

# ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER CATHOLIC CHURCH



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**St Joseph the Worker**, as a happy faith community, welcomes you and your family with joyful hearts to our church. If you are not registered and want to belong to this happy family of worshippers, please see an ushers or Fr. Julius. Call the office (423) 442-7273.

## Pastoral Staff

Pastor	Rev. Dr. Julius Abuh
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Parish Secretary/Bookkeeper	Darla Carlock
Office Assistant	Jean Schneider
Coordinators of Hispanic Ministry	Jose Aguilera Zavala Diana Martinez Jan Dye
DRE	Mike Huffor
R.C.I.A.	
Coordinator of Youth Ministry (CYM)	Jodi Swiderek
Director of Music	Ed Harless
Knights of Columbus	Barb Callan
Women's Group	

## MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil Mass	4 pm
Sunday (English)	8 am and 10 am
Sunday (Spanish)	12:00 pm
Daily Mass (Tue -Fri) and 1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday	9 am

## Holy Days of Obligation

Mass at 9 am and 7 pm (Bilingual)

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday 9:30 am – 1 pm  
Bulletin items due Tuesday before 12:30 pm

## Sacrament of Baptism

Baptismal preparation is required for parents who desire their baby / child to be baptized. Parents must be registered with the church. Forms and information are available in the office.

## Sacrament of Penance due to covid pls call

Saturday 3pm Sunday 9:15 – 9:45 am or upon request  
Domingo 12:00 pm Spanish

## Sacrament of the Sick

If one is seriously ill or having surgery, please call the parish office or the rectory for Anointing of the Sick. A Priest or extraordinary minister of Holy Communion will administer Holy Communion on a weekly basis to shut-ins.

## Sacrament of Marriage

Couples should contact the Pastor a minimum of **six** (6) months in advance. Dates may **not** be set prior to the second meeting with the priest. The Diocese requires that couples attend an Engaged Encounter or Picture of Love Weekend.

First gathering: Sept. 16, 1992 Blessing of Building: May 25, 2001  
Consecration of Altar & Church January 12, 2003  
Canonically erected Parish May 1, 2006 Feast of St. Joseph the Worker

## A Week Ahead in our Parish

**Mon Oct 11- no church**

**Tues Oct 12 - 9 am Mass** Dr. Herman Miller  
By: FFL

**Wed Oct 13 - 9 am Mass** Dr. Herman Miller  
By: FFL

**9:30am Rosary**

**Thu Oct 14 - 9 am Mass** Dr. Herman Miller  
By: FFL

**7 pm Rosary (MH)**

**Fri Oct 15 - 9 am Mass** † Janie Brownstein  
By: Liponoga

**9:30 am – 3 pm Adoration**

**Sat Oct 16 – 4 pm** *People of the Parish*

**Sunday Oct 17 - 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**8 am Mass** † Pat & Willie Mauboules  
By: Mary M.

**10 am Mass** Michael Daugherty (BD)  
By: Brown Family

**12:30 pm Mass (Spanish)** Dr. Herman Miller

If you wish to have a Mass said for a special occasion or in memory of a loved one, complete a Mass Intentions information form or contact the office. Thank you.

Saturday/Sunday	October 16/17		
	4pm	8am	10am
Ushers	Donna T Steve/Cami	Frank U Gary K	Ken Hay
Server	Conrad K Michael M	Katie E Ashton H	Andrew S Alex S Aadon S
Reader	Jackie Hull	Dottie E Donna H	Teri S Art S
EMHC	Please check with Fr Julius before Mass		
Church Cleaning	Mon. Oct 18 – Nancy M	Jodi S	
Counters:	Ron	Mary	

## **ONLINE GIVING**

Visit our website at [www.sjtwrcc.org](http://www.sjtwrcc.org)  
Click on the "DONATE NOW" button

**WEEKLY FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP:**

**October 2-3, 2021**                      **Week 14**

Attendance: 307                      weekly Need: \$ 4063

Offering	Online	week +/-	YTD
\$5643	\$ 50	+1630	+7265

Capital Exp. \$290                      Capital Build Fund \$ 220  
 Good Shepard \$298                      Feed My Sheep \$114

Thanks to all who give so generously. God Bless you!  
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***Pray for the Sick  
of our Parish***

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| Dale Bauer    | Mary Cornejo   | Charles Downs  |
| Ron Eydt      | Maria Figueroa | Raymond Hinkle |
| Jeanne Huffor | Alvaro Pina    | Karen Ruggiero |
| Susie Ryan    | Hugo Schielke  | Patty Swatzell |
| Dennis Wilson |                |                |

Any parishioner who is sick or having surgery, notify Fr. Julius or the office (privacy extended to those who request it).

