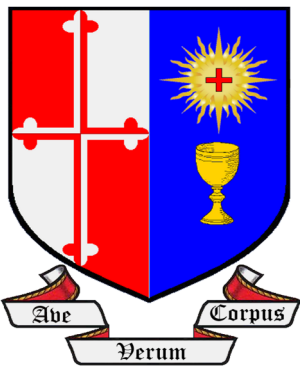


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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 5:00 P.M.
 Sunday 10:30 A.M.
 Thursday 8:30 A.M.
 Holy Days 7:30 P.M.

Sacrament of Baptism

Contact Father concerning instructions for parents

Sacrament of Matrimony

Arrangements are to be made four months in advance

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Individual confessions on Saturdays at 4:30 P.M.

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

Today's Mass

Next week's Mass

<u>Saturday Vigil Mass</u>		<u>Saturday Vigil Mass</u>	
Readers	Terri Utsey	Readers	Vic Landa
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Barbara Malinauskas Christine Roschli Brigitte Strickler Terri Utsey	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	John Andriulli Ed D'Alessandro Marciana Jacobson Vic Landa
Altar Servers	Jim Conover Susan Conover	Altar Servers	Carol Cowan Brigitte Strickler
<u>Sunday Mass</u>		<u>Sunday Mass</u>	
Readers	Maria Kazmark	Reader	Alicia Laffoon
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Eric Angros Bill Copeland Angelo Ferrante Maria Kazmark April Wilson	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Carol Broucek Lania Ferrante Connie O'Neill Peggy Palko Chris Wilson
Altar Servers	Olliana Long J.J. Webster Chris Wilson	Altar Servers	Maria Kazmark Nathan Stewart April Wilson

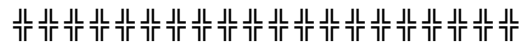


Requiescat in Pace

Saturday, September 14th at the 5:00 PM Vigil Mass
 we pray for the soul of

Jim Lawson

Requested by: *Friends of BSC*



Sunday, September 15th at the 10:30 AM Mass
 we pray for the soul of

Joe Ferrante

Requested by: *Bob & Ann Pio*

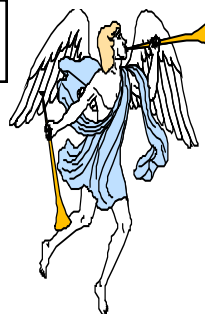
May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

"Pray for one another, so that you too may be healed" (James 5:16)

We remember especially in our prayers: Donna Pawley, Sister Mary Georgeanna Mankel, Richard Valdivia, Timmie Douglas, Ray Genoni, Brent Woncki, Bonnie McCarroll, Gloria Vangness, David Glockner, Archbishop Kurtz, Jerry Hornick, Jill Perkey, Edna Krebs, Ann Silva, Michael Baker, those in nursing homes, homebound & on our prayer list.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT SEPTEMBER 8, 2019

Parish Offertory	\$ 3,464.00	(YTD) \$ 41,226.00
Building Fund	\$ 535.00	(YTD) \$ 8,671.00
Diocese Collection <i>Deacon Program</i>	\$ 100.00	Total \$ 100.00



"Try me in this, says the Lord"

"There's no greater lifestyle and no greater happiness than that of having a continual conversation with God."

Announcements

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday, October 4, 2019

Mass: 6:00 PM

Adoration: 6:30 - 7:30 PM / Benediction: 7:30 PM

The Date has been set - "The 2019 Bazaar" / Saturday, October 5th. The Council of Catholic Women are asking you to bring useable items, small appliances, used furniture, artwork and frames, books, potted plants & homemade crafts. Baked Goods can be brought the evening before or on the morning of the Bazaar. You may bring and leave your items, in Blessed Sacrament Church Hall beginning on **Monday, September 30th**. Please Remember: the CCW will be setting up the Church Hall for the Bazaar the week of Monday, September 30th - Friday, October 4th.

We thank you in advance for your help and kindness.

