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Solemnity of the Body & Blood of Christ ♦ June 11, 2023



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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, June 12 Memorial of St. Boniface, Bishop & Martyr No Mass

Tuesday, June 13 Saint Anthony of Padua. Priest & Doctor of the Church

6:00 p.m. Mass: Romana Lofink+ by Carol Nadler

Wednesday, June 14 Wednesday of the 10th Wk in Ordinary Time 8:15 a.m. Mass:

Norman & Mary Danheiser+ by Norma Lesko

Thursday, June 15 Thursday of the 10th Week in Ordinary Time 8:15 a.m. Mass:

Deceased Classmates of St. Elizabeth Class of 1973+

Friday, June 16 Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus 8:15 a.m. Mass: Sam Shambro+ by Larry & Sue Ruder

Saturday, June 17 Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary No Mass

Sunday, June 18 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:30 p.m. Saturday Eve Mass: Bill Schrenk+ by Bootsie Schrenk

8:00 a.m. Mass: D Parishioners of Saint Elizabeth

10:30 a.m. Mass: Dorothy Willaredt+ by Janice Willaredt

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

June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for June: For the abolition of torture: We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.

This Sunday: Corpus Christi

Deut 8:2-3, 14b-16a; 1 Cor 10:16-17; John 6:51-58 In the first reading, Moses reminds the people that God fed them with manna. In the second reading, Saint Paul beautifully describes the bread and the cup as a participation in Christ, making us one body. In the Gospel, Jesus declares himself the living bread, promising life to those who eat his flesh and drink his blood.

Next Sunday: 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time Deut 8:2-3, 14b-16a; 1 Cor. 10:16-17; John 6:51-58 In today's first reading, Moses reminds the people that God fed them with manna to show them that one does not live by bread alone. In the second reading, Saint Paul beautifully describes the bread and the cup as a participation in Christ, making us one body. In the Gospel, Jesus declares himself the living bread, promising life to those who eat his flesh and drink his blood.

14 DAY SANCTUARY LAMP

This week, the 14-day Santuary Lamp reminds us to pray for Bill Schrenk+ by Bootsie Schrenk To offer the 14 day candle in honor or a loved one. contact the Parish Office.

ALTAR FLOWERS

This week, the Altar Flowers are for Bill Schrenk+ by Bootsie Schrenk. Honor a loved one with the altar flowers. Contact the Parish Office.

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.

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 Dedera Cassy Family Pieper Family Crawshaw Family Charles Dickey Binney Family Alma & Grea Voss Chad Sigite Lisa Garcia-Fensterman Jim Alsop and Family Gus & Angeline Scaturro **Dortch Family** Richard A. Willaredt Lisa Dellamano Rosalie Bovd 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

Angela & Ronald Briggs Jr. Robert & Lorraine Joshu Jesse & Lorraine Gonterman Jim Noeth & Brothers Noeth & M. Papp Families Brian Foreman Tony & Mary Bellue Jim Dittman Pattie Jackson Ida Gragg Pawlak & Sertich Families

Mark Malone

Bill Mathes

Deceased Members of Ladies Sodality

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL: THE PARISH YEAR

After a year of National Eucharistic Revival focused on diocesan staffs, and on clergy and parish staffs, this weekend kicks off the "Parish Year", focused on a Eucharistic Revival in parishes across our country.

SEEKING FIRST COMMUNION CLASS PHOTOS

We would love to assemble a gallery of all of the First Communion Class Photos that we can track down from all of the years of St. Elizabeth School. Please see if you can find yours, then bring it by the parish office for us to quickly scan it to reproduce for our gallery. Thank you!

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.

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, from 7-8:30 p.m. in the PLC Library. Make it a summer Thursday night activity with fellow parishioners diving into this great book! For more information, contact the parish office.

It's Parish Picnic Time!

Join us Friday and all weekend for food, games, rides, music, BINGO, I-Dood-It and much, much more! Come see us at the Evangelization booth and learn more about our faith and how you can get involved!

