

# Disciples & Stewards

Granite City, Illinois ♦ Diocese of Springfield in Illinois

We commit ourselves to the discipleship & stewardship way of life as commanded by Jesus Christ and revealed by Sacred Scripture & Tradition. We are committed to implementing the Four Pillars of Discipleship & Stewardship of our diocese: Hospitality, Prayer, Formation, & Service.

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time ♦ February 13, 2022



## Bibles & Rosaries

*Closing Catholic Schools Week with gifts for our students of Scripture & the Rosary*

On Wednesday, Catholic Schools Week - which had extended into this week due to last week's snow days - brought gifts of Bibles & Rosaries for our school students at the end of the morning Mass.

Our Young Disciples Society members in grades 4-8 each received a copy of a Holy Bible that will be used more in the classrooms, and that they're also encouraged to use for personal prayer & study.

All students received a rosary as well. Father

Alfred has been homilizing with the school students in recent weeks about the power of intercessory prayer, especially prayer to Our Mother Mary in the Rosary. Father Alfred has now set a vision that this year we'll hand out "500 Spiritual Weapons" (rosaries) to our students and parishioners, and this is a great start to that effort.

The Bibles were funded through various funds, including faith formation (through parishioners' generosity to the Mission &

Ministry fund), the school fund, and general parish funds.

Most of the rosaries were hand-made just for us by Sister Jean Patrick and the Dominican Sisters of Springfield, Illinois. As the sisters made the rosaries, they were praying for our parish and our school.

Thank you to all who have helped in this special project and those whose generous stewardship enables us to continue works of spiritual efficacy such as this.

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School Board: Ron Perich  
Parent/Teacher Org.: Michele Stabinsky  
Ladies Sodality: Tammi Mooshegian  
Holy Name Men's Club: Rob Hutson  
Men at Prayer: Tom Cholevik  
Funeral Dinners: Pam Ames  
Athletic Director: Dustin Brewer  
Maintenance Team: Bud Charbonnier

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# Let's Build a New Bulletin Together!

At Easter, we're going to start a new approach to our bulletin, self-publishing it with more photos and written content. It'll showcase more of what makes our parish great, help us learn more about our faith, and feature ways to live as more intentional Disciples & Stewards.

## Can you help us find advertisers?

Advertisers will still make our bulletin possible and help you as parishioners be aware of local businesses and what they offer you and our community.

Here are some benefits of church bulletin advertising, from a recent survey by University of Missouri-St. Louis:

- 95% of families take at least one bulletin home each week
- 74% of all family members read every bulletin
- 70% of all family members consciously look at the ad page of the bulletin
- 68% of families are more inclined to patronize a bulletin advertiser than a non-advertiser

	<b>52 Weeks (Annual)</b>	<b>26 Weeks (Semi-Annual)</b>
<b>Standard Box</b> approx. 1-1/2" wide x 1" high	<b>\$550</b>	\$350
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*There is also a Month-to-Month Standard Box option available at \$150 per month, with no free basic ad design.*

This equals a roughly 3 cent per family impression investment, with the majority of those impressions remaining present in the family home through the week.

More details: Free basic ad design available with any Annual or Semi-Annual advertising investment. Annual advertising investments are billed 50% up front and 50% at the 6-month mark. 10% discount available on annual investments when paid for the full year up front. Month-to-Month and Six-Month advertising all billed up front.

If you know of someone who could benefit from partnering with our parish and advertising in our bulletin, please contact our parish secretary and bulletin publisher Bret Ware at [bulletin@stelizabethgc.org](mailto:bulletin@stelizabethgc.org) or 618-877-3300.





# DIOCESE OF SPRINGFIELD IN ILLINOIS

## OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

January 17, 2022

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Pope Francis has encouraged bishops around the world to engage a process of “synodality,” characterized by dialogue, accompaniment, and collaboration among the diocesan leadership, ordained clergy, religious, and lay faithful. In our diocese, we have fully embraced this approach, having completed our Fourth Diocesan Synod of 2017, which involved a comprehensive process of dialogue and discussion, and produced great insights and goals for our diocese to become a community of missionary disciples.

