Disciples Stewards

Live Sacred Scripture & Tradition.

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

The Ascension of the Lord ♦ May 29, 2022



Memorial Day Mass - 10 a.m. at Calvary Catholic Cemetery in Edwardsville Celebrant Father Steve Thompson; Concelebrant Father Alfred Tumwesigye In case of inclement weather, will be at 10:30 a.m. at Holy Family Church

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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, May 30 Easter Weekday

Mass at 10 a.m., Calvary Catholic Cemetery

Tuesday, May 31 The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:15 a.m. Mass: Mary Ellen Becherer+ by Marlys & Mitchell Akin

Wednesday, June 1 Saint Justin, Martyr

8:15 a.m. Mass:

James Dittman+ by Karen Campbell

Thursday, June 2 Easter Weekday

8:15 a.m. Mass: Robert Jones+ by Norma Lesko

Friday, June 3 Saint Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs

8:15 a.m. Mass: First Friday Intentions

Saturday, June 4 Easter Weekday

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Jack Folkerts+ by Elaine & Angela Foreman

Saturday, June 5 - Sunday, June 6 Pentecost Sunday

4:30 p.m. Saturday Mass: Norman & Jackie Danheiser+ by Norma Lesko

8:00 a.m. Mass: Richard J. & Richard L. Scharf+ by Peggy Scharf

10:30 a.m. Mass: 🛊

Parishioners of Saint Elizabeth

 $\emph{(t)}$ Denotes liturgy when incense will be used

Denotes liturgy that will be streamed online

June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for June:

Families: We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives.

SUNDAY'S MASS READINGS

The Ascension of the Lord: Acts 1:1-11. Psalm 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9. Hebrews 9:24-28; 10:19-23. Luke 24:46-53.

Befriending God. Saint Luke addresses Theophilus at the beginning of the Acts of the Apostles. "Friend of God" is an apt translation of this Greek name. In addressing him, he is addressing each of us. We are called to witness to God in Christ as only a friend can do.

How, as a friend, will I witness to Christ?

How, as a friend, will I live the Christian life?

How, as a friend, will I "teach" others, perhaps more by what I do than by what I say?

IN MEMORIAM: ALTAR FLOWERS & 14 DAY CANDLE

The flowers on the Altar of Reservation this weekend are in memory of Mary Blankenship+ on the occasion of her 100th Birthday.

The 14 Day Candle will be burning in memory of Ida Gragg.

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 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

Merry Irtuit

Deceased Members of St. Elizabeth Ladies Sodality

James Dittman



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.

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.

NEARBY

ST. PETER & PAUL ALTON

The Old Cathedral of Ss. Peter and Paul Parish in Alton is launching our Capital Campaign to restore the 165-year-old structure we call home. It was the seat of the original diocese which then became the diocese of Springfield. Our first three bishops are buried here, and thousands of souls have been nourished in Word and Sacrament in this historic church on Christian Hill. Father Jeff Holtman and parishioners cordially invite all to our patronal feast on Wednesday, June 29th with Mass at 6pm followed by a picnic in Alumni Hall and the premiering of a parish film. Our address is 717 State St., Alton. Any questions please call 618-465-4221, office hours M-F, 9am – 1pm. God bless.

JOB OPENING

A Beacon of Light Pregnancy Help Center JOB OPENING: Executive Director

ABL Pregnancy Help Center in Maryville, IL is seeking an Executive Director. The ideal candidate will have a Pro-Life heart and a genuine love and vision for a woman and family experiencing an unexpected pregnancy.

The Executive Director will oversee the daily operations of the center, its programs, and staff in keeping with ABL's mission and vision as established by the Board of Directors. Experience in management, medical, and/or non-profit fields as well as a bachelor's degree are preferred but not required.

The leader we seek will have excellent oral, written, and interpersonal communication skills and the ability to be a team leader. Please send a letter of interest, resume and references to resume@ablpregnancyresource.org.



Dear Friends in Christ,

Each year on the feast of Pentecost we rejoice that the gifts of the Holy Spirit are given to the Church in every age. As we celebrate this feast, I ask you to consider a generous response in the Retired Diocesan Priests Collection to meet the immediate retirement and health care needs of our priests.

Please pray for our priests who serve so generously in various apostolates throughout our diocese. Please thank God for all that we have received from our priests who are now retired, many of whom continue to offer generous service in every way that they are able throughout our diocese.

If you are unable to make an in-church contribution, please make your donation online at **parishgiving.dio. org/secondcollections**. You can also mail your donation to your parish office.

Thank you in advance for your support this year. May the Holy Spirit give us every gift we need to build up the Body of Christ in our time and place.

With every best wish and prayers, I remain Sincerely yours in Christ,

you!

