

Disciples Stewards

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church & School

Granite City, Illinois ♦ Diocese of Springfield in Illinois

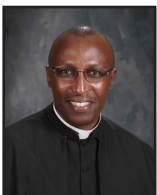
We commit ourselves to the discipleship & stewardship way of life as commanded by Jesus Christ and revealed by Sacred Scripture & Tradition. We are committed to implementing the Four Pillars of Discipleship & Stewardship of our diocese: Hospitality, Prayer, Formation, & Service.

Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection ♦ April 17, 2022



HE IS RISEN

CELEBRATE THE RESURRECTION



From our Pastor,
Father Alfred Tumwesigye

Dear Friends, it has been a while I wrote a weekly Pastor's note! We have a new look for our Parish Bulletin, which will always appear new every weekend. Thanks to the parish pastoral leadership team behind this newness. By the grace of God, we are new every day, and Easter Season is a sign of new life and rebirth.

This week we celebrate our Lord's Resurrection, and we are invited to reflect on the many sacrifices he made for each one of us. As the Gospel of John proclaims this fact: **"Jesus loved them to the end."** (John 13:1). Out of this immense love of God, I send each of you God's blessings, I pray that you and your family be blessed this Easter Season and may God's light shine upon every one of you!

At the Last Supper, Jesus washed the feet of his disciples, an expression of

perfect love and readiness to serve and forgive others. Then after that he sets the challenge for each one of us: **"You call me 'teacher' and 'master,' and rightly so, for indeed I am. If I, therefore, the master and teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash one another's feet"** (John 13:13-14). In this dramatic scene, the Servant-Son of God becomes the servant of humankind. The foot washing signifies his self-emptying on the wood of the cross. It is an expression of a life totally

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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

As we enter our next 150 years as the Roman Catholic parish of St. Elizabeth, striving to become saints, we commit ourselves to the discipleship and stewardship way of life as commanded by Jesus Christ and revealed by Sacred Scripture and Tradition.

We are committed to implementing the Four Pillars of Discipleship and Stewardship of our diocese:

Hospitality: To maintain a warm and welcoming environment, and invite others to join us in prayer, especially Sunday Mass;

Prayer: To journey the path to Heaven together through celebration of the sacraments and ever-deepening lives of prayer;

Formation: To continue sharing, learning, and accepting the teachings of our Lord and His Church; and

Service: To share our Lord's Love by reaching out to all in service, especially the afflicted.

PRAYER & LITURGY

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Monday, April 18

Monday in the Octave of Easter

No Mass

Tuesday, April 19

Tuesday in the Octave of Easter

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Arlene Haldeman+ by Charles & Joyce Alexander

Wednesday, April 20

Wednesday in the Octave of Easter

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Arnold Willaredt+ by Janice Willaredt

Thursday, April 21

Thursday in the Octave of Easter

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Delores Scaturro+ by Carol McGee & Family

Friday, April 22

Friday in the Octave of Easter

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Shelly Harbin by Norma Lesko

Saturday, April 23

Saturday in the Octave of Easter


No Mass, No Communion Service

Saturday, April 23 - Sunday, April 24

Second Sunday of Easter, Divine Mercy

4:30 p.m. Saturday Mass:

Mary Konarcik+ by Janice Willaredt


8:00 a.m. Mass: 

Parishioners of Saint Elizabeth Parish

10:30 a.m. Mass:

Delores Scaturro+ by Christine Scaturro

 Denotes liturgy when incense will be used

 Denotes liturgy that will be streamed online



Adoration

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

PLEASE CONSIDER COMMITTING TO AN HOUR WITH THE LORD ON EACH WEEK! Eucharistic Adoration is a way to show 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 innermost 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.

April is dedicated to the Holy Eucharist

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for April:

Health Care Workers: We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

SUNDAY'S MASS READINGS

At the Mass during the Day: Acts 10:34a, 37-43. Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23. Colossians 3:1-4. Sequence - Christians, to the Paschal Victim. John 20:1-9. OR Luke 24:13-35.