While our official synod process has been completed, we continue to sustain dialogue, listening, and collaboration through avenues such as our Diocesan Pastoral Council, Diocesan Presbyteral Council, Parish Pastoral Visits, and Canonical Visitations. After a pause due to COVID-related restrictions, I recently revived parish pastoral visits and intend to visit all 129 parishes over the next few years.

In addition to these important means of sustained dialogue and collaboration, I also intend to host a diocese-wide listening session on Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm. Groups will gather locally in the deaneries (your parish will provide specific details) and connect together with me and across the deaneries by video. In this session, we will discuss three topics:

1. Five-year reflection of the Fourth Diocesan Synod: In what ways are we seeing the fruits of discipleship unfold in our local communities? What essential work remains to be done? What are the challenges and opportunities we see to evangelize and form missionary disciples of Christ?
2. Reflection on synodality and evangelization: A synodal Church, in announcing the Gospel, ‘journeys together.’ How is this ‘journeying together’ happening today in your particular Church? What steps does the Spirit invite us to take in order to grow in our ‘journeying together’? What steps does the Spirit invite us to take to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ?
3. Reflection on Challenges to Authentic Discipleship: Given our negative experience with the loss of Catholic Charities foster care and adoption services 10 years ago due to government mandates contrary to our Catholic faith, how do we prepare for such mandates possibly being imposed on our Catholic schools?

I look forward to the ongoing dialog across our diocese and the insights we will share in this upcoming listening session.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki  
Bishop of Springfield in Illinois

# WELCOME TO ST. ELIZABETH

*We Invite You to Join Us Often!*

*February is dedicated to the Holy Family*

**February 13, 2022**

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for February:**  
Religious Sisters and Consecrated Women

We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

## Parish Directory

PHONE: (618) 877-3300

Mass & Confession Times: 1  
Parish Office 2  
Grade School 3

*See bulletin cover for additional info.*

*After selecting Office or School there are additional menus.*

**AFTER HOURS EMERGENCY NUMBER- 314-266-8387**

## Organizational Leadership

Finance Council	Charlotte Charbonnier
School Board	Ron Perich
Parent/Teacher Org.	Michele Stabinsky
Ladies Sodality	Tammi Mooshegian
Holy Name Men's Club	Rob Hutson
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Funeral Dinners	Pam Ames
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## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

**Thursdays 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
& Sundays 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. (with Vespers)**

**PLEASE CONSIDER COMMITTING TO AN HOUR WITH THE LORD ON THURSDAY EACH WEEK!!**

Eucharistic Adoration on our part is the appreciation for the total gift of Christ's presence among us. It expresses to Him that He is truly welcomed and loved by us.

Becoming a saint is between God and us. No excuses needed, He knows our inner most thoughts. Most of the time we just have to adjust our schedules to make time for our spiritual growth. Eucharistic Adoration is a means at our disposal that we can use to grow in holiness.

*And on Sundays, join us for Exposition & Adoration with Benediction & Vespers from 7:30-8:30 p.m. Come and spend an hour with the Lord to end your weekend and start your week.*

## Liturgical Schedule

**Monday, February 14 (Saints Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop)**

**NO MASS**

**Tuesday, February 15 (Weekday)**

**8:15 a.m.-** Jack Folkerts+ by Dan, Cheryl, Danielle & Ciara Folkerts

**Wednesday, February 16 (Weekday)**

**8:15 a.m. -** Dale Fletcher+ by Darlene Fletcher

**Thursday, February 17 (Weekday/The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order)**

**8:15 a.m. -** Carmen Alfonso+ by Olga Martinez

**Friday, February 18 (Weekday)**

**8:15 a.m.-** Delores Scaturro+ by Denise Cook & Family

**Saturday, February 19 (Weekday)**

**8:15 a.m.-** NO Communion Service

**Sunday, February 20 (Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time) -**

**4:30 p.m. (Saturday)-** James Dittman+ by Louis Bisto

**8:00 a.m.-** Mary Ellen Becherer+ by Marlys & Mitchell Akin

**10:30 a.m.\* -** Parishioners of Saint Elizabeth

*(Note: incense will be used at most 10:30 Masses and others noted with \*)*



## Altar Flowers & Mass Offerings

The flowers on the Altar of Reservation this weekend are for the greater glory of God and in prayer for the members our Young Disciples Society, our 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders.

