

Eucharistic Adoration-Starting the first Monday of Lent. Come join us for morning mass followed by **Eucharist Adoration** from 9:30-10:00 and Benediction. Come spend this quiet little retreat time with Jesus as we prepare for Easter.

Check out the back of this week's bulletin for information on the Live and Featured Auction Items for the Annual SJS Mardi Gras and how you can participate even if you can't make it to the event!!!

Mark your calendars--- we will be selling tickets to the SJS 8th Grade Pancake Breakfast after all the Masses Feb 25/26!

Enroll your Kroger Rewards Card now! See below for directions.

Don't Forget To Purchase Your Grocery Gift Cards! Remember 100% of the profit from the sales is distributed by our Corporal Works of Mercy Committee to help the needy in our community. **LOOK IN THE BULLETIN FOR MORE UPCOMING NEWS & CHANGES...**Kroger has moved their Knoxville Food Stores from the Atlanta Region to the Nashville Region, we are now asking that you go in and update your Rewards Card once again to St. Albert the Great Catholic Church.

Prayers have been requested for the following individuals; please keep them and all the relatives of our members who are in need of our prayers this week:

Earl Pierce
Yolanda Harris
Dawn Bowie
Leonard Nugent
Linda Mackler
Earlene Smothers and Family
Reese Hudson
Louie Rankin
Jeanette Pelle
Theresa DeWine
Carrieanne Behan
Meghan Forbes
Lara Casey

Bill McElhaney
Kevin Foster
Sherry & James Raymondo
Diane & John Raymondo
Linda & Bruce Gentry
Mary Ruth Abbott
Sylvia McMahan
Stephanie Stevens
Allyson Collinsworth



First Sunday of Lent

February 17th & 18th, 2018

Saint Albert the Great Parish

(Established July 1, 2007)

Participant in the Safe Environment Program

7200 Brickey Lane
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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 8:30am-2pm.

Mass Times

Monday - Friday 9am

Saturday Vigil: 5pm

Sunday 9 am & 11am

Confessions:

Saturday 4-4:30pm

Anytime by appointment

Catholic Schools:

Saint Joseph Elementary 689-3424

Knoxville Catholic High 560-0313

Please pray for Parishioners discerning a Religious Vocation

Seminarian

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Diaconate Aspirant

Steve Haughton

Dear Parishioners,

The biggest fund raiser of the year for Saint Joseph School is our annual Mardi Gras which will take place next Saturday, February 24th. Catholic Schools are a great bargain, but still very expensive to run. While tuition is high at \$7,230 per student (before discounts) it is a great value when you consider your tax, dollars spent just under \$15,000 per student in the public schools, and the results speak for themselves. So how can you help???? On the back of this week's bulletin is a copy of our "Live" and "Featured" auction items. Even if you cannot attend you are welcome to bid on any of these items which include dinner at the rectory prepared by me, a custom slaughtered Hog, A custom Slaughtered 1/2 Cow; Date Nights to local restaurants; weekend trip to Asheville, Family Pigeon Forge Vacation, Family weekend vacation to Downtown Chattanooga, Las Vegas Trip, Private plane charter to UT vs Georgia with tickets for 8 persons; \$2,500 of Orthodontic work; Myrtle Beach Condo for a week; Catered dinner for 25 and more!!!! Details are on the back of this week's bulletin! If you're going to spend the money anyway, why not support this important ministry of our church.

Please continue to support our Corporal Works of Mercy Committee by purchasing your grocery gift cards to Ingles and Food City. All proceeds go to help the needy in our community.

Fr. Chris

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Nourished and strengthened by the sacraments, we the parishioners of Saint Albert the Great Parish strive to: --- Be an open and transparent community where all are welcome.

--- Live joyfully the gospel message of hope and salvation given to us by Jesus.

--- Grow in holiness through prayer, study and worship as a family of faith.

--- Serve the needs of our community and our world.

Parish Council

Deacon Bob Smearing, Chair 423/748-3026
Bob O'Connor, Buildings & Grounds 924-0714
Jennifer McCleary, Communications 689-7011
Joan Eiffe, CWoM: Programs 617-9595
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Mike Clarke, Faith Formation: Study 922-5939
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Kari Lopez, Parish Life: Groups 659-9698
Marcy Meldahl, Spiritual Life: Liturgical 242-1430
Maria Armento, Spiritual Life: Devotional 689-7011

Finance Committee

Catherine Barnes 922-6710
Tim Brew 548-6117
Chad Bergman 402/770-1152
Mary Jane Pitts 693-6741
Tyler Walker 386-3440
Steve Walker, Finance Officer 548-9464

Ministry in Action—Christ's hands and feet in the world

For the Season of Lent, we will be providing information on a different Lenten Devotion each week in this section of the bulletin.

