

Disciples Stewards

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church & School

Granite City, Illinois ♦ Diocese of Springfield in Illinois

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time ♦ September 25, 2022



Congratulations to couples celebrating 50+ years of Marriage!

This weekend at 10:30 Mass, we celebrate and bless couples who have been married 50 or more years. See details of each inside.

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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, September 26

Saints Cosmas & Damian, Martyrs

No Mass

Tuesday, September 27

Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Jim Dittman+ by Larry & Cheryl Mangi

Wednesday, September 28

Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr; Saint Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Bill Loftus+ by Bob & Donna Scaturro

Thursday, September 29

Saints Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Albert Lesko+ by Norma Lesko

Friday, September 30

Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Geraldine Ropac+ by Norma Lesko

Saturday, October 1

Saint Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Mary Ellen Becherer+ by Nancy Santana

Saturday-Sunday, October 1-2

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. Saturday Mass:

Mark James+ by Lois Glasgow

8:00 a.m. Mass: 

Parishioners of Saint Elizabeth

10:30 a.m. Mass:

John Uzunoff+ by Keith & Susan Gehling

 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.

September is dedicated to the Our Lady of Sorrows

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for September:
For Abolition of the Death Penalty:**

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

SUNDAY'S MASS READINGS

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 6:1a, 4-7. Psalm 146:7, 8-9, 9-10. 1 Timothy 2:11-16. Luke 16:19-31.

Are the Rich in Trouble? Here, today, is the story of a rich man and a poor man, Lazarus (means, "My God helps"). The impoverished life of the latter and the sumptuous life of the former gets reversed in death and the life that follows. Are the rich in trouble? It depends.

How will I keep one eye on heaven, my final home?

How will I be generous today?

How can I feed those who are hungry?



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 Jim Alsop+**.

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 James Dittman+ by Janice Dittman**. 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

Czworog and Ostrenga Families

Ida Gragg & Patti Jackson

Tony & Mary Bellue

Brian Foreman

Merry Trtanj

Carl Williams

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

LEARNING & LIVING AS DISCIPLES

Been waiting for a weekday Mass you can attend? Looking for an evening weekday Mass?
Wait no longer! Tell your family, friends, and coworkers

TUESDAY EVENING MASS 6 p.m. at ST. ELIZABETH

Starts next Tuesday, October 4 - Replaces the 8:15 a.m. Tuesday morning Mass

CELEBRATING COUPLES MARRIED 50+ YEARS

A combined 787 years of marriage!

In the order shown on the bulletin cover:

Mark and Donna Yehling, August 12, 1967
Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri

Andy and JoAnn Yurko, September 17, 1966
St. Elizabeth, Granite City

Joe and Rose Krystopa, May 9, 1958
St. Charles, DuBois

Paul and Joyce Mills, September 10, 1971
St. Clare, O'Fallon, Illinois

Bud and Charlotte Charbonnier, April 16, 1966
St. Joseph, Granite City

Premo & Kay Clay, November 21, 1959
Holy Rosary, Fairmont City

Pam and Vernon Winn, December 22, 1972
September 12, 1993 at St. Elizabeth, Granite City

Sam and Barbara Shambro, October 12, 1963
St. Mary's, Madison

Claude and Carol Kessler, June 21, 1958
St. Pius, Walsh, Illinois

Gary and Jeannie Wilbur, December 20, 1969
St. Margaret Mary, Granite City

Michael and Justine Thornton, September 1, 1972
Sacred Heart, Granite City

Maurice & Sheila Poiter, November 22, 1962
Sacred Heart, Duquoin, Illinois

Harry and Geraldine Clark, February 1, 1969
Corpus Christi, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dave and Sandra Bristol, May 29, 1971
St. George, Van Buren, Missouri



FALL CAMPAIGN: SEPTEMBER 28 - NOVEMBER 6
St. Elizabeth parishioners are invited to join over 1 million volunteers in 855 cities across 61 nations for a peaceful, life-saving campaign to end abortion.

