

Disciples Stewards

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church & School

Granite City, Illinois ♦ Diocese of Springfield in Illinois

Pentecost Sunday ♦ May 28, 2023




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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

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, May 29

**Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
Mother of the Church**

No Mass

Tuesday, May 30

Tuesday of the 8th Week in Ordinary Time

6:00 p.m. Mass:

Sam Shambro+ by Linda Sabol

Wednesday, May 31

**Feast of the Visitation of the
Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Jack Reed+ by St. Elizabeth Choir

Thursday, June 1

Memorial of St. Justin, Martyr

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Geraldine Ropac+ by Norma Lesko

Friday, June 2

Friday of the 8th Week in Ordinary Time

8:15 a.m. Mass:

First Friday Intentions

Saturday, June 3

St. Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Emma Jakich+ by Norma Lesko

Sunday, June 4

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

4:30 p.m. Saturday Eve Mass:

Patricia Jackson+ by Barbara Gibson

8:00 a.m. Mass: ☩

Daryl Miller+ by Richard P. 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.

May is dedicated to Mary,
Mother of God & the Church

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for May:

For ecclesial movements and groups: We pray that that ecclesial movements and groups might daily rediscover their evangelizing mission.

This Sunday: Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2:1-11; 1 Corinth. 12:3b-7, 12-13; John 20:19-23

We hear about the descent of the Holy Spirit and the first followers of Jesus who began speaking in different tongues. Saint Paul writes of different kinds of spiritual gifts and forms of service, but the same Spirit and Lord who produces all of them in everyone. In the Gospel, Jesus appears to the disciples, saying peace be with you and showing them his hands and his side.

Next Sunday: The Most Holy Trinity

Ex. 34:4b-6, 8-9; 2 Cor. 13:11-13; John 3:16-18

In the first reading, God proclaims himself to Moses as the gracious, merciful, and loving God of Israel. In the second reading, Paul instructs the Corinthian community to live in encouragement, agreement, love, and peace, and ends with a blessing of the Trinity. John proclaims in the Gospel that God gave the world his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him ... might have eternal life.

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 **Police, Fire, EMS, Dispatch and all other First Responders**. To offer the 14-day candle in honor of a loved one, contact the Parish Office.

ALTAR FLOWERS

This week, the Altar Flowers are **for the dearly departed parishioners of Saint Elizabeth Parish**. Honor a loved one with the altar flowers. Contact the Parish Office.

FIRST FRIDAY MEMORIALS

Deceased Members of
Holy Name Men's Club
Czwornog & Ostrenga Families
Kierski Family

Bill Loftus
John & Theresa Straubinger

Carl Williams
Alan Winters
Keith Winters

Brinker & Soboleski Families
Delores Brinker

Paula Gushleff Koliste
DeRuntz & Pfaff Families

Louise Harrison
Kenneth Jaimet

Deceased Members of
St. Elizabeth Choir

Gene Cassy
Jim Dederer

Cassy Family
Pieper Family

Crawshaw Family
Charles Dickey

Binney Family
Alma & Greg Voss

Chad Sigite
Lisa Garcia-Fensterman

Jim Alsop and Family
Gus & Angeline Scaturro

Dortch Family
Richard A. Willaredt

Lisa Dellamano
Rosalie Boyd

Joseph & Victoria Krystopa
Michael & Leona Bonach

Richard Horbelt
Gus & Angie Scaturro

Johnson Family
Jones & Harbin Families

Lesko & Danheiser Families
Mary Mennerick

Glen Hommert
Marvin Wiedemer

Mark Malone
Bill Mathes

Angela & Ronald Briggs Jr.
Robert & Lorraine Joshu

Jesse & Lorraine Gonterman
Jim Noeth & Brothers

Noeth & M. Papp Families
Brian Foreman

Tony & Mary Bellue
Jim Dittman

These are the new First Friday listings for
May 2023 to April 2024. Contact the
parish office to add yours to the list.

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.

LEARNING & LIVING AS DISCIPLES



May, the Month of Mary JOIN US FOR THE LIVING ROSARY THIS SUNDAY!

As May is the month dedicated to our Blessed Mother, please join us **THIS Sunday, May 28th** between the 8 & 10:30 a.m. Masses (at approx. 9:20 a.m.) near the front portico to pray a Living Rosary.