Believing in Risen Life. After his death and burial, the apostles saw the risen Jesus. They talked with him. They touched him. They ate with him. These things are not done with the dead. They knew he was alive. We believe this still today because we experience his presence in many ways.

How do I see the risen Lord's activity still happening today?

How can I foster belief in the risen Lord by what I say and do?

How does this belief change my life, my attitudes, my priorities?

IN MEMORIAM: ALTAR FLOWERS & 14 DAY CANDLE

No flowers on the Altar of Reservation this weekend.

The 14 Day Candle will be burning in memory of Vivian Broadwater+ by Roger & Machele Knobloch

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 are also available (\$10), as are memorials on the 14 Day Candle.. Contact the parish office.

FIRST FRIDAY MEMORIALS

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 &

Kutzera 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

LEARNING & LIVING AS DISCIPLES

From our Pastor, Father Alfred (continued from page 1)

at the service of the Father's saving will. As Jesus Master carries out the servant's task of foot-washing, so too must his disciples wash one another's feet and serve one another. Baptized into Jesus' saving death, we too must be consecrated to the service of God and love each other. We too must learn to serve to the point of sacrifice and be capable of loving "to the end".

As we enter into the Paschal Triduum, the shortest but most profound of all the liturgical seasons: we celebrate the Holy Thursday which is the day when Christ instituted the Holy Eucharist at the Last

Supper; we pray the Stations of the Cross together, venerate and kiss the crucifix, and pray "We adore Thee, O Christ, and we bless Thee because by Thy Holy Cross Thou hast redeemed the world" let us pray that we may never lose of the fact as Saint Augustine said that: "We are an Easter people; and Alleluia is our song!" Through this Easter season, may God always give us the grace every day, to always celebrate the fact that Jesus Christ suffered, died, and rose for each of us, and as God's family here at St. Elizabeth let us continue to "wash one another's feet."

The Divine Mercy Novena

In 1935, St. Faustina received a vision of an angel sent by God to chastise a certain city. She began to pray for mercy, but her prayers were powerless. Suddenly she saw the Holy Trinity and felt the power of Jesus' grace within her. At the same time she found herself pleading with God for mercy with words she heard interiorly:

Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world; for the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us. (Diary, 475)

As she continued saying this inspired prayer, the angel became helpless and could not carry out the deserved punishment (see 474). The next day, as she was entering the chapel, she again heard this interior voice, instructing her how to recite the prayer that our Lord later called "the Chaplet." This time, after "have mercy

on us" were added the words "and on the whole world" (476).

Pope St. John Paul II established the 2nd Sunday of Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday. The Divine Mercy Novena begins on Good Friday and continues until the Sunday after Easter.

For those making the nine-day novena, you may say it privately wherever you are, or attend the prayer with us daily at 3:00 p.m. in the church. The novena begins on Good Friday and ends at the closing on Divine Mercy Sunday.

The closing will be held at St. Elizabeth Church on Sunday, April 24, from 2-3:30 p.m. Confessions and Adoration will be available during the Holy Hour from 2-3. The blessing and veneration of the image will conclude with the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction starting at 3:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend.



"At three o'clock implore My mercy especially for sinners; and if only for a brief moment immerse yourself in My Passion, particularly in My abandonment at the moment of agony. This is the Hour of Great Mercy for the whole world. In this hour, I will refuse nothing to the soul that makes a request of Me in virtue of My Passion." – St. Faustina's Diary, 1320.

Pick up a pamphlet for the Divine Mercy Chaplet available in the gathering space.

Jesus, I trust in You.

Please Consider Online Giving

Easter is a wonderful time for us. In addition to the very special meaning of the liturgical celebration, we are always happy to see so many parishioners whose schedules may not allow them to attend Mass at our parish on a regular basis. If you cannot visit our parish as much as you like, you may want to check out our online giving website at GiveCentral.org. Online giving allows you to continue to support the parish even when you are out-of-town, forget your envelopes, work weekends, or attend Mass at another parish. If you would like to learn more about this easy, safe and secure way of giving, please contact the parish office or follow these simple steps:

Log into givecentral.org and select "FIND YOUR CHARITY".

