

ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH

Diocese of Knoxville

**Mass intentions
for Oct. 29, 2023**

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, 5 p.m. —
† Betty Jo Barker
By: Barker family

Sunday, 9 a.m. —
People of the parish

Monday, 8 a.m. —
† Grace Davis
By: Mary Carr

Tuesday, 6 p.m. — *All Saints' vigil*

Wednesday, noon — *All Saints' Day*
Vocations
By: Knights of Columbus

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, 5 p.m. —
People of the parish

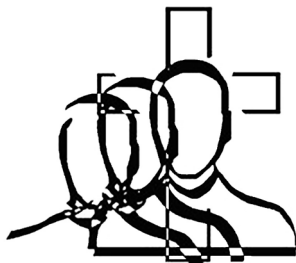
Sunday, 9 a.m. —
† Charles & Mary Anna Stroble
By: Leonard & Irene Whitehead

Thanks for your support and generosity



In-person Offertory Oct. 22, 2023

Regular, \$2,517
Backpack Buddies, \$200
World Missions, \$280



***You became imitators
of me and of the Lord***

WHY DOES GOD DEMAND THAT WE LOVE HIM?

Jesus tells us that the greatest commandment is to love God totally. If you stop and think about it, this seems a strange demand. Is God such an egotist that he has to order us to love him? Or is it rather that love is essential to our salvation? Human beings are born without knowing how to love. We have to learn this from others: parents, friends, relatives, etc. One of the results of love is that we link with others in a personal relationship. Heaven is achieved through our bonding with God. It's nothing that we can earn or achieve. It can only come when we intimately know God on a personal level. Hence, love is necessary for our future survival. God commands us to love him for our benefit, not his.

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Weekly readings

**30th Sunday
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Exodus 22:20-26
Psalm 18:2-4, 47, 51
1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10
Matthew 22:34-40

Monday
Romans 8:12-17
Luke 13:10-17

Tuesday
Romans 8:18-25
Luke 13:18-21

Wednesday
All Saints' Day
Revelation
7:2-4, 9-14
1 John 3:1-3
Matthew 5:1-12a

Thursday
All Souls' Day
Wisdom 3:1-9
Romans 5:5-11
John 6:37-40

Friday
Romans 9:1-5
Luke 14:1-6

Saturday
St. Charles Borromeo
Romans 11:1-2a, 11-12,
25-29
Luke 14:1, 7-11

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Malachi 1:14b—
2:2b, 8-10
Psalm 131:1-3
1 Thessalonians
2:7b-9, 13
Matthew 23:1-12

Lay ministers for Nov. 4/5

Altar servers

Sat. —
Sun. — Carl Johnson, Joshua Gouge

Commentators

Sat. — Dave Olson
Sun. — John Tolejko

Readers

Sat. — Dave Olson
Sun. — Mercedes Burke, Richard Barker

Ushers

Sat. — George Bratton, Mike Hupko
Sun. — Tim Eilers, Tom Manning

Gift Bearers

Sat. — Ushers
Sun. — Boyer family

Saintly Wisdom

"Spread love everywhere you go.
Let no one ever come to you
without leaving happier."

— *St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta* —

Parish Life



All Saints Day This Week — Mass will be at 6 p.m. on Tuesday and at noon on Wednesday in celebration of All Saints Day, a holy day of obligation.

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

Luminary Deadline Next Weekend — Next weekend is the deadline for returning envelopes to honor the deceased. To remember your loved one(s), please put the name(s) of the deceased on the luminary envelope and put it in the collection by next weekend. Luminaries will line the sidewalks at church on the evening of Saturday, Nov. 11. Donations will support the youth group's activities.



Knights of Columbus — The Knights of Columbus will meet at 6 p.m. Wednesday, downstairs in the church hall. All members are welcome and invited to attend.

Congratulations — Congratulations to parishioner Katie Taylor who recently achieved tenure with Carter County Schools. She teaches kindergarten at Hunter Elementary (as well as the kindergarten Parish School of Religion class at St. Elizabeth).

Social Action

Baby Winter-Clothing Drive — The Knights of Columbus are conducting a baby winter-clothing drive for Catholic Charities of East Tennessee. Catholic Charities is asking for new and gently used winter clothing in sizes newborn to 12 months. The clothing may be dropped off near the Knights room on the ground floor of the education building.

Youth Group

Escape Room This Sunday — This Sunday the youth group will meet at Elizabethton Escape for an escape room experience. Please meet at 3 p.m. to fill out paperwork for the 3:30 game. The cost is \$10 for age 15 and younger or \$15 for age 16 or older. If this is a challenge or if you have any questions, please contact Vick Johnson at 859-802-9710. Elizabethton Escape is located at 429 East Elk Ave., across from The Coffee Company in downtown Elizabethton.



Pray for the Sick of Our Parish:

Manny Bandarra
Thea Bratton
Mary Carr
Louis Clark
Joel Dean

Lynda Gamache
José Gonzales
Chuck Muraski
Jimmy Townsend
Margaret Vines

Ed and Linda Yarwood