

Disciples Stewards

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church & School

Granite City, Illinois ♦ Diocese of Springfield in Illinois

Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection ♦ April 9, 2023



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HE IS RISEN
AS HE SAID


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Men at Prayer: Tom Cholevik
Funeral Dinners: Pam Ames
Athletic Director: Matt Schwendemann
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**Strong in Faith
since 1871**

Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, pray for us.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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, April 10

Monday in the Octave of Easter

No Mass

Tuesday, April 11

Tuesday in the Octave of Easter

6:00 p.m. Mass:

Bill Loftus+ by Darlene Fletcher

Wednesday, April 12

Wednesday in the Octave of Easter

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Joseph Czornog+ by Ann Czornog

Thursday, April 13

Thursday in the Octave of Easter

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Sam Shambro+ by Marie Loftus & Family

Friday, April 14

Friday in the Octave of Easter

8:15 a.m. Mass:

First Friday Intentions

Saturday, April 15

Saturday in the Octave of Easter

No Mass

Sunday, April 15-16

Second Sunday of Easter,

Divine Mercy Sunday

4:30 p.m. Saturday Eve Mass:

Arlene Haldeman+

by Charles & Joyce Alexander

8:00 a.m. Mass: ☉

Barbara Byrd by Janice Willaredt

10:30 a.m. Mass:

Parishioners of Saint Elizabeth

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

April is dedicated to the Holy Spirit

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for April:

For a culture of peace and non-violence: We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

This Sunday: Easter Sunday

Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9

Peter summarizes the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, and his commissioning of the Apostles. The second reading urges the Colossians to concentrate on heavenly, not earthly, things. In the Gospel, the women find the empty tomb and tell the disciples. Peter and the beloved disciple run to the tomb and find the burial cloths.

Next Sunday: Divine Mercy Sunday

Acts 2:42-47; 1 Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31

In Acts, we hear a description of the early Church as a community of deep faith, shared possessions, and continual growth. Saint Peter speaks of the power of faith that endures through adversity. In the Gospel, Jesus reveals himself twice to his disciples. Thomas would not believe without seeing Jesus.

14 DAY SANCTUARY LAMP

The 14-day Sanctuary Lamp burns constantly before the Tabernacle to remind us of Jesus' presence.

This week, it also reminds us to pray for **Dorothy Byrd**. To offer the 14-day candle in honor of a loved one, contact the Parish Office.

ALTAR FLOWERS

To honor a loved one with the altar flowers after the Lenten season, 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 Dederá

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

Carl Williams

Cliff Jones

Rene Zayner

Dennis Riggs

Alma & Greg Voss

Be with Jesus

Adoration

Thursdays 9 am - 9 pm

Holy Hour

Sundays 7:30-8:30 pm



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.

Contact the parish office
to add yours to the list.



**Thank you to all who supported
the beauty of our church & sanctuary
this Easter.**

**Easter Flowers this year are
In Memory and/or Honor of:**

Zion Ratchford
Francis S. Thrasher Jr.
Katherine M. Thrasher
John Stephens
Melinda Broder
James K. Brown
Fred & Olivia Schmid
Ann & Dave Horn
Cliff & Helen Sheppard
Pete Schmid
Carole Snider
Poneta/Arth Families
Bill Buster
John & Lorene Gadwell
Patsy Bohn
Connie Hayes
Richard Votoupal
Ernesta Bursik
Jesse & Lorraine Gonterman
Larry & Jean Hahn
Bill Loftus
Mejaski & Loftus Families
Judy A. Modrusic
Robert Joshu
Lorraine Joshu
Angela Briggs
Ronald Briggs, Jr.
Bernaix Family
Roger Knobloch, Sr.
Vivian Broadwater
Tony & Mary Bellue
Anne Miller
Jack Folkerts
Dennis Folkerts
John Kulasza
Mike & Emily Mejaski
Tom & Ann Loftus
Joseph & Mildred Dallas