Enter our zip code "62040" or "St. Elizabeth Catholic Church" in the search box and select the 2300 Pontoon Rd site.

Select the "Event" or fund to which you would like to make one-time or recurring donations. Select "View More" to see all fund categories.

Enter "Amount", "First Payment Date", and "Frequency" and select "Ongoing" to make continuous donations or select "Custom" to enter an end date for a Contribution.

Select "Add to my Gift Basket".

Proceed to Checkout.

At this time, you will be asked to create a username and password. First, select "Complete Profile" where you will enter your demographic and bank account or credit card information. Be sure to check the "I accept the user policy" box and select "Register and confirm gift".

You may log in any time to update your contributions or personal information.

Thank you for your generosity!



FORMED® Pick of the Week



Ocean of Mercy

At the dawn of the twentieth century, three voices rose up from Poland to proclaim an urgent message, a message powerful enough to alter the course of an age plunging into spiritual darkness. This true story examines and chronicles the phenomenal lives and spiritual legacy of St. Faustina Kowalska, St. Maximilian Kolbe, and Pope St. John Paul II, modern day "Apostles of Mercy."

Thanks to our Men's Club, ALL parishioners have access to free Catholic video & audio programming on FORMED, available on your smart TV, streaming device, computer, and mobile device.

To register, go to FORMED.org, sign up as a parishioner, and type our Postal Code (62040) to easily find and select our parish.

Catechism Corner

Catechism Paragraph 638:

We bring you the good news that what God promised to the fathers, this day he has fulfilled to us their children by raising Jesus." The Resurrection of Jesus is the crowning truth of our faith in Christ, a faith believed and lived as the central truth by the first Christian community; handed on as fundamental by Tradition; established by the documents of the New Testament; and preached as an essential part of the Paschal mystery along with the cross:

Christ is risen from the dead!
Dying, he conquered death;
To the dead, he has given life.

LEARNING IN THE LIBRARY

Thursdays 7-8:15 in the Parish Life Center Library
April 21: Relics of the Passion (Thomas Halbrook)
May 5: Sexual Morality (Deacon Michael)

BOOK CLUB



JESUS and the
JEWISH ROOTS of the EUCHARIST
Unlocking the Secrets of the Last Supper
BRANT PITRE
Foreword by SCOTT BARN

Parishioner Mary Lou Lyerla will be hosting a book club & discussion group exploring Brant Pitre's book *Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist*, over a period of 8 weeks. Learn more about the depths of the Holy Eucharist. Come any or all weeks: May 19, 26, June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, July 7. If you're interested, email Deacon Michael at mhalbrook@stelizabethgc.org or call Bret in the parish office for more information.

TOTUS TUUS: SUMMERS FOR YOUTH

Mark your calendars! Totus Tuus June 26-July 2. Elementary students during the day, junior & high schoolers in the evening. Watch for more information in the coming weeks.

FAMILIES OF FAITH DAY

Mark your calendars for an awesome day of speakers, fun, and fellowship here at St. Elizabeth on Saturday, September 24!

YOUNG DISCIPLES SOCIETY

4th-8th graders – JOIN US!

Sundays 9-10:15 a.m. in the Harmony Room:

April 24: Divine Mercy & Reconciliation

May 8: The Apostles

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

Young Disciples – don't forget to ask for your wooden nickels when you attend Mass, serve Mass, serve Holy Hour, etc.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School 2022, "Monumental: Celebrating God's Greatness!" will be held the evenings of Sunday, July 31 through Thursday, August 4. We need about 20 volunteers to help make VBS happen. If you'd like to help, please let Deacon Michael know via email at mhalbrook@stelizabethgc.org, or let Bret know in the parish office. Thank you!

