

# Disciples Stewards

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church & School

Granite City, Illinois ♦ Diocese of Springfield in Illinois

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time ♦ October 9, 2022

## All Creatures of our God & King



Thank you to all who joined us for the Pet Blessing on the Feast of St. Francis this past Tuesday!



## NEW Youth Group

### First meeting THIS Sunday after 10:30 Mass


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#### ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERS

Finance Council: Charlotte Charbonnier  
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Men at Prayer: Tom Cholevik  
Funeral Dinners: Pam Ames  
Athletic Director: Matt Schwendemann  
Maintenance Team: Bud Charbonnier

**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 10**

**Monday of the 28th Week in Ordinary Time**

No Mass

**Tuesday, October 11**

**Saint John XXIII, Pope**

6:00 p.m. Mass:

Emily Mejaski+ by Pat Loftus

**Wednesday, October 12**

**Wednesday of the 28th Wk in Ordinary Time**

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Merry Trtanj+ by Dr. Albert Trtanj

**Thursday, October 13**

**Thursday of the 28th Week in Ordinary Time**

8:15 a.m. Mass:

John Uzunoff+ by Sharon Hillmer

**Friday, October 14**

**Saint Callistus I, Pope and Martyr**

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Helen Lack+ by Norma Lesko

**Saturday, October 15**

**Saint Teresa of Jesus,**

**Virgin and Doctor of the Church**


NO Communion Service

**Saturday-Sunday, October 8-9**

**29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:30 p.m. Saturday Mass:

Parishioners of Saint Elizabeth


8:00 a.m. Mass: 

Bill Loftus+ by Pat Loftus

10:30 a.m. Mass:

Rose Santos+ by Lenie Alegre

 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

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kings 5:14-17. Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4. 2 Timothy 2:8-13. Luke 17:11-19.

How Does Faith Save? In the first reading today, Naaman, the foreigner, wants two loads of earth for his home so that he can always stand on God's holy ground and give thanks. In the gospel, the ten cry out: Kyrie, eleison – Lord, have mercy. Of the ten, only one, the foreigner, returns to Jesus to give thanks. God responds to cries for help. Those who are cured, as all who are helped, respond. What help, what mercy do I seek from the Lord? How will I be grateful? What will I do or say? Because help, because mercy is given to me, what mercy work will I do for another this week?



### 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 grandparents as they help raise the next generation in faith**. 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

Czworog 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



## FALL CAMPAIGN

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, through November 6.

## MIDPOINT RALLY

Sunday October 16, 5-6 p.m. at the abortion business. Keynote speaker: Rev. Jess Biermann, Assoc. Pastor at Trinity Lutheran Church, Edwardsville.

## 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.

**Every October, we celebrate Respect Life Month. We consider more deeply why every human life is valuable and reflect on how to build a culture that protects life from conception to natural death.**

## CALLED TO SERVE MOMS IN NEED

Our Blessed Mother models a profound witness to love and life in the Gospel account of the Visitation. Luke's Gospel tells us that, when Mary learns that her cousin Elizabeth is pregnant, she travels to the hill country "in haste" (Lk 1:39). Despite being unexpectedly pregnant herself, Mary responds to this news with urgency.

She embarks on a long and perhaps difficult journey to be with her cousin during her time of need, bearing Christ to her as He lay quietly hidden in Mary's womb. And, although Jesus is veiled from view, when Mary first arrives John the Baptist leaps for joy in Elizabeth's womb, recognizing the presence of Christ (Lk 1:44). Mary, with Jesus, spends the next three months at Elizabeth's side.

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. A woman with an unexpected pregnancy may have any number of fears and challenges: facing judgment from her friends and family, losing her job or housing, or being abandoned by the father of her child.

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?

Throughout the whole of Scripture, Mary's words are few. Yet, in her sacred encounter with Elizabeth, a powerful declaration pours from her lips. Mary proclaims to all generations that the Lord lifts up the lowly, fills the hungry with good things, and remembers his promise of mercy from age to age (Lk 1:46-56). In both word and deed, Mary speaks a message of hope—not only to Elizabeth, but also to every mother in need and to each of us.

