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CRY OUT

John wore clothing made of camel's hair and had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey.

MATTHEW 3:4

Juan usaba una túnica de pelo de camello, ceñida con un cinturón de cuero, y se alimentaba de saltamontes y de miel silvestre.

MATEO 3, 4

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PMASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 7th

5 pm: Jim & Mary Kois by Joe & Sue Koessler7 pm: The People of All Saints Parish

Sunday, December 8th

8 am: The All Saints Priests & Deacons by a friend

10 am: John Donovan (+) by the Knitting Club **11:30 am:** Anthony Campbell by Therese Campbell

Monday, December 9th

6:30 am: Living & deceased members of the Tina & Mike Lewis Family

9 am: Donald C Burkett, Sr (+) by Susan 12:10 pm: Eric Thomas Clement (+) by his mom Tuesday, December 10th

6:30 am: Maria Guadalupe Padilla (†) by the Avalos Padilla Family

9 am: Jason Kite (†) by the Kite Family 12:10 pm: Joe & Sheila Koenig (†) by Bob & Charlene

Wednesday, December 11th

6:30 am: John Palenchar (+) by his family
9 am: The parents of George Haromis (+)
12:10 pm: The Johnny & Paula Lovoi Family by
Shiela & Eileen Murphy

Thursday, Dec 12th *Our Lady of Guadalupe*

6:30 am: Robert Curtis by Brenda Nicholson 9 am: Lupita Martinez (+) by her family 12:10 pm: Pat & Gino Zanolli (+) by the Erpenbach Family

7 pm: Fernando (+)

Friday, December 13th

6:30 am: Frances Danos (†) by Janel Bell 9 am: Kay & Gerard Carroll (†) by the family 12:10 pm: Francis Hughes (†) by Leo Nugent Saturday, December 14th

9 am: Susan Beckham & Family by Margaret & Lee Vanden Heuvel

5 pm: Kassie & Grant Grishaber by Meghan & Justin Forbes

7 pm: The People of All Saints Parish

Sunday, December 15th

8 am: Michael Pavelic (+) by Bob & Gretchen Pesut

10 am: Antonio Donofrio (+) by the Baker Family **11:30 am:** Phillip Sharp (+) by Carmen & Karen Sharp

**To reserve a mass intention, please visit the parish office or call Meghan at 865-474-8602. The suggested donation amount is \$10 for each mass offered.

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The founding parishioners of All Saints were inspired by the words 'I am the vine, you are the branches,' and called us 'to live as Christ asked.'

Therefore, we will come to personally know Jesus, becoming his disciples who live as He lives, bearing the sufferings of daily living, showing mercy, and lovingly putting others' needs before our own. We will do this as a joyful, welcoming Eucharistic community so that we might give witness to His resurrection.

Parish Priests

Very Reverend Douglas Owens VG fatherdougowens@gmail.com 865-474-8605 Fr. Adam Kane fatherakane@outlook.com 865-474-8610 Fr. Miguel Vélez mvelez@allsaintsknoxville.com 865-474-8606

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Parish Staff

Women's Ministry Director: Susan Tribble 865-690-6250 Maintenance Manager: John Hafner john.hafner@allsaintsknoxville.com 865-406-8827 Director of Faith Formation: Carrie Manabat carrie.manabat@allsaintsknoxville.com 865-474-8603 Finance Director: Christine Lucheon christine@allsaintsknoxville.com 865-474-8601 Administrative Assistant: Montse Gómez admin@allsaintsknoxville.com 865-474-8600 St. Vincent de Paul: Cynthia Rust stvincentdepaul@allsaintsknoxville.com Music Director: Andrew Ballew andrew.ballew@allsaintsknoxville.com 865-531-0770 ext. 110 ECHO Apprentice: Kelly Deehan kelly@allsaintsknoxville.com 865-474-8607 Youth Minister: Annie Nassis annie@allsaintsknoxville.com 865-474-8609 Secretary: Meghan Forbes meghan.forbes@allsaintsknoxville.com 865-474-8602

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Readings for the Week

Sunday: Is 11:1-10/ Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 19 [cf. 7]/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12 Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38 Tuesday: Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13/Mt 18:12-14 Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/Mt 11:28-30 Thursday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17 [cf. 8]/Lk 1:5-25 Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mt 11:16-19 Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Confession Times during Advent

Saturdays: after the 9 am Mass Sundays: 9 am—9:45 am 10:45 am—11:30 am Wednesdays: 6 pm—7:30 pm

**All Saints will not have an Advent Penance Service this year

BAUTISMO

Las clases prebautismales se ofrecen el primer domingo de cada mes **(5 de enero)** de 9 am a 12 pm en el salon B (a un lado de la oficina parroquial). No se permiten niños. Clases son validas por dos años. Para más información llame a Montse al 865-474-8600.