PRAYER & FASTING
During the 40 days from September 28 to November 6, all are invited to spend time during their normal day fasting and praying for an end to abortion.

PEACEFUL VIGIL: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8
In addition, each group is invited to select 1 day for its members to take turns praying at their local abortion facility.

St. Elizabeth has adopted Saturday, October 8 as our day.
Sign up for 1 hour to pray at the abortion facility in Granite City: <https://signup.com/go/imdTxBJ>



*Respect Life Mass
& Rosary Walk*

DETAILS

9 a.m. Respect Life Mass
Celebrated by
Bishop Paprocki

10:15 a.m. Rosary and
Prayer Walk

Luncheon Guest Speaker
Amy Gehrke, Executive Director
Illinois Right to Life

OCTOBER 1, 2022
Holy Family Church
2606 Washington
Granite City, IL

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FORMATION Growing in Knowledge of Christ & His Church

This Week on FORMED®



Thérèse

A pampered child from a middle-class 19th century French family, Thérèse Martin journeys to Rome to beg Pope Leo XIII for permission to enter the Carmelite monastery at the unheard-of age of 15. Once admitted she experiences the joys and rigors of monastic life, and makes the surprising yet simple discovery that holiness can be achieved by small acts of love and compassion, a spiritual path she calls her Little Way.

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 signup.FORMED.org and select our parish name.

Mercy Minute

"Today, in the course of a long conversation, the Lord said to me, 'How very much I desire the salvation of souls! My dearest secretary, write that I want to pour out My divine life into human souls and sanctify them, if only they were willing to accept My grace. The greatest sinners would achieve great sanctity.'" (Diary, 1784)



PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

There's still time to sign up for PSR for students in Grades 1-5 to continue religious ed. We've delayed our start but will be starting soon:

stelizabethgc.org/formation

RCIA: LEARN ABOUT OUR FAITH

Whether you want to enter into the full sacramental life of the Church, or just want to learn more about Catholicism, please come join us for our 2023 RCIA class. We'll discuss the faith and the life of the Church each Thursday until just after Easter next year. Exploring RCIA isn't a commitment to enter the Church at Easter, but is the path to explore that as an option. Thursday nights, 6:30-8:15. For more information email Deacon Michael at mhalbrook@stelizabethgc.org.

THE RESCUE PROJECT

The Rescue Project continues! Tuesdays 9:15-10:45 a.m. or Thursdays 6:30-8:15 p.m., through November 3. Join us!



REBOOT!

Chris Stefanick, an internationally acclaimed Catholic speaker, author, and TV host will present REBOOT!, an experience of learning how to better apply the beauty and genius of the Gospel to every aspect of life at the Effingham Performance Center Nov. 2 at 7 p.m. Purchase tickets at reallifecatholic.com.

VESSELS: 1-DAY RETREAT FOR WOMEN

Join women from across the diocese to experience the power of Christ in Scripture, prayer, and sacrament. Janet Kehoe and Msgr. David Hoefler will be presenting on Filled Vessels. This one day retreat will be hosted at Villa Maria Retreat Center in Springfield, IL on Oct. 8 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. The cost is \$35.00. To register, go to dio.org/vessels.

PRESENCE: THE MYSTERY OF THE EUCHARIST - GROUP STUDY

Explore the truth and beauty of Christ's real presence in the Eucharist, from its origins in Sacred Scripture, to its profound role in the life of the Church and her members. Fridays, Oct. 14th, Oct. 21st, Oct. 28th, Nov. 4; 6:30 - 8:00 pm; Trinity Hall, St. Paul Parish, 1411 Main Street, Highland, IL. Call parish office at 618-654-2339 to register or dharlan@stpaulhighland.org. Study materials will be provided. Light refreshments will be offered. Donations will be accepted.

YOUNG DISCIPLES SOCIETY

4th-8th graders - JOIN US!

It's time to kick off the year!

First gathering of the year: Sunday, October 23, 9:15-10:15 in the Harmony Room.

