



Holy Family Catholic Church

307 Black Oak Ridge Road
Seymour, Tennessee 37865

Diocese of Knoxville

Welcome to our Community!

*“The Lord set His heart on you and chose you, the smallest of all because He loves you ...the faithful God who is true to His covenant.”
Dt 7:7-9*

Office Contacts

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Sacramental Ministry

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm
Sunday: 8:00am and 10:30am
Mon, Tues, Thurs 8:30am & Wed 7:00pm
Holy Days: 7:00pm Vigil & 8:30am
1st Friday of the Month: Mass 8:30am followed by
Adoration 9:00am-5:30pm & Benediction 5:30pm

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:30 to 5:00pm (or by appointment)

Anointing of the Sick—Contact the office 865-573-1203

Communion for the Sick and Home Bound-

Contact the office 865-573-1203 or Claudia Burton 573-0056

Baptism—Contact Deacon Dean Burry (865)579-9196,
one month in advance.

1st Communion—Contact Office (865)573-1203

Confirmation—Contact Office (865)573-1203

RCIA—Contact Fr. Gilbert M. Diaz (865)573-1203

Marriage—Contact Fr. Gilbert (865)573-1203 or Deacon Dean Burry (865)579-9196, four months in advance for preparation and scheduling **registered parishioners only

Annulments—Contact Fr. Gilbert M. Diaz (865)573-1203, Deacon Gil Campos 865-805-9040, Victor Whelan, Delegate 577-3100

Parish Contacts

Parish Council—Meeting 3rd Monday of every other month

Parish Chair Erik Preske
865-607-2209, pcchair@hollyfamilyseymour.org

Administration Juan Rivera
Charlie Robinson
Misti DeGroot

Education

Parish Life

Social Action

Liturgy/Spiritual Life

Scott Hosea

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Deacon Dean, Deacon Gil
Owen Poveda

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Family Life

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Joyce Guerrero, Chair

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Youth Ministry

Call the office 865-573-1203

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Ministry Contacts

Liturgy Committee Secretary

Karen Burry 865-579-9196

Readers

Deacon Gil Campos 865-805-9040

Extraordinary Ministers Of Holy Communion

Deacon Dean Burry 865-579-9196

Ushers

Juan Rivera 865-850-5229

Altar Servers

Deacon Dean Burry 865-579-9196

Music/Choir -5:30pm, 8am &10:30am

Choir Practice:

Office Information

Mon, Tues, Wed & Thurs—9:00am to 2:00pm

865-573-1203, FAX 865-579-3645

Website: www.hollyfamilyseymour.org

St. Vincent de Paul —————865-360-5202

svdp@hollyfamilyseymour.org

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Holy Family Financial Report

07/2017 - 06/2018 Fiscal Year

Yearly Budget \$393,757.90
Weekly Budget \$ 7,572.26

Last Weeks Collection

Regular \$ 5998.00
Debt Reduction \$ 295.00
Renovate/Repair \$ 679.00
Charity \$ 20.00

Year to date:

Expenditures \$286,811.60
Surplus/Deficit (\$ 2,689.26)

Mortgage Balance (as of the end of January) \$14,814.57

Ministry Schedule

March 17 5:30 PM

Reader: **Ray Sager**

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:

Deacon, Linda K., Karen B.

Altar Server: **Domonic Burry, Toby Miklusicak**

Usher: **Dennis Conner, Robert Ruiz, John Casey**

March 18 8:00 AM

Reader: **Charlotte Wojda**

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:

Deacon, Lynette, Marie

Altar Server: **Ava Williamson**

Usher: **Paul Scudder, Don Taylor**

March 18 10:30 AM

Reader: **Chrystal Moorehead**

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:

Deacon, Sherrie, Anita

Altar Server: **Bryson Hager, Angelina Hager**

Usher: **Jason Davis, Joe Pascarella**

Readers, Ministers of the Eucharist, Altar Servers & Ushers: If you ever know ahead of time that you will be unable to serve on your scheduled week please let the Mass coordinator know or ask someone in your group to trade with you.