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The flowers on the Altar are donated

In Memory of William & Doris Walker



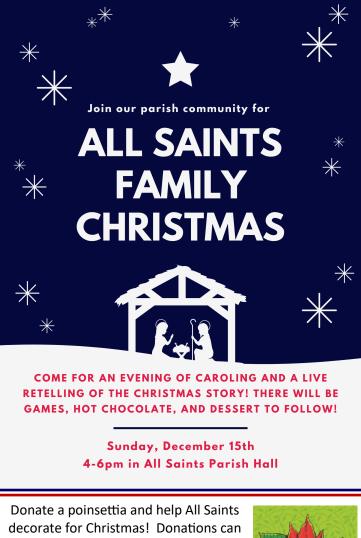


Weekly Budget: \$33,380 11/3/19: \$30,955 11/10/19: \$29,496 11/17/19: \$27,794

Financial Support Summary

Thank you for your generous stewardship!

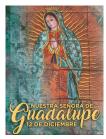
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decorate for Christmas! Donations can be made "in honor of" or "in memory of" someone you love. Forms will be available in the narthex or you can make your donation online.



Our Lady of Guadalupe's feast day is on Thursday, December 12th. There will be an outdoor procession and Rosary beginning at 6 pm on the parish grounds. Presentation of flowers and Mass will begin at 7 pm. All parishioners are invited to bring flowers for Our Lady's Mass! We will have a party with sweet bread and chocolate treats after Mass.



La Celebración a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe es el jueves, 12 de diciembre. El Rosario y la procesión al aire libre comienza a las 6 pm en la parroquia. Presentación de flores y misa comenzarán a las 7 pm. ¡Todos los feligreses son invitados a traer flores para Nuestra Señora! Se servirá chocolate caliente y pan dulce después de misa.



Oplatki, the Polish Christmas Wafer, is available at the Parish Office.



All Saints is hosting a KARM Donation Drive December 12th—15th. The hours of the donation drive will be Thursday—Saturday: 9 am to 5:30 pm and Sunday: 9 am to 1 pm.

Most household items are accepted and clothing must be clean and in good condition. For a complete list of KARM guidelines, please visit https://karm.org/donation-guidelines/

We are looking for some volunteers to help staff the donation drive truck in the afternoons and all day on Sunday. The job is simple. You will just help receive donations as they come in and provide pre-printed receipts to donors. To volunteer, please visit https://signup.com/go/sMoFrwK.

***Please note that All Saints receives credit for gift cards to be used for charity for all items donated to KARM. In the third quarter of 2019, KARM stores received 629 donations from those connected to All Saints Parish. Those donations included both household items as well as donations of time. In return, All Saints received \$2,520 in gift cards to share with those who are in need.

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed each Sunday during Advent between the 8 am and 10 am Masses. We ask that you use this time to prepare for Christmas in Sacred Silence.



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There will be a Men's Evening of Recollection on Tuesday, December 17th at Our Lady of Fatima Church in Alco, beginning at 6:30 pm. An Evening



of Recollection consists of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, meditation based on the writings of St. Josemaria, examination of conscience, an opportunity for reconciliation, personal prayer and Benediction. A short talk on virtue will conclude the evening. For more information, please contact Dave Bender at 865-310-7567 or Davemender@aol.com.

Christmas is Right Around the Corner



Looking for an Advent alms or a

Christmas gift inspiration? The Diocese of Knoxville Catholic Schools' Raffle tickets make a perfect gift or a unique stocking stuffer! With each \$10 Raffle ticket purchase, you are giving the gift of Catholic school education—80% of the revenue will go directly to the schools to make educational improvements, meet operational costs, or to provide tuition grants to families. Each Raffle ticket purchase gives you 12 chances to win the grand prize of \$10,000 and 11 other prizes totaling an additional \$17,000! What would you do with an extra \$10,000 right after Christmas? Raffle tickets may be purchased online at www.dokraffle.com or from any one of the 10 schools until December 22nd! Raffle drawing will be held on January 7, 2020. Thank you for your support of our Catholic Schools! Have a blessed Advent and a wonderful Christmas!

There will be a Father/Son Breakfast at Mimi's (10945 Parkside Drive, 37922) on Tuesday, December 24th at 7:30 am. Contact Steve Pacitti at snpacit@gmail.com for more info.





Join Women of Faith this winter for the new Lectio Study: "Mark, Faith not Fear." We meet Thursday mornings at 10 am to learn more about our faith and scripture. We will begin Jan 9. To order your book, please email Susan at suann79@aol.com.