We will have our large rosary and need as many people as possible to pray for Our Lady's intercession for our parish, our school, our community and the world. Questions or want to help? Contact the parish office.

THE BIBLE *and the* VIRGIN MARY

Join us for an Inspiring Bible Study at Holy Family, 2606 Washington Ave. Beginning June 5 at 6 p.m. (12 Sessions)

Presented by Deacon Neil Suermann

Registration: \$25

Contact: Keith Unfried at 618-877-7158 or kunfried@holymfamilygc.org

Mary as you've never seen her before:

- Discover how Catholic beliefs about Mary build on the Old Testament as well as the Gospels.
- Learn why the early Church used titles like "New Eve" and "Ark of the New Covenant" for Mary.
- Grow in your devotion to Our Lady.



RESPECT LIFE



THANK YOU FROM MOSAIC HEALTH

Thank you for your support of Mosaic Health's 2023 Baby Bottle Campaign. Your willingness to stand with us to defend LIFE is truly such a blessing at a time when we are seeing more patients than ever before. In fact, we have seen a 212% increase in the number of appointments since this time last year. To date this year, more than 2,798 individual bottles have been collected from 107 different churches/groups in the Metro East, resulting in a total of \$93,722.86 raised! **The amount collected from your church this year was \$1,828.60.** Please extend our heartfelt gratitude to your congregation for every coin, bill, or check that filled out bottles this year. Their faithful giving and earnest prayers enable us to continue to share truth, hope, and LIFE with our patients. We could not continue to reach them without your help.

Eternally Grateful,
Kathy Lesnoff
President/CEO
Mosaic Health

HOMELESS OUTREACH CARE PACKS

Our charitable outreach team has assembled packs with socks, water, granola bars, toothbrush/toothpaste, hand sanitizer, and bathing wipes. They are on a table in the hallway between the restrooms and the Harmony Room. Take one to keep in your car to give to any homeless you encounter. Interested in helping us build bags? Donate to Charitable Outreach in Give Central or drop off bag ingredients at the parish office. Sign up for updates through Flocknote at:

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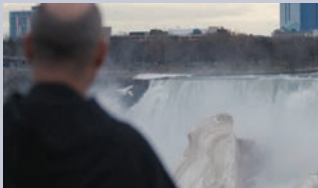


On Monday, May 29, Memorial Day Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. at Calvary Catholic Cemetery in Glen Carbon. In case of inclement weather, Mass will be at 10:30 a.m. at Holy Family Catholic Church in Granite City. Our parish office will be closed Monday for the holiday and will reopen on Tuesday at 8 a.m.



S'MORES NIGHT Mark your calendar to join us for an *actual* S'mores Night to meet the Totus Tuus team, Sunday, June 25 at 5 p.m. at St. Elizabeth. All are welcome for this fun evening of s'mores & fellowship.

This Week on FORMED®



God's Love Poured Out Episode 1

During the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, we remember a fundamental pillar of our Faith: "God is love" (1 Jn 4:8). This simple statement is the beginning and the ending of our pilgrimage of Faith. In this episode of The Wild Goose, join Fr. Dave Pivonka as he illuminates God's eternal pouring out of Love.

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

"I do not know, O Lord, at what hour You will come. And so I keep constant watch and listen. As Your chosen bride knowing that You like to come unexpected, yet a pure heart will sense You from afar, O Lord. I wait for You, Lord, in calm and silence, with great longing in my heart and with invincible desire, I feel that my love for You is changing into fire, and that it will rise up to heaven like a flame at life's end, and then all my wishes will be fulfilled. (Diary, 1589).



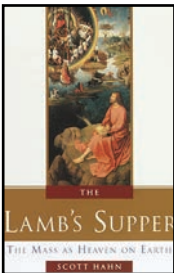
Have You Heard?

WE ARE IN THE MIDST OF A NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL!

NEW INFO ON THE DIOCESAN EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS!

You are invited to a historical diocesan-wide celebration. Our Diocesan Eucharistic Congress is Saturday, October 28 at the BOS Center in Springfield. This experience will include nationally recognized Catholic speakers, adoration, confession, and Mass in an arena with thousands of Catholics from across our diocese. Each parish in the diocese is given a specific number of available seats. You can inquire about reserving a seat through the parish office starting July 1, or if you are interested in volunteering, you can register now! For more information on the event or volunteering, visit dio.org.