A special invitation is extended to all serving in Law Enforcement and all First Responders to join us in celebrating our annual **Blue Mass** on Sunday, September 29th at 10:30 AM at, Blessed Sacrament Church, to honor and to pray for all who "protect and serve." This time honored tradition of praying for the blessing and protection of our public servants in law enforcement, fire department and emergency medical services goes back to the first **Blue Mass** in **Washington, DC in 1923**. Since then, dioceses across the country have celebrated annually those whose service is often identified with their blue uniform. It is a special time for us to honor their unselfish service and to pray for their safety.

Saint Michael Prayer Cards are available in the narthex as gifts for First Responders and Police Officers. Saint Michael is the Patron Saint of all first responders and police officers, and we will be giving these cards to all of the local Police, Sheriff's, Fire, and EMS Departments serving the Parish communities of Blessed Sacrament and her Mission Parishes. If you have a family member or friend who is a Police Officer, Fire Fighter, or EMS/Rescue worker, please feel free to pick one up for them.

Follow Me: "Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John" - For more information contact Jane & Michael Logan / Jane: **865-585-3670** / Mike: **865-585-3946**. You will not only benefit personally from being part of this study; you will also help us to grow in fellowship as a parish as we grow closer to Christ together. We will meet each Monday at 6:00 PM at the Parish Center.

A special collection to support our Deacons will take place the weekend of Saturday, September 21 and Sunday, 22, 2019. Gifts made to this Diocesan Special Collection assist with the cost of formation for men preparing for ordination to the Permanent Diaconate. These gifts also assist with the cost of continuing formation programs for the 74 men currently serving in the Diocese of Knoxville. This Special Collection is an important part of our diocesan diaconate program and deserves promotion in each of our parishes.

PRAYING THE ROSARY.... 5th Sunday Rosary will be held before Mass on Saturday, September 28th at 4:35 PM, and Sunday 29th at 10:10 AM.

Ministry to the Sick, Homebound, and Elderly — Please let *Father Sweeney* know of the hospitalization of a parishioner via a phone call, note, or email message so they may receive the sacraments.

Remembering Loved Ones - We celebrate our November Masses in remembrance of our loved ones who have gone before us to eternal rest. Beginning the weekend of October 5th & 6th we will place in each pew, envelopes for your use. Please use one of the envelopes in the pews to provide the names of your loved ones you wish to remember in a special way throughout the month. Place the envelope in the collection basket during Mass. These envelopes will be placed upon the altar throughout November and your loved ones will be remembered at each Mass. If you wish to make a donation (optional) you may place your contribution in the envelope. All proceeds will be used to assist the poor.

PRAYING THE ROSARY.... before Mass the Rosary will be prayed each Saturday & Sunday throughout the month of **October**. Beginning on Saturday, October 5th, at 4:35 PM before the Vigil Mass & on Sunday, October 6th, at 10:10 AM.

A Card, Phone Call, or Visit, means so much — Please remember our parishioners who are in the hospital, nursing homes & those who are unable to attend Mass due to illness.

Handicap Parking - "Please" reserve the handicap parking spaces for those most in need. This is especially important on Sunday mornings. *Thank you.*

Blessed Sacrament Library — "Salt of the Earth: The Church at the End of the Millennium: An Interview with Peter Seewald," by *Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger* (Pope Benedict XVI). Cardinal Ratzinger gives an interview to a secular journalist on a host of controversial and difficult issues facing Catholicism. Read these honest and profound insights into where we are coming from and where we are headed.

Book Section #B12 — Contemporary Issues.

Mass Guide booklets are available for *non-Catholics* in the Narthex. These booklets are for understanding the parts of the Mass. As it is a limited print, we are requesting that the book be reserved for the use of our non-Catholic brothers and sisters. Mass part cards are still provided for the use of parishioners and Catholic guests. *Thank you.*

Narthex Informational Material: As you leave Mass today, please look at the rack to the left of the Church doors and see the pamphlets and informational materials there and take whichever one that would interest you. *Also*, there are Holy Cards of some of our beloved Saints. Pick one out that would suit your special need and take that card to say a prayer asking the Saint for their intercession on your behalf.

How precious is your love,

O God!

We take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

PSALM 36:8

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Corner

Our inquiry sessions have just begun, but we are still waiting for **YOU!** Are you searching for a deeper relationship with God, a sense of belonging in a faith community, and a greater fulfillment of your mission in life? Get answers to all your questions about the Catholic faith. **COME JOIN US** at the Parish Center on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. You do not have to journey alone.

