

Disciples Stewards

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church & School

Granite City, Illinois ♦ Diocese of Springfield in Illinois

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time ♦ August 7, 2022



Saint Lawrence and the souls in purgatory altarpiece by Niccolò Lapi in the Basilica di San Lorenzo in Florence, Italy

Inside: Read about some interesting saints we celebrate this week in the church calendar.


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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, August 8

St. Dominic, Priest

Tuesday, August 9

St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin & Martyr

8:15 a.m. Mass:

John Uzunoff+

by Gene & Maria Augenbaugh

Wednesday, August 10

St. Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr

8:15 a.m. Mass:

James Dittman+ by Karen Campbell

Thursday, August 11

St. Clare, Virgin

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Geraldine Ropac+ by Norma Lesko

Friday, August 12

St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Mary Ellen Becherer+

by Marllys & Mitchell Akin

Saturday, August 13

Sts. Pontian, Pope and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs


Communion Service - No Mass intention

Saturday-Sunday, August 13-14

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. Saturday Mass:

Janet Mills+ by Paul & Joyce Mills

8:00 a.m. Mass: 


Jack Folkerts+

by Brett, Chris, Brandon & Tyler Ahring

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.

August is dedicated to
the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for August:

For Small Businesses: We pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities.

SUNDAY'S MASS READINGS

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 18:6-9. Psalm 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22.

Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19. Luke 12:32-48.

What Shall We Do? Jesus tells us today: "Do not be afraid any longer." He also tells us what to do next. Here is the list. Give alms. Gird your loins, that is, put on comfortable clothes so you can work. Wait at the ready for the coming of the Lord. Be prepared all the time. Know what God wants. As followers of Jesus Christ, we are to be about his business and his Father's business - not our own. Our business is also God's business.

What fear will I let go; what fear will I give up?

What does God want me to do this week?

How will I be full of mercy by _____?



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 **the repose of the soul of James Dittman+**. For information on offering the 14-day candle in honor or memory of a loved one, contact the Parish Office.



This week, Altar Flowers are **in memory of Richard Votoupal+ by Gordon & Dorothy Votoupal-Hayes**. 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 Deder

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

Czornog and Ostrenga Families

Ida Gragg & Patti Jackson

Tony & Mary Bellue

Brian Foreman

Merry Trtanj

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

Celebrating a Week of Saints

There are some wonderful saints on the calendar as we celebrate this coming week.

Monday: Memorial of St. Dominic, Priest

St. Dominic founded the Order of Preachers (commonly known as the Dominicans, named after him). Unlike the officials of his day, Dominic's community preached by means of simplicity of life, personal and communal prayer, community life, and study. Their preaching method would include dialogue with those considered outside of accepted Church teaching. Like Jesus, Dominic invited people to change their hearts.

You might know a Dominican without even realizing it. The Dominican Sisters of Springfield, Illinois ministered in Granite City for many years, most recently helping to found and run Holy Family School and helping administer St. Mary & St. Mark Parishes during their presence here.

Tuesday: St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (St. Teresa of Avila)

St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross was born Edith Stein at Breslau in 1891 into an observant Jewish family, but by the time she reached her teens, she had become an atheist. She studied philosophy and received her doctorate at Freiburg under the philosopher Edmund Husserl but left her university career to teach at a girls' school when Husserl did not support her further studies. Influenced by her study of scholastic theology and spirituality, she became a Catholic in 1922. In 1932, she became a lecturer at Munster, but anti-Semitic laws passed by the Nazis forced her to resign, and

she entered the Carmel at Cologne in 1933. In an attempt to protect her faith from the Nazis, she was transferred to a Carmel in the Netherlands, but when the Dutch bishops condemned Nazi racism, the Nazis retaliated by arresting Jewish converts. Edith, along with her sister Rosa, who had also become a Catholic, was deported to Auschwitz and died in the gas chamber on August 9, 1942.