OUR NEXT EUCHARIST BOOK CLUB!



Mary Lou Lyerla is hosting our next book club. This year, we'll read & study together Scott Hahn's classic, *The Lamb's Supper: The Mass as Heaven on Earth*. The group will meet on Thursday nights starting June 15 through July. Make it a summer Thursday

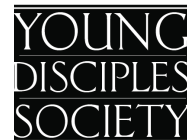
night activity with fellow parishioners diving into this great book! For more information, contact the parish office.

ALTAR SERVER, MC, & LECTOR THANK YOU BBQ

Youth altar servers, lectors, & MC's, you and a parent are invited to join Father Alfred & Deacon Michael for a "THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE BBQ" at Deacon Michael's. Stop by any time from 6-8 p.m. on Saturday, June 17. For more information or to sign up (so that we have enough food), go to:

stelizabethgc.org/ServerBBQ

We're also working on booking a pool party this summer for ALL Young Disciples to earn prizes with your tokens. Watch for more info.



SIGN UP NOW! SUMMER YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

TOTUS TUUS

Calling all Youth
Free Admission!

Youth Entering Grades 1st through 6th:

Monday-Friday days, June 26-30
Holy Family Community Center
9:00 am to 2:30 pm
Lunch, Snacks, & Drinks Provided



Youth Entering Grades 7th through 12th:

Sunday-Thursday evenings, June 25-29
St. Elizabeth Harmony Room & Church
6:00 pm to 8:30 pm

****New this year: Dinner included starting at 6!**
Dinner, Snacks, & Drinks Provided

S'Mores Night for the Whole Community

Sunday, June 25 at 5 p.m. at St. Elizabeth
All are invited!!

For more information contact Cheryl Moe:
618-610-7158 or camoe5659@gmail.com

You do not have to be Catholic to attend!

Sign up for Totus Tuus at:
stelizabethgc.org/totus-tuus

YOUNG DISCIPLES TEENS



TEENAGERS: Sign up for YDS Teens updates at: stelizabethgc.org/yds-teens
Sign up for info on our Six Flags trip soon!



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Free for youth - all are invited!

Monday-Friday evening, July 31-August 4
Here at St. Elizabeth

Sign up for Vacation Bible School at:
stelizabethgc.org/vbs

To volunteer or help donate items, contact Deacon Michael: mhalbrook@stelizabethgc.org.

PARISH LIFE & HOSPITALITY

ROOM FOR MORE FIRST FRIDAY MEMORIALS

The First Friday Memorial is a special offering which lists your intentions for deceased loved ones in our bulletin.

These are then remembered monthly at First Friday Mass. The Memorial names are printed each week in our Sunday Bulletin. A yearly donation of \$60.00 is requested for these intentions to be listed. This donation allows the names to be printed constantly in our bulletin, in the exact same way other bulletin ads are funded, and all funds go to offset the cost of printing our bulletin. This is not a donation for a Mass intention since the money does not, and by Canon Law cannot, go into the Mass stipend account, as taking any money for large, so-called "collective intentions" (where multiple names are listed for the Mass intention) is explicitly forbidden. Father is happy to remember these names collectively once a month at Mass with no stipend involved. Your donation is a publishing/printing fee, ultimately paid to our printer in Godfrey, Illinois.

Feel free to call the Parish Office with any questions, or to add your First Friday Memorials to the list.

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

We are in need of a few people who would be willing to commit to taking Holy Communion to a few homebound parishioners. It is truly appreciated by them and will be a blessing to the person who participates in this ministry as well. If you are interested, please talk to Father Alfred, Deacon Michael or Bret in the parish office. We hope to find a few more to help make the experience better for all!