*You can provide fresh flowers for the Altar of Reservation for a weekend & through the following week for the greater glory of God & in honor or memory of someone, for a \$50 offering. Contact the parish office for information & to schedule a week.*

*Mass offerings and 14 Day Candle memorials are also available. Contact the parish office for more info.*

## Sunday's Mass Readings

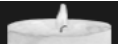
**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 13 February 2022**

Jeremiah 17:5-8. Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6. 1 Corinthians 5:12, 16-20. Luke 6:7, 20-26.

**Believing Justice and Mercy.** In Luke's Sermon on the Plain, Jesus speaks to more than just his own people. We hear four **blesseds** and four related **woes**. He first calls all those in the crowd, and now calls us to rejoice and leap for joy at the blessed activities dealing with justice and mercy. The implication: do the **blesseds**; avoid the **woes**.

- ◆ How will I be just in dealing with others all week long?
- ◆ How will I be merciful to everyone just as God is merciful?
- ◆ What mercy work will I do? It will be \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_.

## In Memoriam



**THE 14 DAY CANDLE** will be burning in memory of the **Deceased Priests, Deacons and Religious of our Diocese.**

## Divine Mercy Minutes *from the Diary of St. Faustina*

“The Lord said to me, ‘My daughter, do not tire of proclaiming My mercy. In this way you will refresh this Heart of Mine, which burns with a flame of pity for sinners. Tell My priests that hardened sinners will repent on hearing their words when they speak about My unfathomable mercy, about the compassion I have for them in My Heart. To priests who proclaim and extol My mercy, I will give wondrous power; I will anoint their words a touch the hearts of those to whom they will speak’.” (Diary 1521)

## Parish & School Events

### Sunday, February 13–

9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. PSR & Young Disciples (Harmony & PLC)

1:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m.- Secular Franciscans (PLC)

5:30 p.m.-7:15 p.m.- Choir Practice (Church)

7:30-8:30 p.m.- Exposition & Holy Hour with Vespers (Church)

### Monday, February 14 – Happy Valentine's Day!

### Tuesday, February 15–

11:30a.m.- Senior Luncheon (Harmony Room)

6:00p.m.- Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion Training (Church)

### Wednesday, February 16–

7:00 p.m.- BINGO (Columbus Home)

### Thursday, February 17-

9:00 a.m.- 9:00 p.m. – Adoration

6:30 p.m.- Adult Faith Formation/RCIA (PLC Library)

9-10 p.m.- Exodus 90 Fraternity Meeting (Harmony Room)

### Friday, February 18 –

### Saturday, February 19

### Sunday, February 20-

9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. PSR (PLC)

9:00 a.m.- Men at Prayer (Choir Room)

11:30a.m.- Howard Shim 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Reception (Harmony)

5:30 p.m.-7:15 p.m.- Choir Practice (Church)

7:30-8:30 p.m.- Exposition & Holy Hour with Vespers (Church)

## Prayers for our Military

Please reach out to the parish office and let us know of any active military persons for whom you would like the parish to pray. Thank you!

### Prayer for Military Members and Their Families

*Almighty and Eternal God, protect the members of our Armed Services as they discharge their duties. Protect them with the shield of your strength and keep them safe from all evil and harm. May the power of your love enable them to return home in safety, to all who love them. May they ever praise you for your loving care. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

*Nolan Yehling- USAF, Whiteman AFB; Justin Niles- USAF, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richarson; Brandon Weidner, Mobile, AL; Kody Presswood- US Army, Naples, Italy*

## Prayers for our Clergy

The following are priests of our Diocese who are celebrating birthdays in February: 2/10- Fr. Stephen Thompson, 2/11- Fr. John Sohm & Fr. Rodney Schwartz, 2/13- Fr. Robert Porter, 2/15 Fr. Sunder Ery, 2/17- Fr. Jeffrey Goeckner, 2/18- Fr. Joseph Simburger, 2/19- Fr. Larry Brunette, 2/25- Fr. Kenneth Steffen