If you are looking for a daily opportunity to think about your Lenten Journey, and to hear from others about their journey through inspiring videos delivered right to your mobile device or computer, sign up for Dynamic Catholic's "Best Lent Ever"! For more information or to sign up for their program follow this link: <https://dynamiccatholic.com/bestlentever/>

Parish Calendar

Sat Feb 17th Seven Founders of the Order of Servites

5pm Fred Pelle by Jeanette Pelle
6pm Blood Pressure Checks

Sun Feb 18th 1st Sunday of Lent

9am People of St. Albert the Great
9&11 Children's Liturgy
10&12 Blood Pressure Checks
11am Rosetta & Carl Raymondo by Sylvia McMahan
6:30pm Women's Bible Study

Mon Feb 19th OFFICE CLOSED Presidents Day

9am Verlin Yonker by the Martin Family
9:30am Adoration
7pm RCIA

Tues Feb 20th St. Margaret of Cortona

9am Thelma Durbin by Bob and Lee Smearing
7pm Boy Scouts Meeting

Wed Feb 21st St. Peter Damian

9am Alberto Rodriguez by Polly Rodriguez
6:30pm FF Classes for Grades 1-8
7pm Choir Practice

Thurs Feb 22nd Chair of St. Peter

9am Mary Jane Pitts and Bill Morgan by Bill and Vicki Christensen
9:30am&7pm Adult Faith Formation

Fri Feb 23rd St. Polycarp

9am SAAtG Volunteers
6pm Lenten Dinner (Meatless Petros)
7pm Stations of the Cross (From Mary's Perspective)

Sat Feb 24th Blessed Josefa Naval Girbes

9am Baptism Class
5pm Carol Swiderski by Paul and Linda Swiderski

Sun Feb 25th 2nd Sunday of Lent

9am People of St. Albert the Great
9&11 Children's Liturgy
11am Bill Groseclose by Irene Groseclose
11am Confirmation Rite of Enrollment
6:30pm Women's Bible Study

Something To Think About

The only person you are destined to become is the person you decide to be!

CONGRATULATIONS
TO THE SAAtG "February"
CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS
February 24th John Lanager \$100
February 25th Melissa Holmes \$100

Parish Financial Information

(All figures based on a July 1st thru June 30th year)

Collection Report

	02/11	Budget	+/- year	This year	Last year
Regular	8,418	8,850	(3,361)	288,689	280,098
Children	26	50	(17)	1,633	1,393
Building	2,173	1,800	575	59,975	61,221
Charity	64	300	869	10,769	9,762
TOTAL	10,681	11,000	(1,934)	361,066	352,474

(Parish Debt \$1,145,197)



\$'s Pledged	\$425,500
Pledges Paid (as of 01/15/2018)	\$232,030
% of pledges paid	54.6%
Parish Portion Received	\$116015

"CALLED TO SERVE"

Bishop's Appeal 2018

	Last Year	Current Year
Parish Goal	\$43,600	\$43,600
Pledged	\$46,560	\$46,132
Collected (end Nov.)	\$41,265	\$41,113
% of Pledges Paid	94.7%	94.3%

Gift Certificates

	Last Week	For Year	Last Year
Sales	1,800	91,350	95,700
Profit	90	6,068	6,285

All profit from the grocery gift certificate sales go to reach out to those in need in our community!

Mass Attendance

	01/21	01/28	02/04	02/11	Last year
5pm	215	260	210	185	195
9am	230	230	185	165	230
11am	325	270	315	300	420
Total	770	760	710	650	845

Our Parish Family

(as of 02/12/2018)

	This yr	Last yr
Registered Families	620	600
Members	1,654	1,624

By Age 0-5	78	6-13	227	14-18	134
19-25	156	26-35	163	36-45	237
46-55	213	56-65	167	Over 65	212
		Average Age	37		

