Disciples Stewards Stewards

We are committed to implementing the Four Pillars of Discipleship & Stewardship of our diocese: Hospitality, Prayer, Formation, & Service.

Second Sunday of Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday April 24, 2022



Casting a NET for our Youth 7th & 8th Grades enjoy NET Ministries Retreat



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On Tuesday, we hosted 64 students in 7th & 8th grades from St. Elizabeth & Holy Family Schools for a NET Retreat on Authentic Manhood & Womanhood. The students had a blast, and we enjoyed seeing all of our students spend the day together.

Thank you to everyone who helped make it possible - including those who helped provide meals for the NET Team from Thurday through Tuesday (Tammi, Patty, Norma, Kathy, Suzanne, the Men's Club & more), and all who support our Mission & Ministry Fund for Faith Formation!

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Strong in Faith since 1871

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 25 St. Mark, Evangelist No Mass

Tuesday, April 26 Easter Weekday 8:15 a.m. Mass: Marcos Alfonso-Soroa+ by Olga Martinez

Wednesday, April 27 Easter Weekday 8:15 a.m. Mass: Geraldine Ropac+ by Norma Lesko

Thursday, April 28 Easter Weekday 8:15 a.m. Mass: Judy Modrusic+ by Joseph Modrusic

Friday, April 29 Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of the Church 8:15 a.m. Mass: Jack Folkerts+ by Dolores Folkerts

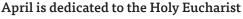
Saturday, April 30 Easter Weekday No Mass, No Communion Service

Saturday, April 30 - Sunday, May 1 Third Sunday of Easter 4:30 p.m. Saturday Mass: Margie Pautler+ by Claude & Carol Kessler

8:00 a.m. Mass: D Albert Lesko+ by Norma Lesko

10:30 a.m. Mass: **(** Parishioners of Saint Elizabeth

Denotes liturgy when incense will be usedDenotes liturgy that will be streamed online



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

Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy): Acts 5:12-16. Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24. Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19. John 20:19-31.

Standing in Our Midst. Sometimes we just want proof. The words and witness of others is not always enough. Even when we do not ask for Jesus to come, he comes to us, just as he did to the disciples in the upper room. He is with us still, with us now, extending mercy and peace.

What signs do I see of Christ being present, being with us being with me?

How can I extend Christ's Easter greeting of peace to others?

How will I be an ambassador of mercy? What work will I do this week?

In Memoriam: Altar Flowers & 14 Day Candle

The flowers on the Altar of Reservation this weekend are in honor of Sebastian & Grayson Reuter.

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

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 Dedera Cassy Family **Pieper Family** Crawshaw Family **Charles Dickey** Jim McDonnell **Binney Family** Laura Antoff Czwornog and Ostrenga Families Dortch and Jones Families Connie Haves 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

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



Eucharistic Adoration

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

Show appreciation for Christ's presence among us. Spend time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Eucharistic Adoration is a means to grow in holiness.

LEARNING & LIVING AS DISCIPLES "O Happy Fault, O Necessary Sin"

As Father Alfred visits the classrooms of St. Elizabeth School, he invites the students to ask questions they'd like to ask Holy Father Pope Francis. As we answer these for the students, we plan to share many of them for you as well.

A 5th grader asks, "Why would God make Adam and Eve if he knew they would sin?"

Similarly, a 6th grader asks, "If God knew what Adam and Eve were going to do, why did he set himself up for disappointment?"

Because God is love.

God did not *need* the world or people, because God lacks nothing (otherwise he wouldn't be God.) But God is so full of all that is good, that it overflows and spills out of Him. His very nature is to share His goodness, grace and love. He created people out of love for the purpose of sharing love. Adam and Eve - and all people - were created to love God and each other.

Even though God, who is all-knowing, knew that Adam and Eve would be tempted and would fall to that temptation and disobey him by eating of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, He had already known and prepared the path to salvation, through the self-gift of his only-begotten Son in the fullness of time.

God created Adam & Eve in His own image, including with free will. In doing so, He knew both that they would be open to temptation and sin, and also that they would need to learn of His love and desire for them to be with Him for eternity something He taught through the fall and redemption.



