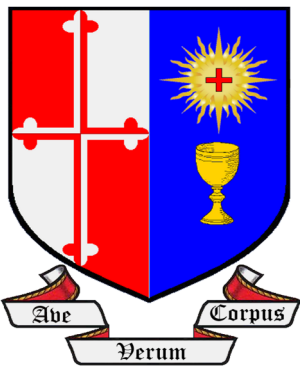


# Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church



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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-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time OCTOBER 13, 2019

### Today's Mass

### Next week's Mass

Today's Mass		Next week's Mass	
<u>Saturday Vigil Mass</u>		<u>Saturday Vigil Mass</u>	
Readers	Jim Conover	Readers	Marciana Jacobson
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	John Andriulli Carol Cowan Barbara Malinauskas Brigitte Strickler	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Jim Conover Susan Conover Jenni Craddock Ed D'Alessandro
Altar Servers	Jenni Craddock Terri Utsey	Altar Servers	Landa Family Vic, Susan, Vic, Jr. & Nic
<u>Sunday Mass</u>		<u>Sunday Mass</u>	
Readers	Carol Broucek	Reader	Sean O'Neill
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Carol Broucek Connie O'Neill Cathye Palko Peggy Palko Steve Palko	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Eric Angros Bill Copeland Jerry Turbyville Joan Turbyville April Wilson
Altar Servers	Joe Cochran Maria Kazmark April Wilson	Altar Servers	Emily Edmonds Kate Harris



## Requiescat in Pace

Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at the 5:00 PM Vigil Mass  
we pray for the soul of

*John L. Preis*

Requested by: *The Sweeney Family*

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Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup> at the 10:30 AM Mass  
we pray for the soul of

*Flossie Worthy*

Requested by: *The Council of Catholic Women*

*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: Ellen Elliot, Terry Flagg, Heather Davidson, Donna Pawley, Clyde Smith, David Glockner, Tommy Lawson, Archbishop Kurtz, Sister Mary Georgeanna Mankel, Richard Valdivia, Ray Genoni, Gloria Vangsness, Jerry Hornick, Jill Perkey, Edna Krebs, Ann Silva, Michael Baker, those in nursing homes, homebound & on our prayer list.

### STEWARDSHIP REPORT OCTOBER 6, 2019

<b>Parish Offertory</b>	<b>\$ 3,972.00</b>	<b>(YTD) \$ 56,78.75</b>
<b>Building Fund</b>	<b>\$ 1,980.00</b>	<b>(YTD) \$ 13,016.00</b>
<b>Diocese Collection</b>	<b>\$ 100.00</b>	<b>Total \$ 100.00</b>
<i>Missions Sunday</i>		



"Try me in this, says the Lord"

*Trust in the LORD  
with all you heart and  
lean not on you  
own understanding.*

PROVERB 3:5

## Announcements

Fr. Sweeney will be away from Monday, October 21<sup>st</sup> - Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup>.

**NO Weekday Mass** on Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup>.

**The Feast of All Saints, Friday, November 1st**

**Mass Schedules are as following:**

**Saint Christopher:** The Vigil Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, October 31st, at 6:00 PM (Central Time).

**Saint Ann:** Mass will be celebrated on Friday, November 1st, at 6:00 PM (Eastern Time).

**BSC:** Mass will be celebrated on Friday November 1st, at 7:30 PM.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** - will not be held on Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Box of Joy** - is a way to demonstrate Christ's compassion to poor children in developing countries. The ladies of the Council of Catholic Women will be at the door this weekend, **October 12th & 13th** with the boxes to fill with a list of items that go into the box, along with a return date.

**Remembering Loved Ones** - We celebrate our November Masses in remembrance of our loved ones who have gone before us to eternal rest. In each pew, envelopes have been placed 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.

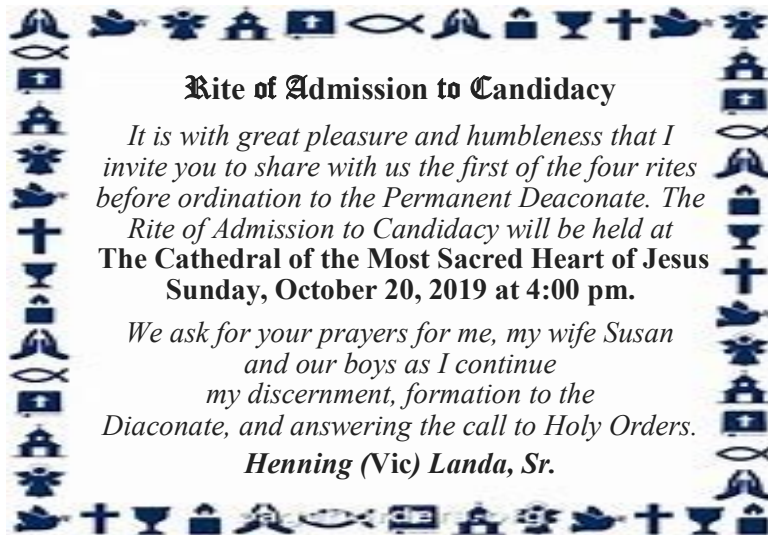
**The Knights of Columbus** — *Annual Tootsie Roll Drive* for the Intellectually Challenged will be held in Kingston **Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>** at the intersection of Hwys. 70 & 58. The hours will be 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM. We ask, if you can, to please signup and give two hours of your time to this worthy event. We will need a lot of help! **ALL KNIGHTS** are asked to contribute time to insure the success of this worthwhile event. Additional Parishioners are also very much needed and welcome to participate. More locations will be in up-coming bulletins. *This is the most important Knights function of the year.*

