

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

**Mass intentions
for Oct. 8, 2023**

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, 5 p.m. —
† deceased of Bartus family
By: George & Thea Bratton

Sunday, 9 a.m. —
† Frances York
By: Michael & Nina Marchioni

Monday, 8 a.m. —
Susan Riley Braun
By: John Tolejko

Tuesday, 8 a.m. —
† Marilyn Valverde
By: Kamprath/Quigley families

Wednesday, noon —
† Donna Bandarra
By: Manny Bandarra

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, 5 p.m. —
† Daniel Paul
By: Barbara Paul

Sunday, 9 a.m. —
People of the parish
By: Tina Wachs

**Thanks
for your
support
and
generosity**

In-person Offertory
Oct. 1, 2023
Regular, \$2,609



THE VINEYARD

A grape vineyard is a highly specialized kind of farm. The plants produce vines that can reach up to 56 feet. Unless pruned, most of the growth goes into vines and tendrils branches. The farmer trims the plant and cuts the most fruitful branches to graft onto other vines. In Israel at the time of Jesus, armed guards in watchtowers protected the vines, and a thorn hedge prevented outsiders from stealing the grapes at harvest time. The bible compares the people of Israel with a vine taken from Egypt and cultured by God. Isaiah prophesies that God has found little fruit in his “vineyard” except for wild, bitter grapes.

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Weekly readings

**27th Sunday
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Isaiah 5:1-7
Psalm 80:9, 12-16, 19-20
Philippians 4:6-9
Matthew 21:33-43

Monday
Jonah 1:1—2:2, 11
Luke 10:25-37

Tuesday
Jonah 3:1-10
Luke 10:38-42

Wednesday
Jonah 4:1-11
Luke 11:1-4

Thursday
Malachi 3:13-20b
Luke 11:5-13

Friday
Joel 1:13-15; 2:1-2
Luke 11:15-26

Saturday
Joel 4:12-21
Luke 11:27-28

**28th Sunday
in Ordinary Time**
Isaiah 25:6-10a
Psalm 23:1-6
Philippians 4:12-14,
19-20
Matthew 22:1-14

Pray for the Sick of Our Parish:

Manny Bandarra
Thea Bratton
Louis Clark
Joel Dean
Lynda Gamache

José Gonzales
Chuck Muraski
Jimmy Townsend
Margaret Vines
Ed and Linda Yarwood

Lay ministers for Oct. 14/15

Altar servers
Sat. —
Sun. — Carl Johnson, Joshua Gouge
Commentators
Sat. — Dave Olson
Sun. — John Tolejko
Readers
Sat. — Dave Olson
Sun. — Richard Barker, Joyce Potter
Ushers
Sat. — George Bratton, Mike Hupko
Sun. — Tom Manning, Tim Eilers
Gift Bearers
Sat. — Ushers
Sun. — Boyer family

Saintly Wisdom

“Obedience is a virtue of so excellent a nature, that Our Lord was pleased to mark its observance upon the whole course of His life; thus He often says, He did not come to do His Own will, but that of His Heavenly Father.”
— St. Francis of Sales —

Parish Life

Baked Goods Needed This Friday — The



Ladies’ Guild requests that parishioners bring their baked donations to the basement from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday for the annual Ladies’ Guild Craft and Bake Sale. The sale will be from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday and after next weekend’s Masses. It is the primary fundraiser for the Ladies’ Guild, which buys liturgical items as needed.

Rosary Rally Saturday — A rosary will be prayed for America at noon on Saturday at Veterans Memorial Park in downtown Elizabethton, in honor of Our Lady of Fatima. All are invited. For more information, contact Judy Kilby at 926-9371.



Baby Winter-Clothing Drive — The Knights of



Columbus are conducting a baby 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.

Confession Times — Confessions

are available Saturdays and Sundays in the upstairs classroom near the chairlift. Confession times are 4:15 to 4:45 p.m. on Saturdays and 8:15 to 8:45 a.m. on Sundays.



New Parishioners — Are you a new parishioner?

If you are, we welcome you and ask that you fill out a registration form, which can be found in the vestibule and on the office door. Forms can be returned in the weekend collection or slid under the office door. Thank you!

Communion Visits — If you or a loved one is

hospitalized, in a nursing home or at home because of an illness, you may ask that communion be brought to you by calling John Tolejko (543-4089) or Barbara White (895-5150).



Education and Formation

Parish School of Religion — Classes for the

Parish School of Religion are canceled this weekend and next (Oct. 8 and 15) because of the simultaneous fall breaks for our students from Carter County, Elizabethton and Johnson City schools. Classes will resume on Oct. 22.

Humor

From the Internet — Somebody has said there

are only two kinds of people in the world. There are those who wake up in the morning and say, “Good morning, Lord,” and there are those who wake up in the morning and say, “Good Lord, it’s morning.”