Mary's witness is an invitation to step out in love and compassion. It is a summons to make haste to help vulnerable women who may be isolated and alone. By doing so, we too can bear Christ within us and help others experience His presence.

Inspired by the Blessed Mother's example and guided by the Holy Spirit, may we offer Christ's presence and love to mothers in their time of need through our faithful service and support.

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<sup>1</sup> Lori, Most Reverend William E. 2022. Homily for the Opening Mass of the 2022 National Prayer Vigil for Life. Delivered at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D.C. January 20, 2022. <https://www.usccb.org/prolife/archbishop-william-e-lori-opening-mass-2022-national-prayer-vigil-life>.

## 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](http://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](mailto: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](http://reallifecatholic.com).

## 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.

## 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.

### CHRISTMAS BAZAAR IN ALTON

Ye Olde Cathedral Christmas Bazaar is back. Come one, come all! Saturday, November 19, 2022 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Ss. Peter & Paul Community Center in Alton. \$1,000 raffle, baskets, crafts & artisans. Drawings at 6:30 p.m.

Ladies Sodality

# Fall Bazaar & Turkey Dinner

**Sunday, October 23**  
**11:00 - 5:00**

Turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, sweet potato casserole, green beans, cole slaw, cranberry relish, roll, coffee & tea.

**\$13 Adults**  
**\$7 Child 4-10**  
3 & under free!

*Dine In or Carry Out!*

## JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOLERS

### JOIN US! NEW ST. ELIZABETH YOUTH GROUP

Junior High and High Schoolers: Join us THIS SUNDAY 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. Our next meeting will be NEXT Sunday, Oct. 16.

### 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!



# 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.

## MEET THE SISTERS TOUR

The Catholic sisters of Illinois invite you to join the Meet Our Sisters Tour, an annual event celebrating National Vocation Awareness Week, November 6-13. Mark your calendar and take some time that week to visit [c4wr.org/most2022](http://c4wr.org/most2022) for inspiring in-person and virtual events, discernment resources, and moving stories and videos about the impact of Catholic Sisters on education, healthcare, and the social and spiritual lives of individuals and communities in Illinois and around the world. Brought to you by Communicators for Women Religious, communications professionals who support the ministry of Catholic Sisters.

## 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.

## ATTENTION KNIGHTS

The Knights of Columbus 4th degree Assembly is reinstating the 5th Sunday's Honor Guard and breakfast Mass. As before, Knights and their families are invited for fellowship and breakfast after attending Mass. Please join us on Sunday, October 30, 8:30 AM Mass at Holy Family Catholic Church to celebrate together. Please notify the counsel or assembly if you plan to attend.

## 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, Octo-

## TRUNK OR TREAT

### PARISH TRUNK OR TREAT

Join us for our Parish Trunk or Treat on Friday, October 28 at 6 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.

ber 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.

### 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.

### SCRAP METAL DRIVE IS BACK

Don't forget our Scrap Metal Drive next Saturday, October 15 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the gym parking lot. Bring your aluminum, copper, steel, cast iron - anything metal that you no longer need. We'll take old appliances, and also offer local pickup service for large metal items on your main floor. Contact the parish office with questions or to schedule a pickup.

## Parish & School Events

### Sunday, October 9

9:15-10:15 a.m. - PSR (Parish Life Center)  
11:30 a.m. - Youth Group (Harmony Room)  
6 p.m. - Choir Practice (Church)  
6:30-8 p.m. - GC Rock (Holy Family)  
7:30-8:30 p.m. Exposition & Holy Hour with Vespers & Benediction

### Monday, October 10

Columbus Day  
School & Parish Office Closed

### Tuesday, October 11

Papa John's Pizza Night!  
9:15-10:45 - The Rescue Project daytime group (Harmony Room)

### Wednesday, October 12

4:30 p.m. - 7/8th Grade Girls Basketball vs Coolidge (Coolidge Middle School)  
7 p.m. - BINGO (Columbus Home)