***Also, check in with the Mass coordinator when you arrive.



Pray for the Sick:

Please call Claudia Burton at 573-0056 to be added

Ed Bigelow, Irwin Bromberk, Elaine Shields Bryant, Kevin Evans, Carmen Fernandez, Paula Goan, Warren Hager, Donna Haskett, Peggy Hood, Mike Hugh, Dorothy Jenkins, Roger Jessup, John Kruzel, Lorraine LeCocq, Regina Long, Bella Manna, Hennie & Maggie Mauer, Mike Muga, Jeanette Ormazabal, Gloria Pizzolongo, Lorraine Quilliams, Joan Renaud, Andrew Renchko, Dorothy Renchko, Dorothy Runevitch, Jen Sabol, Judy Sevin, Mary Lu Shipstad, Steve Smith, Victor Whelan, Ted Zwolinski



Legion of Mary

Meeting Time: Every Monday

9:00am

In the Family Life Center

Contact David Burton 865-573-0056

Mass Intentions

Mar 10 05:30 PM *People of the Parish*

Mar 11 08:00 AM *Edward Baldwin* ☩ by Edith Webb
10:30 AM *Yvette Briand* ☩ by Julia Jowdy

Mar 12 08:30 AM *Poor Souls* ☩ by Edith Webb

Mar 13 08:30 AM *Mildred Banks* ☩

Mar 14 07:00 PM *People of the Parish*

Mar 15 08:30 AM *Fr. Charles Conaty* ☩ by The Bicer's

Mar 16 08:30 AM No Mass

Mar 17 05:30 PM *Lori Pugliese* ☩

Mar 18 08:00 AM *People of the Parish*

10:30 AM *Robert Chironna* ☩ by Julia Jowdy

May the souls of all our Faithful departed through the Mercy of God rest in peace. Amen ☩deceased

Parish Calendar

C=Church, GL= Garden Level, FLC= Family Life Center, P=Pavilion

03/10 Sat: 10:00am St. Vincent de Paul Meeting-FLC
04:00pm Choir Practice-C

05:00pm Rosary-C

03/11 Sun: 09:00am CCD-GL

09:30am Choir Practice-C

10:30am Rosary-C

03/12 Mon: 09:00am Legion of Mary-FLC

03/13 Tues: 09:30am Crafty Ladies-FLC

03/14 Wed: 07:30pm RCIA-FLC

03/15 Thur: -----

03/16 Fri: 06:30pm **Stations of the Cross-C**

03/17 Sat: 04:00pm Choir Practice-C

05:00pm Rosary-C

06:30pm **K of C St. Patrick's Day Dinner & Auction**

03/18 Sun: 09:00am CCD-GL

09:30am Choir Practice-C

10:30am Rosary-C



The Lord opened the understanding of my unbelieving heart, so that I should recall my sins.

~St. Patrick of Ireland (385-461), Bishop, Patron of Engineers, Feast Day March 6

Jerusalem is built as a city bonded as one together. It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, to praise the name of the Lord.

~Psalm 122:3-4

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Sunday, March 18, 2018

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalm 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15

Hebrews 5:7-9

John 12:20-33

WE THIRST FOR YOU, O LORD

Proclaiming the Faith

John 3:14-21

The events that give rise to the teachings in today's Gospel begin a few verses before when the Pharisee Nicodemus comes to visit Jesus secretly in the night. Nicodemus has heard about Jesus and is curious, but he is also afraid. He wants to believe, but he isn't quite ready to make a public commitment.

The people of the Gospels aren't so very different from us. Nicodemus

is intrigued by Jesus but unwilling to be seen publicly with him. How often have you learned that someone you've known for a long time is or was raised as a Catholic? This is particularly true of famous people who are afraid that making their faith public will harm their careers. Sometimes we fall victim to this same temptation, hiding our faith out of fear. However, we should remember that while we fear that we may be mocked or made fun of for our faith, in some parts of the world today, people

actually are being killed for their Christian beliefs.

Truly the words of John 3:16 ("For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life") are at the heart of our Catholic faith. The season of Lent is the perfect reminder that we are called to let our faith show in our daily lives — with joy and fervor!