Week's Mass Readings

Sunday Reading's 1017 in Gather Hymnal

Feb 18 Gn 9:8-15	1 Pet 3:18-22
Mk 1:12-15	
Feb 19 Lv 19:1-2;11-18	Mt 25:31-46
Feb 20 Is 55:10-11	Mt 6:7-15
Feb 21 Jonah 3:1-10	Lk 11:29-32
Feb 22 Est C12,14-16,23-25	Mt 7:7-12
Feb 23 Ez 18:21-28	Mt 5:20-26
Feb 24 Dt 26:16-19	Mt 5:43-48
Feb 25 Gn 22:1-2,9a,10-13,15-18	Rom 8:31b-34
Mk 9:2-10	

Lenten Activities

Liturgical changes for this Season:

- Change in Liturgical color
- Sung Penitential Rite
- New Response to the Petitions: "Merciful Lord, Hear our Prayer"
- New Mass Hosts and Wine
- No flowing water in Baptismal Font
- Church decorations to remind us of the simplicity of Lent

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of FASTING (no eating between meals - applies to all between ages 18-60) and ABSTINENCE (no eating meat - applies to all over age 14). All Fridays during Lent are days of Abstinence.

Friday's During Lent

Lenten Dinner - 6pm a Simple Lenten dinner.

Feb 16th: Pasta

Feb 23rd: Meatless Petros

Stations of the Cross - 7pm

Feb 16th: Meditative Stations

Feb 23rd: Stations from Mary's Perspective

Come join us for Monday morning Mass followed by **Eucharist Adoration** (starting the first Monday in Lent) from 9:30-10:00 and Benediction. Come spend this quiet little retreat time with Jesus as we prepare for Easter.

For your spiritual nourishment, please pick up a Lenten reflection booklet to take home and use throughout this season

Our Parish Lenten Reconciliation Service will be on Thursday March 1st at 7pm

Spiritual Direction

Monsignor Bill Gahagan is now offering **Spiritual Direction** by appointment on **Thursday's at 10:30am, 11:30am and 12:30pm**. Please call Jennifer in the office to set up an appointment with Fr. Bill 689-7011.

Stewardship Thought

Do a quick check of your priorities. Where does God rank in that list? If He's not first, you have some work to do. Putting God first in everything helps us from putting other "gods" (like our pride and ego, money and possessions to name a few) before God. Before making a decision, ask yourself I'm I going this for the glory of God or for the glory of me?

Parish Announcement

Bishop Stika has requested that during this current flu season, we will not be distributing the Precious Blood or sharing the sign of Peace during Mass. We are hoping that everyone can stay well and healthy and those who are ill recover quickly!

Any parishioners wishing to attend the Mardi Gras to support Saint Joseph School, and would like to sit with your fellow parishioners, please purchase your tickets through the parish office. Tickets are \$50 per person.

Middle School Youth Group. For more info contact: Erin at jewessel98@gmail.com or Stephanie stephsmith74@comcast.net

High School Youth Group For more information please contact Deacon Mike at 696-5264.

Women's Bible Study is back!! Please join us for Sundays in Lent—6:30-7:30pm starting February 18th!

Please join us for **Adult Faith Formation** on Thursdays: we meet after the 9am Mass, and again at 7pm. Both classes meet in the Conference Room. For the Lenten season (classes between Feb 15 and Mar 22) we will watch Bishop Robert Barron's new series "The Pivotal Players". Contact Deacon Mike 938-5825.

Mowing Sign-Ups will be after all the Masses March 3/4th. Please stop by and sign up to help keep our property well maintained and beautiful!

Online Giving – WeShare. Go to our web site at: www.satgknox.org Click on "On Line Giving" and sign up today. Questions? Contact Jennifer in the office at 689-7011 or office@satgknox.org

Mark your calendars!! **VBS 2018 will be June 11-15, 2018.** This year we will have our VBS classes during

evening hours—more on that to come!

Faith Formation

PreK/K

Classes are Sunday during
9am and 11am Mass
Contact Linnie Sexton 947-5425.

Grades 1-5

Classes are Wednesday evenings
from 6:30-7:15pm
Contact Robyn Wilson 388-8311.

Grades 6-8

Classes are Wednesday evenings
from 6:30-7:15pm
Contact Stephanie Smith 66-5748.

Grades 9-12

Contact Deacon Mike 938-5825.

R.C.I.A.

(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)
Interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith or becoming Catholic? Contact Mike 250-3228.

Baptism Preparation classes

Register by contacting
Deacon Mike Eiffe at 938-5825.

Liturgy

If you would like to learn more about our Liturgical Ministries, please contact our coordinators!