Please call *Susan or Jim Conover* at **(865) 684-9003 or (865) 247-1559**, or if you have questions or would like further information you may email them at susan.jimconover@gmail.com

Parish Calendar of Events

September 14 – October 6, 2019

Saturday - September 14th
 Sunday - September 15th

Vigil Mass 5:00 PM
Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time / Mass 10:30 AM
Religious Education at 9:00 - 10:15 AM / Parish Center
Donuts & Coffee (Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus)
Follow Me: "Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John" - **Adult Class** at 6:00 PM / PC
 RCIA - 6:00 PM at Parish Center

Monday - September 16th
 Wednesday - September 18th
 Thursday - September 19th
 Saturday - September 21st

Weekday Mass 8:30 AM
 Vigil Mass 5:00 PM
Second Collection for *The Deacon Program*
Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time / Mass 10:30 AM
Second Collection for *The Deacon Program*
Religious Education at 9:00 - 10:15 AM / Parish Center
Donuts & Coffee (Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus)
Follow Me: "Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John" - **Adult Class** at 6:00 PM / PC
 RCIA - 6:00 PM at Parish Center

Sunday - September 22nd

Weekday Mass 8:30 AM
 Vigil Mass 5:00 PM
5th Sunday Rosary 4:35 PM
Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time / Mass 10:30 AM
5th Sunday Rosary 10:10 AM
Blue Mass, honoring Law Enforcement and 1st Responders
Religious Education at 9:00 - 10:15 AM / Parish Center
Donuts & Coffee (Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus)
Follow Me: "Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John" - **Adult Class** at 6:00 PM / PC
 RCIA - 6:00 PM at Parish Center

Monday - September 23rd
 Wednesday - September 25th
 Thursday - September 26th
 Saturday - September 28th

Weekday Mass 8:30 AM
 Vigil Mass 5:00 PM
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Mass: 6:00 PM / **Adoration:** 6:30 - 7:30 PM / **Benediction:** 7:30 PM
CCW 2019 Bazaar / BSC Hall : 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
 Vigil Mass 5:00 PM

Sunday - September 29th

Still have time to shop the CCW 2019 Bazaar before they take the tables away.
Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time / Mass 10:30 AM
Remembering Franz Raetzer during 10:30 AM Mass
Red Mass – for those serving in the Judiciary and Legal Profession
Religious Education at 9:00 - 10:15 AM / Parish Center
Still have time to shop the CCW 2019 Bazaar before they take the tables away.
Donuts & Coffee (Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus)

Monday - September 30th
 Wednesday - October 2nd
 Thursday - October 3rd
 Friday - October 4th

Saturday - October 5th

Sunday - October 6th

<p style="text-align: center;">Saint Ann Catholic Church 198 Ridge Road Lancing, TN 37770</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mass: Sunday 8:30 AM <i>(Eastern Time)</i></p>		<p style="text-align: center;">Saint Christopher Catholic Church 160 Holt Spur Road, Jamestown, TN 38556</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Vigil Mass: Saturday 6:30 PM <i>(Central Time)</i></p>
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<p style="text-align: center;">Religious Education for Youth Director: <i>Alicia Laffoon</i> Alicia Mobile: 865-250-5686 Email: alaffoon@tntech.edu</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">The Council of Catholic Women All women of BSC are members of the CCW. Meetings: will be posted in your up coming Bulletin. Watch for them!</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">The Knights of Columbus Grand Knight: <i>Chris Wilson</i> Phone: 865-466-5614 / Email: chriswilson1974@hotmail.com <i>Dedicated in Service to the Pope, Bishop, Priests, Religious, Parish, and Community.</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Weekly Church Communication Director: <i>Christine Roschli</i> Phone: 865-924-6902 / Email: croschli@gmail.com <i>For prayer requests, announcements, funeral arrangements and other information.</i></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults <i>Do you have questions about the Catholic Faith?</i> If you, or someone you know, would like more information about the teachings of the Catholic Church, please contact Susan or Jim Conover at 865-684-9003 or 865-247-1559, or email them at susan.jimconover@gmail.com</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Youth Ministry / CYO Directors: <i>Bridget & Mary Thew</i> Mary / Mobile: 865-323-1877 / Email: cyoblessedsacrament@gmail.com</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Adult Bible Study Directors: <i>Jane & Michael Logan</i> Jane: 865-585-3670 / Mike: 865-585-3946 Monday, at 6:00 PM / Parish Center</p>

