



CATHEDRAL *of the*
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CATHEDRAL PARISH MINISTRIES

"Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father." Matthew 5:16

ALTAR SERVERS

Join in the long history of people who have honored God and served the Church through altar serving. To serve at the altar is a great privilege and an important ministry to our parish. This ministry is open to all boys and girls who have completed 3rd grade. Teens and adults are always welcome and needed for Thurifers and Master of Ceremonies. Frank Stuppy at frank@i-bankonline.com or contact the church office at (901) 725-2700.

BENEDICTINE OBLATES

The Memphis Chapter of Benedictine Oblates of St. Meinrad Archabbey is a group of individuals from the Diocese of Memphis who meet to chant Morning Prayer every Saturday after the 8am Mass in the Cathedral. Everyone is welcome to join us in prayer and discussion of the Rule of Benedict. For more information on the Benedictine way of life, contact Jennie Latta, Chapter Coordinator at Jennie.latta@gmail.com or Terry Starr at orffstarr@aol.com

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

From the age of 3 through 6th grade, children participate in Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, which unites the mystery of God and the mystery of the child. In a space prepared just for them, children grow in their relationship with Jesus the Good Shepherd through learning about His life, death, resurrection, His teachings, and scripture and liturgy. We are always looking for volunteers to assist our students either as Catechists or as helpers to the catechists. If interested, please contact Kelly Stuppy at kgstuppy@hotmail.com

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Serve at daily, Sunday and Holy Day liturgies. If interested in training, please contact Fr. Robert at robert.szczuchura@cc.cdom.org or Fr. Casey Weber at Father.casey@ic.cdom.org. If you are already trained and wish to be added to the schedule, contact Edwin Breining at 901-272-7175 or Ryan Velderman ryan.velderman@gmail.com

FINANCE COUNCIL

The Finance Council is a consultative body which provides the pastor with advice concerning the stewardship of parish fiscal resources. This includes but is not limited to, long-range financial planning, developing and overseeing the budget, providing financial analysis and reports, and reviewing parish expenditures. If you are interested in serving on the Council, please contact Father Robert robert.szczuchura@cc.cdom.org

FUNERAL MINISTRY

The Funeral Ministry assists Cathedral families in their time of need and loss of a loved one. Members serve to assure comfort and communication with the family of the deceased, coordinate funeral arrangements with the family, parish office, celebrant, music director, sacristan, and funeral home, and assist in funeral service setup and cleanup. If interested, please contact Maggie Conway maggiecatt@comcast.net

GIFT SHOP MINISTRY

The Cathedral Gift Shop is a smaller Midtown location of St. Paul Bookstore on Sanderlin Avenue, Memphis, Tenn. We offer a great selection of traditional sacramentals for all ages including rosaries, medals, holy cards, statues, and icons. We also carry both newly released and classic prayer books, gifts for all Holy Sacraments, monthly devotionals and liturgical events such as Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter. The shop is located in the Cathedral basement across from Marian Hall. shop hours are 7:30am-noon on Sundays and as needed during special Cathedral events. For more information, contact Yolanda Cullagh at (901) 219-9795, or ycullagh@cwingsbooks.com.

GREETERS AND USHERS

Greeters and Ushers are called to be Ministers of Hospitality. We are entrusted with promoting a sense of welcoming and belonging to all the faithful assembled for worship. We are the first point of contact for the communal celebration of the Liturgy and because of this, we are living representatives of the Parish.

Greeters and Ushers minister to the entire community in a very active way. By freeing each person of their own personal impediments to the Mass through a welcoming atmosphere, we take an active role in enabling each person to come to a freer expression of God in the Liturgy. We accomplish this through patience, reverence, sensitivity, compassion, understanding, gentleness, and embracing a sense of the family gathered as the Body of Christ. We strive to seek the face of Christ in everyone who enters the Cathedral doors.

