is readily perceived by those who love her, and found by those who seek her. She hastens to make herself known in anticipation of their desire; Whoever watches for her at dawn shall not be disappointed, for he shall find her sitting by his gate. For taking thought of wisdom is the perfection of prudence, and whoever for her sake keeps vigil shall quickly be free from care; because she makes her own rounds, seeking those worthy of her, and graciously appears to them in the ways, and meets them with all solicitude.

Responsorial Psalm

(Psalm 63:2-8)
R. **My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.**
O God, you are my God whom I seek; for you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts like the earth, parched, lifeless and without water. Thus have I gazed toward you in the sanctuary to see your power and your glory, For your kindness is a greater good than life; my lips shall glorify you. Thus will I bless you while I live; lifting up my hands, I will call upon your name. As with the riches of a banquet shall my soul be satisfied, and with exultant lips my mouth shall praise you. I will remember you upon my couch, and through the night-watches I will meditate on you: You are my help, and in the shadow of your wings I shout for joy.

Reading 2

(1 Thessalonians 4:13-18)
We do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, about those who have fallen asleep, so that you may not grieve like the rest, who have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose, so too will God, through Jesus, bring with him those who have fallen asleep. Indeed, we tell you this, on the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will surely not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself, with a word of command, with the voice of an archangel and with the trumpet of God, will come down from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are

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alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. Thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore, console one another with these words.

Gospel

(Matthew 25:1-13)
Jesus told his disciples this parable: "The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were wise. The foolish ones, when taking their lamps, brought no oil with them, but the wise brought flasks of oil with their lamps. Since the bridegroom was long delayed, they all became drowsy and fell asleep. At midnight, there was a cry, 'Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!' Then all those virgins got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish ones said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise ones replied, 'No, for there may not be enough for us and you.



Go instead to the merchants and buy some for yourselves.' While they went off to buy it, the bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him. Then the door was locked. Afterwards the other virgins came and said, 'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.' Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Monday the Church celebrates the feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome. It is the cathedral of Rome, the Pope's cathedral. The feast celebrates a mystery that is always relevant: God's desire to build a spiritual temple in the world, a community that worships him in spirit and truth.



Benedict XVI