Wednesday: Feast of St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr

St. Lawrence (+258) is a special patron of deacons, as he was a deacon himself. Arrested during a time of persecution, Lawrence sold the community's possessions to care for the poor and left nothing for his captors. His captors had already martyred popes and bishops trying to get their hands on the church's wealth. When they finally asked him to bring the church's treasure, he assembled the people of the church and pointed out that **THEY** were the treasures of the church.

Enraged, his captors roasted his body over an open fire, forcing the poor to watch. Legend holds that Lawrence cried out, "I'm done on this side. Turn me over!"

He's a patron of deacons and (ironically, in the church's wonderful sense of humor) chefs. The next time you see Deacon Michael or another deacon wearing the liturgical garment of the dalmatic, you might note that it



typically is marked with crossed markings that resemble the pattern of a grill, in St. Lawrence's honor.

Thursday: Memorial of St. Clare, Virgin

St. Clare (1194-1253) was a friend and follower of St. Francis of Assisi. She was from a wealthy family and sold all she had to serve the poor. Many women came to join Clare's Poor Ladies. Clare served her sisters, like Christ, the Servant King.

Friday: Memorial of St. Jane Frances de Chantal

St. Jane Frances de Chantal was still a young woman when her husband died in a hunting accident, leaving her with six young children and little comfort outside her devotion to Christ and the Church. Jane founded the Order of the Visitation as a religious community with a moderate rule accessible to the widowed, old, and ill candidates.

She is a patron saint of mothers, wives, and widows.

Saturday: Memorial of Sts. Pontian and Hippolytus

Sts. Pontian and Hippolytus were at odds during life but were reconciled at the end of life. St. Hippolytus was one of the most important theologians of the early Roman Church but allowed himself to be set up as antipope due to his impatience with what he was as "laxness" in the Church.

St. Pontian was the last of the three popes opposed by Hippolytus, but the two were both exiled by Emperor Maximus and met martyrdom together.



Burgers & Brews + Cornhole Tournament

Hosted by the men of our Exodus 90 Fraternity for the men of St. Elizabeth, Holy Family, & St. Mary/St. Mark Parishes

Sunday, August 14 - 4:30-7:30 p.m.

Tournament at 5:30 p.m.; Optional Holy Hour at 7:30

St. Elizabeth Church Parking Lot

Young men in high school & up welcome

RSVP & Tournament Signup at stelizabethgc.org/exodus

FORMED® Pick of the Week



Edith Stein: The Seventh Chamber
This is a moving, artistic portrayal of the life of Jewish philosopher, Catholic convert, and Carmelite martyr, Edith Stein. It powerfully captures the interior struggles of this extraordinary woman and her journey toward the Lord. Deeply influenced by the writings of St. Teresa of Avila, she joined the Carmelites, took the name of Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, and was put to death in Auschwitz in 1942. In honor of Teresa Benedicta's feast day, enjoy this film.

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

Go to FORMED.org and type our Postal Code (62040) to easily find and select our parish.

Mercy Minute

"All my strength is in You, O Living Bread. It would be difficult for me to live through the day if I did not receive Holy Communion. It is my shield; without You, Jesus, I know not how to live." (Diary, 814).



RCIA IS STARTING SOON

It's almost time to start to gather this year's class of RCIA inquirers - people who may be interested in becoming Catholic and entering the church this year. This is the time to continue to pray for inquirers, and to talk with your friends and family about it. Talk to, or introduce them to, Deacon Michael to start the conversation.



THE RESCUE PROJECT

How does Jesus answer the deepest cry of the heart? Join us this fall as Chris Spanberger & Norma Lesko host The Rescue Project, opening the truly good news of the Gospel and an understanding of the mission that God has uniquely entrusted to YOU. Completely FREE, in the Parish Life Center.

Option 1: Tuesdays 9:15-10:45 a.m.:

September 13, 20, 27; October 4, 11, 18, 25; November 1.

Option 2: Thursdays 6:30-8:00 p.m.:

September 15, 22, 29; October 6, 13, 20, 27; November 3.

MEN: JOIN US

Men, bring a friend and join us - our Exodus fraternity is hosting a night of free burgers, brews, and an optional cornhole tournament NEXT SUNDAY. Just a night for some fun & fellowship as men of our parishes & guests. More info & sign up at stelizabethgc.org/exodus.