In general we: open doors to make sure the main entrance is welcoming to all, welcome parishioners and guests with love at the entrances to the Cathedral, attend to the needs of the disabled, check the worship space before and after Mass to clear the pews of used worship aids and bulletins, restock the entrances with worship aids and bulletins for the upcoming Mass, and assist in the Rite of Preparation by receiving the Offertory. Contact Ryan Velderman ryan.verlderman@gmail.com for more information.

HAITI MINISTRY

The Haiti Ministry provides much-needed support to meet educational, health care, and emergency needs of the members of our sister parish, Notre Dame d'Altagrâce, in rural Layaye, Haiti. Each year the Ministry provides:

- monthly medical clinics staffed by a Haitian physician and nurse;
- deworming medicine and vitamins for children in Layaye and surrounding villages;
- clean water systems and technical support for 800 families;
- tuition support for children and youth;
- training and technical support for local farmers;
- teachers' and parish staff salaries.

For more information about the Ministry, please contact: Debra Bartelli at debrabar@bellsouth.net (901)301-2360 or Kelly Fish at kfish@asu.edu (901)289-5492 or <http://www.iccathedral.org/haitiministry> or <http://ic.haitiministry.org>

HOSPITALITY MINISTRY

This Cathedral ministry is responsible for welcoming new members of the parish, as well as assisting other ministries, as needed. If interested, please contact Susie Quinn susieqnn1@gmail.com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Knights of Columbus is a Catholic fraternal organization dedicated to promoting and conducting educational, charitable, religious, and social welfare works, rendering mutual aid and assistance to sick and needy members and their families.

Locally, we put on fish fries, cook for numerous charities, and provide scholarships to active members and deceased members' children for college. We help the widows of members and raise funds for seminarians and diaconate candidates. If interested, please contact Mike Bandy at mbandy6532@gmail.com

LECTORS

Proclaim the scriptures at daily, Sunday and Holy Day liturgies. If interested in training, please contact Fr. Robert at robert.szczuchura@cc.cdom.org. If you are already trained and wish to be added to the schedule, contact Ryan Velderman at ryan.velderman@gmail.com

MEN'S MINISTRY

The Cathedral Men's Ministry meets to create ways to strengthen our faith together as men of the parish and to work together to make our parish stronger. We generally meet once per month in addition to assisting and supporting various ministries throughout the parish. If interested, please contact Frank Howell at jfrankhowell@outlook.com

MINISTRY TO THE SICK

The Ministry to the Sick is a pastoral ministry of caring for those hospitalized, in nursing homes or confined to private homes. The ministry's purpose is to demonstrate the care and concern of the faith community to the sick and shut-ins and to provide them the opportunity to pray with others and receive the Eucharist. The coordinator also communicates with the priests when Anointing of the Sick is required. The ministry is provided by trained and certified lay men and women, ordained deacons, and priests within our parish and the Diocese. You may shadow an experienced minister to determine if this is the right ministry for you. Volunteers must be trained through the Diocese of Memphis and be Virtus certified as well. A specific prayer book and pyx are required, with costs covered by the parish. If you are interested in serving God and His Church in this ministry, please contact Anne White at jamesanne@bellsouth.net

MUSIC MINISTRY

Our Adult Choir sings at Sunday 10am Mass and Holy Day liturgies. Cantors lead congregational music and responses at all liturgies. Ability to read music is not required. If interested, contact Music Director Dr. Kelly Kramer at (901) 725-2707 or Kelly.kramer@ic.cdom.org

PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

In 7th and 8th grades, children begin preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation, which is a two-year process. During these two years, they grow in their knowledge of being sealed with the gifts of the Holy Spirit and taking this next step on their faith journey. We are always looking for volunteers to assist our students either as Catechists or as helpers to the catechists. If interested, please contact Joseph Beck at joseph.beck@ic.cdom.org

PASTORAL COUNCIL

This is an elected and appointed lay advisory group to the Cathedral Pastor. If you are interested, please contact Father Robert at robert.szczuchura@cc.cdom.org

PICKLEBALL

Have fun! Meet new people! Get some exercise! Casual fun for ALL level players. Monday and Wednesday from 6-8 pm and Tuesday and Thursday afternoons 11:30am-1 pm in the gym. Contact Kathy Frazier at kkjfrazier@comcast.net or (901) 494-0486.