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is excited to announce in-person weekend Experiences with a safe environment for participants. For more information or to apply, go to wwme.org, or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317: August 5-7 or September 30-October 3 at the Courtyard Marriott, St. Peters, MO.

10 AM FOR 10!

Let's pray & work for 10+ new Catholics in 2023:
1: Set an alarm: Pray an Our Father daily at 10am
2: Invite some friends to Catholic 101 & Q&A, 9-10:30, Sat., May 21 in the Harmony Room
3: Invite someone to a deeper experience, like Learning in the Library, Adoration, or Mass
4: Live a joyful life. Show your faith!

If you know someone with whom Father Alfred or Deacon Michael could have a deeper conversation, let us know!



10+ New Catholics in 2023

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH (8th graders, you're invited now too!)

TOTUS TUUS: Totus Tuus will be in town the week of June 26-July 2. Junior high & high schoolers can help the younger students during the day (Mon-Fri), and a special program is held at St. Elizabeth for the junior high & high schoolers in the evenings (Sun-Thurs). Mark your calendar!

CALLED & SENT: Don't miss out on a wonderful opportunity for fellowship & leadership training with other Catholic youth at the Villa Maria on Lake Springfield at Called & Sent, July 10-13. If you're interested, contact Deacon Michael or the Parish Office. Scholarships are available for youth of our parish.

HOOPS NIGHTS: Gentlemen, shoot hoops & scrimmage in the gym from 8-9:30. Your first visit, you AND a parent must stop in to sign waiver & permission forms. Come play some basketball with the guys: April 20, May 11, May 25. Men: If you're willing to help chaperone, let us know. Call Bret in the parish office for info.

GC ROCK: Join us for ROCK NIGHTS on Sundays:

May 1: Gathering at St. Elizabeth 6:30-7:15; SENIOR SEND-OFF!

Try to stay for Holy Hour & Vespers 7:30-8:30.

Join us, and bring a friend.

16^{NEW}
MATTHEW 18
GC Rock
Youth Group

PARISH LIFE & HOSPITALITY

Parish & School Events

Sunday, April 17

8 & 10:30 a.m. - Easter Sunday Masses

3 p.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)

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

Monday, April 18

Office closed, use after-hours phone number.

3 p.m. - Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)

Tuesday, April 19

11:30 a.m. - Senior Luncheon (PLC Library)

3 p.m. - Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)

Wednesday, April 20

3 p.m. - Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)

7 p.m. - BINGO (Columbus Home)

Thursday, April 21

9 a.m. - 9 p.m. - Adoration (Church)

3 p.m. - Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)

7 p.m. - Learning in the Library (PLC Library)

Friday, April 22

3 p.m. - Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)

Saturday, April 23

3 p.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)

Sunday, April 24

9-10:15 a.m. - PSR (PLC)

9-10:15 a.m. - Young Disciples (Harmony)

2-3:30 p.m. - Holy Hour, and Divine Mercy Chaplet (Chaplet at 3 p.m.) (Church)

5:30 p.m. - Choir Practice (Church)
NO Exposition & Holy Hour with Vespers, in deference to the 2-3 p.m. Holy Hour

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO THE

Parish Appreciation Dinner

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church



May 7, 2022 at 6 PM
St. Elizabeth Cafeteria

Choice Of
Ribeye Steak
- or -
Chicken Breast

\$15 per person

Tickets available at the parish office or after Mass on April 23rd, 24th, 30th & May 1st

Hosted by the St. Elizabeth Men's Club

EASTER WEEK OFFICE HOURS

The parish office is closed until 8 a.m. Tuesday, April 18. If there is an emergency, please call the emergency after hours number, 314-266-8387.

DISCOUNTED SCRIP CARDS

You responded to the call to liquidate some of our stock at 50% off! Thank you so much. We still have just a couple of Outback gift cards to sell. Contact the parish office before they are gone.

