

Disciples Stewards

Granite City, Illinois ♦ Diocese of Springfield in Illinois

Twenty- First Sunday In Ordinary Time ♦ August 24, 2025

Welcome Back Royals!



Let's Have a Great Year!

DAY ONE OF FUN!!

Last Thursday, the school team welcomed our little folks back to campus. Day one was filled with excitement for our returning kids, a touch of fear perhaps in the younger grades, and of course a few tears and sad looks from parents. Please know that everyone at St. Elizabeth Catholic School is here to help your children learn and grow! Thank you for allowing us to be a part of their education and the formation of their faith! Join us in praying for a safe, enjoyable year with lots of learning and love!


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Men at Prayer: Tom Cholevik
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since 1871**

Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, pray for us.

PRAYER & LITURGY

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Monday, August 25

Monday of the 21st Wk of Ordinary Time

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Roberta Lewis+ by Lynne Davis

Tuesday, August 26

Tuesday of the 21st Wk of Ordinary Time

6 p.m. Mass:

Betty E. Lampitt+ by Darlene Fletcher

Wednesday, August 27

Saint Monica

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Norma Lesko by Walter & Cindy Rongey

Thursday, August 28

Saint Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Teresa Johnson+ by John, Deemana, Christine & Dimana Spudich

Friday, August 29

The Passion of Saint John the Baptist

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Rosemary Ledbetter+ by Janice Willaredt

Saturday, August 30

Saturday of the 21st Wk of Ordinary Time

NO MASS

Saturday-Sunday, August 30- August 31

Twenty- First Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. (Saturday) Vigil Mass:

Joseph Leo Bugnitz+ by Bret & Tracy Ware

8:00 a.m. Mass: *Streamed*

Carl Williams+ by the Straubinger/Williams Family

10:30 a.m. Mass:

Parishioners of Saint Elizabeth

14 DAY SANCTUARY LAMP

The 14 Day Sanctuary Lamp burns this week to remind us to pray **for the students, staff, teachers and families in our community as school resumes**

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers this week are offered for **the Staff, students and families of Saint Elizabeth Catholic School** by an Anonymous Donor

Mass offerings are available (\$10), as are memorials on the 14 Day Candle / Sanctuary Lamp, and Altar Flowers (\$50). Contact the parish office.

Reflections to help you prepare for Sunday Mass, the Holy Father's monthly prayer intentions, and prayers for our priests and military are all on our website at: stelizabethgc.org/pray

Read more about preparing for Sacraments and receiving other forms of pastoral care, like anointing or communion to the Homebound, etc. at stelizabethgc.org/pastoral-care

PARISH LIFE

HELP WANTED

We are on the lookout for parishioners who are looking for ways to be helpful in the life of the parish. In particular, we are looking for people willing to be trained as a sacristan, lector, extraordinary minister of Holy Communion, join the choir, be a greeter or usher, or assist in streaming Mass. Please contact the parish office with questions or if you need more details. Thank you

THE CHOSEN SEASON 5

Are you yearning to better understand the events of Holy Week?

-Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem

-His cleansing of the Temple

-The Last Supper

-The betrayal of Judas- all set within rising tension from Jewish and Roman leaders

Season 5 of The Chosen puts an emphasis on trusting God versus trusting human institutions.

Please consider joining us on Monday evening August 25 at 6:30 in the PLC. Light

AROUND THE AREA

MARRIED 50 YEARS OR MORE?

Bishop Thomas John Paprocki invites all couples who have been married 50 years or more to a special Anniversary Mass on Sunday, September 21 at 2 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield. This celebration honors your beautiful witness to the vocation of marriage. A light reception will follow Mass. RSVP by September 9 at dio.org/events, or contact Gracie Ortiz at gortiz@dio.org or (217) 698-8500. Let us honor your milestone of faith and love!

MEN'S LEADERSHIP SUMMIT IN EDWARDSVILLE

Join men from across the diocese on Saturday, October 18th at St. Boniface Church in Edwardsville for a Men's Leadership Summit featuring John Edwards, host of Just a Guy in the Pew. The purpose of this summit is to bring single and married men together to support one another, get inspired by their faith, gain or enhance leadership skills, and discuss best practices in men's ministry.

snacks will be provided.