American Originals plays Friday evening and Blue Marlin Band Saturday evening!

Weekend ride wristbands are available at the parish office for \$60 until Friday when they go UP in price. There will be mat-

inee bands available on site for \$30. Matinees are Saturday and Sunday from Noon to 3 p.m.

Saturday from 4-7 p.m. will be our Cabbage Roll Dinner. The cost is \$10 (or 20 tickets) for this dinner which includes cabbage roll, mashed potatoes, glazed carrots, bread, dessert and a drink.

Sunday is our All U Can Eat Chicken Dinner from 11:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. This includes Chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, dessert and a drink. The price is \$12 (22 tickets) for an Adult and \$6 (12 tickets) for children 6 to 12 years old.

BINGO will be from 7-10 p.m. Friday and Saturday evening. Both dinners and BINGO are in our AIR CONDITIONED cafeteria!

CAKE BOOTH REMINDER

Reminding all bakers to make items for the picnic cake booth. Cakes can be dropped off anytime Thursday through Sunday. Bring them to the school cafeteria where they will be kept in the quilter's room. If anyone would like to volunteer for a shift in the booth please let me know. Call or text Christine Domagalski at 618-304-2575.



FORMATION Growing in Knowledge of Christ & His Church

This Week on FORMED°



The Sacred Heart and the Immaculate Heart | Sacred Art

Do you have a devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus? Deepen your devotion by listening to this discussion of sacred art pieces depicting the heart of Christ.

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

"Once, the image was being exhibited over the altar during the Corpus Christi procession (June 20, 1935). When the priest exposed the Blessed Sacrament, and the choir began to sing, the rays from the image pierced the Sacred Host and spread out all over the world. Then I heard these words: 'These rays of mercy will pass through you, just as they have passed through this Host, and they will go out

through all the world.' At these words, profound joy invaded my soul." (Diary, 441)



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. NEXT Saturday, June 17. For more information or to sign up (so that we have enough food), go to: stelizabethgc.org/ServerBBQ

More info soon on a pool party this summer for ALL Young Disciples to earn prizes with your tokens. Watch for more info.

TOTUS TUUS STARTS IN 2 WEEKS!

Calling all Youth. Free Admission!

Youth Entering Grades 1-6:

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

Youth Entering Grades 7-12:

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

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: stelizabethg.gc/totus-tuus

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Free for youth - all are invited!



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

Sign up at: stelizabethg.gc/vbs

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

YOUNG DISCIPLES TEENS

TEENAGERS:
Sign up for
YDS Teens
updates at:
stelizabethgc.
org/yds-teens
Sign up for



Sign up for our Six Flags trip ASAP! Text "YDS-TEENS" to 84576



RSVP TO A FREE SHOWING OF A NEW DOCUMENTARY IN SPRINGFIELD

In a world full of selfishness, hardships, and despair, more and more people are asking, "God, are you up there?" God is Alive, an original documentary, created and produced by the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois, answers that question in an adventurous, impactful, and local way. *God* is Alive takes viewers to Jerseyville, Springfield, Peoria, Quincy, and Decatur and features five incredible stories of faith/miraculous events that most will be surprised to learn about and touch on many things people struggle with such as prayer, feeling unforgivable, and dealing with an incredible hardship. The premiere takes place Saturday, July 8 at Sacred Heart Griffin High School in Springfield at 7 p.m. To RSVP to the free showing and watch the trailer, go to: dio.org/documentary.

FATHERHOOD AT THE INTERSECTION OF VOCATIONS - BLOG BY DCN. MICHAEL

Read Deacon Michael's recent blog post on the Exodus blog, on the intersection of the vocation to marriage (and fatherhood) and the diaconate. Find it easily via **stelizabethgc.org/deacon-dad**

Called to Communion? Journeying into the fullness of the Catholic faith

Has God been calling you - or someone you love - into full Communion with our Catholic Church, or to the Sacraments of Initiation?

