

**ST. ELIZABETH  
CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
*Diocese of Knoxville*

**Mass intentions  
for July 30, 2023**

**17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Saturday, 5 p.m. —**

† Daniel Paul  
By: Barbara Paul

**Sunday, 9 a.m. —**

† Joe O'Brien  
By: Barker family

**Wednesday, noon —**

Vocations  
By: Knights of Columbus

**Transfiguration of the Lord**

**Saturday, 5 p.m. —**

† Jack Leetch  
By: Mary Jane Leetch

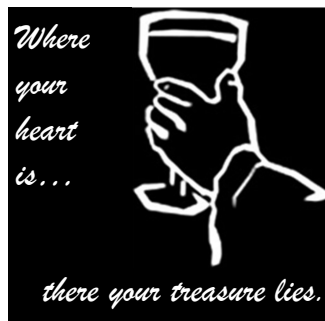
**Sunday, 9 a.m. —**

† Ed Bacani  
By: Ric & Norma Martin

**Thanks for your support  
and generosity**

**In-person Offertory**  
July 23, 2023

Regular, \$4,164.92  
Church in Africa, \$182



**THE GREATEST  
TREASURE**

What treasure is more valuable than all of our current possessions? It is something we all want and we all can have. And it will last forever. It is eternal life in an intimate relationship with the Almighty and Eternal God who created us. That is indeed the Greatest Treasure. Jesus has already secured it for us. We must be careful not to lose it. Everything we have comes from and belongs to God. He wants us to use it for our own benefit and enjoyment, but not get so attached to anything that we cannot let it go or use it for others. Do we want the Greatest Treasure?

Commentary from Deacon Jerry Martinez, director of stewardship in the Archdiocese of New Orleans.



**Weekly readings**

**17th Sunday  
in Ordinary Time**

1 Kings 3:5, 7-12  
Psalm 119:57, 72, 76-77  
127-130  
Romans 8:28-30  
Matthew 13:44-52

**Monday**

*St. Ignatius of Loyola*  
Exodus 32:15-24, 30-34  
Matthew 13:31-35

**Tuesday**

*St. Alphonsus Liguori*  
Exodus 33:7-11;  
34:5b-9, 28  
Matthew 13:36-43

**Wednesday**

Exodus 34:29-35  
Matthew 13:44-46

**Thursday**

Exodus 40:16-21, 34-38  
Matthew 13:47-53

**Friday**

*St. John Vianney*  
Leviticus 23:1, 4-11,  
15-16, 27, 34b-37  
Matthew 13:54-58

**Saturday**

Leviticus 25:1, 8-17  
Matthew 14:1-12

**Transfiguration  
of the Lord**

Deuteronomy 7:9-10,  
13-14  
Psalm 97:1-2, 5-6, 9  
2 Peter 1:16-19  
Matthew 17:1-9

**Lay ministers for Aug. 5/6**

**Altar servers**

Sat. —  
Sun. — Issac Bienaime, Carl Johnson

**Commentators**

Sat. — Mercedes Burke  
Sun. — Richard Barker

**Readers**

Sat. — Mercedes Burke  
Sun. — Cathy Champon, Cheryl White

**Ushers**

Sat. — Mike Hupko, J.J. Regan  
Sun. — John Tolejko, George Bratton

**Gift Bearers**

Sat. — Ushers  
Sun. — Bienaime family

**Saintly Wisdom**

"Where your pleasure is, there is your treasure;  
where your treasure, there your heart;  
where your heart, there your happiness."  
— St. Augustine —

**Parish News**



**Knights of Columbus** — The Knights of Columbus will meet at 6 p.m. Wednesday in the basement.

**E-Team to Meet Saturday** — The evangelization team (E-Team) is scheduled to meet from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Saturday. All are invited!

**Food and Fellowship Next Weekend** — The evangelization team (E-team) will provide fellowship time after both Masses next weekend. Plan to enjoy time together!

**Friday Prayer Time** — Prayer time in the church is from 6 to 7 p.m. on Friday, with the Stations of the Cross to be prayed at 6:15.



**Bereavement** — Theresa Doty, sister of parishioner Judy Kilby, has died. Please keep her family in your prayers.

**Prayers Requested** — Please pray for the sick: Thea Bratton, Louis Clark, Joel Dean, Chuck Muraski, Jimmy Townsend, and Ed and Linda Yarwood. Contact Cathy Champon at 954-793-6581 to add a name to the list.

**Youth Activities**

**Teen/Tween Pool Party** — A pool party is scheduled from 4 to 9 p.m. this Sunday (July 30) for teens (rising 6th graders and up) and their families. The party will be at the home of the youth director, Vicki Johnson, at 3419 Berkshire Circle in Johnson City. Hamburgers and hot dogs will be served. Those attending are asked to bring something to share (drinks, chips, fruit salad, dessert, vegetables, etc.). Questions? Call Vicki at 859-802-9710.

**Education and Formation**

**PSR Classes to Begin Aug. 20** — Classes for the Parish School of Religion will begin Aug. 20 for students of the parish in kindergarten through high school. If you did not participate in the program last year, please contact the parish secretary at coleenschneider@gmail.com or 202-6387 to register your child.

**RCIA** — Any adult who would like to learn more about Catholicism may participate in St. Elizabeth's RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) program. Classes will begin meeting after Labor Day. For more information, contact the parish secretary at 202-6387 or coleenschneider@gmail.com.

**Deanery News**

**Deanery Mass with Archbishop Fabre** — Archbishop Shelton Fabre, apostolic administrator of the Diocese of Knoxville in the wake of Bishop Richard Stika's resignation, is celebrating Mass in August in each of the diocese's four deaneries. The Mass for our deanery (Five Rivers Deanery) is scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 15, at St. Dominic Church in Kingsport. All are invited to attend.

*Give your servant,  
an understanding heart*