WELCOME NET TEAM 8

We welcome Team 8 of the National Evangelization Teams (NET). NET Teams are college-aged young adults who give a year traveling the country challenging young Catholics to love Christ and embrace the life of the Church. They'll give a retreat for our St. Elizabeth & Holy Family 7th & 8th

graders on Tuesday, but are spending their Holy Week & Easter break here with us. Welcome, Team 8!

THANK YOU to all the parishioners who are helping provide meals, and who have helped get the upstairs of the PLC cleaned and the bathrooms working again, so that the women of the NET team could stay right here onsite at our church.

Team 8, Front row: Grace, Charlie, Elizabeth, Jack, Justin, Isabela; Back row: Lizzie, Veronica, Daniel, Katherin, Bridget



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!

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, South Korea; Brandon Weidner, Mobile, AL; Kody Presswood, U S Army, Naples, Italy

WANT TO BE A ROYAL?

St. Elizabeth

Registration is now open!



- Preschool through 8th grade
- Full-day Preschool & Kindergarten
- Before & after care available
- Music, athletics, and clubs
- Experienced and dedicated teachers, staff & pastor
- Academic excellence in a community grounded in faith
- Strong curriculum with emphasis on reading, writing & math
- High percentage of graduates enter high school with advanced placement honors classes

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ST. ELIZABETH SCHOOL

Tuition Assistance

All families who wish to apply for tuition assistance must do so by June 15th. Notices for awarded amounts will be given out by July 1st. No tuition assistance will be available after June 15th.

Picnic

Picnic chairpersons have begun to fill their their time slots and are looking for volunteers for the picnic weekend. The picnic is scheduled for June 10-12. Please watch for an email from Mrs. Joyce to sign up for some of the booths. The sign up sheets will also be available in the back of church, sometime in May.



Looking Ahead

- 4/19 - Progress reports come home
- 4/19 - NET retreat
- 4/21 - Golden ticket out of uniform
- 4/21 - 2nd & 3rd grade field trip
- 4/22 - 6th & 7th grade field trip
- 4/22 - St.E Spring Dance
- 4/24 - Young Disciples Society
- 4/26 - Choir concert 6PM / 7:15PM
- 4/27 - Kindergarten & 1st grade field trip
- 4/28 - Fish Fry incentive (out of uniform)
- 4/28 - Preschool field trip
- 4/29 - PM service day
- 4/29 - Book fees go up for 22-23 year
- 4/29 - Scrip requirement due
- 4/30 - 8th grade formal
- 5/2 - 4th & 5th grade field trip
- 5/3 - Men's Club
- 5/3 - Patrol Incentive award (6th - 8th)
- 5/5 - Field day
- 5/6 - 11 AM dismissal (Preschool & Kids Klub open)
- 5/8 - Young Disciples Society
- 5/9 - 5/11 - 8th grade overnight trip
- 5/13 - Mary Mass 8:15 AM
- 5/13 - 8th grade graduation Mass 7PM
- 5/15 - Young Disciples Society BBQ
- 5/18 - Kindergarten graduation Mass 8:15AM
- 5/19 - Last day of school 10:00 Dismissal
- 5/24 - Preschool graduation 7PM

FR. MCGIVNEY

Father McGivney Catholic High School in Glen Carbon is the Catholic high school for our area of the Alton deanery.

