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St. Elizabeth Catholic Church & School

Granite City, Illinois ♦ Diocese of Springfield in Illinois

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time ♦ October 26, 2025



Ut unum sint- 'That They May Be One'

The historic meeting this week between King Charles III, the Supreme Governor of the Church of England, and Pope Leo XIV marked a momentous step in ecumenical relations, as they prayed together publicly in the Sistine Chapel for the first time between a reigning British monarch and a pontiff since the Reformation. Following their private audience and the joint service, the King was conferred the title of "Royal Confrater" at the Papal Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls, a gesture of spiritual fellowship. For this occasion, a special chair was created for the King and his successors, which bears his coat of arms and the profound Latin inscription: "Ut unum sint"—meaning "That they may be one." The phrase comes directly from the Gospel of John, specifically John 17:21. It is part of Jesus's High Priestly Prayer, where he prays to the Father for his disciples (and all who will believe in him) to be united.

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Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, pray for us.

PRAYER & LITURGY

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Monday, October 27

Monday of the 30th Wk of Ordinary Time

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Roberta Lewis+ by Premo+ & Kay Clay

Tuesday, October 28

Saints Simon & Jude, Apostles

6 p.m. Mass:

Glenn Gibson + by Barbara Gibson

Wednesday, October 29

Wednesday of the 30th Wk of Ordinary Time

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Lucille Friederch+ by Rosemary Tomlovic

Thursday, October 30

Thursday of the 30th Wk of Ordinary Time

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Roy Logan+ by James Bohn

Friday, October 31

Friday of the 30th Wk of Ordinary Time

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Jimmy Flanary, Sr.+ by Marge Robbins

Saturday, November 1

All Saints

9:00 a.m. Mass:

Nancy Gray+ by Pam Dean

Saturday-Sunday, November 1 - November 2

Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

(All Souls Day)

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

Robert Stamper+ by Jeanette & Sanita

DiVetro

8:00 a.m. Mass: Forgotten Souls in

Purgatory+ by Carol McGee *Streamed*

10:30 a.m. Mass:

Parishioners of Saint Elizabeth

12:30 p.m. Mass* (Spanish):

Emilo Campos+ by Janet Wilmsmeyer

14 DAY SANCTUARY LAMP

The 14 Day Sanctuary Lamp burns this week to remind us to pray **for Deceased Priests, Deacons and Religious of our Diocese.**

ALTAR FLOWERS

There is no flower memorial this week. Please contact the parish office to consider offering a memorial in the coming weeks. Details below.

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

TRUNKS FOR TREATS

This year's Trunks for Treats will be Monday, October 27th beginning at 6 p.m. Please call the office to reserve a spot. If you would like to donate candy or treats for the event, they can be dropped at the office during regular hours, or in the cart in the gathering space. Thank you!

CLASS OF '65 REUNION

St. Elizabeth Catholic School Class of 1965 is planning a reunion dinner on Saturday, November 22 at the Columbus Home, beginning at 6 p.m. Contact Tom Cholevik (618-789-0337) or Pam (Brewer) Winn (618-641-7274), for more details and to sign up. Looking forward to celebrating with as many of you as possible on our 60th Anniversary of graduation!

ALL SAINTS DAY As a reminder, All Saints Day is not a day of obligation this year, owing to the 1992 decision of the USCCB abrogating the precept to attend Mass when November 1 falls on a Saturday or Monday. All Saints Day Mass

AROUND THE AREA

NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS

From November 21 through December 31, 2025, 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Indoor activities are closed on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve, and Christmas Day.

The Way of Lights Display, using over 1.5 million beautiful lights, depicts the journey of Mary and Joseph as they travel to Bethlehem. With new and beautiful colored lights, we celebrate the birth of Jesus and continue to offer activities for all to enjoy!

Cost: No charge for display; donations accepted; additional charges for some activities. For more information, call 618-397-6700 or visit our website at snows.org/wayoflights

will be at 9:00 a.m. Our regular weekend vigil and Sunday Masses are for All Souls. Please join us to pray for our beloved dead.