**Event of Death:** notify the office if you would like the Parish to share your grief if a family member dies. Mass can be offered immediately or at a date convenient to the family.

**Happy Birthday –** Alex Aguilar, Jim Aleksa, Dan Callan, Yeraldin Castro, Pilar Castro, Sherlyn Frutos, Julian Gallardo, Alma Gonzalez, Cynthia Gonzalez, Maria Gonzalez, Vicente Jr. Guzman, Sue MacDuff, Amber Orr, Maria Sanchez, Jordy Zavala

**Happy Anniversary –** Ken & Donna Hay, Alejandro & Ana Salazar

To add or remove a name from the list, please contact the office.



**Our Blessed Mother** has asked us to pray the rosary for world peace. Join us to recite the rosary together at **7:00 PM on Thursdays at the grotto.**

**Fr. James Chia**, from Cleveland, Ohio will be visiting Howard & Susan Clarke. For the next two weeks that he is here, he will be on a pilgrimage to honor St. Joseph.

**Thought for the week:**

“Our hearts were made for you, O Lord, and they are restless until they rest in You.”  
 ...St. Augustine of Hippo, Dr. of Grace

**The Synod of Bishops:** will begin in the local churches this month. Pope Francis will solemnly open this 2- year program of Consultation and Discernment this weekend. It will culminate with the assembly in October 2023 in Rome. For more information go to:

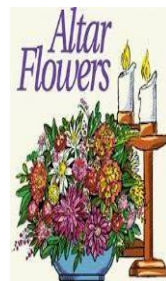
<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2021-05/synod-of-bishops-will-begin-in-the-local-churches.html> Speak to Fr. Julius for details.

**RCIA:** is available for those who want to know more about our Catholic faith. Classes are held on Wednesdays at 7 PM in the parish hall. For information, contact Mike Huffor (mhuffor@yahoo.com) or Eric Evans.



**Coffee & Donuts:** are served downstairs in the parish hall after the 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM Masses. All are welcome to join us.

**Sunday Religious Education Classes have begun:** Volunteer teachers are needed for our classes on Sundays at 11:00 AM. Contact the office if you can help.



**Altar Flowers:** If you have a special occasion coming up, please consider purchasing flowers for the altar. We can place your intention in the bulletin. The cost is \$45. Call the office for scheduling.



### **Collection for Diocesan Deacon Formation Program**

will take place on Sunday, October 17<sup>th</sup>. Our diocese is greatly

blessed with many deacons. Your donation assists with the ongoing formation and development of the 74 deacons now serving in the diocese. Your donation will also help with the costs of instruction for the 25 men currently in the formation program. Deacons are ordained to the service of the Bishop, his priests, and the people of God. They are a bridge between the sanctuary and the world in which they live. They bring the altar to the neighborhood and bring the needs of the neighborhood to the altar. They teach, and help organize charitable resources within the parish and diocese. They bring the Gospel and the gift of themselves to the soup kitchens, the food banks, prisons, hospitals and wherever else a need exists as well as to the parish they are assigned to. Thank you for your support and generosity.

### **Pontifical Collection for World Mission Sunday:**

A second collection will be taken up on October 24 for World Mission Sunday. By baptism, all Catholics are called to participate in the mission of the Church and to share their faith as missionaries of the Gospel. This collection supports the pastoral and evangelizing programs and needs of nearly 1200 mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and remote regions of Latin America. Funds are distributed in the Holy Father's name by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith- a Pontifical Mission Society. Pope Pius XI first instituted Mission Sunday for the whole Church with the first worldwide collection in 1927 in order to help emphasize our catholicity and universal solidarity in sharing in our common responsibility for evangelizing the world.