Griffins This Week

- Easter Break through Monday, April 18
- 4/18, 4:30: Varsity Baseball vs Bunker Hill
- 4/18, 4:30: Softball vs Bunker Hill
- 4/18, 4:30: V Girls Soccer vs Southwestern
- 4/19, 4:30: Boys Volleyball @ Collinsville
- 4/19, 5:30: V Girls Soccer @ Hillsboro
- Griffin Night in Gym
- 4/20, 3:30: NHS Meeting
- 4/20, 4:30: JV Baseball @ Red Bud
- 4/20, 4:30: Varsity Baseball vs Red Bud
- 4/20, 4:30: Softball vs Alton
- 4/21, Mission Grounds Cafe Open
- 4/21, 10:40: All School Mass
- 4/21, 4:30: Softball @ Granite City
- 4/22, Knights of Columbus Info Mtg (Senior Boys)
- 4/22, 3:00: Track @ Sparta
- 4/22, 4:30: Varsity Baseball vs ME Lutheran
- 4/22, 4:30: Softball vs ME Lutheran
- 4/22, 4:30: V Girls Soccer @ Jerseyville
- 4/22, 6:00: JV Baseball vs ME Lutheran
- 4/23, 9-11: Varsity Baseball vs Althoff
- 4/23, 11-1: Varsity Baseball vs Macomb
- 4/23: Prom

SERVICE

SAVE THE DATE: MADISON COUNTY CATHOLIC CHARITIES FUNDRAISER

Celebrate with Madison County Catholic Charities as we present our 21st Annual Help on the Move Fundraiser featuring The Glendale Riders on April 23, 2022 at Bluff City Grill in Alton. It will be a night of dinner, dancing and lots of activities. Raffle tickets for a chance to win \$10,000 are \$25 each or buy 2 get 1 free. Second prize is a flat screen television. Tickets can be purchased at cc.dio.org or by scanning the QR code on the event flyer.

Please help support the mission of Madison County Catholic Charities, serving those in need on a daily basis.

All proceeds benefit the various programs that serve the poor in Madison, Jersey, Calhoun and Bond counties.

- Rent and utility assistance
- Individual and family counseling

- Food and basic necessities
- Prescription medication assistance
- Pro bono legal assistance.

RESPECT LIFE

DIVE DEEP: INSIDE THE MIND OF A FORMER ABORTIONIST

Dr. Haywood Robinson grew up in Southern California and received specialty training in family practice medicine in Los Angeles. He started performing abortions in 1978. Now, he advocates for life with 40 Days for Life. Dr. Robinson joins Dive Deep, the official podcast of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois, to explain the truth of the abortion industry, the lies they are telling to society, what it's like performing an abortion, and the positive signs he is seeing in our culture. dio.org/podcast.



PRAYERS FOR OUR PRIESTS

The following are priests of our Diocese who are celebrating birthdays in April: 4/14- Fr. Thomas Gallenbach, 4/15- Fr. Louis Schlangen, 4/16- Fr. Paul Having, 4/18- Fr. Joseph Havrilka, 4/21- Fr. Donald Wolford & Fr. Steven Pohlman, 4/23- Fr. Steven Arisman, 4/24- Fr. James O'Shea, 4/26- Fr. Phillip Kraft

The following are priests of our Diocese who have died. Please remember them in your daily prayers:

4/14- Rev. Francis Kelly & Rev. John Freeman, 4/15- Rev. Leopold Moczgamba & Rev. John Moroney, 4/16- Rev. John Mohr 4/17- Rev. Joseph DeChene & Most Rev. Joseph A. McNicholas, 4/18- Rev. Bernard Wubbe, 4/19- Rev. Joseph Spaeth, Rev. William McGuire & Rev. Arthur Thies, 4/21- Rev. G. Meillinger, Rev. Joseph William Fitzpatrick & Rev. Roy Bauer

STEWARDSHIP

Our Financial Stewardship April 10, 2022

	Actual	Goal	Over/(Short)
Week 17 Regular Income	\$8,419.00		
79 Envelopes, Avg. Gift \$53.76			
Loose	\$520.00		
Online Giving	\$517.00		
TOTAL	\$9,456.00	\$8,606.00	\$850.00
YTD TOTALS	\$335,116.64	\$352,846.00	(\$17,729.36)

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

Other Gifts:

Tuition Assistance	\$205.00
Building Repair/Maintenance	\$210.00
Special Projects	\$180.00
Mission & Ministry	\$75.00
Easter Offering	\$280.00
1st Offering	\$10.00
Votive Offering	\$72.00
Holy Land / Good Friday	\$137.00
Seminary Offering / Easter	\$145.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$90.00
Other Parish Not Specified	\$75.00

Upcoming Special Collections

Holy Thursday: Parish Charitable Outreach
 Good Friday: Holy Land
 Easter: Diocesan Seminarians
 April 24: Catholic Home Missions

Parish Tithing Reporting

Our parish tithe to the Diocese to support the administration, ministries, and work of our Diocese is 10% of our regular monthly income.