The Sacred Heart Enthronement Committee is pleased to share that we have had several Enthronement Ceremonies for families and vocations as a result of our All Saints Parish Mission in June, and there are several more scheduled! To schedule your ceremony and a brief pre-Enthronement meeting, please contact Giannine at gianninem@comcast.net or call/text 865-386-7025.





PARTY & "TAKE-AWAY" GIFT EXCHANGE

Sunday, December 8, from 5-8 p.m.

Our evening Christmas party will be at the Manor House clubhouse in Plantation Springs subdivision (just off Westland Drive near Ebenezer Road) from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. There will be a "take-away" gift exchange, which usually provides tons of laughter! Bring an appetizer to share and wrapped gift to exchange (participation optional). Gift should be in the \$10 range.

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Wednesday, December 11, at 11 a.m.

The Annual Christmas Luncheon will be Wednesday, December 11 at the Chop House Restaurant in Franklin Square beginning at 11:00 a.m. The luncheon is limited to 40 participants. Please call Susan at 531-8598 or Judy at 691-8039 to RSVP. Reservations due by Noon, Monday, December 9.



Please remember to return all Giving Tree items to the All Saints narthex before 1:00 P.M. on Sunday, December 15th. Please be sure the tag is securely fastened to the gift so that we will deliver it to the right person or agency. All gift cards and cash should be put in an envelope with tag attached and placed in the collection basket. Thank you for the generous way you support our Giving Tree.

Ever wonder why the baptismal font it right at the door of the sanctuary? It's almost like it's in the way or something. Baptism is the door into the church, and we want that door to open wide for everyone at All Saints. Please contact Deacon Robert to get the formation needed to help your child walk through that door. robert.rust@allsaintsknoxville.com 474-8617





The flowers on the Altar can be donated "In Memory Of" or "In Honor Of" someone you love.

The donation amount is \$75 and is tax deductible. The next available dates to sponsor flowers are: **December 29th**, **February 2nd, 2020 & February 9th**

2020. To donate altar flowers, please contact Meghan at the parish office at meghan.forbes@allsaintsknoxville.com or 474-8602.

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Are you looking for an opportunity to volunteer in the community this advent? All Saints has 20 slots reserved to help at Second Harvest Food Bank from 9 AM-12 noon on Saturdays Jan. 11 and 25, and Feb. 22 and 29. We are limited to 20



volunteers. Parishioners 10 years old and older are welcome (those under 18 need to be with an adult)

to volunteer at this community agency. Each hour worked is credited as \$1 to the Ladies of Charity's food bill. Thanks to the commitment of 22 parishioners in Nov., LOC-Knoxville will have \$66 in credit. Contact Ginger Henderson at gkgovols@gmail.com if you are interested.



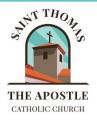
THE PERFECT GIFT! Your \$25 Donation to The Ladies of Charity Knoxville Emergency Assistance Program honoring a friend or family member means so much to someone who is in need of assistance. We

have a card that we can mail to your honoree for you... or you can "gift" the card yourself.for more information please call 865-247.5790

Parents of Children Attending Sacred Heart Cathedral School

There is an opening on the school board of Sacred Heart Cathedral School. You must be a parishioner here at All Saints and

a parent of a SHC child to fill this one position. If you are interested in serving in this capacity, please contact Fr. Doug at fatherdougowens@gmail.com.



St. Thomas the Apostle in Lenoir City is looking for a part-time business manager. This position oversees the business and financial affairs of the parish, including parish facilities, preparation of the parish operating budget, assisting the Pastor with developing and implementing

organizational priorities, and other responsibilities as needed and directed by the Pastor. The Business Manager must be an effective communicator, working with parish staff and volunteers as well as the Knoxville Diocese. If interested, contact the St. Thomas Parish Office, phone 865-986-9885, 1580 St. Thomas Way, Lenoir City, TN 37772, or email phil@sthomaslc.com.

The All Saints Rosary Group meets to pray the Rosary every Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday after the 12:10 Mass in the Marian Chapel. New members are welcomed and encouraged to join us!



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Follow us on Facebook! Facebook.com/allsaintsknox/ **Our parish newsletter is going digital in 2020!** If you would like to continue receiving your newsletter in the mail,



please write a note on your giving envelope and place in the collection basket. You may also email Meghan at meghan.forbes@allsaintsknoxville.com or call her at 474-8602 to request a paper copy. We will no longer be mailing giving

envelopes out, but they are always available in the narthex of the church for your convenience!



Married Couples: "May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the endurance of Christ." The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends is February 28-March 1 (includes Leap Day!) You can get more information or apply online at GATNwwme.org or by calling 678-242-WWME.

There are early bulletin deadlines for the rest of the year!