+ Thomas John Paprock

Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki Bishop of Springfield in Illinois

Sign Up for our First Friday Memorials

The First Friday Memorial is a special offering made by parishioners of St. Elizabeth Parish, which lists your intentions for deceased loved ones in our bulletin and these listed names are then remembered monthly at Mass each First Friday throughout the entire year. The Memorial names are printed each week in our Sunday Bulletin. A yearly donation of \$60.00 is requested for these intentions to be listed. This donation allows the names to be printed constantly in our bulletin in the exact same way other bulletin ads are funded, and all the funds go to help offset the cost of printing our weekly bulletin.

This is not a donation for a Mass intention since the money does not, and by Canon Law cannot, go into the Mass stipend account, as taking any money for large, so-called "collective intentions" (where multiple names are listed for the Mass intention) is explicitly forbidden. Father is happy to remember these names collectively once a

month at Mass with no stipend involved. Your donation is a publishing fee for the bulletin, sent ultimately to the printing company in Godfrey.

You are encouraged to attend this weekday Mass. You may list your intentions as one individual name: Mary Jones, or you may list family groupings: The Jones Family. You may NOT submit a litany of individual names or multiple families, as space will not permit. If you wish to continue having your past intentions remembered at these Masses, you will be asked to renew your donation to the printing company each year.

Please fill out this form below, and return it to the Parish Office as soon as possible with the requested donation. Feel free to call the Parish Office and we will be happy to answer any questions you have regarding those who are remembered each First Friday.

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NAME:
EMAIL ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER:
INTENTION:
Please clearly mark your envelope or the memo line on the check- First Friday Memorials, and please return ASAP. Thank

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FORMED[®] Pick of the Week



The Wild Goose: God's Love Poured Out

We remember a fundamental pillar of our Faith: "God is love" (1 Jn 4:8). This simple statement is the beginning and the ending of our pilgrimage of Faith. In this episode of The Wild Goose, join Fr. Dave Pivonka as he illuminates God's eternal pouring out of Love.

Thanks to our Men's Club, 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 and type our Postal Code (62040) to easily find and select our parish.

Mercy Minute

"Today the Lord said to me, 'My daughter, write down these words: All those souls who will glorify My mercy and spread its worship, encouraging others to trust in My mercy, will not experience terror at the hour of death. My mercy will shield them in that final battle..." (Diary, 1540).



BOOK CLUB



Parishioner Mary Lou Lyerla is hosting a book club 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 remain-

ing weeks: June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, July 7. We meet at 7 p.m. in the Parish Life Center Library. Call Bret at the parish office for more information.

WOMEN'S RETREAT

One-day women's retreat in Springfield: Join women from across the diocese to experience the power of Christ in Scripture and Sacrament. Elena Tejeda and Father Ervin Caliente will be presenting on Broken Vessels. This one day event will be hosted at Villa Maria Retreat Center in Springfield on July 23 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The cost is \$35. To register for the event go to, dio.org/vessels.

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 volunteers! 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!

MID-LIFE SINGLES

Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at King's House Retreat Center, Belleville, IL (20 min from downtown St. Louis), on June 3-5, 2022. Take a chance and get involved - you won't regret it! Cost is \$215 including meals and a single room. Visit www. ReflectRetreat.com, e-mail reflect.stlouis@gmail.com, or call (314) 283-0044 for details.

PSR HELP FOR 2022-2023

We're looking for a few new teachers & other volunteers (door monitor, etc.) to help us continue to grow our Parish School of Religion & formation programs this coming year. If you're interested in learning more about how you could help, email Deacon Michael.

DIVE DEEP: DEALING WITH DEATH

Losing a loved one is painful. How we handle that loss depends on each person, but are we grieving in a healthy way? What should we say and not say to someone who lost a loved one? What should we do if the pain of a loss is just as apparent today than when it occurred? Dr. Dee Stern, a Springfield Catholic grief therapist, authored a new book to help people grieve healthier and better comfort those who lost loved ones. It's called Comforting the Bereaved Through Listening and Positive Responding: What are the Bereaved Trying to Tell Us? Dr. Stern offers her advice on Dive Deep. Go to dio. org/podcast or search Dive Deep on the major podcast platforms.

LEGO CHURCH CONTEST

To celebrate the first year of the nationwide Eucharistic Revival starting in June, Catholic Times is hosting a contest to see what young architect/builder can create the most impressive Lego church from scratch. Winners receive \$100! Go to dio.org/buildachurch for more information, rules, and to submit pictures of your creations.

ARE YOU AN EXODUS MAN?