THURSDAY NIGHTS STARTING THIS SEPTEMBER

Family Faith Nights will be for everyone seeking formation across all of our local parishes - St. Elizabeth, Holy Family, & St. Mary/St. Mark.

Thursday nights, 6:30-8:15 starting September 15, at St. Elizabeth.

PSR Religious education & faith formation for public school students in grades 1-5, including Sacramental preparation for grades 1-3.

YOUNG ADULT Faith formation, Bible Studies, & unique experiences for grades 6-8 & high school.

ADULTS "Hot topics" in Catholic life and faith for adults of any age.

RCIA Journeying together with those inquiring about entering the Church as adults.

PARENTS Special sessions through the year on set dates, for parents & sponsors of those youth preparing for Sacraments.

BAPTISM & MARRIAGE PREP Special sessions on set dates for Baptism & Marriage prep, integrated into the broader formation community.

WATCH FOR MORE INFO - including registration info starting next week. If you are interested in more info or helping, please contact Deacon Michael.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

Keep an eye on the bulletin for high school activities on our Family Faith Nights, Thursday nights this coming school year, and for our upcoming season of Open Gym Nights.

GC ROCK Our tri-cities parishes' youth group GC Rock is also here for you!

August 7 - Gather at Holy Family 6:30-8pm. Sort & organize school supply drive items.

August 13 - Outreach at Community Care. Setup 12 Noon, Outreach 1-3pm.

August 21 - Gathering/Activity TBT!

Watch our FB Group (GC Rock Youth Group) for any changes or additions.

Rocks and Parents, On the Sundays that we do not Gather, please join us at Vespers/Adoration for 1 hour 7:30-8:30, at St. Elizabeth.

Questions? Call Rita 972-4022, Woody 876-7551, or Bret in the St. E Parish office.

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MATTHEW
GC Rock
Youth Group

PARISH LIFE & HOSPITALITY

Parish & School Events

Sunday, August 7

5:30-8:30 p.m. - Vacation Bible School!
Enter in the front of the gym.

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

Monday, August 8

5:30-8:30 p.m. - Vacation Bible School!
Enter in the front of the gym.

Tuesday, August 9

5:30-8:30 p.m. - Vacation Bible School!
Enter in the front of the gym.

7:30 p.m. - Men's Club Meeting (Cafeteria)

Wednesday, August 10

5:30-8:30 p.m. - Vacation Bible School!
Enter in the front of the gym.

7 p.m. BINGO (Columbus Home)

Thursday, August 11

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

5:30-8:30 p.m. - Vacation Bible School!
Enter in the front of the gym.

Friday, August 12

Saturday, August 13

Sunday, August 14

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

4:30-7:30 - Men's Bags & Brews night
(Parking Lot)

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

15th ANNUAL ST. ELIZABETH GOLF TOURNAMENT

September 11! 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. Registration at Noon, tee off at 1 p.m., Legacy Golf Course. *We are in need of additional hole sponsors for the event as well. Cost is \$60. See the parish office or call Tom C. at 618-789-0337 for more information.*

GC ROCK SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

School starts soon, and there are many children in our community from grade school to high school age needing school supplies. GC Rock is still collecting these items August 6-7. Please bring folders, spiral notebooks, pens, mechanical pencils, washable markers, and new backpacks for all ages including high school. We'll collect in the large bins in the gathering space. Thank you from GC Rock!