The following are priests of our Diocese who have died. Please remember them in your daily prayers: 2/12- Fr. John R. Nolan, 2/13- Fr. John Lupton, 2/14- Fr. Patrick Bourke, 2/15- Most Rev. Peter Baltes, Fr. Peter F. Masterson, Fr. Leonard Paskert, OFM, 2/16- Fr. Thomas Fennessy, 2/17- Fr. Gerhard Jansen, Fr. Albin Breinlinger, Fr. William Costello, Fr. Herman J. Niebrugge, Fr. Eugene Cieslick, 2/19- Fr. M.J. Foley, 2/20- Fr. Lawrence Hoye, 2/21- Fr. Barnabas Diekemper, OFM, 2/22- Fr. John Neuhaus, Fr. Simon Hoffman



## Theological Thoughts *with Deacon Michael*

Next Saturday, February 19, our third graders will go on a pilgrimage to the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield with their families and sponsors. They're heading to our diocesan Cathedral to receive their remaining Sacraments of Initiation there, at the "seat" of our diocese, from Bishop Paprocki. We are excited for them and proud of them!

Remember, the Sacraments of Initiation are Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. Now that they have reached what the Church calls the "age of reason," these students are now receiving the final two Sacraments of Initiation. We pray for them, that the graces of the Sacraments and the Gifts of the Holy Spirit may pour forth from these Sacraments and "confirm" their faith and help it to grow, as they now start to grow into the years of their life when the devil will try to attack them more and more.

This is the first year for our parish taking part in this new approach in our diocese to go on pilgrimage to Cathedral for these Sacraments. You are welcome to "tune in" and watch it on Saturday morning at 11 a.m. via the Cathedral's website or Facebook page at either:

<https://spicathedral.org/livestream-feed/> or

<https://www.facebook.com/spicathedral>

The following Sunday, February 27, the students will be at our 10:30 Mass here at St. Elizabeth to receive Communion again here in our parish community. Please join us for this special morning. Thank you especially to our Ladies Sodality who is graciously hosting a light reception in the Harmony Room after the Mass.

A HUGE thank you to the teachers who have been working so hard to form the students this year in particular: Mrs. Meghan Lance in the school and Mr. & Mrs. Paul & Joyce Mills in PSR.

After their Confirmation & First Communion, they get to take their place in the ranks of our "Young Disciples Society" and start to take on a more active role in our parish community. We'll present them with their Bibles & rosaries at the Wednesday morning school Mass on February 23, and start to invite them to enlist as altar servers and other ministries. When you see our Young Disciples, please thank them for growing into active members of our parish and faith community.





# YOUNG DISCIPLES SOCIETY

Young Disciples Society is for ALL 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders who have received the Sacrament of Confirmation.

*Sundays from 9-10 a.m. in the Harmony Room:*

**February 13:** Peter's Chair & Peter the Rock

**February 27:** Best Lent Ever!

**March 13:** St. Joseph & God's Plan: Men, Women, & Marriage

**March 27:** The GIFT of the Eucharist

**April 24:** Divine Mercy & the Power of Reconciliation

**May 8:** The Apostles

**May 15:** 12:30-2 p.m. BBQ at Norma's Place.

## Parish School of Religion (1st-3rd)

*9-10:15 a.m. Sundays (between Masses):*

**Feb. 13:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Gr. (PLC Library) & 1<sup>st</sup> Gr. (PLC Upstairs)

**Feb. 19:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Gr. Confirmation & First Communion at Cathedral in Springfield

**Feb. 27:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Gr. Celebration at St. Elizabeth 10:30 Mass; 1<sup>st</sup> Gr. (PLC Upstairs)

**Mar. 6:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Gr. (PLC Library)

**Mar. 13:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Gr. (PLC Library) & 1<sup>st</sup> Gr. (PLC Upstairs)

**Mar. 20:** Break week (full facility in use for Kooinonia)

## FORMED® Pick of the Week

**Beloved: Does Marriage Matter?**

<https://watch.formed.org/beloved-finding-happiness-in-marriage/>

Happy Feast of St. Valentine! This Valentine's Day, remind yourself of the beauty of the Sacrament of Marriage with the Beloved series, presented by the Augustine Institute.

