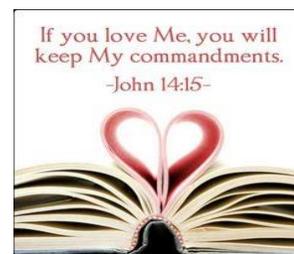


St. Teresa of Kolkata Catholic Church  
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St. John Paul II Catholic Mission  
May 17, 2020 – The Sixth Week of Easter



**Sunday Mass:**

Sunday Mass is available to view live at regular Mass times. It will stream live on Facebook and later on You Tube. The English Masses at 5:00 p.m. Saturday and 9:00 a.m. Sunday will also have a Zoom option. For Facebook and YouTube type “Neil Pezzulo” in the search option. The Zoom link can be found on the church web page – [STKChurch.org](http://STKChurch.org) or on the parish app.

**We will re-open with regular Masses on Pentecost Sunday, May 31st!  
Please read the Bishops directives on the back of this bulletin**

**Prayers:**

Please continue to pray for the sick and their care givers. Remember Miguel Cubello will be received into full communion of the church on Pentecost Sunday.

**Second Collection:**

Next Sunday, May 24 we will have a second collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign. The Catholic Communication Campaign helps connect people at home and abroad with Christ. Please be generous!



**Help Available:**

If you know someone who is in need of assistance with rent, utilities, or groceries, please have them call our office. (865) 992-7222. All requests will remain confidential.

**Food Ministry:**

The first week in June we will once again be distributing food. If you wish to donate, we need macaroni and cheese, cereal, single serving containers of apple sauce, beans, rice and snack treats for kids. We deliver to 150 + families. You can bring your donations to the church office.



**Online Giving:**

You can now give on line by logging onto the Diocese at [dioknox.org](http://dioknox.org). On the home page scroll down until you see the “I Give” logo. Select our Parish. You will be taken to a secure site to enter your donation and account information.

**St. Teresa Parish Council Meeting Monday:**

The next Parish Council meeting will be Monday, May 18th at 6:00 p.m. If you have an item you want the council to discuss, please contact one of the council members. Our meetings are open, but we will practice social distancing.

**Daily Readings for This Week:**

Sunday, May 17	Monday, May 18	Tuesday, May 19	Wednesday, May 20	Thursday, May 21	Friday, May 22	Saturday, May 23
Acts 8:5-17	Acts 16:11-15	Acts 16:22-34	Acts 17:15,22-18:1	Acts 18:1-8	Acts 18:9-18	Acts 18:23-28
Psalms 66	Psalms 149	Psalms 138	Psalms 148	Psalms 98	Psalms 47	Psalms 47
I Peter 3:15-18	John 15:26-16:4	John 16:5-11	John 16:12-15	John 16:16-20	John 16:20-23	John 16:23-28
John 14:15-21						

**Office Hours:** Monday through Wednesday 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. and Friday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Bishop Richard F. Stika has issued a list of mandatory procedures that will be implemented by parishes for the safe resumption of public Mass celebrations in the Diocese of Knoxville on the weekend of Pentecost, May 30-31.

In his letter, Bishop Stika also extends his [dispensation indefinitely](#) to all Catholics living in the Diocese of Knoxville from their obligation to attend Sunday Mass. **“Let me emphasize, if you are vulnerable, elderly, or just not comfortable going to a public Mass beginning May 30-31, please stay home!”** Bishop Stika said.

If you have traveled out of the country, currently have or have recently have had a fever or have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, you shall not attend public Mass at this time for the safety of other parishioners.

**Below are the rules regarding the reopening plan as outlined in the Bishop’s Decree:**

Prior to leaving your vehicle, you should put on a cloth face covering (protective face mask).

Household/family members may walk together through the parking lot and into the church. All others must maintain 6 feet physical distancing when walking in the parking lot and entering the church building.

The number at each public Mass will be strictly limited to 50% capacity . Seating areas must be marked off to ensure 6 feet of physical distancing in all directions between groups of same household members. This will require closing off very other row of seats.

Entry and exit will only be made by the front doors. The side door will not be open.

No one will be allowed to sit at the very end of occupied rows.

Holy water fonts will remain dry.

Hymnbooks/missals will not be used.

Do not hold hands during the “Our Father”.

Collection baskets will not be passed person to person. Instead we will use a collection at the back of the sanctuary. You may place your donation in the basket either while entering or leaving.

The sign of peace may be omitted or exchanged by a bow of the head.

**Holy Communion:**

- A single Holy Communion distribution point will be located at the front of the church.
- An assigned usher will guide you to the by individual row.
- **The following procedures are mandatory & non-negotiable:**  
Once you leave your seat, proceed single file (maintaining 6 feet apart) to the distribution point.

Immediately before you reach the distribution point, remove your face mask and sanitize your hands with 70% hand sanitizer which will be provided.

Standing on the floor-marked “X”, extend your hands toward the priest/deacon who will then place the host in your hand.

The Priest and/or Deacon must wear a protective face mask and safety glasses.

**Receiving communion on the tongue is prohibited at this time.**

After receipt of communion, replace your mask and proceed back to your seat.

Although Mass may include music, parishioner singing is discouraged as it is thought to be an activity that expels virus droplets.

Once Mass is completed, the usher will direct each person or household group to exit single file maintaining 6 feet between each family group or individual. Parishioners should go directly to their cars and immediately depart. There will be no gathering and greetings in the narthex or parking lot.

Once all parishioners have left the building, the sanctuary , tables, door knobs and all touchable surfaces will be disinfected.