

# Disciples Stewards

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church & School

Granite City, Illinois ♦ Diocese of Springfield in Illinois

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time ♦ June 26, 2022



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**Strong in Faith  
since 1871**

*Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, pray for us.*

## 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, June 27**

**Monday of the 13th Wk in Ordinary Time**

No Mass

**Tuesday, June 28**

**Saint Irenaeus, Bishop & Martyr**

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Ronnie Crippen+

by Bud & Charlotte Charbonnier

**Wednesday, June 29**

**Saints Peter & Paul, Apostles**

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Vivian Broadwater+

by Roger & Machele Knobloch

**Thursday, June 30**

**The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church**

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Bill Loftus+ by Janice Dittman

**Friday, July 1**

**Saint Junipero Serra, Priest**

8:15 a.m. Mass:

First Friday Intentions

**Saturday, July 2**

**Saturday of the 13th Wk in Ordinary Time**

8:15 a.m. Mass:


John Konarcik+ by Janice Willaredt

**Saturday, July 2-3**

**14th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:30 p.m. Saturday Mass:

Jim Alsop+ by The Alsop Family


8:00 a.m. Mass: 

Paul Koliste+ by Janice Dittman

10:30 a.m. Mass:

Parishioners of St. Elizabeth

 Denotes liturgy when incense will be used

 Denotes liturgy that will be streamed online

Mass offerings are available (\$10), as are memorials on the 14 Day Candle / Sanctuary Lamp, and Altar Flowers. Contact the parish office.

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

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21. Psalm 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11. Galatians 5:1, 13-18. Luke 9:51-62.

About Our Journey. After his ministry in Galilee, Jesus sets his face for Jerusalem. Many disciples follow him to this destination, his destiny – as should we. For following Jesus is our call. It is our central task. It is our salvation. We do this not alone but with others.

In following Jesus, what am I called to leave behind?

In following Jesus, what must I pick up and take with me?

In following Jesus, what salvation will this bring about?



The 14-day Sanctuary Lamp burns constantly before the Tabernacle and reminds us of the real presence of Jesus therein. This week, it also reminds us to pray **for Bill Schrenk+**. For information on offering the 14-day candle in honor or memory of a loved one, contact the Parish Office.



This week, Altar Flowers have been donated **in memory of Bill Schrenk+** by Bootsie Schrenk. You can honor your loved one by donating the altar flowers during the weekend of your choosing. For information, contact the Parish Office.

### FIRST FRIDAY MEMORIALS

Bill Loftus

Deceased Members of Ladies Sodality

Lisa Dellamano

Richard A. Willaredt

Deceased Members of St. Elizabeth Choir

Gene Cassy

Jim Dederda

Pieper Family

Crawshaw Family

Cassy Family

Binney Family

Chad Sigite

Rose Vierdag

Charles Dickey

Angela & Ronald Briggs, Jr.

Robert & Lorriane Joshu

Billy Adams

Jim Gray

Lesko & Danheiser Families

Pawlak & Sertich Families

Joseph & Victoria Krystopa

Pfaff & DeRuntz Families

John & Theresa Straubinger

Winters & Huff Families

Votoupal- Bursik Family

Connie B. Hayes

Jim Noeth & Brothers

Noeth & M. Papp Families

Jim Alsop

Leonard Hylla

Lisa Garcia- Fensterman

Bob Scaturro

Dortch Family

The Kierski Family

James Dittman

Michael & Leona Banach

Deceased Members of

St. Elizabeth Men's Club

Czwornog and Ostrenga Families

Ida Gragg & Patti Jackson

*We have recently updated to include our 2022-2023 First Friday Memorials. Contact the parish office to add yours to the list.*

## St. John the Baptist's Birthday

Jesus said, "Among those born of women there has been none greater than John the Baptist" (Mt 11:11). Each year on June 24 the Catholic Church honors the birth of John by reflecting on his unique role as the precursor of Jesus. The solemnity held on that date praises John as a worthy example of what it means to be a follower of Christ.

This year, though, because the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (always the Friday after Corpus Christi) fell on June 24, the Solemnity of the Nativity of John the Baptist moved to June 23.

While other saints are remembered with feast days to remember their deaths, St. John the Baptist, like Our Lady, is honored with solemnities to recall both his birth and his death.

Why do John and Mary receive such honors? The Church commemorates Our Lady's nativity in part as a recognition that she was born without sin. So what about John? With the feast of the prophet's nativity, the Church seems to intimate that John, too, was born sinless, though there is no definitive teaching on the matter.