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOLERS

JOIN US! NEW ST. ELIZABETH YOUTH GROUP

Junior High and High Schoolers: Join us on October 9th after the 10:30 a.m. Holy Mass for the first meeting of our new St. Elizabeth youth group. We will share community, pray together, and grow in our Catholic faith. Starting around 11:30 a.m., we will conclude in about one hour; lunch will be provided. Non-Catholics are welcome to join us, so bring a friend. Adults interested in helping run the meeting, please contact Seminarian Phillip Gorrell at pgorrell@dio.org.



HIGH SCHOOLERS: OVERNIGHT NET LOCK-IN

Saturday-Sunday, October 29-30, 2022, grades 9-12. 5:45 pm Saturday to Noon Sunday. Open to all high schoolers - invite a friend! Sign up here: <https://stelizabethgc.org/net-hs>

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

Sunday, September 25- NO EVENING GATHERING. If you would like to watch the movie UNPLANNED at Holy Family, it will be shown after the 40 Days for Life Rally. The movie has an R rating, so please invite a parent(s) to join us.

Saturday, October 1- 9 a.m. Respect Life Mass, Rosary Walk, and Luncheon at Holy Family. GC Rock is helping, especially serving the lunch. Please help!

Sundays, October 9 & November 5- Gathering at Holy Family 6:30-8 p.m.

Mark your calendars for Saturday, December 10 - Help at Billie's Kids Christmas!

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

PARISH LIFE & HOSPITALITY

NEED A RIDE TO MASS?

Do you or someone you know need a ride to Mass? If so, contact the parish office. We have some parishioners who may be willing to help! Call Bret at 618-877-3300.

TUESDAY MASS TIME CHANGE

Starting next Tuesday, the 8:15 a.m. Mass will be moved to 6 p.m. each Tuesday. We hope more people will be able to attend a mid-week Mass with this shift of one daily Mass to the evening.

150 CLUB WINNERS

Congratulations to our 150 Club Winners for August, #26 Tom & Nancy Kurilla and for September, #120 Rob & Jennifer Hutson.

LADIES SODALITY NEWS

The next meeting is this Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. All Ladies of the school and parish welcome. Granite City Beekeeper will give us a 20 minute talk on Bees. Please join us.

Please donate items for the Bazaar basket booth. We need men's items: beer, work gloves, and tools. Children's items for babies thru tweens would be greatly appreciated. Help with turkey expense by donating cash. Place envelope in Sunday collection marked Turkeys. General store asking for garden goodies canned peppers, beets, relish. Jellies and jams are a great seller. Please plan on baking breads and desserts for the general store and the dinner.

New this year: Pumpkin decorating for the children. If good weather this will be set up outside under the cafeteria overhang. We are in need of washable

markers, stickers, ribbons and fall leaves and flowers.

As always thank you for your help in making this day a success and a fun fellowship day. Best turkey dinner around.

Questions call Tammi 618-920-1792.

JOIN OUR MUSIC MINISTRY

New members are welcome with open arms and big smiles. Share in music, praise, fellowship, fun, and more! Join in our ministry to sing praise to our Lord and enrich the services with God's Word in song. Sopranos, Altos, Tenors, Bass, families, friends, and students ages 11 and up are invited to come join our choir family. We would love to have some instrumentalists join us too. If you're interested, let Cathy know or leave word at the parish office. Rehearsals are Sunday Evenings, 6-7:15 p.m. through June. Come spend a rehearsal with us. You'll surely want to join us!

SCRAP METAL DRIVE IS BACK

We're holding another Scrap Metal Drive on Saturday, October 15 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the gym parking lot. If you missed our first one in the Spring, now's your chance! 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! We also offer local pickup service for large metal items that are on the main floor of your home or business. Help raise money for St. Elizabeth and clean out your garage or basement at the same time. Contact the parish office with questions or to schedule a pickup.