Our February tithe was \$6,548.

Scrip Progress

Date: April 11, 2022

	Current	/	YTD
Walmart	\$2,550	/	\$15,350
National	\$3,055	/	\$21,750
Total Sales	\$5,605	/	\$37,100
Annual Gross Profit to-date			\$1,545.00
Approx. Credit Card Fees			(\$130.00)
Approx. Net Profit to-date			\$1,415.00

Please continue to purchase scrip as much as possible.
 Remember that this is free money
 for our school & parish!

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In the Buffet of Life, Friends are the Dessert

The goals for our Palm Sunday Bake Sale were not only met, they were surpassed. You heard the call for help for our bake sale and answered it magnificently. You were able to tempt everyone's pallet with the most delightful array of sweets & treats. Your cakes, cupcakes, pies, homemade bread, cookies, and chocolates were sure to be delighted by all. Your wonderful monetary gifts were greatly appreciated too as we consider those to be a sugar-free sweet treat of another type.

As we watched the room empty after the 10:30 Mass, all we could see was the myriad of colors of beautiful spring flowers and decorations with no bakery items in site. We had Sold Out. In that special moment, we felt our church had been hugged by the faithful arms of our parishioners.

You know we make a living by what we get but we make a life by what we give.

You absolutely made our day and we hope we made yours too. We thank you and wish everyone a Happy Easter!

God Bless,
 Marilyn, Carol & Bootsie



SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: If you have been away from the Church and the Sacrament of Reconciliation for a while, feel free to contact the parish office for guidance & materials to help you prepare to return to the Sacraments. In addition to Confessions offered from 3-4 p.m. on Saturdays, you could also schedule an individual time for Reconciliation.

Anointing of the Sick: Anointing of the Sick is appropriate for any upcoming surgery, prolonged illness, or in the event of emergency or danger of death. Please call the office if you or a loved one needs to be anointed.

Infant & Child Baptism: For children under the age of 8, please submit the forms at stelizabethgc.org/baptism and sign up for a Baptism Preparation class at least a month before your desired date of Baptism. For questions or emergencies, please contact the Parish Office or Deacon Michael. Baptisms are usually celebrated after the 10:30 Mass most Sundays or at 7 p.m. some Wednesdays.

Matrimony: To begin preparation for Holy Matrimony, please contact Father Alfred or Deacon Michael at least six months (recommended twelve months) before your desired date. At least an introductory interview must be completed before a date can be set.

Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, first Holy Communion) for children 8 and over, or for adults: Contact Deacon Michael via the Parish Office.

PASTORAL CARE

Entering the Church: If you are new to the Catholic faith and interested in learning more about the church or about entering the church, welcome! Contact the parish office for a meeting with Father Alfred or Deacon Michael.

Communion to the Homebound: If you or a family member are, or are going to be, homebound, whether at home or in a care facility, please notify the parish office. Medical and care facilities are unable to inform us of their Catholic residents and patients. We would be happy to arrange to visit and bring you Holy Communion. Please contact the parish office for arrangements.

Annulments: In some cases, a man or a woman desires healing through an annulment, a declaration by a Church tribunal (a Catholic Church court), which does not deny that a relationship existed, but simply states that the relationship was missing something that the Church requires for a valid marriage, falling short of at least one of the essential elements required for a binding union. Father Alfred, Deacon Michael, and Laura Black are available as Advocates before our diocesan tribunal for those needing assistance with an annulment. Call the parish office to set up an appointment.

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