Paul & Margaret Kacera
Danny Newton
Rodney Family
Veinot Family
Pritchard Family
Stackhouse Family
Clark & Duffy Families
Harry & Kathleen Dortch
Gene & Kathryn Jones
Jim Dittman
Hill & Byrd Families
Raymond John Loftus
Patricia Hopkins
Thomas Joseph Loftus
Eli Louis Brandabas
Paula Rae Borg
Louis & Neva Jackstadt
Richard & Dorothy Kerch
Ann Jackstadt
Lawrence Jaros
Donald Vaughn
Helen Gieszelmann
Anthony Range
Ruby Range
Gary Range
Angie Hartman
Bob Range
Melvin Wilmsmeyer
Helen Klenken
Jim Alsop
Mr. & Mrs. Berto Cerutti
Mr. & Mrs. Tom Ganz
John & Jamie Kindle
Campos/Boyd Family
Carolyn Campos
John & Theresa Straubinger
Kwiatkowski & Guzy Families
Susan Olsen

Michael Viviano
Joe Lehne
Jeanne Tapp
Ralph & Bertha Wesbecher
Frank & Vi Kessler
Norma Kessler
Bill Schrenk
Harry & Ann Mooshegian
Secinia Johnson
Ann D. Johnson
Martin D. Johnson
George R. Johnson
Olive F. Johnson
Deceased Members of the Weckman
& Wilbur Families/Friends
Glenn J. Gibson
Patrick G. Gibson
Glen Riechmann
Al & Maxine Czerniejewski
Kenneth Justice
Loretta Justice
Ralph Lickenbrock Sr.
Virginia Lickenbrock
Doug Conrad
Andy Mathes
Pogorelac Family
Ronald (Buzz) Hutchings
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Larkin
Matthew Dittrich
Ralph & Arlene Haldeman
Robert David
Mark James
Lew & Lois Glasgow
Joseph & Mary Shim
Thomas, Ahlers, & Venditto Families
Jerry & Carmen Dickerson
Francis & Bernice Barbeau

This Week on
FORMED



Divine Mercy Chaplet | Franciscan Friars of the Renewal Consider praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy in a new way with the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. This video on FORMED includes breathtaking footage of Catholics across the world performing works of mercy and asking God to have mercy on us.

Thanks to our Men's Club, parishioners have access to free Catholic programming on FORMED on any device.

Go to signup.FORMED.org and select our parish name.

Mercy Minute

"Our Lord spoke these words to St. Faustina, 'My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the Fount of My Mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened.'" (Diary, 699).



YOUNG DISCIPLES TEENS

Teens, join us AFTER 10:30 Mass on May 7.

Sign up for updates:
Text "YDS-TEENS" to 84576

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

SAVE THE DATE:

- Totus Tuus in Granite City, June 25-30
Youth during the days Monday-Friday
Teens in the evenings Sunday-Thursday
- STELLAR Vacation Bible School July 31-August 4. **NOTE: This is an adjusted date from what we have previously been promoting!**



PICNIC UPDATES

We are still in need of a couple of chairmen for the picnic. We have some openings that it is very important that we have people step up and volunteer to be a chairman:

Mexican Booth – very popular booth that generated a great deal of revenue for the picnic. Previous chair will help with the knowledge transfer.

Dining Room – need someone to run the dining room for the 2 meals (Friday – cabbage rolls, Sunday – Chicken). This is a job in A/C!

Evening Trash pickup – looking for someone to manage a team to clean up the campus at night AND someone to operate the forklift and bobcat. The team is usually high school/college students and they are paid.

Fish Booth – need a co-chair. This is an extremely important booth to the picnic and having a co-chair is needed to be successful.

If anyone is interested or knows someone that would be perfect for this opportunity, please call me at 618-954-8323

We have a new chair for The Cake Stand – Chris Domagalski. She will also be working on providing some of the desserts that will be needed for the Cabbage Roll dinner on Friday and for the Chicken Dinner on Sunday. This is greatly appreciated and are grateful that Chris is back.