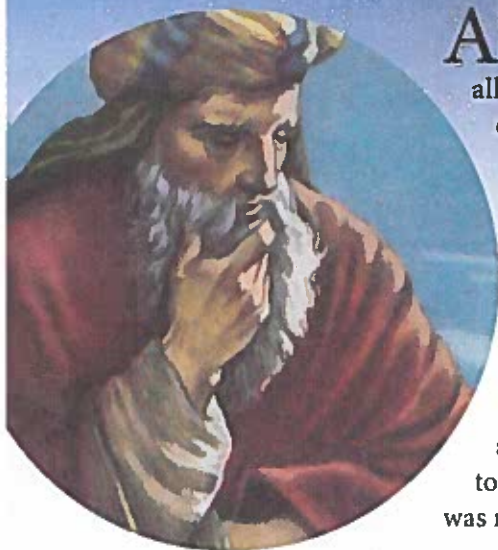
FOR REFLECTION

- › Do the people I work with, go to school with, and spend free time with know that I am Catholic?
- › Who encourages me most in my faith? Who can I encourage?
- › How can I come more closely to the light of Jesus this Lent?



OUR FAITH

A Good Pharisee



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Although the word “Pharisee” has come to have a very negative connotation, not all Pharisees were wicked. Nicodemus, the curious Pharisee in today’s Gospel, was one of those who eventually followed Jesus. Besides his secret visit to Jesus at night, he appears twice more in Scripture. A member of the Sanhedrin, he defends Jesus when the chief priests and other Pharisees are debating what to do with Jesus. And after the Crucifixion, along with Joseph of Arimathea, he brought about a hundred pounds of myrrh and aloes to anoint Jesus’ body. Tradition says that he was martyred for the Faith.

Catechism CONNECTION

“By giving up his own Son for our sins, God manifests that his plan for us is one of benevolent love, prior to any merit on our part: ‘In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the expiation for our sins.’ God ‘shows his love for us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us.’”

— *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 604

FAMILY ACTIVITY

Pretzel Prayers

Once considered the official Catholic food of Lent, pretzels date back at least 1,400 years. Because fat, eggs, and milk were part of the Lenten abstinence, these little bites of bread made only with flour, salt, and water were invented. They were wrapped in the shape of arms crossed in prayer and the three holes in the middle represented the Trinity. Traditionally, pretzels were the perfect food to share with people who were struggling for food or living on the streets because they didn’t spoil easily. Make your own pretzels as a family (find a recipe on the Internet) and share them with someone in need in your neighborhood or community.



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Lenten Prayer

Unto to you, I cry, my God!

“No one who lights a lamp hides it away or places it [under a bushel basket], but on a lampstand so that those who enter might see the light.”

— Luke 11:33

Lord, give me the courage to be a brave and bold witness to you in all that I say and do.

SIGNS OF THE SEASON

The Color Purple

The liturgical color for Lent is purple, symbolizing pain, suffering, and mourning. But why purple? Purple was the most expensive color in biblical times. Extracted from a sea snail, it took as many as 12,000 shells to get enough dye to color a handkerchief. Because of the enormous cost, only the wealthiest (almost exclusively royalty) wore purple garments. When soldiers mocked Jesus for being the “King of the Jews,” they put a purple robe on his shoulders to belittle his claim. Therefore, we use the color purple during Lent to remind us of the Passion and death of the Lord.

Which Irish are you?
The Fightin' or the Lucky?



No need to be Irish, everyone is invited to attend the . . .

St. Patrick's Day Dinner & Benefit Auction

When: **Saturday March 17th at 6:30 PM**

Where: **Holy Family Catholic Church,**
307 Black Oak Ridge Rd, Seymour

What: **Corned Beef, Cabbage, Baked Potatoes and Dessert**

Tickets: \$12 per adult, \$6 per child ages 11-17, children 10 & under are free

Come for the Dinner - Stay for the Auction

Sponsored by: **The Knights of Columbus, Council No. 12961**



All proceeds benefit the Vanderbilt Hospital local Heart Transplant recipient



In today's Gospel, God demonstrates great love for us by sending his Son so that we may believe in him. We demonstrate our great love for God by doing good works: reaching out to others, acting in justice and charity.