Now is the time to start exploring the opportunity to journey into the Church with Baptism, Confirmation, and First Holy Communion next year at Easter.

For those who are already baptized in another Christian tradition, it could be a shorter journey to entering the church at some point sooner.

For those baptized and raised Catholic but just needing to complete their Sacraments of Initiation (Confirmation & First Communion), we can work from where you are.

Call the parish office or go to: **stelizabethgc.org/meet-with-deacon** to set up a meeting with Deacon Michael.

Parish Life & Hospitality

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

Could you take Holy Communion to one homebound parishioner after either 8:00 or 10:30 Sunday Mass? We're looking for a few people, each of whom could take Communion to just one or two people after Mass. It is truly appreciated by them and 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. Thank you!

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 class-mates: Mike Barth, Patrick Becker, Joani (Cicio) Dietrich, Joe Distler, Walter Fabry, Jane Frederich, Walter Govlick, Maureen (Hoedelbeck) Worthen, Joe Krieshock, Ted Kuberski, David Miskell, Mary Ann Simmers, Anita (Turner) Sirevaag, Kathy (Michell) Weber, Mary Beth (Winfield) Boone, Debbie (Carr) Ryan, Bill Carr, Laura Rosales, Mary (Vesci) Jacobsmeyer.

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.

EMHC's PLEASE TAKE NOTE

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC's), please watch for opportunities to volunteer for additional open spots via Ministry Scheduler Pro. We have added two additional EMHC spots in the schedule, beginning next weekend, that were not there when the current schedule was created. If those spots are filled by EMHCs, we will be able to resume offering the Holy Eucharist under both species (host and chalice) at those Masses.

S'MORES NIGHT

Mark your calendar to join us for S'mores Night to meet the Totus Tuus team, Sunday, June 25 at 5 p.m. at St. Elizabeth. Everyone of every age is welcome for this fun evening of s'mores & fellowship. Bring a friend or neighbor!

ALTAR FLOWERS

Call the parish office to honor a loved one with Altar flowers. We have lots of available weeks: June 25, July 16, 23 and 30, August 6, 13, and 27, September 3, 10, and 17. The cost is \$50.

CALLED TO SERVE? COME & SEE

Any man discerning a vocation to the diaconate (being ordained to serve as a deacon) is invited to a weekend experience at the Villa Maria in Springfield, Friday September 8, (4 p.m.) thru Saturday September 9, (2 p.m.). Meet the men currently in formation, proctor classroom lecture, and enjoy meals and social time. You'll also attend Mass with the deacon candidates and wives and participate in the Liturgy of the Hours Morning and Evening Prayer. Wives of men discerning a vocation are also invited and strongly encouraged to attend. Register at: stelizabethgc.org/diaconate

150 CLUB WINNERS

Congratulations to our April, May and June winners! April #150 Maria Schulte May #100 Joe & Chris Spanberger June #108 Bret & Tracy Ware

MEN: BE A KING OF SUMMER

The men of our Exodus Fraternity have recently entered into the summer season reflection, "Kings of Summer," following King David's journey in 2 Samuel, learning about sloth and pride, and seeking to better overcome those sins through the summer months. If you're interested in joining the fraternity, contact Bret in the parish office, or jump right into the fraternity, "Theophilus's Fraternity", in the Exodus app via: stelizabethgc.org/exodus

OR just join us at our Fraternity Breakfast on Saturday, June 24 at 7 a.m. at Apple Tree Family Restaurant here in Granite City to hang out and learn more.

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 outside the Harmony Room. Take one 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: **stegranitecity. flocknote.com/BrokennessMinist**

THIS WEEK

Sunday, June 11

Eucharistic Procession after 10:30 Mass

Parish Picnic ends at 6 p.m.