SCOUTING FOR FOOD

Granite City scouts will be putting blue Scouting For Food bags on the doors of residences in Granite City and Pontoon Beach on Saturday, November 15. If you get a bag, please fill it with nonperishable food items and put it on your front porch before 9 am on Saturday, November 22. The scouts will pick it up and get your donation to one of the food pantries in Granite City. If you don't get a bag and would still like to donate food, on November 22, between the hours of 9 am and 2 pm, you may bring your food donations to one of two pick-up points: St. Elizabeth School front parking lot (Johnson Road), or Holy Family School front drive (St. Clair Avenue).

Thank you for your help!

ADVOCATE TRAINING

The Office for Tribunal Services will be hosting Advocate Training on Saturday, November 15 from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. at St. Boniface Parish, 110 North Buchanan, in Edwardsville, IL. Current advocates are also welcomed to attend. The training will focus on the procedures concerning marriage nullity and how to assist members of the faithful who seek to have a previous marriage examined. Those interested in attending are asked to RSVP Chelli by November 10 at cbranyan@dio.org or 217-321-1117.

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 thank everyone who helped make the Halloween party a success.

Romans 12:14

Peace be with you,

Grand Knight Alan Arakaki



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

Ladies Sodality

Fall Bazaar & Turkey Dinner

Sunday, October 26

11:00 - 5:00

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

\$14 Adults

\$7 Child 4-10

3 & under free!

Dine In or Carry Out!



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Extra Extra!

Disciples & Stewards

ALL SAINTS/ALL SOULS/DAY OF THE DEAD/DIA DE LOS MUERTOS

Next weekend we celebrate, remember and pray for the saints who have gone before us as well as all of our dearly departed. This year we hope to incorporate more fully the Hispanic tradition of Dia de Los Muertos. The multi-day holiday involves family and friends gathering to pay respects and remember friends and family members who have died. These celebrations can take a humorous tone, as celebrants remember amusing events and anecdotes about the departed. It is widely observed in Mexico, where it largely developed, and is also observed in other places, especially by people of Mexican heritage.

Beginning Monday there will be an altar in the gathering space to join the one that is already in the school. Tradition holds that you can place photos, mementos or other remembrances for your family and friends who are no longer with us physically. In addition, these are the traditional items placed on the altar during this time:

October 27: Pets arrive

October 28: The first candle and a white flower are placed to welcome the souls who died alone.

October 29: Another candle and a glass of water are added for the forgotten and helpless souls.

October 30: A new candle, water, and white bread are placed for those who passed suddenly or without food.

November 1: All Saints' Day — dedicated to the souls of children.

November 2: All Souls' Day — for the souls of adults.

In addition, there will be a special Spanish Mass on Sunday, November 2 at 12:30 p.m. Members of our community will be preparing and offering ethic food dishes in the Harmony Room after this Mass. We hope to see as many of you as are able, joining us!



CALVARY CATHOLIC CEMETERY - Excuse Our Mess — Improvements Underway

We appreciate your patience and understanding as we make major improvements to the roads, drainage system and mound area.

While construction is underway, there may be temporary disruptions or limited access to certain areas.

Burials will not be interrupted.

These upgrades are essential to ensure safer, smoother access for all visitors, and to better serve families for years to come.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and are working diligently to complete the project as efficiently as possible.

Thank you for your support and understanding during this time of progress. If you would like to make a donation towards these projects, please contact the cemetery office at 618-656-5464.

Sincerely,

The Board of Directors and Staff
Calvary Catholic Cemetery



Blood Drive St Elizabeth Catholic Church

Parish Life Center
2300 Pontoon Rd
Granite City, IL 62040

Friday, November 7, 2025
11:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

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

Come to give blood Oct. 20-Nov. 16 for a \$10 e-gift card
+ chance at \$5K prize! rcblood.org/harvest

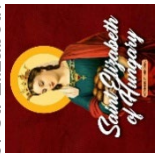


Schedule your blood donation appointment today!



