



Saint John XXIII University Parish/Catholic Center

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The Paulist Fathers Serving the University of Tennessee

3rd Sunday of Lent

March 7, 2021

Exodus 17:3-7
Romans 5:1-2, 5-8
John 4:5-42

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday at 5:05 pm

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:30 pm & Sunday 9 am and 11:15 am
5:30 pm and 9 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

(Confession)

By appointment only

MARRIAGE PREPARATION:

Congratulations! Please call the office at least
4 months before your planned wedding date.

WANT TO BE CATHOLIC?

Please contact Deacon Bob at 523-7931

Sustainability in El Salvador

Drought has become a big problem across El Salvador, making it difficult for farmers to produce enough crops to support their families. But new farming techniques—and a new generation of young farmers—are making a difference. What would you do if your livelihood was threatened? How can you support young people in your community and around the world? Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.

Pandemic Emergency Fund – Donations Still Needed

The parish established the “Pandemic Emergency Fund” to meet food and housing needs of suffering in our community and to meet the shortfall in the parish offertory. The need continues so we want to encourage your generosity. Donations will be divided between outreach to the community and the parish and greatly appreciated. Donations by check, should be marked “Pandemic Emergency Fund” and mailed to the parish. Our current recipients are FISH Emergency Pantries, the Knights of Columbus at Holy Ghost Parish, Ladies of Charity, The Riverside Catholic Worker, and the Love Kitchen.

Catholic Response to Climate Change

How can we as Catholics make Laudato Si’ part of our lives? In his 2015 encyclical addressed to “every person living on this planet” Pope Francis asked the question, “What kind of world do we want to leave to those who come after us, to children who are now growing up? (#160) You are invited to join a conversation about protecting and restoring our common home at the **March 11, 7 p.m.** zoom meeting of Catholic Response to Climate Change. We will discuss how we can draw from our faith, on the demands of justice, and on concrete action in preparation for the Vatican’s launch of a Laudato Si’ Action Plan in May 2021. To receive a link for the meeting, please RSVP to genrop@aol.com or contact Beth Carroll Hunley at 865-216-1827.

Kroger Community Rewards

St. John XXIII is now registered with Kroger Community Rewards! Just register your Kroger card online at www.krogercommunityrewards.com and indicate that you would like Kroger to donate to our organization. St. John XXIII has been assigned the NPO #AE054. If you have any trouble signing up, please call our office!

Corners of Your Field KARM Donations

During the months of October, November and December, 47 donations were received at KARM Stores from those connected to Saint John XXIII University Parish/Catholic Center. These donations mean we are able to share \$140 in gift cards, which we are donating to Ladies of Charity for them to distribute.

Virtual Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend April 23-25

“Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God.” Does your marriage give glory to God? Learn how to let your Sacrament shine on an upcoming virtual Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on **April 23-25**. You can get more information or apply online at wwme.org or by calling 678-242-WWME.

Diocese of Knoxville Website

There are many activities still happening in the Knoxville area. Keep an eye on the Diocese of Knoxville website at www.dioknox.org. This is also a great source of reading and information along with the American Bishop’s website at www.usccb.org.

The **Smoky Mountain Deanery is planning retreats** for both guys and girls on separate weekends. We have a great collaboration of adults from all over the Diocese helping out these weekends. More information can be found at www.dioknox.org.

Knights of Columbus Free Membership

The Tennessee Knights of Columbus welcome you to join the largest Catholic fraternal benefits organization in the world for free through June 30, 2021, using the discount code MCGIVNEY2020 at www.kofc.org/join. We are Catholic men building a bridge back to faith. There is much work to be done in this world, and that’s what Knights do every day! Join more than 12,000 Catholic men in Tennessee who are dedicated to lives of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism as Men of the Cross! This amazing one-year membership (\$30 value) is in honor of recently beatified Blessed Michael J. McGivney, a young Catholic priest who founded the Order in 1882. If you are a baptized, practicing Catholic gentleman, age 18 or older, please join today! Any questions may be directed to Membership@kofc-tn.org.

Refugee Welcoming Committee

In 2018, St. John XXIII formed the 1st Refugee Welcoming Committee to welcome a family of 3 and watched them become part of our country with Mom becoming a worker at UT Medical Center during this pandemic. 14 committee members were proud to be part of their lives.

March of 2020, we formed a second group, but the numbers of refugees were drastically reduced and the pandemic intervened. It did not happen.