In Luke's Gospel account, Mary, pregnant with Jesus, went to visit her relative Elizabeth, who was six months along in her pregnancy with John. At Mary's greeting, Elizabeth was "filled with the holy Spirit" (1:41) and her unborn son "leaped for joy" (v. 44) in her womb. Both Elizabeth and her child were responding to the awesome reality of being in the presence of God in the flesh.

This event seems to be the fulfillment of the prophecy earlier spoken to John's father by the angel Gabriel that the child would be "filled with the holy Spirit even from his mother's womb" (Lk 1:15). As a result, the belief has been commonly held since ancient times that at that moment John was sanctified — that is, he was cleansed from original sin, as if he were "baptized" in his mother's womb.

Note here that this would mean John was freed from original sin in the womb, and was later born without sin, but not that he was conceived without sin. The Immaculate Conception is a privilege unique to Our Lady among the saints; she was preserved from original sin from the first moment of her existence.

Of course, the other great difference between John and Our Lady is that she

was preserved as well from all actual sin throughout her life, while John was not.

On the date of his nativity, then, we honor John the Baptist, who was filled with the Holy Spirit while in his mother's womb, was chosen by God to herald His Son, lived a model life of holiness and was martyred for his faith for witnessing to the truth of God's intention that marriage should be a lifelong commitment between a man and a woman. That martyrdom is celebrated by the Church with a memorial on Aug. 29. Yet even if John had not been a martyr, the Church would no doubt have still celebrated his life and ministry as the herald of her Lord.



The solemnity of the Nativity of John the Baptist is one of the Church's oldest celebrations introduced into both the Eastern (Greek) and Western (Latin) liturgies to honor a saint. It was publicly observed as early as the fourth century.

### Choosing a Date

June 24 was eventually chosen as the date for the solemnity because Scripture tells us that John was conceived six months before Jesus (see Lk 1:36). Presumably, then, John was born about six months before Christ, and Christ's nativity was celebrated on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24.

But there was yet another important factor in fixing John's birth date. Centuries before the time of Christ, some pagan cultures annually celebrated the summer solstice, which occurs in late June. They recognized that after the solstice, the days began getting shorter. For a variety of reasons, they traditionally acknowledged the change of

seasons by lighting bonfires that were kept burning all night.

This lighting of fires was a widespread ritual among different groups of non-Christians immigrating into Europe in the Church's early centuries. The Church recognized the importance of somehow accepting this ancient and very popular tradition among the people they were seeking to convert, but she did not want it to be associated with a pagan ritual.

The events in the life of Christ did not offer an obvious connection to this midsummer festival, so early Church leaders turned to the life of John the Baptist. As the birth of Christ was celebrated at the winter solstice in late December, so John the Baptist's birth would be celebrated at the summer solstice.

It was and is a perfect fit: The nativity of John portends the nativity of Jesus.

### A Model of Holiness

John was the herald of Christ, "a voice of one crying out in the desert, 'Prepare the way of the Lord'" (Mt 3:3). But he was also much more.

The Baptist provided a model of heroic holiness. He publicly condemned hypocrisy and immorality, calling all to repentance. He challenged the greed and materialism of his day, following a life of poverty, simplicity and selflessness that inspired not only his contemporaries, but also the later pioneers of Christian monasticism.

Wherever John went, he was surrounded by vast crowds and followers, some thinking he was the Messiah. Yet he didn't take advantage of these people. Rather, he told them clearly that he wasn't who they thought he was, and that they must experience a conversion of heart in preparation for the Messiah (see Jn 1:19-27).

When Jesus began His ministry, John sent his disciples to Jesus and then faded into the background, humbly accepting his diminishing role with the words: "He [Christ] must increase; I must decrease" (Jn 3:30). He forgot himself and lived for Jesus.

John's message to the people so many years ago was that the Lord is imminent, so we must be prepared. On the solemnity of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, the Church renews that message.

- from *SimplyCatholic.com*

## FORMED® Pick of the Week



### The Bible Collection - Paul the Apostle

This week we celebrate the Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul, each of whom spread the Gospel to the nations in the earliest days of the Church. In honor of Paul, the Apostle of the Gentiles, enjoy this film the Bible Collection!

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.

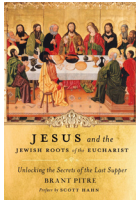
To register, go to FORMED.org and type our Postal Code (62040) to easily find and select our parish.

### Mercy Minute

"My daughter, know that My Heart is mercy itself. From this sea of mercy, graces flow out upon the whole world. No soul that has approached Me has ever gone away unconsolated. All misery gets buried in the depths of My mercy, and every saving and sanctifying grace flows from this fountain." (Diary, 1777).



### BOOK CLUB



Mary Lou Lyerla is hosting a book club exploring Brant Pitre's book *Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist*. Come any or all remaining weeks: June 30 and July 7. We meet at 7 p.m. in the Parish Life Center Library.