9 a.m. - Men at Prayer (PLC Library)

6 p.m. - Choir Practice (Church)

NO Exposition & Holy Hour with Vespers & Benediction this week

Monday, June 12

Tuesday, June 13

Wednesday, June 14

Flag Day

7 p.m. - BINGO (Columbus Home)

Thursday, June 15

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

7-8:30 p.m. - *The Lamb's Supper* Book Club (PLC Library)

Friday, June 16

Saturday, June 17

6-8 p.m. - Servers' BBQ Party (Deacon Halbrook's House)

Sunday, June 18

Happy Father's Day

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)

K of C CORNER

We need minutes! the 3rd and 4th degree still could



use some help on bingo on Friday and Sunday evening. Any volunteers would be on a substitute list in case our regulars cannot make it. We could always use more players on those evenings also. Remember that our meetings are open to the parish communities for all 3 parishes. Come out and see what we are all about. Our election of officers will be this next meeting, Tuesday, June 27th. That should be interesting! That should be interesting. Meeting starts at 7:30.

God be with you. Tom Cholevik, Grand Knight, 618-789-0337

ST. ELIZABETH SCHOOL







PRAYERS FOR OUR PRIESTS

The following priests of our Diocese are celebrating birthdays soon: 6/11- Msgr. David Hoefler 6/16- Rev. Joseph Ring Rev. Pawel Luczak 6/18- Rev. Joseph Carlos O.F.M. 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: 6/10- Rev. Joseph Straub 6/11- Rev. Paul Limacher Rev. Morgan J. O'Flaherty Rev. A.E. Robinson 6/15- Rev. James Howard Rev. Edward Oswald, O.F.M.



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 June 4, 2023

	Actual	Goal	Over/(Short)
Week 49 Regular Income	\$6,973.00		
122 Envelopes, Avg. Gift \$57.16			
One-Time Donation			
Loose	\$296.00		
Online Giving	\$1,590.00		
TOTAL	\$8,859.00	\$8,871.00	(\$12.00)
YTD TOTALS	\$400,171.68	\$434,679.00	(\$34,507.32)

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	\$32,230.00
Tuition Assistance	\$792.00
Building Repair/Maintenance	\$301.00
Mission & Ministry	\$111.00
Calvary Cemetery	\$60.00
Votive Offering	\$167.75
Peter's Pence	\$90.00
Retired Priests	\$562.00
Other Not Specified	\$320.00

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 28, 2023

	Current	/ YID
Walmart	Did	/ \$6,425
National	Not	/ \$26,010
Total Sales	Balance	/ \$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/allevents

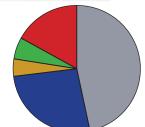
"Because there is one bread, we, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one bread." -1 Cor. 10:17

As disciples of Jesus, we are called to lead holy lives and invite others to join us. We are called to be fed and to feed others. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, serves a twofold purpose. One, it helps build God's kingdom here on earth. Two, it helps us strengthen each other's relationship with God the Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit. It becomes our roadmap to Heaven. Let's help each other get there!



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 \$184,600 club/organization donations \$31,488 school fundraisers & PTO donations \$40,092 parish & school family donations \$583,180 total in-hand \$116,820 **still needed**

Given last week: \$32,230.00 THANK YOU!

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS & ADVERTISING

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SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: If you have been away from the Church and the Sacrament of Reconciliation for a while, feel free to contact the parish office for guidance & materials to help you prepare to return to the Sacraments. In addition to Confessions offered from 3-4 p.m. on Saturdays, you could also schedule an individual time for Reconciliation.

Anointing of the Sick: Anointing of the Sick is appropriate for any upcoming surgery, prolonged illness, or in the event of emergency or danger of death. Please call the office if you or a loved one needs to be anointed.

Infant & Child Baptism: For children under the age of 8, please submit the forms at stelizabethgc.org/baptism and sign up for a Baptism Preparation class at least a month before your desired date of Baptism. For questions or emergencies, please contact the Parish Office. 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.

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.