**The Knights of Columbus** would like to remind everyone that the Knights will again be selling "**Keep Christ in Christmas**" Christmas cards again this fall. We will begin selling them in a few weeks. We will list the place, times, and contact information in the bulletin.

**Bishop Stika** has requested that all parishes in the Diocese of Knoxville continue to pray the St. Michael Prayer after all Masses. This is now a permanent addition. In keeping with liturgical law, the St. Michael Prayer is to be prayed following the closing blessing at Mass, and not before.

**Congratulations** to **Kate Laffoon** & her NASA satellite project. Please see photo on Bulletin Board in the narthex.

*But even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. "Do not fear their threats; do not be frightened."* 1 PETER 3:14



### Rite of Admission to Candidacy

*It is with great pleasure and humbleness that I invite you to share with us the first of the four rites before ordination to the Permanent Diaconate. The*

*Rite of Admission to Candidacy will be held at The Cathedral of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Sunday, October 20, 2019 at 4:00 pm.*

*We ask for your prayers for me, my wife Susan and our boys as I continue my discernment, formation to the Diaconate, and answering the call to Holy Orders.*

*Henning (Vic) Landa, Sr.*

**Congratulations** to **Charles & JoAnne Barncord** who will be celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Friday, October 18th. *May God continue to bless you with Happiness.*

**Praying with Jesus** – Learning to pray the Prayer of the Church. As we quickly approach a new liturgical year, let us prepare for Praying, Fasting, and Almsgiving during the Advent season. Praying with Jesus is learning the importance on why to pray the Liturgy and how to reflect in silence with the sole hope of bringing people closer to communion with God through prayer. Discover the beautiful and dynamic witness the Psalms provide to the New Testament, and the importance of praying the psalter and how it can continue to provide hope in our daily lives. Please join us for an informational meeting on Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm. We will provide Pizza, Dessert and Refreshments. **Please RSVP by this Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup>** via signup sheet (in Church Narthex), email, text or phone call. **Presented by** Vic Landa Sr. **Phone:** 865-934-8988 **Email:** [Hvlanda@comcast.net](mailto:Hvlanda@comcast.net) **Location:** Blessed Sacrament Church Hall



**S'mores with Father** will be on November 3rd, after Mass for one hour at the Parish Center. This event will provide **Father Michael and our children** an opportunity to discuss how our faith and religion is aligned with science that is taught in their school. We will have light finger foods and refreshments along with smores around a fire! All are invited!

**Life Choices of Roane County - 2019 Walk of Life** will be held at the Roane State Community College, Harriman on Saturday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 8:30 AM for registration and the walk will begin at 9:00 AM. This will be a fun day for you and your family, and to support the *Life Choices of Roane County*. Please pick up a 2019 Walk for Life Pledge form from the narthex.

### The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Corner

Our lives sometimes go through seasons of change; of closeness to God and distance from him. Yet God the Father's love is steadfast and ever-present to those who seek with a sincere heart, no matter what situations have caused separation. If you have thought about becoming Catholic and beginning a new "season" in your life, please contact **Susan** or **Jim Conover** at (865) 684-9003 or (865) 247-1559, or you may email them at [susan.jimconover@gmail.com](mailto:susan.jimconover@gmail.com) if you have questions and would like further information.

# Parish Calendar of Events

**October 12 – November 1, 2019**

**Saturday - October 12<sup>th</sup>**

*Praying the Rosary* at 4:35 PM / **Vigil Mass** 5:00 PM

**Sunday - October 13<sup>th</sup>**

*Praying the Rosary* at 10:10AM

**Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time** Mass 10:30 AM

**NO** Religious Education Classes “*Fall Break*”

**NO** **The Knights of Columbus** meeting in the month of October

**Donuts & Coffee** (*Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus*)

**Monday - October 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Follow Me:** “*Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John*” - **Adult Class** at 6:00 PM / PC

**Wednesday - October 16<sup>th</sup>**

RCIA - 6:00 PM at Parish Center

**Thursday - October 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Weekday Mass** 8:30 AM

**Friday - October 18<sup>th</sup>**

*Praying with Jesus* / informational meeting at 6:00 pm.