LADIES SODALITY NEWS: MEETING DATE CHANGE

We will hold our August meeting on the third Tuesday of the month. We have had several requests from the Knights of Columbus Ladies to move our meeting due to it conflicting with their meeting night. We will take a vote at the meeting, August 16th, to make a change to the bylaws, if everyone is in agreement. I hope this change will allow more ladies to attend. Remember all ladies of the parish are welcome. Snack and fellowship 6:00pm, meeting 6:30-7:30

NEW ADULT SAFE ENVIRONMENT AWARENESS TRAINING

Beginning July 1, the adult safe environment awareness training transitioned from VIRTUS' *Protecting God's Children* to Catholic Mutual Group's (CMG) *Safe Haven*. This training, offered on a fully virtual platform,

allows the user to complete the course on their own time and provides more engaging content than past trainings. The virtual platform will also allow for background checks to be completed electronically. The results of training and background checks will all be housed in one database, CMG Connect. Fingerprint processes will be unchanged, but results will be housed in the database as well. Be on the lookout for information being sent to individuals who need new background checks or to update other information. Please follow the directions as soon as possible so that we can maintain our status as a parish and keep everyone safe. Thank you in advance!

THE EUCHARIST IN SCRIPTURE - STUDY GROUP AT HOLY FAMILY

The Church invites Catholics into a deeper understanding and devotion of the Holy Eucharist. Unfortunately, many Catholics either do not believe or simply do not know that Jesus is truly present in the Holy Eucharist. A recent Pew Study revealed that 70% of Catholics polled fall into this category. It will take each of us to grow deeper in our faith, knowledge, and devotion of the Eucharist to convert souls and help our brothers and sisters encounter Christ through the Eucharist. Holy Family in Granite City, will be offering an adult faith formation opportunity, beginning on September 12, 2022, in the parish conference center at 2606 Washington Ave. To register or seek additional information, contact the parish office at (618) 877-7158. The cost of this scripture study is \$24.95 to cover the cost of the participant workbook. Registration and workbook fee are due to the parish office by August 31, 2022. In *The Eucharist in Scripture*, discover God's plan as it is expressed through the Bible and the Mass. This six-lesson study will unlock the meaning of covenant, sacrifice, and sacrament as understood in the Bible, from Genesis through Revelation.



PRAYERS FOR OUR PRIESTS

The following are priests of our Diocese who are celebrating birthdays soon: 8/5- MOST REV. THOMAS JOHN PAPROCKI & Rev. D. Patrick Gibbons 8/8- Rev. Trenton Rauck SJC 8/13- REV. ZACHARY EDGAR 8/14- Most Rev. Carl Kemme 8/16- Rev. Martin Smith.

The following are priests of our Diocese who have died. Please remember them in your daily prayers: 7/22- Rev. Terrance Brady Rev. David Scully, Rev. Richard Buchanan Rev. Jeremiah J. Cronin Rev. Charles A. Muskus 7/23- Rev. James Hasty Rev. Joseph S. Miller 7/24- Rev. Patrick Malloy Rev. John Murphy 7/26- Rev. Stanley O. Yunker 7/27- Msgr. Joseph O'Dwyer 7/28- Rev. Daniel Ryan Rev. Mike Clifford Rev. Edward J. Kowalski



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

FALL BAZAAR NEWS

We would like to introduce ourselves. I am Nanette Bladdick, my daughter is Michelle Uhercik. We have volunteered to take over the basket booth for the Fall Bazaar. We hope everyone is enjoying their summer so far. Now that the picnic is over, we are able to start collecting items for the Bazaar basket booth. Hard to believe it is only 3 months away. Anyone wishing to donate baskets and/or new items, please place them in the marked basket located across from the Harmony room in the Church. Please note that perishable food/drink items need to have an expiration date of at least 12-01-22. This will allow winners time to enjoy their basket. We would also like to request more kid items/baskets for all age groups. Those seem to be the first baskets to be picked. If you would like to donate items and not able to bring to the church, please call either one of us to arrange a time for your donation to be picked up. Michelle and I would like to thank everyone for their donations in advance. Please do not hesitate to call us with any questions you may have: Nanette: 618-444-3688 Michelle: 618-255-3177.