Maria Armento (<i>Music</i>)	689-7011
Vic Chargualaf (<i>Readers</i>)	922-7508
Fred Coats (<i>Greeters</i>)	377-3522
Marcy Meldahl (<i>EMC</i>)	242-1430
Phillip May (<i>Ushers</i>)	938-5972
Richard Turner (<i>Altar Servers</i>)	654-6704
Kathy Walker (<i>Art & Environment</i>)	406-3411

St. Joseph School

Mr. Andy Zengel, Principal

www.sjsknox.org

865/689-3424

If you would like to set up a campus tour at SJS or want more information, please contact **Howie Sompayrac** at SJS by calling **804-8977** or email hsompayrac@sjsknox.org

SJS will be having their annual 8th Grade Pancake Breakfast Fund Raiser at Aubrey's on Saturday,

March 3 from 8-10am. Tickets will be for sale at SATG after all the Masses on the weekend of Mar 24/25. Please come out and support our SJS 8th Graders!!

Knoxville Catholic High School

For a campus tour, contact:
Joni Punch, Admissions, 560-0502

Diocesan Announcement

Conversation with the Cardinals at the new cathedral on Sunday, March 4th at 7pm is FREE and open to all. Bishop Richard Stika hosts four distinguished Catholic prelates for a night of recollection and reflection on the life and legacy of modern day saint Pope S. John Paul II.

T.H. Stemper Company is offering a Parish wide discount for First Communion and Confirmation Gift Orders. If you would like to take advantage of this offer, please feel free to use the promo code: SPECIALDAY. You can find their catalog on their website: www.stempers.com

If you are experiencing emotional or spiritual difficulties from a past abortion, you are not alone. Catholic Charities is here to assist you with **Rachel's Vineyard healing and recovery retreat** April 27 – 29, 2018, at the Christ Prince of Peace Retreat Center in Benton, TN. Complete confidentiality is honored at all times. For more information, please contact Sandi Davidson at (865) 776-4510 or sandi@ccten.org.

Catholic Charities



March 22, 2018

The Knoxville Marriott

501 E. Hill Avenue



apacilio@ccten.org or www.ccten.org

Welcome to the Saint Joseph School Mardi Gras preview of auction items! Want to be part of the action? Simply identify the item/s you are interested in bidding on. Email Fr. Chris your name, phone number and high bid for any or all items to frchris@satgknox.org. We will have a "secret bidder" helping you to get your items at the lowest price possible. You will be notified soon after the Mardi Gras (February 24th) if you are a winner and you can then pay for your purchase/s by credit card or check. Join in on the fun and don't miss out!!!

LIVE AUCTION ITEMS

DINNER WITH FATHER CHRIS

Fr. Chris will fix dinner for 10 at the Saint Albert the Great Rectory: Beef Tenderloin, sautéed Burgundy Mushrooms, Green Beans, Rolls, Dessert, Hors d'oeuvres & Wine. Must be used on a Sunday evening before July 1st Value: Priceless; Starting Bid \$500

"HOG HEAVEN"

A whole "HOG" of grain fed pork is available for the highest bidder. This item will be available in about a month, with an estimated yield of 200 pounds. Don't need that much for yourself – find some friends and split it!! Value \$1,000; Starting Bid \$600 (\$3.00 per pound).

"HOLY HALF COW"

A "side" (half cow) of grain and hay fed beef is available for the highest bidder. This item will be available April 20th, with an estimated yield of 250 pounds. Don't need that much for yourself – find some friends and split it!! Value \$1,500; Starting Bid \$750 (\$3.00 per pound)

DATE NIGHT

You and your spouse can go on a quarterly "Date Night"-- EACH WITH DINNER (dinners are \$100 Chop House Card, dinner for 2 (appetizer, main, dessert) at Aubrey's, dinner for 2 at Bistro by the Tracks, dinner for 2 at Crown and Goose); 2 REGAL MOVIE TICKETS, CERTIFICATE FOR 2-mini Buttermilk Sky Pies; and a BOTTLE OF WINE (wines are Francis Coppola Cab, Cameron Hughes Chardonnay, Cameron Hughes Cab, Lucinda & Millie Chardonnay). Value: \$700; Starting Bid \$350

ASHEVILLE GET-A-WAY

2-night stay at the downtown Hyatt. You'll be within walking distance to the popular downtown scene; a \$100 gift card to Chestnut, a 5-star restaurant, 2 tickets to the Asheville Breweries Tour and 2 tickets to the Biltmore Estate Value: \$1,000; Starting Bid \$500