If you're a man, you should consider becoming an Exodus man. The fraternity that started with Exodus 90 leading up to Easter this year is continuing in formation together. For more information, ask Bret in the parish office or Deacon Michael

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY & FORMATION

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.

GC ROCK (Tri-Cities parishes joint youth group):

June 11: Homeless Outreach at Community Care.

Noon setup, 1-3 p.m. outreach.

June 19: Gathering at Holy Family Community Center 6-7:15 p.m. July 17: Gathering at Holy Family, time TBA



Parish Life & Hospitality

Parish & School Events

Sunday, May 29

9-10:15 a.m. - Sacramental Prep (Harmony) 9:00 a.m. (immediately following 8:00 Mass) - Living Rosary (Church) 5:30 p.m. - Choir Practice (Church) 7:30-8:30 p.m. Exposition & Holy Hour with Vespers & Benediction

Monday, May 30

Memorial Day - Parish Office Closed 10 a.m. - Mass at Calvary Catholic Cemetery in Edwardsville

Tuesday, May 31

6 p.m. - Pastoral Council (Harmony Room) 7 p.m. - Finance Council (Harmony Room)

Wednesday, June 1

7 p.m. - BINGO (Columbus Home)

Thursday, June 2

Friday, June 3

Saturday, June 4

7 a.m. Picnic setup begins

Sunday, June 5

9 a.m. - Men at Prayer (Choir Room) 5:30 p.m. - Choir Practice (Church) 7:30-8:30 p.m. Exposition & Holy Hour with Vespers & Benediction

June 6-9

Picnic setup - Mornings 7 a.m. June 6-9; and Evenings (after work) June 7-9

150 CLUB WINNERS

Congratulations to our March winner #145 Al Jenness and to our April winner #146 Gary & Jeannie Wilbur. Mark your calendar for our banquet on March 11, 2023.

JOIN THE LIVING ROSARY

Our final living rosary of the month is this Sunday after the 8 a.m. Mass. Please join us in asking our Blessed Mother Mary to intercede for our parish, our community and our world.

15th ANNUAL ST. ELIZABETH GOLF TOURNAMENT

Save the date for August 13, 2022. Join us for a great day of golf in support of our Ladies Sodality. 4 Person Scramble, cash prizes, flighted play, 50/50 and mulligans! Teams can be mixed and entry fee is \$280 per team. Tee off at 8:30 a.m., Legacy Golf Course. See the flyer in the gathering space or the parish office to register.

CONTACT INFORMATION UPDATES

Have you moved, changed your phone number or email address? Do we know about it? Please consider reaching out to us by phone or email to update your information. Thank you.

PICNIC CARNIVAL WEEKEND WRISTBAND PRE-SALE

Stop by the parish office soon to pick up your weekend wristbands for the parish picnic. This is the best value you will find all weekend. The current price is \$70, but when the picnic begins June 10, they will be \$80.00. Compare this to single ticket prices at \$1.25 each (most rides require 4 or 5 tickets each). Tell your family, friends & neighbors.

PICNIC SILENT AUCTION

The Silent Auction is now live! Visit **steauction.com** to view items that will be in this year's Silent Auction. Donations are being accepted and items are being added daily. Start bidding now. Contact the Parish office if you would like to make a donation. We look forward to another successful Picnic.

PICNIC SIGNUP LINK

Please take a look at the following page to sign up for shifts for the Parish Picnic. We need all the help we can muster, so please sign up today. There is literally something for everyone in the parish to do to help us with this popular event and important fundraising opportunity:

stelizabethgc.org/picnic-signup/

WANTED: STUFFED ANI-MALS FOR I DOOD IT

We are in need of stuffed animals for the I Dood It booth at the picnic. Please drop them in the cart in the gathering space or bring to the parish office. Thank you in advance.

PICNIC SETUP INFO

As we head into June, our teams will be assembling to set up our parish picnic. Please be careful and pay attention to signage over the next several weeks to keep everyone safe. We will begin setup on June 4 at 7:00 a.m. by setting up the Fish Tank. We will then have a day crew setting up beginning June 6th at 7:00 a.m. thru June 9th. The evening crew will begin each evening after work June 7- 9th. For more information or to sign up to help, call Dennis K. at 618-931-6473.