Our human parents know that being parents isn't going to be easy all the time, that there will be things that are hard to do (waking up through the night to change diapers and feed a baby), hard to teach (don't touch the hot stove... eat your veggies before your dessert), and hard to face (a child moving out of the house, or away from the faith.) But parents still desire to become parents nonetheless - because they desire to love. (Because they're also made in the image and likeness of God who is love.)

If human parents are so overwhelmed with this sense of love, how much more must God who is the fullness of love overflow into His own creation?

The Church reminds us that the book of Genesis isn't to be ready literally, but alegorically. So we can also see in Adam & Eve our own choices that separate us from God or even set us up to make our own judgements of right and wrong, "like God."

The long arc of salvation history that we remember and celebrate at its completion at Easter reminds us that God had fashioned a path out of the original sin introduced by Adam & Eve, continued in us, from the very beginning of creation. It was God's own Word which proceeded from him, and he was incarnate (took on flesh) and was named Jesus.

Through His work in the Paschal Mystery, God was still at work creating through His Word, Jesus Christ. In John's Gospel, after Jesus cured the man ill for 38 years, when questioned about working on the Sabbath, Jesus replied, "My Father is at work until now, so I am at work." From the garden to the cross, God was still at work perfecting His creation. In a sense, Adam & Eve's choice was known to God, and God had the plan all along and was working on teaching them - and us - the deep meaning of redemptive suffering.

In the Exsultet (Easter Proclamation) at the Easter Vigil, singing the praises of Christ represented in the Paschal Candle, the deacon chants, "This is the night when Jesus Christ broke the chains of death and rose triumphant from the grave. What good would life have been for us, had Christ not come as our Redeemer? Father, how wonderful your care for us! How boundless your merciful love! To ransom a slave you gave away your Son. O happy fault, O necessary sin of Adam, which gained for us so great a Redeemer!"

According to the *Exsultet*, you might even go so far as to consider Adam & Eve's sin as a "necessary" thing that gained us Jesus Christ as our Redeemer. In saving us, God was able to show fully the depths of His own love, and to give us an example of love, service, and sacrifice and how they are keys to the divine life. These are also the pathway out of sin itself.

The Divine Mercy Novena

The closing of the Divine Mercy will be held this 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.

Thank you very much to Kay Clay whose passion for this important devotion helps anchor and encourage our celebration of it each year.

Jesus, I trust in You.



The Kindness Club

Reprinted and abbreviated from the Royal Report, the St. Elizabeth School newspaper, from an article by Isabel S.

St. Elizabeth School has gained many new clubs this year, one of them being the Kindness Club.

The Kindness Club is sponsored by Mrs. Lance and her 3rd grade and was founded by 3rd graders Ava and Max. Mrs. Lance hopes this club will help people learn to spread kindness and help those in need.

This month the club is giving warm items such as hats, mittens, and coats to those who need it. A few other ideas the Kindness Club has are a Wilson Park cleanup, making cards for the elderly, and a toy collection at Christmas.

Even if you don't go to the club meetings, you can still join their activities to be kind to people and the environment.

FORMATION Growing in Knowledge of Christ & His Church





Prayer: Surge of the Heart Now that Lent is over, finding time to pray can be difficult. Modern life is very busy with so many distractions at every turn, and there's always another job to be done. This inspiring presentation challenges us to make more time for God in our lives and highlights the importance of an ever-deepening life of prayer.

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

Paragraphs 1846-1847:

The Gospel is the revelation in Jesus Christ of God's mercy to sinners. The angel announced to Joseph: "You shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins."114 The same is true of the Eucharist, the sacrament of redemption: "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins."

"God created us without us: but he did not will to save us without us." To receive his mercy, we must admit our faults. "If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

FAMILIES OF FAITH DAY

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

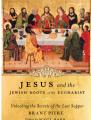
MID-LIFE SINGLES RETREAT

Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at King's House Retreat Center, Belleville, on June 3-5. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Cost is \$215 including meals and a single room. Visit ReflectRetreat.com, e-mail reflect.stlouis@gmail.com, or call 314-283-0044 for details.