We will provide Pizza, Dessert and Refreshments.

**Saturday - October 19<sup>th</sup>**

*Praying the Rosary* at 4:35 PM / **Vigil Mass** 5:00 PM

**Sunday - October 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Second Collection** for *Mission Sunday*

*Praying the Rosary* at 10:10 AM

**Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time/Mass** 10:30 AM

**Second Collection** for *Mission Sunday*

**Rite of Admission to Candidacy** (*Vic Landa, Sr.*) at

**The Cathedral of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus** at 4:00 pm.

**Religious Education Classes** 9:00 - 10:15 AM / Parish Center

**Donuts & Coffee** (*Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus*)

**Monday, October 21st - Friday, October 25th**

**Fr. Sweeney will be away!**

**Monday - October 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Follow Me:** “*Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John*” - **Adult Class** at 6:00 PM / PC

**Wednesday - October 23<sup>rd</sup>**

RCIA - 6:00 PM at Parish Center

**Thursday - October 24<sup>th</sup>**

**NO** **Weekday Mass**

**Saturday - October 26<sup>th</sup>**

*Praying the Rosary* at 4:35 PM

**Vigil Mass** 5:00 PM

**Sunday - October 27<sup>th</sup>**

*Praying the Rosary* at 10:10 AM

**Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time / Mass** 10:30 AM

**Religious Education Classes** 9:00 - 10:15 AM / Parish Center

**Donuts & Coffee** (*Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus*)

**Monday - October 28<sup>th</sup>**

**NO** - **Adult Classes**

**Wednesday - October 30<sup>th</sup>**

RCIA - 6:00 PM at Parish Center

**Thursday - October 31<sup>st</sup>**

**Weekday Mass** 8:30 AM

**Friday - November 1<sup>st</sup>**

**St. Christopher Church** will celebrate “*The Feast of All Saints*” at 6:00 PM (*Central Time*).

**St. Ann Church** will celebrate “*The Feast of All Saints*” at 6:00 PM

**Blessed Sacrament Church** will celebrate “*The Feast of All Saints*” at 7:30 PM

**Friday - November 1st**

**NO** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

**Saint Ann Catholic Church**

198 Ridge Road  
Lancing, TN 37770

Mass: Sunday 8:30 AM  
(*Eastern Time*)



**Saint Christopher Catholic Church**

160 Holt Spur Road, Jamestown, TN 38556  
Vigil Mass: Saturday 6:30 PM (*Central Time*)

**Religious Education for Youth**

Director: *Alicia Laffoon*  
Alicia Mobile: 865-250-5686  
Email: [alaffoon@tntech.edu](mailto:alaffoon@tntech.edu)

**The Knights of Columbus**

**Grand Knight:** *Chris Wilson*  
**Phone:** 865-466-5614 / **Email:** [chriswilson1974@hotmail.com](mailto:chriswilson1974@hotmail.com)  
*Dedicated in Service to the Pope, Bishop, Priests,  
Religious, Parish, and Community.*

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**

*Do you have questions about the Catholic Faith?*

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.jimrconover@gmail.com](mailto:susan.jimrconover@gmail.com)

**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!

**Weekly Church Communication**

Director: **Christine Roschli**  
**Phone:** 865-924-6902 / **Email:** [croschli@gmail.com](mailto:croschli@gmail.com)  
*For prayer requests, announcements, funeral arrangements and other information.*

**Youth Ministry / CYO**

Directors: **Bridget & Mary Thew**  
Mary / Mobile: 865-323-1877/Email: [cyoblessedsacrament@gmail.com](mailto:cyoblessedsacrament@gmail.com)

**Adult Bible Study**

Directors: **Jane & Michael Logan**  
Jane: 865-585-3670 / Mike: 865-585-3946  
Monday, at 6:00 PM / Parish Center

# St. Teresa of Avila

## Feast Day - October 15th

Teresa of Avila (1515-82), foundress of the Discalced Carmelites, was born on March 28, 1515, in Ávila, Spain to a large, aristocratic Castilian family with Jewish ancestry. Her mother died when she was twelve, and her father placed her in a convent of Augustinian nuns. Returning home, she determined to enter religion after reading the letters of St. Jerome during a period of convalescence, and she became a nun in the Carmelite Convent of the Incarnation, near Ávila. A year after her solemn profession, she fell seriously ill again and had to leave the community for a three-year period of treatment and recovery. Whatever the source of this second illness, however, the cure was extreme and painful: consisting of purges and bloodlettings that left her paralyzed for almost a year. Except for that interruption, her first twenty years as a religious were marked by devotion and fidelity to the way of life, but she felt that something was missing and found it very difficult to pray. The atmosphere in the convent at that time was relatively relaxed, and there was much contact between the nuns and the ladies and gentlemen of the town.