We also did get a new chair for the Washer/Corn Hole tournaments – held on Saturday and Sunday. Tori Goss will be heading this up. Glad to have this back again. So, dust off your game and enter. Always a great deal of fun!!

In need of stuffed animals for prizes for various kids games. Please donate good condition toys if you can.



Have You Heard?

WE ARE IN THE MIDST OF A NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL!

The Church needs healing, and the world needs Jesus. The Holy Spirit is inviting us to return to the source and summit of our faith—the Eucharist.

YEAR OF DIOCESAN REVIVAL

June 19, 2022 – June 11, 2023

This first year of the Revival invites diocesan staff, bishops, priests, & deacons to respond to the Lord's personal invitation and equips them to share this love with the faithful through eucharistic congresses and events.

YEAR OF PARISH REVIVAL

June 11, 2023 – July 17, 2024

The second phase will foster Eucharistic devotion at the parish level, strengthening our liturgical life through faithful celebration of the Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, missions, resources, preaching, and organic movements of the Holy Spirit.

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

July 17 – 21, 2024, Indianapolis, Indiana

At this historic event, more than 80,000 Catholics of all ages will gather in Indianapolis to reconsecrate their hearts to the source and summit of our faith.

YOU ARE INVITED

To celebrate the Year of the Eucharist going on in our diocese right now and the 100th anniversary of the transfer of the See city of our diocese from Alton to Springfield, a Eucharistic Congress is taking place **Saturday, October 28 at the BOS Center in Springfield**. This major event will include talks from nationally recognized Catholic speakers, adoration, confession, and Mass where the arena will be packed with thousands of Catholics from across the diocese. You are invited. Doors open at 10:30 a.m. with the first speaker starting at 1 p.m., and Mass begins at 4 p.m. Stay tuned for how to get free tickets and mark your calendar. There will be no Masses at parishes on Saturday, Oct. 28. We want you in Springfield!





IN THE BUFFET OF LIFE, FRIENDS ARE THE DESSERT

The goals for our Palm Sunday Bake Sale were not only met, they were surpassed. You heard the call for help for our bake sale and answered it magnificently. You were able to tempt everyone's palate with the most delightful array of sweets & treats. Your cakes, cupcakes, pies, homemade bread, cookies, and chocolates were sure to be delighted by all. Your wonderful monetary gifts were greatly appreciated too as we consider those to be a sugar-free sweet treat of another type. You absolutely made our day. We are so proud to be able to assist with the funding for our new school windows. We wouldn't be able to do what we do without the support of people like you. We thank you and wish everyone a Happy Easter!

God Bless,
Marilyn, Carol & Bootsie

HOLY WEEK PARISH HOURS

The parish office will reopen on Monday, April 10 from 8 a.m. until Noon. The office will reopen for regular office hours (8 a.m.- 4 p.m.) on Tuesday, April 11.

MADISON COUNTY CATHOLIC CHARITIES DINNER

Madison County Catholic Charities 22nd Annual 'Help on the Move' fundraiser dinner: Saturday, April 29, 6-11 p.m. at Bluff City Grill, Alton. Dinner, activities, and music featuring Flip the Frog. Dinner tickets \$50 each; Raffle tickets \$25 or buy 2 get 1 free. Visit cc.dio.org.



The Divine Mercy Novena

In 1935, St. Faustina received a vision of an angel sent by God to chastise a certain city. She began to pray for mercy, but her prayers were powerless. Suddenly she saw the Holy Trinity and felt the power of Jesus' grace within her. At the same time she found herself pleading with God for mercy with words she heard interiorly:



Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world; for the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us. (Diary, 475)

As she continued saying this inspired prayer, the angel became helpless and could not carry out the deserved punishment (see 474). The next day, as she was entering the chapel, she again heard this interior voice, instructing her how to recite the prayer that our Lord later called "the Chaplet." This time, after "have mercy on us" were added the words "and on the whole world" (476).

Pope St. John Paul II established the 2nd Sunday of Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday. The Divine Mercy Novena begins on Good Friday and continues until the Sunday after Easter.