LEARNING IN THE LIBRARY

Thursdays 7-8:15 in the Parish Life Center Library May 5: Sexual Morality (Deacon Michael)

BOOK CLUB



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.

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!

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!



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.

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.

PARISH LIFE & HOSPITALITY

Parish & School Events

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

Monday, April 25

Tuesday, April 26

6 p.m. - Ladies Sodality Meeting (Harmony)

Wednesday, April 27

7 p.m. – BINGO (Columbus Home)

Thursday, April 28

9 a.m. – 9 p.m. – Adoration (Church)

9 p.m. - Exodus 90 Fraternity (Harmony)

Friday, April 29

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

Saturday, April 30

Harmony Cafe after Mass

Sunday, May 1

Harmony Cafe after Masses

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

7:30-8:30 p.m. Exposition & Holy Hour with Vespers & Benediction



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



May 7, 2022 at 6 PM St. Elizabeth Cafeteria



\$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

PARISH APPRECIATION DINNER

Will be on Saturday May 7 at 6pm in the Cafeteria. This is sponsored by the Men's Club and will be a choice of a ribeye or chicken breast dinner. The ticket cost is \$15 per person and is open to ALL parishioners. Contact Rob Hutson (973-5459), Andy Yurko (931-4669), Chad Roseman (250-9178) or Tammi Mooshegian (920-1792) for tickets or stop by the parish office. Tickets will also be sold the weekend of April 23rd and April 30.

SCRAP METAL RECYCLING DAY

St. Elizabeth is holding a Scrap Metal Recycling Day on Saturday, May 21, 2022 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the gym parking lot. Bring your aluminum, copper, steel, cast iron ... anything metal that you no longer need. Have old appliances? We will take those off your hands too! Can't bring your items? No worry. We will offer local pickup services for large metal items that are on the main floor of your home or business. Watch for details coming soon. Help raise money for St. Elizabeth and clean out your garage or basement at the same time.

PICNIC CARNIVAL WEEKEND WRISTBAND PRE-SALE

Pre-sale weekend will be May 7 & 8 after all Masses. Cost is \$60.00 (for all three days). After this pre-sale weekend they will be available at Parish Office for \$70.00 and at the picnic for \$80.00. This is your best value as single ticket prices are \$1.25 Each and rides take 4 & 5 tickets each. Tell your family, friends & neighbors WE WILL HAVE THREE MATINEES: Saturday afternoon, Sunday afternoon, & Sunday evening. Matinee cost \$30.00 each.

HARMONY CAFE & SISTERS' PANTRY SHOWER

The Ladies Sodality will be hosting the Harmony Cafe next weekend, April 30 and May 1. We will be honoring the Sisters that live and work in our area. We are asking for donations of pantry items to be given to the six Religious we will be honoring at the 10:30 am Mass on May 1st. The Cafe will be open after all Masses and donations can be dropped off in the Harmony Room. The Sisters of Divine Providence were the first teachers at our school that started in 1955 and they are still a part of our parishes and set great examples for all of us. Please be generous in your THANK YOU to them:

Sr. Linda Hylla, Sr. Sharon Nolte, Sr. Ann Parin, Sr. Barbara McMullen, Sr. Barbara Mulnik, Sr. Stephanie Turck.

Suggested items: We want to provide the Sisters with brands they normally use so there are no allergy issues. You are free to donate other items not listed but please stick with brands below if you are purchasing those items: Bounty selecta-size paper towels; Dawn dishwashing soap, and dishwasher liquid soap; Tide laundry detergent; Downy; Shout Stain Remover; Angel Soft or Quilted Northern toilet paper; Crest toothpaste with Scope in it; Zest or Dove bar soap; Dish towels; Wash cloths; Bath towel set (any color but brown and beige); Vaseline Hand Cream; Kleenex; Sheet sets full size with deep pockets pastel colors; Belvita Blueberry Biscuits; Triscuits; Graham Crackers; Gas Cards; Cash

Holy Family and St. Mary-St. Mark have been invited since the sisters also attend their parishes. Questions? Call Tammi at 618-920-1792. Thank you!