Parish & School Events

Sunday, September 25

Blessing for Couples Married 50+ Years at 10:30 Mass

1 p.m. - 40 Days For Life Opening Rally (Abortion Facility)

6 p.m. - Choir Practice (Church)

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

Monday, September 26

4:30 p.m. - Royals Baseball vs. Holy Family at Wilson Park Field #2

Tuesday, September 27

9:15-10:45 - The Rescue Project daytime group (Harmony Room)

6:00 - Ladies Sodality (Harmony Room)

7:30 - Knights of Columbus (Columbus Home)

Wednesday, September 28

7 p.m. - BINGO (Columbus Home)

Thursday, September 29

9 a.m. - 9 p.m. - Adoration (Benediction at 9 p.m.)

6:30-8:15 - Family Faith Night (with The Rescue Project)

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

Friday, September 30

Saturday, October 1

9 a.m. - Respect Life Mass (Holy Family) Harmony Cafe after Masses

Sunday, October 2

Harmony Cafe after Masses

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

6 p.m. - Choir Practice (Church)

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

Further Out...

October 8

St. Elizabeth Day of 40 Days For Life

October 19

Senior Luncheon

October 23

Ladies Sodality Bazaar & Turkey Dinner

October 27-28

7th & 8th Grade NET Retreats

October 29 (or possibly 30)

Trunk or Treat

October 29-30

NET High School Overnight Retreat

AROUND THE AREA

CHICKEN DINNER

Mother of Perpetual Help in Maryville will host their annual All-You-Can-Eat Chicken Dinner on Sunday, October 16th from 11:30-5:30. We will serve fried chicken, mashed potatoes & gravy, dressing, apple sauce, green beans, sauerkraut slaw, dessert and a beverage. Dine in or carry out. \$13 for adults, \$7 for children 6-13 and children 5 and under are free.

BLUE MASS AT THE CATHEDRAL

Out of sincere respect and appreciation for the sacrifices made by committed public safety officials, a Blue Mass is being held to celebrate the service of first responders and to pray for their safety

and continued diligence in all their good work. The Blue Mass is to provide spiritual assistance to these men and women of all faiths who consistently put their lives on the line to ensure the rule of law and safe society. Bishop Thomas John Paprocki will celebrate the Blue Mass for first responders Sept. 27 at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield at 9:30 a.m. First responders and their families are invited to attend as well as the lay faithful to show their support and pray for our brothers and sisters on the front lines. Following the Blue Mass, Brendan Kelly, Director of the Illinois State Police, will give a talk.

MARQUETTE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL IN ALTON
 Open House: Sunday, October 2, 2022, 1-3 p.m. Middle school students and parents - stop by, take a tour, and meet some of our faculty and students! Questions? Contact Karen Coles: kcoles@mymchs.org or (618) 463-0585 x2.

FR. MCGIVNEY

SCHOOL CALENDAR
 mcgivneygriffins.com/
 school-calendar



GRIFFINS ATHLETICS NEWS & SCHEDULE
 il.8to18.com/McGivneyGriffins/

ADMISSION KEY DATES
 Applications are open and Shadow Days begin this week!
 October 16: Fall Preview Day; November 19, 8 a.m.: Freshman Placement Test; December 15: Application Deadline

JOB OPENING: FAITH FORMATION DIRECTOR
 FMCHS is seeking qualified applicants for the Director of Faith Formation for the 2023-24 School Year. This is a full-time position. Candidates must demonstrate experience and ability in youth ministry and spiritual counseling. Have a background in religious education, i.e. theology, catechesis and/or apologetics. Demonstrate ability to work with the President and/or Principal at the administrative level to ensure the Catholicity of the school. Coordinate all aspects of our House model and faith formation of students, staff and parents. Highly qualified candidates should submit a cover letter, resume, three letters of reference to Principal Joseph Lombardi at jlombardi@mcgivneygriffins.com or mail the information to Father McGivney Catholic High School, 7190 Bouse Road, Glen Carbon, IL. 62034 before Nov. 15th. Applications and Job Description can be found on our website <https://mcgivneygriffins.com/employment-opportunities-1>