November 2025

Daily Mass: Tuesday Evening Mass 6:00 PM
Wednesday- Saturday 8:15 PM
Saturday Evening Mass 4:30 PM
Sunday Mass 8 AM and 10:30

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
November is dedicated to the Holy Souls in Purgatory & the Faithful Departed						
2 Harmony Café Youth Mass 10:30 AM DDL M Spanish Mass 12:30PM Adoration with Vespers and Benediction 7:30 PM-8:30 PM	3 	4 Men's Club Meeting 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal 7 PM- 8:30 PM	5 Bingo 7 PM	6 Adoration 9 AM - 9 PM	7 Blood Drive 11AM-5:30PM Fish Fry 4 PM – 7 PM 	1 Harmony Café Pray Rosary Abortion Business 9AM All Saints Mass 9 AM Confessions 3 PM
9 Young Disciples 2 PM- 4PM Adoration with Vespers and Benediction 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM	10	11 Choir Rehearsal 7 PM- 8:30 PM No School/Parish Office Closed Veterans Day  Columbus Home Meeting 7:00 PM	12 Bingo 7 PM	13 PTO Meeting 6:30 PM Adoration 9 AM - 9 PM	14 	15 St Elizabeth Royal Run 7AM Pray Rosary Abortion Business 9AM Confessions 3 PM
16 Men at Prayer 9 AM Adoration with Vespers and Benediction 7:30 PM-8:30 PM	17 Feast of St. Elizabeth 	18 Choir Rehearsal 7 PM- 8:30 PM 4 th Degree Knights of Columbus Meeting 7:30 PM	19 Bingo 7 PM Charitable Outreach Meeting 6 PM	20 Adoration 9 AM - 9 PM	21 Honor Roll Mass 8:15 AM	22 Pray Rosary Abortion Business 9AM Confessions 3 PM
23 Adoration with Vespers and Benediction 7:30-8:30 PM	24	25 Ladies Sodality Meeting 6:30 PM 3 rd Degree Knights of Columbus Meeting 7:30 PM	26 No School Respect Life Meeting- 6PM	27 No School Thanksgiving 	28 No School	29 Pray Rosary Abortion Business 9AM
30 Adoration with Vespers and Benediction 7:30-8:30 PM			Pope Leo's Intention for November: For the Prevention of Suicide	Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might ->	find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.	

ST. ELIZABETH SCHOOL



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



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30% OF STUDENTS RECEIVE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE



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

STEWARDSHIP

October 19, 2025	Actual	Goal	Over/(Short)
Week 16 Regular Income	\$3,961.00		
86 Envelopes, Average \$46.06			
Building Repair/Maintenance	\$100.00		
Loose	\$498.25		
One Time Donations			
Online Giving	\$1,108.62		
TOTAL	\$5,667.87	\$11,193.00	(\$5,525.13)
YTD TOTALS	\$134,248.14	\$167,895.00	(\$44,839.86)

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/Fund A Royal	\$150.00
Special Projects	\$25.00
World Mission Sunday	\$1,358.00

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.
September 2025 Tithe: \$4,076.00

A Grateful Acknowledgment

We extend our heartfelt thanks for a generous donation made to St. Elizabeth Church through a death benefit, gifted by one of our late parishioners. This act of faith and generosity is a beautiful testament to their lasting love for our parish community. We are deeply grateful for their remembrance of St. Elizabeth in such a meaningful way. May their soul rest in peace, and may their legacy continue to bless our parish for years to come. *If you are interested in learning more about naming St. Elizabeth Parish or School as a beneficiary, please contact your finance professional.*

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

THIS WEEK

Sunday, November 2

HARMONY CAFE

ALL SOULS DAY

***additional Mass in Spanish @ 12:30 p.m.**

Men At Prayer - 9 a.m

PSR 9:15 a.m. -10:15 a.m. (PLC)

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

Monday, November 3

Tuesday, November 4

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

Men's Club Meeting- 7:30 p.m. (Cafe)

Wednesday, November 5

BINGO- 7 p.m. (Columbus Home)

Thursday, November 6

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

Benediction & Reposition at 9 p.m.

Friday, November 7

American Red Cross Blood Drive- 11 a.m.- 5:30 p.m. (PLC)

Men's Club Fish Fry- 4 p.m.- 7 p.m. (Cafeteria)

Saturday, November 8

Sacrament of Reconciliation 3 p.m.

Sunday, November 9

PSR 9:15 a.m. -10:15 a.m. (PLC)

Young Disciples 2 p.m.- 4 p.m. (PLC Upper Room)

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

"...for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted." Luke 18:14

Pride and ego are the root causes of most of our sins. Thinking your time is so valuable or your talent is better than anyone else or your money gives you status is another way of making those things "gods" before God. Pride is the opposite of humility. Remember, all that we have and all that we are is a gift from God. We should be humbled by God's incredible generosity and be grateful for all we have been given. Ultimately, gratitude leads us to humility.

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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