PICNIC WRAP UP MEETING

The picnic wrap up meeting that was scheduled for August 31st has been CANCELLED and rescheduled for September 7th at 6 p.m. in the cafeteria. Sorry for the poor planning as this was a holiday weekend. See you all on Sunday, September 7th at 6 p.m. - Tim D.

NEW CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES

As a part of the ongoing changes to our office procedures, we will be changing the company that provides our contribution envelopes later this Fall. You will begin getting envelopes every two months beginning with November. Be sure not to toss the extra ones! If you wish to contribute via envelope and aren't already, please call the office. If you wish to contribute online, reach out to the office as well.

John is a dynamic, inspirational speaker and spiritual leader. His background and down-to-earth, practical approach appeals to sons, fathers, brothers, and friends who are Just a guy in the pew and to those interested in men's ministry. Visit the Men's Leadership Summit event page to watch the John's powerful story and to register. Cost is \$30 which includes materials and a catered lunch. Questions? Contact Gracie at (217) 321-1124, or email gortiz@dio.org.



Read about more going on here and nearby at stelizabethgc.org/news

FORMATION & KNIGHTS CORNER

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC? JOIN US FOR OCIA

Do you have a child over the age of 7 who hasn't been baptized? Were you baptized Catholic as a child, but haven't celebrated the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation? Are you seeking relationship with Christ and have questions? Contact our DRE, Chris Spanberger (cspan@stelizabethgc.org) for more information about OCIA & PSR

KNIGHTS CORNER .

I would like to send out a reminder that the Knights of Columbus next meeting is August 26th at 7:30 p.m.

Peace be with you,

Grand Knight Alan Arakaki



Explore opportunities to learn more about your faith at stelizabethgc.org/formation

During this 40-day long campaign, our members are invited to join other Christians in praying for an end to abortion.


*Do you have 1 hour
to pray for an end
to abortion?*

40 Days for Life - Granite City:
St. Elizabeth and Holy Family are sharing a prayer vigil day on Monday, September 29th. You can help END THE DEMAND FOR ABORTION WHERE YOU LIVE! Sign up in the gathering space beginning this week!

PSR BEGINS SEPTEMBER 7TH
Don't forget to sign up your child for PSR (Parish School of Religion). We have forms in the gathering space or you can call the office for help. Let us help form your children for the sacraments and to grow their faith!

Future Events

- August 26 -School Picture Day!!
- August 29- American Red Cross Blood Drive
- September 1- Labor Day (Office & School Closed)
- September 6- Golf Scramble
- September 7- Picnic Wrap Mtg & PSR BEGINS!




PEANUTS®
A little goes a long way. Give blood.

Blood Drive
St Elizabeth Catholic Church

Parish Life Center
2300 Pontoon Rd
Granite City, IL 62040

Friday, August 29, 2025
11:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Please visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter StElizabethCC to schedule an appointment.



Download the Blood Donor App | RedCrossBlood.org | 1-800-RED-CROSS

Extra Extra!



IN SEARCH OF.....
Father is still looking for a reliable vehicle while he is here with us. Please contact the parish office if you or someone you know has a vehicle for sale or donation that they may be willing to offer.

Hispanic Ministy
We have been conversing with a group of our Spanish speaking parishioners about expanding what we offer to help you feel more welcome. Please contact the office if you wish to consider a special Mass or receiving a Sacrament in Spanish .

Disciples & Stewards



Saint Elizabeth
ROYAL GOLF SCRAMBLE 2025
September 6th
TEE OFF: 08:00am
SHOTGUN START

Where: INDIAN MOUNDS 3500 Kingshighway East St. Louis IL 62204

Name (Last, First, Middle)		Phone () - -
Email		
Name (Last, First, Middle)		Phone () - -
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Interested in Sponsoring a Hole?

We have three different options for becoming a sponsor: Blue, Gold or Royal.