In October, the Catholic Church in the United States celebrates *Re-*

*spect Life Month*, the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of October is *Respect Life Sunday*. To support these annual observances, the USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities provides materials to help Catholics understand and value the gift of human life and help build a culture that cherishes and protects it.

Many materials are designed to be brought to life as tools in your hands. These resources may be downloaded, printed, and reproduced for your study and use. There are webinars, reflections, prayer cards, toolkits and a catalog. For these sources and for even more information you can log onto the website:

<https://www.respectlife.org/respect-life-month>

**Synod 2021-2023:** The Diocese of Knoxville is seeking volunteers to help with this process. Being selected for the **diocesan synodal team** means that you *will help organize and train group coordinators* so that they can gather feedback from their ministry, organization, or parish. The Coordinators will *lead the feedback method at their specific ministry, organization, or parish*. Training and resources are provided. "By walking together and reflecting on the journey made, the Church will be able to learn from what it will experience which processes can help it to live communion, to achieve participation, to open itself to mission." Pope Francis aims to involve the whole Church at the diocesan, national, and continental levels through a process of "listening and discernment" on the important theme of synodality: "For a synodal Church: communion, participation and mission." Read the East Tennessee Catholic's coverage of the Synod for more information. **Phase 1: Diocesan Phase (October 2021 - April 2022)** **Phase 2: Continental Phase (Sept. 2022 – March 2023)** **Phase 3: Universal Church Phase at the Vatican with the synod of bishops (takes place October 2023)**

## *From the Pastor's Desk!*

Brothers and Sisters in Christ; Grace and peace!

The liturgy this weekend reminds me of our younger years when Mom would buy candy for my brother and me. Later, when Mom requested a share in it, we would *refuse* to give it to her! We foolish children failed to realize that had she not given it to us in the first place, we would have had nothing to refuse giving to Mom in return. Friends, we cannot become so attached to any one thing in this world that we refuse to surrender it to Jesus the Lord. Today's liturgy challenges us not to be prisoners of our possessions. When we do, it becomes a violation of the First Great Commandment, which demands that we give absolute and unconditional priority to God.

The first reading advises us to use the God-given virtue of prudence, seeking genuine wisdom in preference to vanishing realities in life. In the Hebrew scriptures, Wisdom is depicted as co-existing with God from the time of creation and participating with God in the very act of creation. How easy it is to see how Christians have associated Wisdom with Jesus. King Solomon chose Wisdom before everything else, and when he accepted Wisdom, he received everything else along with her. It is vital for us to pray for that wisdom as the highest gift of the Holy Spirit. The writer of the Book of Hebrews warns us that we are *accountable before God* as to how we use our blessings. God's power and purpose will cut through anything, a good reminder during this time of great trial in our Church. He looks deep within us, and nothing can stop what He finds.

Another ancient Jewish tradition affirmed that wealth was a clear sign of God's approval, and poverty a curse from God. In today's 'Prosperity' Gospel reading, Mark depicts how this rich man responds to Jesus' criteria for inheriting eternal life, to give up all his wealth and follow Him. Jesus wanted to show him something about himself of which he was unaware. Owned by his own wealth, it had a stronger grip on him than he had on it. Jesus invited him to become free of it, but the cost seemed just too high. How hard it is for people who are weighed down with money and ambitions to enter the Kingdom of God. It belongs to the poor in spirit; not speaking of the economically poor but those detached from riches in their inmost spirit.

As Christians, thus disciples of Jesus, Our Lord is asking us to follow Him unconditionally, ready to let go of anything in our lives that we would have great difficulty giving up, which St. Francis left for us.... "Lord make me a channel of your love." Hopefully as we look ahead to the month of November, bearing in mind Thanksgiving and Advent, may we consider how we might generously contribute to our faith community with pledges to support our parish~ with our Time, Treasures, Talents during our parish commitment week.

A Blessed Sunday!

*Rev. Dr. Julius Abuh*