In 1554, while praying before a statue of the wounded Christ, she underwent a profound spiritual conversion. She later wrote: "When I fell to prayer again and looked at Christ hanging poor and naked upon the Cross, I felt I could not bear to be rich. So I besought him with tears to bring it to pass that I might be as poor as he." Identifying herself spiritually with Mary Magdalene and Augustine, whose *Confessions* deeply influenced her, she received encouragement from Francis Borgia and Peter of Alcantara to accept her mystical and visionary experiences as having their origin in God. Between then and 1560, these experiences became the subject of gossip, and she was exposed to misunderstanding, ridicule, and even persecution. Then, after twenty-five years or more of unreformed Carmelite life, she felt the need to found a house of her own where the primitive Carmelite Rule would be strictly observed. In 1562, with thirteen other nuns, she established such a convent in Ávila, under the patronage of St. Joseph, and in the same year composed the first draft of her *Life*, which included a treatise on mystical prayer using the imagery of water. Thereafter, she always signed herself *Teresa de Jesus*. This first reformed convent would become the prototype for sixteen others she would found in her lifetime. Their mode of life would be marked by personal poverty, signified by the coarse brown wool habit, leather sandals, and beds of straw, manual work, abstinence from meat, and solitude. Teresa herself wore a hair shirt under her habit and nettles for bracelets and carried a scourge, which she used on herself whenever spiritually required. There were also experiences of levitation, and their frequent occurrence led to great envy and resentment on the part of others. Through all this, Teresa was an extraordinarily gifted administrator, so gifted, in fact, that her most recent biographer has observed: "It was a wonder, given the complexities of her personal and business transactions, that Teresa had any spiritual life at all." She was especially attentive to the task of weeding out unacceptable candidates for convent life. "God preserve us from stupid nuns!" she once declared.

Her many writings were done under obedience, but also with the encouragement of the Dominican Domingo Báñez, one of the most prominent theologians of the time, who became her spiritual director and confessor and who defended her before civil and ecclesiastical tribunals. In 1566 she wrote *The Way of Perfection* and her *Meditations of the Song of Songs*. In 1567 she met for the first time a newly ordained priest, John of St. Matthias (later known as John of the Cross), whom Teresa convinced to remain a Carmelite (rather than become a Carthusian) and to collaborate with her in the reform of the order. Not surprisingly, this effort would evoke as much opposition from the unreformed friars as her earlier reforms of Carmelite nuns had done. In 1568 she saw to the inauguration of the first of the reform houses of friars at Durelo. Between 1562 and 1582 she would found seventeen Discalced convents and this one friary, while traveling across the rugged Castilian countryside by mule. After 1576, however, her reform program also came to an end. So virulent was the resistance that John of the Cross was kidnapped and imprisoned, and her closest friend and superior of the Discalced friars, Father Jerome Gracián, was placed under house arrest, while the papal nuncio to Spain derided her as "an unstable, restless, disobedient and contumacious female." Teresa appealed to the king, Philip II, for support. As a result of it, peace was made in 1580 when the Discalced Carmelites were given their own province separate from the Calced. This proved to be the first step toward complete independence as a distinct order in 1594.

In 1577 she began the composition of her masterpiece, *The Interior Castle*, a disguised autobiography written in the third person, while her *Life* was in the hands of the Inquisition. The book describes the mystical life through the symbolism of seven mansions. Although she was profoundly contemplative, she led an active life, not only as a reformer of Carmelite life, but also as an adviser to and correspondent with countless people of every station in life. Teresa died on October 4, 1582, at the convent of Alba de Torres, while on her way back to Ávila from Burgos, where she had made her last foundation. The nuns who were present at her death testified that a luscious, paradisiacal scent emanated from her body, and later, when one of her confessors ordered her grave there to be opened, her body was still intact and redolent of lilies. The confessor severed various parts of her body to be distributed among her powerful admirers, and her cult spread rapidly throughout Spain. One of her hands ended up with Generalissimo Franco, leader of Spain, who kept it by his bed until his death in 1975. The most famous artistic representation of her is a sculpture by Bernini (1598-1680) in the church of Santa Maria della Vittoria in Rome.

Teresa of Ávila was beatified in 1614 and canonized in 1622 (along with Ignatius of Loyola, Francis Xavier, and Philip Neri), and was one of the first two women to be named a Doctor of the Church, by Pope Paul VI on September 27, 1970 in recognition of her outstanding contribution to mystical theology and Christian spirituality. Not unsurprisingly, Teresa is the patron saint of Spain.

*"All that the beginner at prayer has to do—and you must not forget this, for it is very important—is to labor and be resolute and prepare himself with all possible diligence to bring his will into conformity with the will of God."*