PIGEON FORGE VACATION

5-Nights, Three Bedroom (sleeps 8) stay at Little Valley Mountain Resort (VALUE \$1,800). Also includes a \$100 Chop House Gift Card, \$50 Gas Gift Card, \$30 Panera Gift Card, \$25 Starbucks Gift Card, 4 Ripley Aquarium Passes (VALUE \$100), Family Pass to Rain Forest Adventure Zoo (VALUE \$52), \$100 Gift Card to Cooters Place- Go carts & miniature golf, 2 Passes to Wonder Works exhibit & ropes course (VALUE \$51), 4 day passes to Wahoo Zip Line (VALUE \$356), 4 tickets to Hollywood Wax Museum (VALUE \$78) Value: \$2,750+; Starting Bid \$1,250

WEEKEND IN DOWNTOWN CHATTANOOGA

2 Nights in The Spring Hill Suites – river view (VALUE \$360), 4 Box Seat tickets for a Lookouts Baseball Game (VALUE \$50), 4 tickets to the Majestic 12 Theater (VALUE \$48), \$50 Gas Gift Card, \$100 Gift card to "Hennen's" (4-star) Restaurant, 4 tickets to the aquarium (VALUE \$100), 4 tickets to the Discovery Museum (VALUE \$56), Family Pass to "High Point" Climbing (VALUE \$64), \$25 Panera Gift Card, \$30 Starbucks Gift Card, \$20 Cold Stone Creamery Gift Card, Family pass to Rock City (VALUE \$64) Value: \$900+; Starting Bid \$450

VIVA LAS VEGAS

Direct Flight on Southwest Air out of Nashville, 3 nights (weeknights) stay at the MGM Grand Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas, 2 show tickets to "KA" at the MGM or equivalent Value: \$2,000; Starting Bid \$1,000

PRIVATE PLANE CHARTER FOR UT vs GEORGIA

You and your friends will fly in a private King Air 350 to Athens, Georgia on September 29th for the UT vs Georgia Football game played in Sanford Stadium. The plane will be flown by two professional pilots, who are full time with this aircraft. We will work with you to plan your day --- leave early --- stay late. Your flight will include beverage and snacks. At the airport, transportation will be provided to the stadium. You will need to make your own arrangements back to the airport – depending on how long you stay and party after Tennessee's upset win! Your package includes 8 UT vs Georgia tickets to the game. You will fly home, while everyone else fights the traffic. This is a once in a lifetime, fantastic way to see an SEC classic football game. GO VOLS!!! Value: \$8,000; Starting Bid \$3,600.

SILENT AUCTION – Featured Items

*One week stay in a 3-bedroom oceanfront condo located in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Long Bay Resort offers pools, whirlpools, workout room, lazy river, and the Silly Submarine Adventure Waterpark with new water slide for the little tykes. This upper floor unit features an ocean view, fully equipped kitchen and comfortably sleeps 8 people. Summer weekly rate of \$3,200 (Starting Bid \$1,800)

*Dr. Jim Pickering is offering \$2,500 of orthodontics work to the highest bidder. (Starting Bid \$1,500)

*Hard Knox Lawn Service is offering \$2,000 of custom Lawn service to the highest bidder of this item (Starting Bid \$1,200)

*Mike & Robyn Wilson will provide a catered dinner for up to 25 people. Includes set up, 3 hors d'oeuvres, Salad, Two Main Courses, Two Vegetables, Rolls, Dessert (Ice tea included). Date must fit their schedule. Value \$1,000 (Starting Bid \$600)

*The Catholic High State Championship Football team is offering a signed football in display case, plaque of official State Championship photograph, family pass for next season and VIP parking space for all home football games. Value – priceless. (Starting Bid \$250)

*Norris Lake Pontoon Boat Rental for a day Value \$300. (Starting Bid \$150)

*Caney Creek Pontoon Boat Rental for a day Value \$300. (Starting Bid \$150)

*Three-month membership at the Fort Sanders Health and Fitness Club Value \$400. (Starting Bid \$200)

*Ice Skating Party and Hot Chocolate for 25. Next winter at Market Square. A \$400 value can be yours! (Starting bid \$200)

*Tired of waiting in line to pick up your child/ren after school? Get one of the 1st 6 spots every day for a year beginning in September. Value Priceless (Starting bid \$150) – 6 available

*8 front row seats and two reserved parking places for the Christmas Concert. Value Priceless. (Starting bid \$75) – 2 available

*8 front row seats and two reserved parking places for the Spring Concert (this spring). Value Priceless. (Starting bid \$75) – 2 available