

Disciples Stewards

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church & School

Granite City, Illinois ♦ Diocese of Springfield in Illinois

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time ♦ October 2, 2022

Our Lady of the Rosary

October 7 - this Friday - is celebrated in honor of Mary under the title Our Lady of the Rosary, formerly known as Our Lady of Victories.

The story of this feast is interesting. Troops of the Turkish Ottoman Empire had invaded and occupied the Byzantine empire by 1453, bringing a large portion of the increasingly divided Christian world under a version of Islamic law. For the next hundred years, the Turks expanded their empire westward on land, and asserted their naval power in the Mediterranean. In 1565 they attacked Malta, envisioning an eventual invasion of Rome. Though repelled at Malta, the Turks captured Cyprus in the fall of 1570.

The next year, three Catholic powers on the continent - Genoa, Spain, and the Papal States - formed an alliance called the Holy League, to defend their Christian civilization against Turkish invasion. Its fleets sailed to confront the Turks near the west coast of Greece on October 7, 1571.

Crew members on more than 200 ships prayed the Rosary in preparation for the battle - as did Christians throughout Europe, encouraged by the Pope to gather in their churches to invoke the Virgin Mary against the daunting Turkish forces.



Some accounts say that Pope Pius V was granted a miraculous vision of the Holy League's stunning victory. Without a doubt, the Pope understood the significance of the day's events, when he was eventually informed that all but 13 of the nearly 300 Turkish ships had been captured or sunk. He was moved to institute the feast of Our Lady of Victories, now celebrated universally as Our Lady of the Rosary.

"Turkish victory at Lepanto would have been a catastrophe of the first magnitude for Christendom," wrote military historian John F. Guilmartin, Jr., "and Europe would have followed a historical trajectory strikingly different from that which obtained."

Pope Leo XIII was particularly devoted to Our Lady of the Rosary, producing 11 encyclicals on the subject of this feast and its importance in the course of his long pontificate.

In the first of them, 1883's *Supremi Apostolatus Officio*,

he echoed the words of the oldest known Marian prayer (known in the Latin tradition as the "Sub Tuum Praesidium"), when he wrote, "It has always been the habit of Catholics in danger and in troublous times to fly for refuge to Mary."

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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, October 3

Monday of the 27th Week in Ordinary Time

No Mass

Tuesday, October 4

Saint Francis of Assisi

6:00 p.m. Mass:

John Uzunoff+ by Gene & Maria Augenbaugh

Wednesday, October 5

Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Mike Mejaski+ by Pat Loftus

Thursday, October 6

Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin

8:15 a.m. Mass:

John Louis Brusatti+ by the Brusatti Family

Friday, October 7

Our Lady of the Rosary

8:15 a.m. Mass:

First Friday Intentions

Saturday, October 8

Saturday of the 27th Week in Ordinary Time


NO Communion Service

Saturday-Sunday, October 8-9

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. Saturday Mass:

Joe Rosales+ by Nancy Rosales


8:00 a.m. Mass: 

Tom Czwornog+ by Ann Czwornog

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.

October is dedicated to
the Most Holy Rosary

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for October:
For a Church Open to Everyone**

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

SUNDAY'S MASS READINGS

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4. Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9. 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14. Luke 17:5-10.

What About Seed and Service? Mulberry tree and mustard seed; servant and master. Even a little faith can accomplish very big things. Add to this Paul's advice to Timothy: "bear your share of hardship for the gospel." Disciples, that is, followers of Christ, need to be all-in.

What big things will my faith in God accomplish today? What hardship will I bear to be a full-time follower? What mercy work can I do to accomplish this?



14-Day Sanctuary Lamp

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 Mark James+ by Lois Glasgow**. For information on offering the 14-day candle in honor or memory of a loved one, contact the Parish Office.