Be Careful to Remember

In a very simple and symbolic gesture, Samuel picked up a rock, set it at a particular geographic location, and named it 'Thus far God has helped us' as a remembrance of what God had done for Israel on that day. Hitherto the Lord had helped Israel, and it was imperative that Israel would remember God's help going forward. How easy it is for us to forget the goodness and provision of God and to even forget specific and highly memorable events in our lives when we are sure that God has worked on our behalf! The Ebenezer stone is an Old Testament example of a symbolic event that would help Israel call to mind the faithfulness and power of God. Perhaps someday a child would stumble upon that Ebenezer rock and wonder why it was there. The story could then be told of how God delivered Israel from the Philistines as a means to bolster the child's faith in God. Remembrance can and does spur increased faith and faithfulness.

One of Satan's schemes is to distract us and allow us to forget how God has been faithful to us in the past. Perhaps Satan will, with God's permission, bring tragedy into our lives to trick us into forgetting the mercy of God as we become distracted by present difficulties. Or, perhaps, he will exploit the goodness of God manifested in our lives by distracting us from worshipping the true Source of the goodness. Whatever his methodology, his desired result is that we forget God and His faithfulness to us. God, on the other hand, wants us to remember. Here is God's warning to Israel for when they would enter Canaan and finally experience the fruition of the promise of God to Abraham: 'When you have eaten and are satisfied, you shall bless the LORD your God for the good land which He has given you. Beware that you do not forget the LORD your God by not keeping His commandments and His ordinances and His statutes which I am commanding you today; otherwise, when you have eaten and are satisfied, and have built good houses and lived in them, and when your herds and your flocks multiply, and your silver and gold multiply, and all that you have multiplies, then your heart will become proud and you will forget the LORD your God who brought you out from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery'. The lesson here is that there is a direct correlation between the heart becoming proud and forgetting God which inevitably leads to a less than faithful lifestyle. When times are bad, we can get caught up in the overwhelming circumstances and emotions, dwelling on ourselves rather than God, which is a twisted form of pride. When times are good, the many things around us to enjoy can become our undoing if we forget our God Who is the best and most valuable resource that we have. Our enemy is shrewd, and we must remember that we are vulnerable in both good times and in bad. We are prone to forget the deliverance of God and how He has worked in our lives specifically in times past. This is why Samuel's example of setting up a rock and naming it 'Ebenezer' matters. Samuel made a point of it to remember and to help himself and the Israelites remember a specific instance of God's faithfulness. As they would go on with their lives, it would be valuable to call to remembrance this instance of God's faithfulness because it would remind them of the very nature of God, Who is faithful.

Now we don't necessarily need to go and find a rock or other object and name it. It is not the exact methodology that needs to be applied as much as the intentionality behind the methodology. In other words, it is not the physical memory tool that matters nearly as much as the exercise and effort to recall God's faithfulness on our behalf in the past. No matter what the events are around us or how we feel, we need to call to mind Scripture about God's love and faithfulness. And it is also helpful and edifying to remember when we were in confusing, difficult places before and how God caused all things to work for our good. We need to remember, for example, when we were pulled out of a pit of despair, had our eyes and hearts opened to the truth, saved from an addiction, delivered from temptation, spared a negative relationship, miraculously provided for, granted new strength, given what we prayed for, etc. We each have a story to tell of how God has worked in our lives, and we, of all people, need to recall those provisions and works of God in our lives. God is real, He is at work always around us and in us, and He cares. He cares that we would remember His goodness such that we would choose to believe and be faithful in the present.

We may not have named a stone 'Ebenezer' in honor of God's deliverance, but surely we have our own stories to call to mind of His faithfulness, provision, mercy, love, and power. When we feel like giving up or giving in or if we begin to feel nothing at all in regard to our Lord, let us be faithful to call to remembrance the faithfulness of our God. May God enable us to be intentional about remembering and to beware lest we forget.

*“The giant in front of you is never
Bigger than God beside you.”*