ST. ELIZABETH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1973 REUNION

On Saturday, June 24th the graduating class of 1973 will gather at 4:30 p.m. Mass and then have a dinner/reunion in the Harmony Room. The class needs your help in finding the following classmates: Herman Apponey, Mike Barth, Patrick Becker, Joani (Cicio) Dietrich, Joe Sistler, Walter Fabry, Jane Frederich, Walter Govlick, Maureen (Hoedelbeck) Worthen, Joe Krieshock, Ted Kuberski, David Miskell, Mary Ann Simmers, Anita (Turner) Sirevaag, Raymond Valencia, Kathy (Michell) Weber, Mary Beth (Winfield) Boone, Debbie (Carr) Ryan, Bill Carr, Laura Rosales, Mary (Vesci) Jacobson, Michael Beckman.

Please contact: Cheryl (Bellue) Folkerts 618-791-5353 Cathy (Turck) Pabst 636-233-8402 Lori (Malottki) Silva 618-610-3009 or Joyce (Riggs) Johnson 618-514-1523

HELP WANTED

Calvary Catholic Cemetery has a job opening for a Grounds Crew Member. This is a part time position, working approximately 2-1/2 days per week, 20 hours. If you have experience with landscaping, mowing, general building maintenance, and can operate a tractor and backhoe please call our office at 618.656.5464 to schedule an interview. We look forward to having you join our team.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE JUNE 5-9

From June 5th through June 9th, Father Alfred and the other priests of our diocese will be on retreat together. There will be no daily Mass on these days, but Deacon Michael will offer Communion Service on Tuesday at the usual time of 6 p.m., and then Wednesday through Friday at 8:15 a.m., for those who would still like the opportunity to receive Holy Communion each day or any of those days.

THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 28

9 a.m. - Men at Prayer (PLC Library)
9:20 a.m. - Rosary between Masses (in front of the Church)
6 p.m. - Choir Practice (Church)
7:30-8:30 p.m. Exposition & Holy Hour with Vespers & Benediction (Church)

Monday, May 29

Memorial Day - Office Closed

Tuesday, May 30

6:30 p.m. - Pastoral Council (Harmony)

Wednesday, May 31

7 p.m. - BINGO (Columbus Home)

Thursday, June 1

9 a.m. - 9 p.m. - Adoration (Church) (Benediction at 9 p.m.)
6:30 p.m. - Finance Council (Harmony)

Friday, June 2

Saturday, June 3

Sunday, June 4

9 a.m. - Men at Prayer (PLC Library)
6 p.m. - Choir Practice (Church)
7:30-8:30 p.m. Exposition & Holy Hour with Vespers & Benediction (Church)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CORNER

My fellow brothers and sisters in Christ. This Monday we dedicate the whole day in memory of all those who have fallen in service to our country. The nurses, medical corpsmen, soldiers, marines, pilots, mechanics, cooks, etc. All of these men and women voluntarily or not have paid the supreme sacrifice to protect us, our families and our country. We also remember the loved ones they left behind. The sorrow and sadness just must be devastating but also a feeling of gratitude of the sacrifices their loved ones made. We ask all members of the Knights to take time to honor and pray for those who have fallen, along with all parishioners big and small. God Bless the United States of America.

Tom Cholevik, Grand Knight of Council 1098.



Knights of
Columbus

June 9, 10, 11, 2023 2300 Pontoon Road Granite City

St. Elizabeth Parish Picnic

FOOD, DRINKS, GAMES, LIVE MUSIC, CARNIVAL RIDES, I-DOOD-IT, BINGO

Friday 4pm to 11 pm
Saturday 12pm to 11 pm
Sunday 12pm to 6pm

Friday- American Originals
Saturday- Blue Marlin Band

ST. ELIZABETH SCHOOL

This past Sunday, we celebrated with five young ladies who are St. Elizabeth Catholic School alumni and who graduated from Father McGivney Catholic High School. Congratulations to (L-R) Katie Hand, Autumn Hutson, Emma Martinez, Sofia Luna and Lauren Jones. May God continue to bless you.



One of our alumni graduates, Lauren Jones, was among the more decorated graduates. Lauren is the daughter of Scott and Stephanie Jones. She is an Illinois State Scholar and graduated Summa Cum Laude. She is also a winner of the Silver Medallion Academic Award for the top 8% of her class, and was among the top five graduates who addressed the class at Commencement.

In her talk, she made mention of the foundation she received at St. Elizabeth School. Amazingly, Lauren earned nothing but A's - from Kindergarten through 12th grade! In the fall, Lauren will attend the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign as a James Scholar in the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences, majoring in Natural Resources and Environmental Science with a minor in Spanish.