Altar Flowers

This week, Altar Flowers are **for all widows and widowers, that they may find peace and comfort**. 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

Czwornog and Ostrenga Families

Ida Gragg & Patti Jackson

Tony & Mary Bellue

Brian Foreman

Merry Trtanj

Carl Williams

Cliff Jones

Rene Zayner

Dennis Riggs

Alma & Greg Voss

Contact the parish office
to add yours to the list.

LEARNING & LIVING AS DISCIPLES

Our Lady of the Rosary, continued from page 1:

“This devotion, so great and so confident, to the august Queen of Heaven,” Pope Leo continued, “has never shone forth with such brilliancy as when the militant Church of God has seemed to be endangered by the violence of heresy... or by an intolerable moral corruption, or by the attacks of powerful enemies.” Foremost among such “attacks” was the battle of Lepanto, a perilous and decisive moment in European and world history.

The story of the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary focuses on the intercessory power of Mary. It shows that when Christians are in danger, they can go to Mary. When an individual is in pain, discouraged, or having trouble accepting God’s will, they can also go to Mary. She will pray to her Son for anyone who calls on her. Anyone who prays to Mary no longer feels alone because she prays with them and for them.

Mary encouraged praying the Rosary in her apparitions. At Lourdes when she appeared to Saint Bernadette, Mary had a Rosary. As Bernadette prayed it, Mary joined in on the Glory Be prayers. At Fatima, Mary exhorted the three children who saw her to pray the Rosary for peace.

As we recite the prayers of the Rosary, we meditate on the mysteries in the lives of Jesus and Mary. No wonder it pleases Our Lady when we pray the Rosary. In drawing closer to her, she brings us closer to her Son.

- Adapted from Catholic News Agency & Loyola Press.



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.

We need you!

St. Elizabeth has adopted Saturday, October 8.

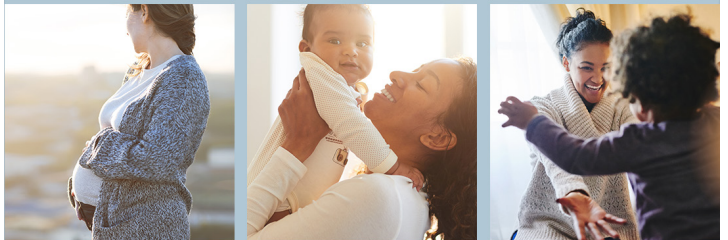
Sign up for 1 hour to pray peacefully outside the abortion business in Granite City:

<https://signup.com/go/imdTxBJ>



The Battle of Lepanto, Paolo Veronese

respect life



called to serve moms in need

CALLED TO SERVE MOMS IN NEED

“The witness of our Blessed Mother invites us to become more aware of the needs of pregnant and parenting moms in our own parishes and communities... Following Mary’s example, we can ask ourselves how to better know these mothers, listen to them, seek understanding, and help them obtain the necessities of life for themselves and their children. How can we, like the Blessed Mother, lovingly support mothers in welcoming and caring for God’s gift of life?” - USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

For all Catholics: On this Respect Life Sunday, may we resolve anew to protect the gift of every human life and consider how we can serve moms in need.

This Week on FORMED®



St. Francis of Assisi: Sign of Contradiction

From 4PM Media and The Ministry of the Wild Goose comes a breathtaking film on the life of St. Francis of Assisi. A fool according to the standards of the world, St. Francis' life was a sign of contradiction, convicting others of the beauty of Christ and his Gospel.

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

"My Jesus, despite Your graces, I see and feel all my misery. I begin my day with battle and end it with battle. As soon as I conquer one obstacle, ten more appear to take its place. But I am not worried, because I know that this is the time of struggle, not peace. When the burden of the battle becomes too much for me, I throw myself like a child into the arms of the heavenly Father and trust I will not perish." (Diary, 606).



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.

DIVE DEEP PODCAST

He grew up non-Catholic, was thinking marriage, then became a priest - The Story of Father John Titus, pastor of Immaculate Conception in Mattoon and St. Columcille in Sullivan, is a road not taken too often to priesthood. At one point, he says that marriage was "on the horizon," but then he had this "crazy thing." Go to dio.org/podcast or search Dive Deep on all the major podcast platforms to listen and subscribe.