Please submit announcements to bulletin@allsaintsknoxville.com by these dates:

To print for 12/15: due 12/9 @ noon To print for 12/22: due 12/12 @ noon To print for 12/29: due 12/19 @ noon To print for 1/5: due 12/23 @ 8 am



Compass Support Group (Communicating the Pain as Suicide Survivors): Navigating the Ocean of Grief After the Suicide Death of a Loved One

Mission: To provide a safe place of support, understanding and education during the journey of loss following the suicide death of a loved one.

When: The 2nd Monday of each month from 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., at Peninsula Outpatient Clinic in Knoxville, located at 1451 Dowell Springs Boulevard (lower level entrance).

Group Members: This support group is an ongoing group for those who have lost a family member, friend or co-worker to suicide. It is not appropriate for someone who has survived a suicide attempt.

Support Group Objectives:

- To provide a safe environment for survivors to share feelings & experiences.
- To educate survivors in healthy coping & healing strategies.
- To provide opportunities to learn from struggles & victories of other survivors.
- To affirm & "normalize" suicide bereavement.

The support group is being facilitated by Mark Potts, Director of Clinical Services at Peninsula. Any questions about the group can be directed to Mark at (865) 374-7106 or mpotts@covhlth.com.



* Tennessee Suicide Prevention Network "Saving Lives in Tennessee"



ALL SAINTS YOUTH MINISTRY PRESENTS

MUSIC | PRAISE | ADORATION | TALK SUNDAY, DEC. 8 - 5 TO 7 PM ALL SAINTS CHAPEL ALL AGES WELCOME

Gospel Meditation

What does it mean to be worthy? There are a few different ways to approach this question. Today's Gospel highlights two: the way of the Pharisees and the way of John the Baptist. Our faith values good works and discipleship. Perhaps, then, we "earn" our worth by adhering to the right doctrines and following the right pious practice. The Pharisees thought they were worthy. Due to their religious pedigree and proper procedures, they were self-satisfied. John the Baptist's words to them are strong. "Do not resume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.'" Of course, Jesus (and John) don't omit the responsibility for moral behavior. John gives the Pharisees quite a strong warning in that regard. "Produce good fruit as evidence of your repentance ... every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire."

It's a question of attitude. Of disposition. It's a matter of the heart. If anyone would be worthy in this scenario, it's John the Baptist. Jesus himself will name him the greatest of prophets and a great man. John, however, recognizes his own lowly place in the grand scheme of things. "The one who is coming after me is mightier than I. I am not worthy to carry his sandals." The Pharisees take pride in being "better" than others. John embraces humility in Christ being "better" than him. We don't self-generate our own worthiness. We receive it as a gift from God.

In a few short weeks, we'll celebrate the birth of Christ. Bishop Ven. Fulton Sheen wrote about the Nativity in his "Life of Christ": "Because [Jesus] was born in a cave, all who wish to see Him must stoop. To stoop is the mark of humility. The proud refuse to stoop and, therefore, they miss divinity." God invites us to prepare our hearts this Advent. When you consider your own life, where are you looking for your worth? This Christmas, are you prepared to stoop? In today's Gospel, John the Baptist urges us to "Prepare the way of the Lord." This is what Advent is all about, for we are called to help prepare the way of the Lord by making the real meaning of Christmas come alive in our own hearts, in our family and to reach out



to those in need. Please consider joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

There is a Preliminary Meeting for an Active Conference at All Saints Catholic parish on Friday, December 13, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. in Room B of Parish Office area. In addition to looking at By-laws and answering questions, a presentation will be made covering the Topic of SERVANT LEADERSHIP AND CONFERENCE OFFICERS.

Contact Cynthia Rust, coordinator, for more information: stvincentdepaul@allsaintsknoxville.com

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Helpline so that together we can help the suffering and poor to celebrate Christmas.

Conference at St. John Neumann (865) 333-0878

Conference at St. Thomas The Apostle (865) 274-8697

EMERGENCY

Do you know what to do if you or someone you love has an emergency need for the Anointing of the Sick?

- When the parish office is OPEN, call 531-0770 to speak with the secretary.
- When the parish office is OPEN, but no one is available to take your call, still call 531-0770 and select the option for "Sacramental Emergency"
- When the parish office is CLOSED, call 531-0770 and select the option for "Sacramental Emergency"

Our parish priests are on call for Sacramental Emergencies, and our answering service will get in touch with the priest on call to respond to your emergency.



Catholic Charities of East Tennessee offers counseling services for adults, adolescents, and children. Please contact Father Michael Maples at (865) 314-8870 for more information.

Prayer blankets are available for the seriously ill and those in the hospital. To order a prayer blanket, contact Bertie Lubert at 865-964-5454.



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