### Thursday, October 13

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 14

6 p.m. - 6th Grade Boys Basketball vs Holy Family (St. Elizabeth)

### Saturday, October 15

9 a.m. - 1 p.m. - Scrap Metal Drive (Parking Lot)  
**Sunday, October 16**  
9 a.m. - Men at Prayer (Choir Room)  
9:15-10:15 a.m. - PSR (Parish Life Center)

11:30 a.m. - Youth Group (Harmony Room)  
1 p.m. - Fr. McGivney Preview Day  
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

# ST. ELIZABETH SCHOOL

## PAPA JOHNS PIZZA NIGHT

Support our school with Papa Johns Pizza night on Tuesday, October 11. Save/earn money for St. Elizabeth School while you enjoy food on Tuesday. Call the parish office for a code to use when placing your order.

**Join us!**  
**FALL PREVIEW DAY**  
**BE A GRIFFIN.**  
**10/16/22**  
**1PM**

McGivney is hosting a "Fall Preview Day" for prospective families. The theme for the event is "Building Griffins - Mind, Body, and Spirit" and it will allow prospective parents to see our Catholic faith-based college-preparatory school. There will be a brief welcome and introductory presentation in the gym at 1 p.m., followed by a guided tour of the campus.

For more information, please contact the Admissions Office at (618) 855-9010 or email at [Irolves@mcgivneygriffins.com](mailto:Irolves@mcgivneygriffins.com).

# FR. MCGIVNEY

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

[mcgivneygriffins.com/school-calendar](http://mcgivneygriffins.com/school-calendar)



## ATHLETICS NEWS & SCHEDULE

[il.8to18.com/McGivneyGriffins/](http://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>

## LUCK OF THE GRIFFIN MEGA RAFFLE

Have you bought your tickets yet for the Luck of the Griffin Mega Raffle?

You could win \$100,000! Go to

[luckygriffin.givesmart.com](http://luckygriffin.givesmart.com) to purchase your tickets. You can even designate \$10 of every ticket to go to a select charity, including St. Elizabeth School.



## 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: 10/10- Rev. Paul Asmuth, Rev. Joseph Prokop, Rev. Michael J. Kearns, Rev. Richard Mc Koegh 10/11- Rev. Charles E. Zipprich, Rev. Robert B. Franzen 10/12- Rev. Joseph Vahey, Rev. Elmer Henry Sanders



## 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 October 2, 2022

	Actual	Goal	Over/(Short)
Week 14 Regular Income	\$7,429.00		
115 Envelopes, Avg. Gift \$64.60			
One-Time Donation	\$1,000.00		
Loose	\$360.00		
Online Giving	\$1,562.00		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$10,351.00</b>	<b>\$8,871.00</b>	<b>1,480.00</b>
<b>YTD TOTALS</b>	<b>\$113,574.00</b>	<b>\$124,194.00</b>	<b>(\$10,620.00)</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	\$627.00
Building Repair/Maintenance	\$385.00
Special Projects	\$251.00
Mission & Ministry	\$151.00
BINGO Profit	\$10,000.00
All Souls Day	\$270.00
All Saints Day	\$45.00
World Mission Sunday	\$437.00
Other Not Specified	\$306.00
Memorial Donations:	
School	\$1,800.00
School Tuition Assistance	\$2,745.00

### 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: October 2, 2022

	Current	/	YTD
Walmart	\$875	/	\$33,350
National	\$1,435	/	\$42,490
Total Sales	\$2,310	/	\$75,840
Annual Gross Profit to-date	\$3,085.00		
Approx. Credit Card Fees	(\$266.00)		
Approx. Net Profit to-date	\$2,819.00		

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

October 22-23: World Mission Sunday

November 19-20: Diocesan Campaign for Justice & Hope

### "Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?" - Luke 17:18

Most of us live relatively "easy" lives. We have food, shelter, clothing and money. We go on vacation every year and own a car or two. Most of us take this all for granted. Did you ever notice that people with the least amount of possessions are usually the most grateful? Shouldn't this be the other way around? Take time every day and thank God for all He has given you and discern how He is calling you to share your gifts.

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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.