EXODUS

Men - thinking about making an Exodus this year? We're 90 days from the start of Exodus 90. Contact Bret in the parish office for info.

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!

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

WE WANT YOUR INFO

Do you or someone you know need a ride to Mass? Someone in your world Catholic, but homebound or in a facility? If so, contact the parish office. We have some parishioners who may be willing to help and we want to make sure our homebound are covered! Call Bret at 618-877-3300.

TUESDAY MASS TIME CHANGE

Starting this Tuesday, the 8:15 a.m. Mass moves to 6 p.m. each Tuesday. Join us!

HELP US WELCOME SEMINARIAN PHILLIP

While he is with us, we hope to immerse him deeply into parish life. One of the ways to do this is to have him meet and get to know us better! We would love to have a parish family 'sponsor' Seminarian Phillip each week and be responsible for taking him to or hosting him for lunch after Sunday Mass. Interested? Please contact the parish office.

TURKEY DINNER NEEDS

Ladies of the Parish and School, we need your help with the Turkey Dinner. The turkeys will be cooked and panned up for the dinner on October 15-16, then during the week starting on Wednesday we will be doing additional prep for dinner and finish up on Saturday, the day before dinner. If you can help, please call or text Laura at 618-225-0430, or just come by the kitchen. Children from 5th-8th grades can help as well, and any students that need service hours are more than welcome. We have plenty to do and appreciate any help you can give us as we try to have another successful Turkey Dinner and Bazaar.

Saturday, October 15, 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Sunday, October 16, 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Wednesday, October 19, 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Thursday, October 20, 3 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Friday, October 21, 3 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Saturday, October 22, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

ALTON DEANERY LADIES

All ladies are invited to attend a gathering of local parish women to share their projects, upcoming plans, events, and service projects. St. Jerome Parish, 511 S. Main Street, Troy, on Wednesday, October 19. Mass at 8:00 a.m. (Late arrival, please join us downstairs). Light refreshments, fellowship, updates, recent updates, and discussion on "How May We Better Serve You". Questions, feel free to call Sue Schwegel at 618-466-4208.

TRUNK OR TREAT

PARISH TRUNK OR TREAT

Join us for our Parish Trunk or Treat on Friday, October 28 at 6:30 p.m. **We need cars and candy!** Please drop candy donations at the PLC or in the gathering space. Contact the parish office to enter your vehicle!

Tri Cities Knights of Columbus are sponsoring their Halloween Event with Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 29 at 6 p.m. at the Columbus Home. If you have any questions, want to sign up or to donate candy to this event, please contact Tom C. at 618-789-0337.

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.

NEARBY

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.

Parish & School Events

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

Monday, October 3

Tuesday, October 4

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

2 p.m. - Blessing of Pets

Wednesday, October 5

7 p.m. - BINGO (Columbus Home)

Thursday, October 6

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, October 7

Saturday, October 8

7 a.m. - 7 p.m. - 40 Days for Life (at the Abortion Business)

Sunday, October 9

11:30 a.m. - Youth Group (Harmony Room)

6 p.m. - Choir Practice (Church)

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

Further Out...

October 23

Ladies Sodality Bazaar & Turkey Dinner

October 27-28

7th & 8th Grade NET Retreats

October 28

Parish Trunk or Treat

October 29-30

NET High School Overnight Retreat

BLESSING OF PETS - THIS TUESDAY

Bring your pets out and join us for the annual Blessing of Pets THIS Tuesday, October 4, on the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. We'll gather and bless animals at 2 p.m. Tuesday.



ST. ELIZABETH SCHOOL

SEPTEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Carson Welch and Avery Delp were selected as the Granite City Optimist September Students of the Month. Carson and Avery are members of Mrs. Katie Dimitroff's kindergarten class. Each honoree will receive a certificate from the Optimists, and St. Elizabeth School will receive an unrestricted donation of \$100.00 in their names.



