

ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH

Diocese of Knoxville

Mass intentions
for Nov. 26, 2023

*Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe*

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

Sunday, 9 a.m. —
† Mary Ellen Behnke
By: Donna, Jimmy & Lisa Townsend

Monday, 8 a.m. —
† Marguerite Cox
By: Cathy Champon

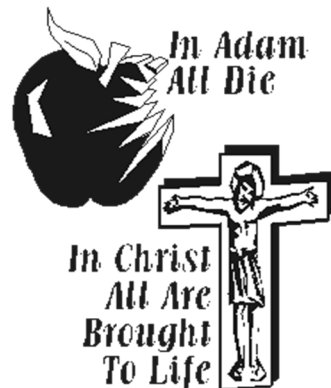
Tuesday, 8 a.m. —

Wednesday, noon —
† Joe O'Brien
By: Barker family

First Sunday of Advent

Saturday, 5 p.m. —
† deceased of Stapleton family
By: Stapleton family

Sunday, 9 a.m. —
People of the parish



FIRST-FRUITS

Paul teaches the doctrine of Original Sin. The sins of the first humans established a hereditary corruption in society. Jesus reversed this pattern by his obedience to his Father. Paul likens it to a harvest. Hebrews reserved the earliest plants – or “First Fruits” as sacrifices for God. This was thought to insure that the rest of the crops would be bountiful. In this sense Jesus is the start of harvest of souls for heaven.

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Weekly readings

*Our Lord Jesus Christ,
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Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17
Psalm 23:1-3, 5-6
1 Corinthians
15:20-26, 28
Matthew 25:31-46

Monday
Daniel 1:1-6, 8-20
Luke 21:1-4

Tuesday
Daniel 2:31-45
Luke 21:5-11

Wednesday
Daniel 5:1-6,13-14,
16-17, 23-28
Luke 21:12-19

Thursday
St. Andrew
Romans 10:9-18
Matthew 4:18-22

Friday
Daniel 7:2-14
Luke 21:29-33

Saturday
Daniel 7:15-27
Luke 21:34-36

**First Sunday
of Advent**

Isaiah 63:16b-7,19b;
64:2-7
Psalm 80:2-3,
15-16,18-19
1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Mark 13:33-37

Lay ministers for Dec. 2/3

Altar servers

Sat. —
Sun. — Leo Grubb, Timothy Grubb

Commentators

Sat. — Bob Gamache
Sun. — Tom Manning

Readers

Sat. — Bob Gamache
Sun. — Vikki Sitter, Rick Kortze

Ushers

Sat. — J.J. Regan, George Bratton
Sun. — Richard Barker, John Tolejko

Gift Bearers

Sat. — Ushers
Sun. — Boyer family

Saintly Wisdom

“The Eucharist is the supreme proof
of the love of Jesus.
After this, there is nothing more
than heaven itself.”
— *St. Peter Julian Eymar* —

Parish Life

Advent Holy Hour — The Knights of Columbus are hosting an Advent holy hour beginning at 3 p.m. next Sunday. All are welcome.

Music for Christmas Season — Anyone who would like to participate in music for the Christmas season may contact Jeanie Walker at 502-4226. Practices will be at 10 a.m. on Saturdays, beginning next Saturday (Dec. 2).

Happy Anniversary! — Happy anniversary to Bob and Lynda Gamache, who celebrate their 35th anniversary this weekend (Nov. 26), and to Jerry and Susan Mock, whose 45th anniversary was last weekend (Nov. 18).

Thank You — Thank you to Richard and Martha Meares Sharpin, owners of Felty-Rowland Florists in Elizabethton, for graciously donating the weekly flower arrangements for the church.



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

If You Are Sick — During the flu-Covid-RSV season, we are reminded to stay home from Mass if we experience any flu-like symptoms. If attending Mass with a cough or sneezing, please consider wearing a mask to protect others at Mass. Thank you.

Social Action

Advent Food Drive — The Knights of Columbus will be conducting their annual Advent food drive beginning next weekend and running through Christmas. They will be collecting nonperishable food (no glass, please) to be given to ARM (Assistance and Resources Ministry) in Elizabethton for local distribution.



Baby Winter-Clothing Drive — Catholic Charities of East Tennessee is asking for new and gently used winter clothing in sizes newborn to 12 months. The Knights of Columbus are collecting the clothing in a box on the ground floor of the education building throughout Advent.

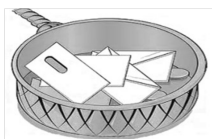
Advent Retreat at St. Mary

Advent Retreat on Dec. 9 — St. Mary in Johnson City is hosting an Advent retreat from 2 to 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 9. The Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia are leading the retreat, which is free, and St. Elizabeth parishioners are invited to attend. For more information, please go to form.jotform.com/233046383205147.

Pray for the Sick of Our Parish:

Manny Bandarra
Thea Bratton
Mary Carr
Jim Cathelyn
Sheila Clark
Joel Dean

Lynda Gamache
José Gonzales
Chuck Muraski
Jimmy Townsend
Margaret Vines
Ed & Linda Yarwood



In-person Offertory
Nov. 19, 2023

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and generosity**

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