St. Elizabeth School

- 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



PRINCIPAL FOR THE DAY

Miss Kennedy D. was Principal for the day on Wednesday. She's pictured here calling those with birthdays this week for a blessing after Mass.



DONUTS WITH HOWARD

After Mass on Wednesday, the pastoral staff presented Howard a belated thank you gift of a new Hawaiian shirt complete with scenes of Christ's life. Then all the students and those at Mass were treated to "Donuts with Howard" on the way back to class. Thank you for all you do, Howard!



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

4/25, 11:25: Rockhurst University [In-person Visit] 4/25, 4:00: Track @ Madison County Meet 4/25, 4:30: Varsity Baseball @ Roxana 4/25, 4:30: JV Baseball vs Mater Dei 4/25, 4:30: V Girls Soccer vs Waterloo 4/26, 7 am: THEO 1000 Field Trip to STL 4/26, 4:30: Varsity Baseball vs Maryville Christian 4/26, 4:30: Softball vs Granite City 4/26, 7 pm: Class Ring Blessing 4/27, 4:30: Softball @ Wesclin 4/27, 4:30: V Girls Soccer vs Gibault 4/27, 6 pm: Knights of Columbus Exemplification 4/28, 4:30: JV/V Boys Volleyball @ Whitfield 4/28, 4:30: Varsity Baseball vs Mulberry Grove 4/28, 4:30: Softball @ Gibault 4/28, 6 pm: School Board 4/29, 4:30: JV/V Baseball @ Springfield Southeast 4/29, 5:45: V Girls Soccer @ Staunton 4/30: Track @ Carlinville 4/30, 9 am: Math - Incoming Freshmen Placement Test 4/30, 10 am: JV Baseball Double Header vs Southwestern 4/30, 10 am: Softball @ Highland 4/30, 11 am: V Baseball vs Alton



PRAYERS FOR OUR PRIESTS

The following are priests of our Diocese who are celebrating birthdays in April:

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:

4/21- Rev. G. Meillinger, Rev. Joseph William Fitzpatrick & Rev. Roy Bauer 4/24- Rev. Francis Zabel, Rev. Patrick Longhney & Rev. Francis Kehoe 4/25-Rev. John P. Diggins & Rev. Mario A. Kuvacic 4/26-Rev. Joseph A. O'Brien & Msgr. Robert John Plocki 4/27- Rev. Joseph Jele & Rev. Joseph McVeigh

Pray for vocations!



Stewardship

Our Financial Stewardship April 17, 2022

	Actual	Goal	Over/(Short)
Week 42 Regular & Easter Income	\$7,185.00		
126 Envelopes, Avg. Gift \$57.02			
Loose	\$681.00		
Online Giving	\$1,112.00		
TOTAL	\$8,978.00	\$8,606.00	\$850.00
YTD TOTALS	\$344,094.64	\$361,452.00	(\$17,357.36)

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	\$630.00
Building Repair/Maintenance	\$515.00
Special Projects	\$40.00
Mission & Ministry	\$50.00
Ash Wednesday/Ukraine	\$5.00
Holy Thursday/Welfare Fund	\$285.00
Good Friday/Holy Land	\$637.00
Easter Sunday/Seminarians	\$733.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$115.00
Other Parish Not Specified	\$70.00

Upcoming Special Collections

April 24: Catholic Home Missions May 15: Catholic Communications Campaign

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 March tithe was \$3,332.

Scrip Progress

Date: April 17, 2022

	Current	/ YTD	
Walmart	Did	/ \$15,350	
National	not	/ \$21,750	
Total Sales	balance	/ \$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!

Made Possible Through Stewardship

Thank you to everyone who shared time & talent to help make our Triduum and Easter Sunday so beautiful and special.

From Dawn Wright and her art & environment crew to our altar servers; from our choir to our lectors, our sacristans, and everyone in between.

Thank you, and Happy Easter! Jesus is Risen, He is risen indeed. Alleluia!



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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.

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