**All High School Youth:**  
*GC Rock is for you!*

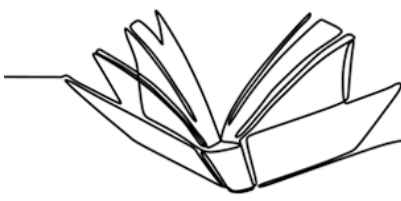
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**GC Rock Youth Group**

**Saturday, February 12-** Community Homeless Outreach at Community Care/Granite City, Noon-3pm.

**Sunday, February 13-** 10:30 Mass together at St. Elizabeth / Valentine Cards drop off & Lunch at Uncle Linnys. Parents welcome.

*Rocks and Parents*, join us at Vespers/Adoration 7:30-8:30 pm on Sundays at St. Elizabeth. Watch our FB Group (GC Rock Youth Group) or GroupMe for changes or additions. Questions? Rita 972-4022, Woody 876-7551, or Dawn 709-3565



Learning  
in the  
Library

*Come & join us!*

- Thursdays: 6:30: Fellowship & snacks | 7-8:15: Learning**
- Feb. 17:** Current issues: Sexual Morality (Dcn. Michael)
- Feb. 24:** Living Lent (Cheryl Mangi)
- Mar. 3:** Election: Saying "Yes" to Jesus (Deacon Neil)
- Mar. 10:** Conversion: A Lifelong Process (Cheryl Mangi)
- Mar. 17:** The Creed (Seminarian Dan)
- Mar. 24:** The Role of the Laity / Spiritual Gifts / Discernment / Our Call to Holiness (Deacon Neil)
- Mar. 31:** The Lord's Prayer (Bret Ware)
- Apr. 7:** The Meaning of Holy Week (Deacon Michael)

# Lent 2022 Faith Formation [stelizabethgc.org/LENT](http://stelizabethgc.org/LENT)

**Koinonia - Community in Christ**



**Weekend Retreat March 18-20**

**3-night Parish Mission**

**FORGIVEN**

THE TRANSFORMING POWER OF CONFESSION

**6:30, Monday-Wednesday March 7-9**

**The Search - Small Group Studies**

THE

**SEARCH**

*Various times - sign up online*

**...and more!**

*More info on these above:*

- + Learning in the Library Thursdays
- + Young Disciples Society Sundays

## Parish News

**THANK YOU!**- The Trivia Committee would like to thank everyone who came out and played, worked or financially supported the event on February 5th! It was a great time, we raised some good money for the school, and we are already planning next year's event with EASIER questions! Special thanks to Loretta Joyce for handling the behind-the-scenes details, and to Mike Charbonnier and Dennis Jones for their tireless efforts cleaning the parking lot. Way to go everyone! We look forward to seeing you next year.

**REISKE COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP-** Applications are now available at the Parish Office. Any college-bound parishioner is eligible who:

- Graduated from St. Elizabeth School
- Presently is a member of St. Elizabeth Parish
- Is active in the Parish
- Attends Mass EVERY WEEKEND
- Has financial need

Applications are due by Friday, April 1, 2022 no later than 4:00 pm. First time applicants will have preferential consideration and no one applicant will be awarded the scholarship more than two times.

**SENIOR LUNCHEON-** This month we will have our Senior Luncheon on Tuesday, February 15<sup>th</sup> beginning at 11:30 a.m. in the Parish Life Center. Our guest speaker will be Lisa Gillium, founder of the T.W.I.G.S. program. Cost is \$8. All seniors over the age of 50 are welcome to attend! Please contact the parish office to reserve your space!

**HARMONY ROOM DISHES-** We are doing a bit of housecleaning! Dishes left in the Harmony Room from past funeral luncheons and events will be put out in the gathering space the weekend of February 26-27. Please come and retrieve your dishes. Any remaining will be donated to a local agency. Thank you!

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION (EMHC) TRAINING** –We haven't met and had a training or refresher for our EMHCs since fall of 2020. Mark your calendars for Tuesday, February 15, when we'll have a refresher/training from 6-7 p.m. in the church. Please join us if you're an Extraordinary Minister.

**CELEBRATE HOWARD-** Ladies Sodality is hosting a reception on Sunday February 20th, to honor Howard Shim's 20th anniversary as our church sacristan. We are honored to have his hard work ethic and knowledge needed to assist our priest, teach our servers and keep all things altar related working smoothly. We all appreciate his smiling face and warm greetings at the church for the past 20 years. Thank you is not a big enough word so please come by the Harmony Room after the 10:30am mass for snacks and fellowship with Howard so you can show your appreciation.

