

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

**Mass intentions
for Feb. 18, 2024**

1st Sunday of Lent

Saturday, 5 p.m. — (English)
People of the parish

Saturday, 7 p.m. — (Spanish)
Celebrant's intention

Sunday, 9 a.m. —
† Marian Gradle
By: Deacon Rich's class

Monday, 8 a.m. —
Deacon Rich
By: Deacon Rich's class

Tuesday, 8 a.m. —
Martha Pointer
By: Kent & Coleen Schneider

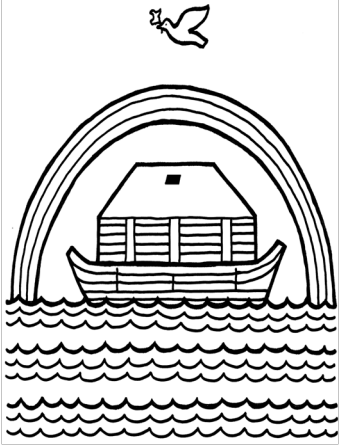
Wednesday, noon —
† deceased of Bartus family
By: George & Thea Bratton

2nd Sunday of Lent

Saturday, 5 p.m. — (English)
† Sam Barker
By: Barker family

Saturday, 7 p.m. — (Spanish)
Celebrant's intention

Sunday, 9 a.m. —
People of the parish



**SIGN OF THE
COVENANT**

The story of the great Flood ends with God making the first Covenant or solemn commitment with humanity, through Noah. Human beings are to refrain from killing and from eating meat with blood in it. God's side of the deal is that there will never again be a world-wide deluge. God offers a sign of this pledge in the form of a rainbow. Ancient peoples worshipped such natural phenomena as examples of divine intervention. Since it usually appears after storms are moving on, it is a natural indication of ensuing calm.

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Weekly readings

1st Sunday of Lent
Genesis 9:8-15
Psalm 25:4-9
1 Peter 3:18-22
Mark 1:12-15

Monday
Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18
Matthew 25:31-46

Tuesday
Isaiah 55:10-11
Matthew 6:7-15

Wednesday
Jonah 3:1-10
Luke 11:29-32

Thursday
Chair of St. Peter
1 Peter 5:1-4
Matthew 16:13-19

Friday
Ezekiel 18:21-28
Matthew 5:20-26

Saturday
Deuteronomy 26:16-19
Matthew 5:43-48

2nd Sunday of Lent
Genesis 22:1-2, 9a,
10-13, 15-18
Psalm 116:10, 15-19
Romans 8:31b-34
Mark 9:2-10

In-person Offertory
Feb. 11, 2024

Regular, \$1,770
Development, \$230

Lay ministers for Feb. 24/25

Altar servers

Sat. —
Sun. — Leo Grubb, Timothy Grubb

Commentators

Sat. — Bob Gamache
Sun. — Tom Manning

Readers

Sat. — Bob Gamache
Sun. — Thomas Mitalski, Mercedes Burke

Ushers

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

Gift Bearers

Sat. — Ushers
Sun. — Boyer family

Parish News

Parish Information Meeting Feb. 25 — A parish information meeting is scheduled for 5 p.m. next Sunday (Feb. 25) in the basement. It will include a facilities' update and a financial report as well as information about the Knights of Columbus, Ladies' Guild, religious education program and evangelization team. All are invited.

Adoration on Wednesday — An hour of adoration will be celebrated with Deacon Gray beginning at 5 p.m. Wednesday.

Lenten Soup Suppers Begin Friday — Enjoy a free soup supper at 5 p.m. Friday in the parish hall (before the Stations of the Cross in English). If possible, please sign up for the supper in the vestibule to help with a head count for the volunteers providing the food. Lenten soup suppers will continue this year for a total of four Fridays.



Stations of the Cross — Come pray the Way of the Cross on Fridays during Lent at 6 p.m. in English and at 7 p.m. in Spanish.

E-Team to Meet — The Evangelization Team (E-Team) will meet from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Saturday. The early bird coffee begins at 8:30 a.m. All are invited.

Adult Study Groups — Plans are in the making for adult small groups to be formed for study of the book "7 Secrets of Confession." (The book was given to parishioners at Christmas.)

Youth Group

Youth Hangout Night Wednesday — The Youth Group will have a hangout night from 6 to 8 p.m. this Wednesday at the church. They will discuss "What is hope and why do we need it?"

Social Action

Lenten Food and Diaper Drives — The Knights of Columbus are conducting their annual Lenten Food Drive through Easter. Everyone is invited to donate one item of non-perishable food (no glass) for each day of Lent. All food will be donated to Assistance and Resources Ministry (ARM) in Elizabethton. The Knights are also collecting size 4 and 5 baby diapers for Catholic Charities of Northeast Tennessee. A box for donations will be available in the vestibule.



Diocesan News

Men's Conference March 9 at St. Dominic — The third annual East Tennessee Catholic Men's Conference is scheduled from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at St. Dominic Church in Kingsport. This year's theme is "Mission: Building Foundations of a Virtuous Life." The day includes breakfast, lunch, fellowship, speakers, breakout sessions, music, prayer and opportunities for confession and Eucharist. The cost is \$35 (although sons under 18 attend for free). To register, please go to saintdominickpt.org/mens-conference.

Pray for the Sick of Our Parish:

Manny Bandarra	Lynda Gamache
Mary Carr	José Gonzales
Jim Cathelyn	Wanda Manning
Cathy Champon	Chuck Muraski
Mary Cirillo	Jimmy Townsend
Sheila Clark	Margaret Vines
Joel Dean	Ed & Linda Yarwood