Congratulations Lauren. We are all very proud of you and will keep you in our prayers as you continue your education.



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: 5/28- Rev. Scott Snider 6/1- Rev. Paul Bonk 6/4- Rev. Adam Prichard 6/7- Rev. Chima Frederick Mbire **6/9- Rev. Christopher Comerford** 6/11- Msgr. David Hoefler 6/16- Rev. Joseph Ring Rev. Pawel Luczak 6/21- Rev. Aloysius Ndeanaefo 6/24- Rev. Allen Kemme 6/27- Rev. Thomas Hadstrom 6/29- Rev. Charles Dahlby Rev. Jason Stone Rev. Dennis Koopman O.F.M.

The following are priests of our Diocese who have died. Please remember them in your daily prayers: 5/28- Rev. Francis Tecklenburg Rev. Bernard Lee 5/29- Rev. Donulus E. Wunderlich, O.F.M. 5/31- Rev. John J. Brune Rev. Michael A. Tarrent Rev. Dennis O'Brien Rev. Cecil Koop, O.F.M.

MISSION STATEMENT

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

NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

St. Elizabeth Grade School admits students of any race, color, sex, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. St. Elizabeth Grade School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex or national and ethnic origin in administration of educational policies, admission policies, scholarships and loan programs, and athletic and school administered programs.

All students entering St. Elizabeth School must be admitted by the Principal who determines if St. Elizabeth can sufficiently meet a child's needs. Special financial hardship requests must be made directly to the Pastor for approval.

We comply with Title IX, IDEA, ADEA, Title VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act, and The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

Title IX: St. Elizabeth School adheres to the tenets of Title IX: "No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance."



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 May 21, 2023

	Actual	Goal	Over/(Short)
Week 47 Regular Income	\$5,328.00		
97 Envelopes, Avg. Gift \$54.93			
One-Time Donation			
Loose	\$293.00		
Online Giving	\$2,763.00		
TOTAL	\$8,384.00	\$8,871.00	(\$487.00)
YTD TOTALS	\$385,312.68	\$416,937.00	(\$31,624.32)

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	\$1,385.00
Tuition Assistance	\$100.00
BINGO Profit	\$12,000.00
Calvary Cemetery	\$190.00
Cath. Comms. Campaign	\$130.00

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.
April tithe: \$6,961.00

Scrip Week ended May 21, 2023

	Current	/	YTD
Walmart	\$400	/	\$6,425
National	\$1,200	/	\$26,010
Total Sales	\$1,600	/	\$32,435
Annual Gross Profit to-date	\$1,609		

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

Are you tired of writing a check or remembering to have your envelope when you head to Mass? Concerned about how to support the parish when you are out of town? There are online options to maintain your stewardship, returning to God a portion of his blessings. Consider online giving through GIVE CENTRAL. For more information, visit <https://www.givecentral.org/location/412/allevants>

"To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good." - 1 Corinth. 12:7

To receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit you must open your heart and invite Him in! Ask the Holy Spirit to guide your thoughts, words and actions every day! Be grateful for all the gifts God has given you! Regardless of our individual circumstances, God has given all of us many blessings. What we do with those gifts is our gift back to God! By generously sharing everything we have and everything we are, we become more "God-centered" and less "self-centered" and our lives truly reflect God's light, love and mercy.

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

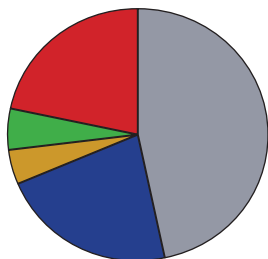
Entering the Church: If you are new to the Catholic faith and interested in learning more about the church or about entering the church, welcome! Contact the parish office for a meeting with Father Alfred or Deacon Michael.

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.

**View
to the
Future**
School Windows Project

Please help as you're able with our most important property facilities project at the moment... the replacement of the school windows!



\$700,000 anticipated project cost
\$327,000 startup from savings
\$154,600 club/organization donations
\$30,857 school fundraisers & PTO donations
\$36,842 parish & school family donations
\$549,300 total in-hand
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