Through your almsgiving you are performing a good work; for greater that you think. Know that your donation is multiplied by the donations placed by others in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul 865-360-5202

svdp@holymfamilyseymour.org

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul meetings are every second and fourth Saturday of the month at 10:00am in the FLC

Easter Flower Donation Envelopes

In Memory of / In Honor of a loved one may be found in the pews or vestibule.



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STATIONS OF THE CROSS

6:30 PM EVERY FRIDAY

Meatless Soup/Salad Pot Luck Supper afterwards in the FLC



Lenten Confessions

Tuesday, March 20th at 7:00pm



Tea with the Sisters

All young women, 18 and older, are invited to a mid-morning tea with the Religious Sisters of Mercy!

The tea will take place on **March 24th from 10:45am-12** at the Mary, Mother of Mercy Convent (**6832 S. Northshore Drive, Knoxville, TN**). To ensure that we have enough tea and snacks, please RSVP to Erica Pereira at epereira@dioknox.org or (865)584-3307 ext 5768.

See you there!

Couple Prayer Series: Together with Jesus

Do you want to learn an intimacy that can change your marriage?

Join us for the upcoming Couple Prayer Series and learn how to more fully enjoy the life-changing intimacy of praying together as husband and wife - closely, comfortably and consistently. Shawna and Warren Hunt along with co-facilitators Rob and Treasa Valente will be presenting the Series that will be offered at All Saints Catholic Church. The Series will be held from 6-8:00 PM starting Sunday, April 8 and continue for a total of six consecutive Sunday evening sessions through Sunday, May 20 (skipping Mother's Day on Sunday, May 13). Childcare, pizza and drinks will be provided.

For more information or to register, contact Matt and Christine Blair at (865) 356-2017 or christine.h.blair@gmail.com. When registering, please include the number and ages of your children for nursery capacity purposes. Registration is limited and ends Monday, April 2.



Post Abortion Healing Opportunities: If you are experiencing emotional or spiritual difficulties from a past abortion or abortions, 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. If you are unable to attend a weekend retreat, one-on-one counseling is available with a counselor who has been trained in this area. For more information, please contact Sandi Davidson @ 865-776-4510/sandi@cctn.org

HELP is only a phone call away

If you have thoughts of suicide or have been involved in self-harm or injury there is National support groups, Suicide support at:

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May Our Lady of Fatima Statue Come into Your Home?

Parishioners speak of miracles, both little and large, happening when her statue has been present in their homes. Our lady has brought feelings of peace, possibilities and hope where there was confusion, chaos and despair. A beautiful novena booklet accompanies her to be prayed during each of the nine days she is in your home. To receive "OUR LADY" into your home, please contact Claudia Burton at 573-0056.

*****PLEASE continue to bring your aluminum cans and deposit them in the trailer out in the parking lot next to the dumpster. ***Please put large bags next to the garage.**



Christians Reaching Out Serving Seymour

There is always a need at CROSS to help stock their shelves with food for local families. C.R.O.S.S. volunteer schedule is located on the stand in the vestibule. Would you like to be a volunteer or do you need assistance call **865-579-6192** or go visit C.R.O.S.S. at **406 Boyds Creek Hwy Seymour TN 37865** and see all the good works they do. Open M,T,W, 10-2 Th, F, 10-12



Interested in discerning a possible vocation of service within the Church?

Interested in supporting the work of vocation promotion in the Church? Check out the Diocese of Knoxville Office of Vocations Facebook and Twitter pages:

Facebook - <http://www.facebook.com/DOKvocations>, Twitter - www.twitter.com/DofKVocations.



Pregnancy & Adoption services, including post-abortion counseling, available 24/7/365 by calling 1-877-990-4673

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Do you have a need for a Notary?

We have two Notaries in the office.

Please stop by during office hours for all of your Notary needs.



Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
I love you very much.
I beg you to spare the life of the unborn child
I have spiritually adopted,
who is in danger of abortion.
Amen.

Please cut this prayer out and pray it daily.

Would you like to have your fellow parishioners to patronize your business? Why not advertise in the church bulletin!
For information call or email the Office at 865-578-1208 secretary@holyfamilyseymour.org