RCIA - INITIATION MINISTRY

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults for those inquiring about the Catholic Faith (all year round except July). Contact: Deacon Bill Pettit (901) 336-2099

SACRISTANS

Prepare for the celebration of daily, Sunday, & Holy Day liturgies. If interested, contact: Edwin Breining (901) 272-7175

ROOM IN THE INN

Room in the Inn aims to enlist local faith communities to host our unsheltered neighbors during the coldest months of the year (November - March) at designated host facilities. Volunteer opportunities include bus drivers to shelters; setup and hospitality crews to set up dining and sleeping areas, serve dinner and/or breakfast, and assist with evening activities; prepare food for 25 servings; overnight shepherd; and clean-up crew. Room In The Inn also collects monetary donations and supplies year-round in the I.C. A Need box outside Marian Hall. Contact Leslie Venlerman lesliev4567@yahoo.com or (616) 485-0727.

ST JOSEPH THE WORKER MINISTRY

Help keep the Cathedral campus in repair by using your skills to do minor repairs and maintenance for the parish and school buildings. Meets one Saturday a month. If interested, please contact Bob Chin drbobgyn@gmail.com or Tony Benson (901) 725-2700.

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Provide services to people within our parish community through food distribution and financial assistance. On-site food pantry available through the kind donations of parishioners as well as monetary donations to assist with utility and rent payment. Contact Wayne Holzemer or Vinton Jones at 901-435-5346

SUNDAY COFFEE MINISTRY

Help set up coffee and doughnuts for the 8am and 10am Masses from September-May. Also involves pickup of doughnuts and cleanup afterwards. Contact Maria text (901) 786-2909 or mtasuncion@aol.com

YOUNG ADULTS

This ministry offers an opportunity for fellowship and faith formation for Young Adults. Particularly geared towards those who have moved on from College Ministry, it is open to all 18 and over and includes singles, engaged, or recently married couples looking for community in the parish. The group meets the last Wednesday of the month at 7:15 and begins with a teaching discussion on a particular topic. Afterwards, members go to a taproom or another relaxed atmosphere venue for a more informal discussion. Contact Joseph Beck at joseph.beck@ic.cdom.org or Tanner Munzel at tanner.munzel@ic.ddom.org.

YOUTH GROUP

This ministry provides a place for teens to continue to learn and practice their faith with their peers and meets on Sunday nights from 5:30-7:30. Dinner is provided by parents and parishioners. Nights are broken up into four categories: Teaching, Social, Prayer, and Service. Teaching nights focus on teaching aspects of the faith. Social nights help develop ties to peers who are living out their faith. Prayer nights allow space to encounter God through various types of prayer. Service nights provide service hours and demonstrate how to be active on both the diocesan and parish levels of the Church. Adult members of the Youth Group serve as mentors, representatives of the parish community, and as examples on how to live a Catholic life. Contact Joseph Beck at joseph.beck@ic.cdom.org.

WEDDING COORDINATOR

The wedding coordinator is responsible for all the logistical aspects of a wedding. To assist with this ministry, volunteers need to be good communicators, willing to follow directions, physically fit, and have a professional demeanor. If interested, please contact Karen Gephart karen.gephart@ic.cdom.org

WOMEN'S "COME AS YOU ARE" MINISTRY

Are you yearning for a faith community but don't have time for another commitment? Please join us in the "Come as You Are" community, a gathering of women who would like to walk our faith journey together Contact: Stephanie Sweet at sosweet3@msn.com.

ZUMBA MINISTRY

Ditch the Workout, join the Party! Grooving to the beats of salsa, flamenco, and merengue music feels more like a dance party than a workout. Zumba is an interval workout. Classes move between high- and low-intensity dance moves designed to get your heart rate up and boost cardio endurance. The emphasis is moving to the music and having a good time, no rhythm required. Contact Mercy Neal mercyneal@icloud.com (901) 233-3129.



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