Basket Booth Donation List Suggestions:

Teen Boys: \$5-10 Gift Cards, Body Wash, Hair Gel, Pop Socket, Tech Gifts, Big League Chew, Sunflower Seeds, Beef Jerky, Sunglasses, Sports Water Bottle, Gum

Teen Girls: \$5-10 Gift Cards, Body Wash, Lip Gloss, Tech Gifts, Chapstick, Fuzzy Socks, Pop Socket, Sunglasses, Tumblers, Bath Bombs, Gum

Young Boys: Play Doh, Gum, Board Games, Small action figures, Coloring books, Crayons/markers, Slime, Card games, Stuffed animals, Puzzles

Young Girls: Play Doh, Gum, Board Games, Headbands, Activity books, Crayons/markers, Slime, Candy, Stuffed animals, Puzzles

Baskets: Coffee basket, Wine/beer basket, Movie night basket, Baking basket, Cooking/grill basket, Tool basket, Men's products basket, Art supply basket, Candy basket, Pet basket, Women's bath basket

ST. ELIZABETH SCHOOL

SWIM PARTY

School families - we hope you'll join us for the back to school swim party at Paddlers on Saturday, August 6 from 7-10 p.m.!

BLESSING OF BACKPACKS

Mark your calendars for the Blessing of Backpacks at the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, August 14.

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Elizabeth School is a Catholic center of education, a service to the parish and the community at large. The mission of St. Elizabeth School is to provide an environment which will foster Catholic moral values and academic excellence. The school, working together with family, faculty and parish community, strives to open new avenues of learning, stimulate critical and creative thinking, stress personal values and promote an awareness of our uniqueness in God's redemptive plan. As an instrument of the Catholic Church, St. Elizabeth School focuses its education on growth in Christian living and service.



The invitation features a central circular logo for Father McGivney Catholic High School celebrating its 10th anniversary (2012-2022). The logo includes the school's name, 'TEN 10 YEARS', and 'GRIFINS'. Below the logo, the text reads: 'YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO CELEBRATE THE 10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF OUR SCHOOL.' The event details are: 'Join us for Mass with Bishop Paprocki Sunday, August 28 at 1 PM | FMCHS Gymnasium 7190 Bouse Rd. | Glen Carbon, IL 62034 Celebration & Open House to follow after Mass.' At the bottom, it says 'RSVP for the event at: McGivneyGriffins.com/10-year-anniversary'.



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 July 31, 2022

	Actual	Goal	Over/(Short)
Week 5 Regular Income	\$7,031.00		
111 Envelopes, Avg. Gift \$63.34			
One-Time Donation	\$2,000.00		
Loose	\$340.00		
Online Giving	\$1,237.00		
TOTAL	\$10,608.00	\$8,871.00	\$1,737.00
YTD TOTALS	\$41,156.00	\$44,355.00	(\$3,199.00)

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	\$60.00
Building Repair/Maintenance	\$135.00
Special Projects	\$20.00
Votive Offering	\$56.81
Mission & Ministry	\$10.00
Mission Appeal	\$1,000.00
Assumption of Mary	\$45.00
BINGO Profit	\$10,000.00

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 June tithe is \$3,230.

Scrip Progress

Date: July 31, 2022

	Current	/	YTD
Walmart	Did	/	\$29,350
National	Not	/	\$37,575
Total Sales	Balance	/	\$68,925
Annual Gross Profit to-date			\$2,726.00
Approx. Credit Card Fees			(\$235.00)
Approx. Net Profit to-date			\$2,491.00

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

Upcoming Special Collections

October 23: World Mission Sunday
November 20: Diocesan Campaign for
Justice & Hope

"For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be." - Luke 12:34

Jesus encourages us to build up our treasure in heaven. The world encourages us to build up our treasure in real estate, investments, and material goods. How much time are you investing in building up a worldly treasure? How much time are you investing in building up a heavenly treasure? To invest more in the things of heaven, you must let go of some of the things of this world.



Stop  **from becoming**
Midwest's
Abortion Hub

"But this kind is not cast out but by prayer and fasting." Matthew 17:21

Heavenly Father, You have given us great hope by gifting us with the reversal of Roe v. Wade. Bless the State of ILLINOIS with good and holy leaders to guide and place us on the right path. We offer You our prayers and fasting in thanksgiving and for this intention.

PRAY & FAST every Friday on Bread & Water for the CONVERSION of ILLINOIS.
(If not medically able, substitute accordingly)

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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