Now, as the pandemic begins to clear, and more refugees will be admitted, we would like to form a second committee so that, when it is safe, we are ready. Initially all meetings would be Zoomed to keep us safe, but an early start will help us to be prepared to meet a new family at the airport. Participating in this ministry is person to person. You receive more than you give and see results in real time.

If you might be interested in learning more about this fruitful ministry, please call Carey Chambers at 865-924-3718 or email her at chambe01@icloud.com. Signing up to learn more does not imply commitment. Getting ready now will make us ready to accept a refugee family when the time is right. Please join us.

Sister Jolita Drive-Thru BBQ Supper

This is the 20th anniversary of Sister Jolita going to Heaven. Her final wish was for her family to support children in need at Saint Joseph School. Please help keep her memory alive in this 20th year. The Sister Jolita Drive-Thru BBQ Supper will take place at SJS on Saturday, **March 20th** from noon to 5:00 pm. RSVP to Rita Cook at rcook@sjsknox.org.

Busted Halo

Busted Halo is a unique media resource that utilizes a relevant and accessible voice to help people understand the Catholic faith, put it into practice in their everyday lives, and share it with others.

Our vision is for a more joyful and meaningful experience of Catholicism that positively impacts people's lives. At Busted Halo, we aim to bring the joy of the Gospel to all people in innovative and creative ways. Through articles, video, podcasts, radio, and social media, we aspire to help Catholics embrace their faith more fully. We value the experiences and questions of people seeking to better understand their faith and offer resources to better comprehend and share the richness of the Catholic faith.

What's Up With the Name?

Catholic belief is that all God's children are "saints in the making," yet our life's journey is fraught with imperfections, struggles, and mistakes. Each of us sports a Halo that is either dented, scratched, tarnished... in some way Busted. God loves us despite this and continually calls us to polish our halos up to a nice golden shine.

The Paulist Fathers

Busted Halo is a ministry of The Paulist Fathers. The Paulist Fathers are a religious order of Roman Catholic priests — the first to be founded by an American citizen — whose mission territory is the United States. The original founder of the Paulists, Servant of God, Fr. Isaac Hecker, CSP, believed strongly in using the most modern methods of communication to bring to life the ancient message of the Gospel. In their more than 150 years as missionaries to North America, the Paulists have been on the forefront of publishing, radio, TV & film and digital media.

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Prayer Requests: Let us pray for peace and justice throughout the world. Other prayers are needed for Alfred Prados; Robert Tobey; Anne Pidkowicz; Ann Patterson; Patty Bowman; Peg Hart; Roberto Lenarduzzi; Diane Dusichka; Margaret Dusichka; Mary Jane Fuller; Betsy Alpers; Virginia Mattson; Geneva Stewart; Mary Jean Hayes; family of Sarah Hatfield; Megan McMurray Dugan; Tom Mulligan; Cliff Russell; Nick Lyle; Leslie Stephens; Kathy R.; Betty S.; George & Martha T.; Fred McMurray; Jerry Carney; Madeleine Hassil; George Piper; residents of Serene Manor; those serving in the military and for any too reserved to let us know.

February 28, 2021 Offertory: \$4,148.00

**SCRIPTURE READINGS
FOR THE WEEK OF
March 8-14**

Monday: 2 Kings 5:1-15ab.....Luke 4:24-30
Tuesday: Daniel 3:25, 34-43.....Matthew 18:21-35
Wednesday: Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9.....Matthew 5:17-19
Thursday: Jeremiah 7:23-28.....Luke 11:14-23
Friday: Hosea 14:2-10.....Mark 12:28-34
Saturday: Hosea 6:1-6.....Luke 18:9-14
Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23.....John 3:14-21

**NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS
March 8-14**

Monday: 4:00 pm - Confessions
5:05 pm - Daily Mass
7:30 pm - Spirit and Truth

Tuesday: 5:05 pm - Daily Mass
7:00 pm - RCIA
7:00 pm - Zoom Look at Sunday's Readings

Wednesday: 5:05 pm - Daily Mass
7:00 pm - Vol Catholic

Thursday: 4:00 pm - Confessions
5:05 pm - Daily Mass
7:00 pm - Living the Eucharist

Friday: 5:05 pm - Mass

Saturday: 5:30 pm - Mass

Sunday: 9:00 am - Mass
11:15 am - Mass
5:30 pm - Mass
7:00 pm - Young Adult Group Zoom
9:00 pm - Mass

Check out our website at www.john23rd.org for online giving, alternate worship options, and updated information. If you are not comfortable with online donations, we are still in the office to receive any mailed donations. Thank you for your help and we look forward to seeing you again!