

ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH

Diocese of Knoxville

**Mass intentions
for April 9, 2023**

**Easter Sunday:
Resurrection of the Lord**

Saturday, 8 p.m., Easter vigil. —
† Benigna Guerrero
By: Carmen Spratt

Sunday, 9 a.m. —
† deceased of Bartus family
By: George & Thea Bratton

Wednesday — No Mass

Divine Mercy Sunday

Saturday, 5 p.m., . —
† Donald T. Morrow
By: George & Thea Bratton

Sunday, 9 a.m. —
† Elijah Berry
By: Deacon Rich's class

**Thanks for your support
and generosity**



In-person Offertory
April 2, 2023

Regular, \$3,433
Easter flowers, \$30
Needy, \$135
Development, \$35
Seminarians, \$105
Holy Land, \$59

Online Offertory
February, \$3,730
March, \$4,344



THEY HAVE TAKEN
JESUS OUT OF THE
TOMB

Grave robbery has been a practice since ancient times. Sometimes the robbers were only interested in looting items buried with the dead. Later they might steal bodies for medical research. In the time of Jesus, Romans believed that the nails used to crucify a man could be “lucky” keepsakes. Mary of Magdala may have thought that thieves had taken the body of Christ. She pleads with Peter and John to inspect the sepulcher and search for the body. Later she returns and meets the risen Jesus. She will know that his body was not taken. It was transformed and glorified.

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Weekly readings

Easter Sunday
Acts 10:34a, 37-43
Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23
Colossians 3:1-4
John 20:1-9

Monday
Acts 2:14, 22-33
Matthew 28:8-15

Tuesday
Acts 2:36-41
John 20:11-18

Wednesday
Acts 3:1-10
Luke 24:13-35

Thursday
Acts 3:11-26
Luke 24:35-48

Friday
Acts 4:1-12
John 21:1-14

Saturday
Acts 4:13-21
Mark 16:9-15

Divine Mercy Sunday
Acts 2:42-47
Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24
1 Peter 1:3-9
John 20:19-31



Lay ministers for April 15/16

Altar servers

Sat. —
Sun. — Joshua Gouge, Issac Bienaime

Commentators

Sat. — Steve Hummel
Sun. — Tom Manning

Readers

Sat. — Steve Hummel
Sun. — Cheryl White, Katie Taylor

Ushers

Sat. — J.J. Regan, George Bratton
Sun. — Jimmy Townsend, Richard Barker

Parish News

Congratulations — Congratulations to Todd Boyer, who received the Easter sacraments this weekend at the Easter Vigil Mass on Saturday. Welcome into the Church!

Easter Thank You — Thank you to all who contributed their time and talents to the Holy Week and Easter activities — lay ministers, altar servers, adoration participants, foot-washing participants, Seder meal participants, decorators and sidewalk artists. Your efforts made a difference!

Divine Mercy Chaplet — The Divine Mercy chaplet will be prayed at 3 p.m. next Sunday (Divine Mercy Sunday) in the church. All are invited to come and participate.

Thank You — Carolyn Hathaway says, “Thank you so much for your prayers during my surgeries and treatments. I feel so blessed to have a supportive church community and can not thank each of you enough for your prayers.”

Education

Parish School of Religion — Classes for the Parish School of Religion are canceled this weekend for Easter. Classes will resume next Sunday, April 16.

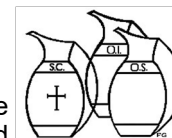
Social Action

“Tootsie Roll” Drive Help Needed — The Knights of Columbus will have their annual Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities, also known as the “Tootsie Roll Drive,” April 20-22 (Thursday-Saturday) at Wal-Mart. The signup sheet to volunteer to help is in the vestibule. All money raised will be used to assist special education classes in Elizabethton and Carter County. Please consider helping.

Diocesan News

Wedding Vow Renewal on April 30 — All married couples may renew their wedding vows with Bishop Richard Stika at the 4 p.m. Mass Sunday, April 30, at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Knoxville. Couples will be able to continue celebrating with family and friends at a reception that follows. Couples will receive a certificate, and a photo booth opportunity with Bishop Stika will be available. Please register by April 20. For questions, contact ckrings@dioknox.org or 865-584-3307, extension 5739.

Holy Oils



From the Chrism Mass — “The Christian liturgy has assimilated the Old Testament usage of anointing kings, priests and prophets with consecratory oil because the name of Christ, whom they prefigured, means ‘the anointed of the Lord.’”

- Sacred Chrism (SC), a mixture of oil and balsam, indicates a sharing in Christ's royal and prophetic priesthood. It is used for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Orders and the dedication of churches.
- Oil of Catechumens (OS) is blessed for use in Baptism, to strengthen the baptized to renounce sin and the devil.
- Oil of the Sick or Infirm (OI) is blessed for use in the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, so that those sick in mind or body may have the strength to bear suffering, resist evil and obtain the forgiveness of sins.