A few weeks after the current book club ends, Deacon Michael will host a few weeks of study on the US Bishops' recent document, *The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church*. Later in the summer, we will start another new study of the book *Becoming Eucharistic People: The Hope and Promise of Parish Life*.

To sign up or for more information on any of these, contact Bret in the parish office.

### 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.

### 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](http://dio.org/vessels).

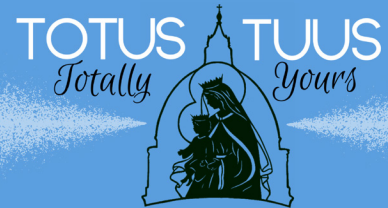


**Vacation Bible School  
Evenings, July 31 - August 4  
5:30-8:30 each evening**

**Registration \$15, with a \$2 early-bird discount if registered by July 18**

**Info & sign up at:  
[stelizabethgc.org/VBS](http://stelizabethgc.org/VBS)**

You can still volunteer to help!  
Contact Deacon Michael.



**THIS WEEK! Sign up NOW.  
Calling 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 & registration:  
[stelizabethgc.org/totus-tuus](http://stelizabethgc.org/totus-tuus)**

### HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY & FORMATION

**TOTUS TUUS:** Totus Tuus this week! 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). [stelizabethgc.org/totus-tuus](http://stelizabethgc.org/totus-tuus)

**GC ROCK (Tri-Cities parishes joint youth group):**  
July 17: Gathering at Holy Family, time TBA



# PARISH LIFE & HOSPITALITY

## Parish & School Events

### Sunday, June 26

7-9 p.m. - Totus Tuus Grades 7-12 (Harmony Room)

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

### Monday, June 27

9-2:30 - Totus Tuus Grades 1-6 (Holy Family Community Center)

7-9 p.m. - Totus Tuus Grades 7-12 (Harmony Room)

### Tuesday, June 28

9-2:30 - Totus Tuus Grades 1-6 (Holy Family Community Center)

7-9 p.m. - Totus Tuus Grades 7-12 (Harmony Room)

### Wednesday, June 29

9-2:30 - Totus Tuus Grades 1-6 (Holy Family Community Center)

6 p.m. - Charity Outreach Meeting (PLC Library)

7-9 p.m. - Totus Tuus Grades 7-12 (Harmony Room)

### Thursday, June 30

9-2:30 - Totus Tuus Grades 1-6 (Holy Family Community Center)

7-9 p.m. - Totus Tuus Grades 7-12 (Harmony Room)

### Friday, July 1

9-2:30 - Totus Tuus Grades 1-6 (Holy Family Community Center)

### Saturday, July 2

### Sunday, July 3

9 a.m. Men at Prayer (Choir Room)

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

## S'MORES NIGHT THIS THURSDAY

All are welcome to join the team and youth of our Totus Tuus week for all three parishes for S'mores Night here at St. Elizabeth this Thursday, June 30 at 6:15 p.m. Don't miss the fun - join us!

## 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.



## NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

### EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL - A Mission for You and Your Family Begins NOW

You are invited to join Catholics in our diocese by participating in a nationwide movement to grow into a deeper understanding and devotion of the holy Eucharist. This movement of Catholics, called Eucharistic Revival, is about healing, conversion, formation, and becoming a unified Body of Christ by focusing on encountering the real Body of Christ, present to us in the Eucharist. Visit [www.dio.org](http://www.dio.org) to learn more about this mission, how to sign up for updates, the timeline of events, and how to get involved.



June 25, 2022

10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

St. Elizabeth Cafeteria

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No worries.  
Use the QR code  
or text ZionStrong  
to 61474 to have a  
kit mailed to you.



## PRAYERS FOR OUR PRIESTS

The following are priests of our Diocese who are celebrating birthdays soon: 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: 6/17- Rev. Francis Harbe, Rev. Francis Schonlan & Rev. Ralph S. Guido 6/18- Rev. Julius Kirchgessner, C.S.B. 6/19- Rev. James Ahern, Rev. Thomas Gorman 6/20- Rev. Francis X. Schreiber, Rev. William Pietsch 6/22- Rev. John Marion, Rev. John A. Duval & Rev. John Hogan



## 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



## Saints Peter & Paul

On June 29 the Church celebrates the feast day of two great saints, Saint Peter and Saint Paul.

St. Peter and St. Paul are two of the most well-known saints and are often spoken of as the two men most responsible for spreading the Christian message in the days of the early church.