Carson is five and is the son of Chad and Samantha. His favorite part of the kindergarten schedule is math. He enjoys doing the math activities that Mrs. Dimitroff assigns each day. Carson is looking forward to learning about science topics because when he grows up, he plans to become a scientist.

Avery is five and is the daughter of Brian and Sara. Math is her favorite classroom activity. Avery also looks forward to spending lunch time with her friends and wants everyone to know that St. Elizabeth School's pizza lunches are the best! Avery is planning on becoming a zookeeper someday. Her zoo will specialize in cheetahs, turtles, and sloths.

The Granite City Optimist Organization is an international society dedicated to helping the youth of the world. For more information, contact Paul Hellrich at 618 407-3011. The Optimists are always looking for new members who would like to aid in their mission to help the youth of the community. Come join us!



OUT OF THE PARK HOME RUN!

Congrats to Lucas Perich who hit his first home run - over the fence no less - in the Royals game vs. the Holy Family Hawks on Monday at Wilson Park. He's shown here leaping into home plate. Although the final score was a loss against the Hawks, our Royals showed up well, scoring 4 runs, and all of the players had a great time.



PRAYERS FOR OUR PRIESTS

The following priests of our Diocese are celebrating birthdays soon: 10/9- Rev. Jeffrey Stone 10/13- Rev. Raphael Paul DeMoreno 10/14- Rev. Joseph Molloy 10/16- Rev. Carl Schmidt, Rev. Ryan McDaniel 10/21- Rev. Willam Kessler 10/22- Rev. R. Dean Probst, Rev. Paul Kala 10/29- Rev. Chris Trummer 10/30- Rev. Alan Hunter 10/31- Rev. Mark Tracy

The following are priests of our Diocese who have died. Please remember them in your daily prayers: 10/2- Most Rev. Henry Juncker 10/3- Rev. William H. McEvoy, SJ 10/5- Rev. Mike Ryan Rev. Irenaeus St. Cyr Rev. Michael J. Sheehy



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.

FR. MCGIVNEY

SCHOOL CALENDAR

mcgivneygriffins.com/
school-calendar



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. Applications and Job Description can be found on our website <https://mcgivneygriffins.com/employment-opportunities-1>

MARQUETTE

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.



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

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 25, 2022

	Actual	Goal	Over/(Short)
Week 11 Regular Income	\$7,177.00		
111 Envelopes, Avg. Gift \$64.66			
One-Time Donation			
Loose	\$345.02		
Online Giving	\$1,487.00		
TOTAL	\$9,009.02	\$8,871.00	138.02
YTD TOTALS	\$103,223.00	\$115,323.00	(\$12,100.00)

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	\$120.00
Building Repair/Maintenance	\$60.00
Special Projects	\$170.00
Mission & Ministry	\$50.00
Votive Offering	\$555.00
Funeral Stipend	\$150.00
Altar Flowers	\$50.00
Memorial Donations - School	\$50.00
Christmas Offering	\$420.00
All Souls Day	\$86.00
All Saints Day	\$101.00
Assumption of Mary	\$25.00
World Mission Sunday	\$101.00
Other Not Specified	\$21.00

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 August tithe is \$4,009.70

Scrip Progress

Date: September 25, 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!

Upcoming Special Collections

October 22-23: World Mission Sunday

November 19-20: Diocesan Campaign for
Justice & Hope

"For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control" - 2 Timothy 1:7

Many of us compartmentalize our Faith, we bring it out only when we attend Mass or when we attend a parish event. Being a good steward requires discipline and striving to put God first in everything - all the time. The next time you are at a neighborhood party or at work or out shopping, would your words and actions signal to others that you are a good and faithful servant of our Lord?

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 do small packs of baby wipes, purse-sized 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.

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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.