**LADIES SODALITY SCHOLARSHIP-** High School Seniors, it is that time again! Apply now for the Ladies Sodality scholarship. Applicants must be a graduate of St. Elizabeth school, be an active member at our church, and be actively involved in school and community. Don't let this scholarship slip through your fingers. Visit the parish office and pick up an application.

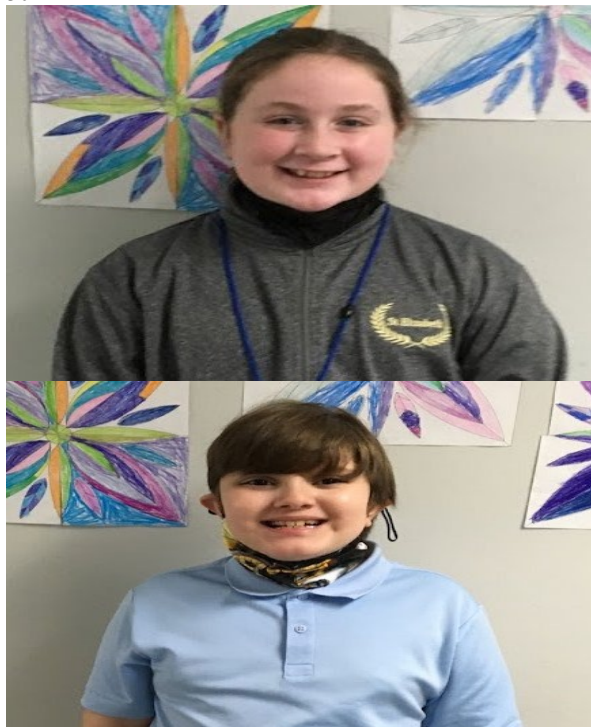
## Pride of our School

**JANUARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH-** Fourth grade students Penny Greene and Michael Hedge were selected as the Granite City Optimist January Students of the Month. Each honoree will receive a certificate from the Optimists, and St. Elizabeth School will receive an unrestricted donation of \$100.00 in their names.

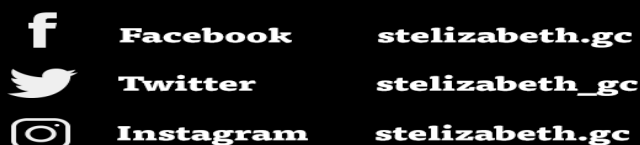
Penny Green turned ten years old back in the Fall and is the daughter of Jason and Cynthia Greene. She is in Mrs. Mary Grinstead's fourth grade room. Her favorite class is spelling. Hard words...easy words...it doesn't matter to Penny. She likes the challenge that spelling words correctly provides. In her free time Penny enjoys outside activities and practicing volleyball. Penny is a member of St. Elizabeth School's Royals Volleyball Team and looks forward to each practice session and game. This coming spring, Penny will be playing soccer. When asked what superpower Penny would like to have, she said that she thought being invisible would be very interesting. Penny sees becoming a makeup/hair stylist in her future.

Michael Hedge is also in Mrs. Grinstead's fourth grade class and turned ten years old this past Fall as well. He is the son of Kenneth and Amanda Hedge. Michael's favorite subject is math. He finds solving math problems fascinating. He says unraveling the answer to a math problem is like figuring out a puzzle. Outside of class, Michael likes reading, especially books from the Erie Elementary series. He also enjoys playing video games and camping. His favorite superhero is Batman, and if he could have any superpower, it would be laser vision. Michael would use his laser vision to help his family light their campfire when they go camping. When Michael grows up, he would like to be a paleontologist because he finds dinosaurs exciting especially Tyrannosaurus rex.

The Granite City Optimist Organization is an international society dedicated to helping the youth of the world. For more information about the Granite City Optimists, contact Paul Hellrich at 618 407-3011.



**Follow Jesus.  
Follow His Church.**  
Follow St. Elizabeth on the socials  
for updates & inspirational content:





*The first Koinonia in our tri-cities area in 5 years!*

**March 18-20**

**St. Elizabeth Catholic Church**

Friday evening 5 p.m. to approx. 9:15 p.m.