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PRAYERS FOR OUR PRIESTS

The following priests of our Diocese are celebrating birthdays soon:
 9/27- Rev. James Flach, Rev. Michael Haag 9/28- Rev. Thomas Meyer 9/29 Rev. Victor Balke+ , Rev. Bernard Meyer

The following are priests of our Diocese who have died. Please remember them in your daily prayers:
 9/18- Rev. Edward D. Adamski, Rev. John Savoree 9/19- Rev. D. Byrne, Rev. James McCarthy, Rev. Casimir W. Andruskevitch, Rev. William Overmann 9/20- Rev. Francis Trojan, Rev. J.B. Schnelten, Rev. Henry J. Schwener 9/21- Rev. Miles Sweeney, Rev. Peter Kaenders, Rev. Henry F. Kozak, Rev. Stanley J. Swiatek, Rev. Thomas Davenport, Rev. J. Michael Jenkins



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



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 September 18, 2022

	Actual	Goal	Over/(Short)
Week 11 Regular Income	\$5,039.00		
102 Envelopes, Avg. Gift \$49.40			
One-Time Donation			
Loose	\$288.00		
Online Giving	\$1,212.00		
TOTAL	\$6,539.00	\$8,871.00	(\$2,332.00)
YTD TOTALS	\$94,214.00	\$106,452.00	(\$12,238.00)

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	\$170.00
Building Repair/Maintenance	\$460.00
Special Projects	\$55.00
Mission & Ministry	\$0.00
Votive Offering	\$121.00
Funeral Stipend	\$150.00
Sol. Fund/Church in Africa	\$676.00
Other Not Specified	\$35.00

Upcoming Special Collections

October 22-23: World Mission Sunday
November 19-20: Diocesan Campaign for Justice & Hope

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 August tithe is \$4,009.70

Scrip Progress

Date: September 18, 2022

	Current	/	YTD
Walmart	Did	/	\$32,475
National	Not	/	\$41,055
Total Sales	Balance	/	\$73,530
Annual Gross Profit to-date			\$2,987.00
Approx. Credit Card Fees			(\$258.00)
Approx. Net Profit to-date			\$2,729.00

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

“My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established...”

- Luke 16:25-26

When God created the world He declared that it was good and He gave it to all mankind for us to enjoy. However, over the years we have created a chasm between those who have great gifts and those who do not. In today's Gospel we see that with our generosity we must bridge that gap between those who have much and those who have little or we may find ourselves on the wrong side of the chasm in the next life.

GIVE ONLINE

There are online options to maintain stewardship. Consider online giving through GIVE CENTRAL. No checks or envelopes needed. No remembering to tithe when you are out of town. <https://www.givecentral.org/location/412/allevants>

GC ROCK IS STILL STEWARDING SUPPLIES TO THE HOMELESS

GC Rock's sock bins continue to help those in need, collecting items like clean white socks and any size new or gently used men's white undershirts. You can also done small packs of baby wipes, purse-size tissue packs, toilet paper, ChapStick, any travel size toiletries, new combs, gently used or new bath washcloths. We take these items to the monthly outreach on the open lot at Community Care so they can be freely given to those who need a helping hand. Thank you from GC Rock for your generosity.

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.')

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My Parish Prayer

Almighty God, My parish is composed of people like me.
I help make it what it is. It will be friendly if I am. It will be holy if I am.
Its pews will be filled if I help fill them.
It will do great work if I work. It will be prayerful if I pray.
It will make generous gifts to many causes if I am a generous giver.
It will bring other people into its worship if I invite and bring them.
It will be a parish family of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith,
and of compassion, charity, and mercy if I - who make it what it is -
am filled with these same qualities.
Therefore, with the help of God,
I will dedicate myself to the task of being all the things I want my parish to be.
Bless my journey Lord God, that I might follow Jesus and build the Church for your glory. Amen.