PRAYERS FOR OUR PRIESTS

The following are priests of our Diocese who are celebrating birth-days soon: 5/28- Fr. Scott Snider 6/1- Fr. Paul Bonk 6/4- Fr. Adam Prichard 6/7- Fr. Chima Frederick Mbiere **6/9- Fr. Christopher Comerford** 6/11- Msgr. David Hoefler 6/16- Fr. Joseph Ring, Fr. Pawel Luczak 6/21- Fr. Aloysius Ndeanaefo 6/24- Fr. Allen Kemme 6/27- Thomas Hadstrom 6/29- Fr. Charles Dahlby, Fr. Jason Stone

The following are priests of our Diocese who have died. Please remember them in your daily prayers: 5/25- Rev. Anthony Vogt & Rev. Dennis D. Kollross 5/26- Rev. Joe Zoegel, Rev. Charles Zucker, Rev. Alexius Pruemmer, OFM & Rev. Joseph McCarthy 5/28- Rev. Francis Tecklenburg & Rev. Bernard Lee 5/29- Rev. Donulus E. Wunderlich, OFM 5/31-Rev. John J. Brune, Rev. Michael A. Tarrent, Rev. Dennis O'Brien & Rev. Cecil Koop, OFM

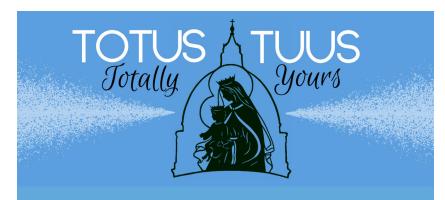


PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY

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



Totus Tuus is Coming! Sign up NOWCalling all youth - Free Admission!

Entering grades 1-6: Monday-Friday, June 27-July 1 Holy Family Community Center 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Lunch, snacks, & drinks provided

Entering grades 7-12: Sunday-Thursday, June 26-June 30 St. Elizabeth Harmony Room 7-9 p.m.

Snacks & drinks provided

S'Mores Night - All Are Invited!

Thursday, June 30, 6:15 p.m. St. Elizabeth Church

Information and registration form at: stelizabethgc.org/totus-tuus



Vacation Bible School Help Needed

We would REALLY like to bring back Vacation Bible School this summer, but need at least 15 more volunteers in order to make it happen.

We need to make a go-or-no-go call by this Friday (8 weeks out.)

If you are available and willing to help the evenings of Sunday, July 31 through Friday, August 5, please call Bret in the parish office THIS WEEK.

Thank you!

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

FMCHS Job Opening

Father McGivney Catholic High School in Glen Carbon is seeking candidates for a full-time Math Teacher for the 2022-23 school year. We are a faith-filled high school focused on developing our students fully; mind, body and spirit. Candidates who have endorsements in multiple subject areas are preferred. Qualified candidates please send a cover letter, resume, completed application to Joseph Lombardi, Principal at jlombardi@mcgivneygriffins.com . Applications and more details can be found on our website https://mcgivneygriffins.com/employment-opportunities/

MARQUETTE JOB OPENING

Marquette Catholic High School in Alton is in search of a High School Theology Teacher for the 2022-23 school year. Please Contact Tim Harmon at tharmon@mymchs.org or 618-463-0580 x242.



STEWARDSHIP

Our Financial Stewardship May 22, 2022

	Actual	Goal	Over/(Short)
Week 47 Regular Income	\$6,837.00		
109 Envelopes, Avg. Gift \$62.72			
Loose	\$329.00		
Online Giving	\$712.00		
TOTAL	\$7,878.00	\$8,606.00	(\$728.00)
YTD TOTALS	\$387,824.12	\$404,482.00	(\$16,657.88)

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	\$70.00
Building Repair/Maintenance	\$70.00
Special Projects	\$70.00
Mission & Ministry	\$10.00
Votive Offering	\$38.00
Easter Offering	\$35.00
Funeral Stipend	\$250.00
Calvary Catholic Cemetery	\$35.00
Holy Land / Good Friday	\$25.00
Peter's Pence	\$61.00
Retired Diocesan Priests	\$71.00
BINGO Profit	\$16,000.00
Catholic Comms. Campaign	\$30.00
Other Parish Not Specified	\$1.00

Upcoming Special Collections

June 5: Retired Diocesan Priests

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 April tithe was \$4,619.

Scrip Progress

Date: May 22, 2022

	Current	/ YTD
Walmart	\$2,475	/ \$23,525
National	\$1,790	/ \$30,465
Total Sales	\$4,265	/ \$53,990
Annual Gross Profit	\$2,205.00	
Approx. Credit Card	(\$189.00)	
Approx. Net Profit t	\$2,016,00	

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 contributes through the year to help ensure our church is so beautiful for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. During the Easter season it's been especially striking, but even the weekend memorial flowers on the altar of reservation make a huge difference in making our liturgy beautiful.



BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS & ADVERTISING

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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.

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.

Declarations of Nullity: In some cases, a man or a woman desires healing through 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. (Commonly called an 'annulment.') Father Alfred, Deacon Michael, and Laura Black are available as Advocates before our diocesan tribunal for those needing assistance with declarations of nullity. Call the parish office to set up an appointment.

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