Saturday 8 a.m. to approx. 9:15 p.m.

Sunday 8 a.m. to approx. 3 p.m.

Cost per person \$50, scholarships available  
Includes: All Meals (Friday Lenten Dinner; Saturday Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner; Sunday Breakfast & Lunch); Snacks & Beverages; Retreat Materials; Fun & Fellowship

For adults 18 years & older,  
with priority given to St. Elizabeth,  
Holy Family, & St. Mary/St. Mark Parishioners

Say YES to a weekend of fun, fellowship,  
& Community in Christ

Register by March 11  
Limited spots available to allow for more spacing

**Sign up online here or at**  
[stelizabethgc.org/koinonia](http://stelizabethgc.org/koinonia)



OR pick up a paper registration form  
in the parish office



## Our Financial Stewardship

**Did you remember your gift?**

**February 6, 2022**

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Over/ (Short)</u>
<b>Week 32</b>			
Regular Income	\$ 8,681.00		
92 Envelopes	(Average Gift \$94.36)		
Loose	240.00		
On-Line Giving	1,747.00		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 10,868.00</b>	<b>\$ 8,606.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,062.00</b>
<b>YTD Totals</b>	<b>\$ 262,677.64</b>	<b>\$275,392.00</b>	<b>(\$12,714.36)</b>

Weekly and YTD Goals were calculated based on our annual fiscal year budget submitted to the Diocese and is what is required to break even.

### OTHER GIFTS

Tuition Assistance	696.00
Annual School Fund	150.00
Bldg. Repair/Maintenance	675.00
Special Projects	385.00
Mission & Ministry	270.00
Christmas Offering	5.00
1 <sup>st</sup> Offering	10.00
Church in Latin America	20.00
Catholic Times	90.00
Catholic Home Missions	5.00
Other Parish Offerings – Not Specified	205.00

## Scrip Progress

**Week Ending 02/06/2022**

	Walmart	National	Total Sales
		Did Not Balance	
<b>Year to Date:</b>			
	Walmart	National	Total Sales to Date
	\$6,025.00	\$9,045.00	\$15,070.00
APPROX. GROSS PROFIT TO DATE			\$636.00
APPROX. CREDIT CARD FEES			(\$ 53.00)
APPROX. NET PROFIT TO DATE			\$583.00

*Remember this is FREE money for our school & parish!*

## Parish Tithing Reporting

Parish Tithe for December 2021

\$5,305.00

## Upcoming Special Collections

March 2, 2022- Aid to the Church in Central/Eastern Europe

March 12, 2022- Catholic Charites

March 26, 2022- Catholic Relief Services

April 15, 2022- Holy Land



## REQUEST VISIT

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

PLACE \_\_\_\_\_

PERSON REQUESTING \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

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## NEW PARISHIONER

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

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### 2021-2022 First Friday Memorials for St. Elizabeth Church

Deceased Members of the Mens Club

Huff Family

Winters Family

Deceased Members of St. Elizabeth Choir

Gene Cassy

Jim Deder

Cassy Family

Pieper Family

Crawshaw Family

Charles Dickey

Jim McDonnell

Binney Family

Laura Antoff

Czwornog and Ostrenga Families

Dortch and Jones Families

Connie Hayes Family

Votoupal-Bursik Family

Bussen- Friedel Families

Lisa Dellamano

Richard A. Willaredt

Betty Hill and Families

Pawlak and Sertich Families

Michael and Leona Banach

Joseph and Victoria Krystopa

Ida Gragg

Jim Alsop

John & Theresa Straubinger

Deceased Members of the Shambro &

Kutzerer Families

Conrad & Mullen Families

Noeth and M. Papp Families

Pfaff & DeRuntz Families

Chad Sigite

The Kierski Family

Tony & Mary Bellue

Angela & Ronald Briggs, Jr.

Robert & Lorriane Joshu

Billy Adams & Jim Gray

Merry Trtanj

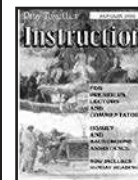
Deceased Members of St. Elizabeth Ladies Sodality

James Dittman

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