For those making the nine-day novena, you may say it privately wherever you are, or attend the prayer with us daily at 3:00 p.m. in the church.

The closing will be held at St. Elizabeth Church on Sunday, April 24, from 2-3:30 p.m. Confessions and Adoration will be available during the Holy Hour from 2-3. The blessing and veneration of the image will conclude with the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction starting at 3:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

Pick up a pamphlet for the Divine Mercy Chaplet in the gathering space.

THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 9

Easter Sunday

NO PSR (Palm Sunday & Easter break)
3 p.m. - Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)
7:30-8:30 p.m. Exposition & Holy Hour with Vespers & Benediction (Church)

Monday, April 10

3 p.m. - Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)

Tuesday, April 11

3 p.m. - Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)

Wednesday, April 12

3 p.m. - Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)
7 p.m. - BINGO (Columbus Home)

Thursday, April 13

9 a.m. - 9 p.m. - Adoration (Church) (Benediction at 9 p.m.)
3 p.m. - Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)
9 p.m. - Exodus Fraternity (Harmony)

Friday, April 14

3 p.m. - Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)

Saturday, April 15

9 a.m. - Rosary Prayer (Abortion Business)
3 p.m. - Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)

Sunday, April 16

Divine Mercy Sunday

9 a.m. - Men at Prayer
10 a.m. - 3 p.m. - Blood Drive (Cafeteria)
2-3 p.m. Holy Hour with Confessions & 3 p.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet, concluding the Novena (Church)
6 p.m. - Choir Practice (Church)
7:30-8:30 p.m. Exposition & Holy Hour with Vespers & Benediction (Church)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CORNER I don't normally put a quote from the Bible but just felt this one was important." 1 Kings 19:12, After the earthquake came a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. After the fire came a gently whisper" If any man hears that whisper about finding out what the Knights are about, don't be afraid to act on it. It could be the spiritual uplift you were looking for. There is an exemplification April 16 at noon at Holy Family church. This ministry is the appointing and certification of new members into our council. All parishioners are invited to attend. Grand Knight, Tom Cholevik



ST. ELIZABETH SCHOOL



SEEKING ROYALS ALUMNI

We're building a list of St. Elizabeth School Alumni. If you're a graduate of or attended St. Elizabeth School, please fill out our online form here: stelizabethgc.org/alumni
If you know any alumni, please share this with them too.



PRAYERS FOR OUR PRIESTS

The following priests of our Diocese are celebrating birthdays soon:
4/2- Rev. Wayne Stock Rev. Robert Johnson /13- Rev. Thomas Donovan Rev. Rafal Pyrchla 4/14- Rev. Thomas Gallenbach 4/15- Rev. Louis Schlangen 4/16- Rev. Paul Having 4/18- Rev. Joseph Havrilka 4/21- Rev. Donald Wolford Rev. Steven Pohlman 4/23- Rev. Steven Arisman 4/24- Rev. James O'Shea 4/26- Rev. Philip Kraft

The following are priests of our Diocese who have died. Please remember them in your daily prayers: 4/2- Rev. Girard Mirbach Rev. William Edwin Bloomfield Rev. Joseph E. Drackert 4/4- Rev. Charles Sandon Rev. Ronald Trojcek 4/5- Rev. John P. Diepenbrock Rev. John Driscoll Rev. Joseph O'Reilly 4/6- Rev. Herman Jungmann Rev. Patrick McElherene Rev. Timothy McKeogh Msgr. Michael Enright Rev. George E. Hobbs

RESPECT LIFE

The Belleville News-Democrat reports that **Memorial Hospital in Belleville/Shiloh plans to begin performing induced abortions as early as June.** Full details can be found at Memorial-BJC.com. The website outlines ideas for immediate action by the general public and by current patients/customers of the hospital to try to persuade the hospital from taking this step. Do not delay. Send an email as soon as possible expressing your position. Speak up for life.