Blue Sponsor: \$250.00 - Name on scoreboard and hole-in-one sign.

Gold Sponsor: \$500.00 - A sign will be placed on a hole-in-one sign and a hole-in-one sign will be placed on a hole-in-one sign.

Royal Sponsor: \$1000.00 - A sign will be placed on a hole-in-one sign and a hole-in-one sign will be placed on a hole-in-one sign.

Also, this will come in handy when you are looking for a hole-in-one sign.

Please contact the office for more information and to schedule an appointment.

Check out the website for St. Elizabeth's website: www.stelizabeth.org

If you have any questions please call or text or email: StElizabeth@stelizabeth.org





Children's Liturgy

Saint Elizabeth Church

10:30 am Mass

2025 dates listed below

9/14

10/12

11/9

12/14

9/21

10/12

11/16

12/21

9/28

10/26

11/23



Saint Elizabeth
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ST. ELIZABETH SCHOOL



Remember: Catholic education starts at Sunday Mass!
School families, don't forget to continue submitting your Mass cards at Sunday Mass.

Non-Discrimination Policy

St. Elizabeth Catholic School admits students of any race, color, sex, or national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate based on race, color, sex, or national and ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarships, loan programs, athletics, or school administered programs. Our schools do reserve all their rights as religious entities in accord with the teachings of the Catholic Church, the protections of the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, and the Illinois Religious Freedom Restoration Act 775 ILCS 35/.

The pastor and school administration will ensure that these policies are followed. Concerns will be addressed through the Grievance Procedure listed in the Discipline and Conduct section of this handbook.

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.

Read more about the school & the weekly newsletter at stelizabethgc.org/school

STEWARDSHIP

August 17, 2025	Actual	Goal	Over/(Short)
Week 6 Regular Income	\$5,050.00		
94 Envelopes, Average \$53.72			
Building Repair/Maintenance	\$400.00		
Loose	\$471.00		
Online Giving	\$1,190.92		
TOTAL	\$7,111.92	\$11,193.00	(\$4,081.08)

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	\$962.00
Fund- A-Royal	\$2,000.00
Special Projects	\$5.00
Mission & Ministry	\$25.00

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.
July 2025 Tithe: \$6,412.00

USING GENERIC DONATION ENVELOPES

When using a generic donation envelope, please use your complete name, address and Envelope #, if known. Due to multiple parishioners with the same last name, posting contributions becomes more difficult and could result in donations being posted to the wrong parishioner's account. Thank you for your help!

More about more ways to give time, talent, & treasure at stelizabethgc.org/stewardship

THIS WEEK

Sunday, August 24

Holy Hour with Vespers and Benediction
7:00-8:00 p.m.

Monday, August 25

The Chosen, Season 5 6:30- 8:30 p.m.
(PLC)

Tuesday, August 26

Ladies Sodality Meeting 6:30 p.m. (Harmony Rm.)

Choir Rehearsal- 7-8:30 p.m.

Knights of Columbus 3rd Degree Mtg.
7:30 p.m. (Columbus Home)

Wednesday, August 27

BINGO- 7 p.m. (Columbus Home)

Thursday, August 28

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Benediction & Reposition at 9 p.m.

Friday, August 29

American Red Cross Blood Drive Noon -
5:30 p.m (PLC)

Saturday, August 30

Pray Rosary @ Abortion Business 9 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation 3 p.m.

Sunday, August 31

Holy Hour with Vespers and Benediction
7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Monday, September 1

LABOR DAY

Daily Mass at 8:15 a.m.

School and Parish Office Closed



"Do you think I have come to give you peace on Earth? No, I tell you, but rather division." Luke 12:51

Many of us like to play it safe, not cause waves with our family and friends, especially when it comes to politics and religion. We don't want to cause any turmoil. However, many times this is at the expense of the truth. The truth being Jesus Christ. Too many people are misguided because they rely on their own limited human ability to reason and are not allowing faith in God to guide them. Form your conscience; take a stance for life, marriage, and **religious liberty**.

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.



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