Peter, a fisherman in Galilee, was first named Simon but Jesus gave him the name 'Peter', which means 'rock'. Jesus told Peter that he would build his Church on this rock. Jesus called Peter to leave his work as a fisherman and follow him. Peter became the leader of the Apostles. When Jesus asked his friends who they thought he was, Peter said "You are the Messiah, the Son of the Living God." Peter was an important leader of the early Church. After Pentecost he was able to preach to large crowds, telling them about Jesus. He became the first Bishop of Rome: the first Pope.

Paul, a very religious Jew from Tarsus, was first called Saul. He never met Jesus whilst Jesus was on earth. After Jesus had ascended to heaven, Saul was trying to stop the early Christians teaching about Jesus. Then on the road to Damascus, the Risen Jesus appeared to Saul, telling him to stop persecuting Christians and to believe in Jesus. Saul was converted. He became known as Paul and Jesus made him into an Apostle for the Gentiles. Paul made three missionary journeys, founding churches in places in Asia Minor (modern Turkey) and Europe. Paul was a tentmaker and he did this work to support himself on

his travels. After his third journey, Paul was arrested and put into prison for two years. He insisted on standing trial in Rome, but the ship he was taken on was shipwrecked off Malta. Finally Paul reached Rome, where he spent two more years under house arrest.

Peter and Paul both died as martyrs in Rome, around 63 AD. Because of his Roman citizenship, Saint Paul was beheaded. St. Peter was reportedly crucified upside down because he said he was not worthy to be sacrificed in the same manner as Christ. You can read about them in the Bible: in the four Gospels and in the Acts of the Apostles. In the New Testament, you can also read letters (Epistles) that Paul wrote to people in the churches he had founded, in places such as Rome, Corinth, Galatia, Ephesus and Philippi.

As early as 258 AD, there is evidence of an already-lengthy tradition that both Saint Peter and Saint Paul were celebrated on the same day.

In a sermon in the year 395, St. Augustine of Hippo said of Saints Peter and Paul: "Both apostles share the same feast day, for these two were one; and even though they suffered on different days, they were as one. Peter went first, and Paul followed. And so we celebrate this day made holy for us by the apostles' blood. Let us embrace what they believed, their life, their labors, their sufferings, their preaching, and their confession of faith."

- Adapted from Busted Halo & Wednesday Word

## NEARBY

### MASS AT TOLTON'S GRAVE WITH BISHOP PAPROCKI



To commemorate the 125th anniversary of the death of the Venerable Servant of God Augustine Tolton, Bishop Paprocki will lead a procession from St. Peter's church to Father Tolton's grave in St. Peter cemetery, where he will offer the Holy Mass. The procession will begin at 10:00 a.m. on July 9, and the Mass will begin at 11:00 a.m. Those unable to take part in the roughly mile long procession route may park near the cemetery for the Mass (but not in the cemetery, due to lack of space). Chairs and bottled water will be available, but it may be good to bring your own. All are welcome to join the procession and/or the Mass.

*If you are interested in attending, please sign up at <https://stelizabethgc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1335712>. If there is enough interest, we will coordinate a parish car-pool to Quincy.*

### ST. PETER & PAUL ALTON

The Old Cathedral of Ss. Peter and Paul Parish in Alton is launching a Capital Campaign to restore the 165-year-old structure that was the seat of the original diocese which then became the Diocese of Springfield. Our first three bishops are buried 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. 717 State St., Alton. Any questions call 618-465-4221.**



### 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.

# STEWARDSHIP

## Our Financial Stewardship June 19, 2022

	Actual	Goal	Over/(Short)
Week 51 Regular Income	\$7,108.00		
107 Envelopes, Avg. Gift \$66.43			
One-Time Donation			
Loose	\$400.00		
Online Giving	\$1,397.00		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$8,905.00</b>	<b>\$8,606.00</b>	<b>\$299.00</b>
<b>YTD TOTALS</b>	<b>\$415,768.12</b>	<b>\$438,908.00</b>	<b>(\$23,137.88)</b>

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	\$560.00
Building Repair/Maintenance	\$305.00
Special Projects	\$100.00
Retired Priests	\$140.00
Peters Pence	\$5.00
Other Parish Not Specified	\$5.00

### Parish Tithing Reporting

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

Our May tithe is \$4,322.

### Scrip Progress

Date: June 19, 2022

	Current	/	YTD
Walmart	Did	/	\$24,600
National	not	/	\$32,150
Total Sales	balance	/	\$56,750
Annual Gross Profit to-date			\$2,322.00
Approx. Credit Card Fees			(\$199.00)
Approx. Net Profit to-date			\$2,123.00

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

## 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.

### Upcoming Special Collections

June 26: Peter's Pence  
 October 23: World Mission Sunday  
 November 20: Diocesan Campaign for Justice & Hope



### Following Father Alfred

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