FMCHS BABY SHOWER FOR LIFE

FMCHS's Griffins For Life invites you to a Baby Shower supporting A Beacon of Light and Relevant Options pregnancy centers from 1-3 pm on April 30th at FMCHS! Check out our Registry on Amazon (name: Griffins For Life FMCHS) for donations! Please RSVP by Sunday, April 21st by contacting Caroline Foppe at caroline.foppe@mcgivneygriffins.com!

FR. MCGIVNEY

SCHOOL CALENDAR

mcgivneygriffins.com/school-calendar



ATHLETICS

NEWS & SCHEDULE

il.8to18.com/McGivneyGriffins/

SHADOW DAYS FOR 7th GRADERS

7th Grade Shadow Days are scheduled on Wednesdays and Thursdays in March and April. Your student is paired with a McGivney Freshman for the day, attending classes, house, lunch, and PE. A Shadow Day allows your 7th grader to see what it would be like to be a student at McGivney. If your student isn't quite ready to shadow yet, Shadow Days are also offered in the Fall to 8th grade students. Visit mcgivneygriffins.com/admissions or email Lisa Rolves at lrolves@mcgivneygriffins.com.



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- US Coast Guard, Sault Sainte Marie, MI; Kody Presswood- Staff Sergeant, US Space Force, Colorado Springs, Colorado

STEWARDSHIP

Our Financial Stewardship April 2, 2023

	Actual	Goal	Over/(Short)
Week 39 Regular Income	\$10,517.00		
136 Envelopes, Avg. Gift \$77.33			
One-Time Donation			
Loose	\$481.00		
Online Giving	\$1,358.00		
TOTAL	\$12,356.00	\$8,871.00	\$3,485.00
YTD TOTALS	\$328,417.18	\$354,840.00	(\$26,422.82)

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:

Special Projects/Windows	\$5,175.85
Tuition Assistance	\$619.50
Building Maintenance	\$371.00
BINGO Profit	\$12,000.00
Christmas Offering	\$10.00
Easter Flowers	\$75.00
Easter Offering	\$295.00
Funeral Stipend	\$200.00
Mission & Ministry	\$111.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$20.00
Holy Land/Good Friday	\$160.00
Seminarians	\$115.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$100.00
Church in Latin America	\$5.00
Other Not Specified	\$323.00
3rd Deg. K of C - Church	\$12,500.00
3rd Deg. K of C - School	\$25,000.00
4th Deg. K of C - Church	\$12,500.00
4th Deg. K of C - School	\$25,000.00

Parish Tithing Reporting

Our parish tithes to the Diocese to support the administration, ministries, and work of our Diocese is 10% of our regular monthly income. February tithes: **\$3,280.00**

Scrip

	Current	YTD
Walmart	Did	/ \$3,825
National	Not	/ \$11,715
Total Sales	Balance	/ \$15,540
Annual Gross Profit to-date		\$744

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



Knights of Columbus

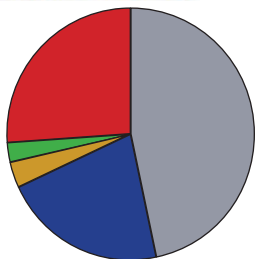
A huge THANK YOU to the Knights of Columbus for your sustained, significant generosity to our parish and school.

"Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth."
- Colossians 3:2

Do you put God first in all things? Possessions, money, power, ego can easily become gods to many of us. Do a quick check of what is important to you. Is God at the very top of the list? If not, your priorities need to be re-adjusted. Don't let earthly things become a god before God. This is also the first commandment - I am the Lord your God, you shall not have any strange gods before me.



Please help as you're able with our most important property facilities project at the moment. Anything helps, all money and all prayers, above and beyond your ongoing church support. Note that this week we're changing from showing what has been committed to-date to showing money in-hand to-date.



\$700,000 anticipated project cost
 \$327,000 startup from savings
 \$149,500 club/organization donations
 \$25,000 school fundraisers & PTO donations
 \$16,694 parish & school family donations
\$518,194 total in-hand
\$181,806 still needed

Given last week: \$5,375.00 THANK YOU!

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. 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 the parish office to set up initial appointments and preparation 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 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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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.

