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St. Elizabeth Catholic Church & School

Granite City, Illinois ♦ Diocese of Springfield in Illinois

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed ♦ November 2, 2025



All Saints and All Souls

On Saturday, the Church celebrates the Communion of Saints, All Saints Day. This year it is not a Holy Day of Obligation, but we will have Mass that morning at 9 a.m. Sunday, we celebrate the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, All Souls Day. In a special way we pray for the souls of all the faithful departed, especially those in Purgatory. We invite the families of those who had a loved one pass away this year to join in a special way with our community to light a candle & pray this weekend and the whole month of November for our loved ones. Stop by the gathering space and write names in the Book of the Dead and perhaps leave a photo or remembrance on the altar lovingly constructed by our Spanish speaking parishioners. Our list of All Souls Memorials can be found in the insert this week.

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Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, pray for us.

PRAYER & LITURGY

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Monday, November 3

Monday of the 31st Wk of Ordinary Time

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Roberta Lewis+ by Michael & Lynn Meehan

Tuesday, November 4

Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop

6 p.m. Mass:

Nancy Gray+ by Kurt, Angela & Matt Hobbs

Wednesday, November 5

Wednesday of the 31st Wk of Ordinary Time

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Marilyn Coulson+ by Al & Erin Ruesing

Thursday, November 6

Thursday of the 31st Wk of Ordinary Time

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Roy Logan+ by Rosmary Tomlovic

Friday, November 7

Friday of the 31st Wk of Ordinary Time

8:15 a.m. Mass:

First Friday Intentions

Saturday, November 8

Saturday of the 31st Wk of Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Mass:

Sylvia Winfield+ by Rosemary Tomlovic

Saturday-Sunday, November 8- November 9

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

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

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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

The flowers this week are offered in memory of the **Deceased Members of St. Elizabeth Parish** by Andy & Joanne Yurko.

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

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 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. Consider signing the Book of the Dead near the altar in the Gathering Space and leaving a memento of your loved ones on the altar as we pray for them during November.

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!

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. For more information, call 618-397-6700 or visit our website at <https://snows.org/wayoflights>

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 concern-

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!

ing 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.

SNOWMAN'S BALL

St Mary and St Mark Parish will be hosting their 48th Annual Snowman's Ball on Saturday, December 6. Doors open at 5 pm, Dinner at 6 pm and dancing from 7:30 to 10:30. Music is by Dave Hylla's Good Times Band. There will be attendance prizes and raffles. Tickets are \$25/person which includes catered dinner, music, beer, wine, & soda. Tickets must be purchased by November 20 at noon. If interested, send a check payable to St Mary and St Mark to: St Mary and St Mark Parish, c/o Snowman's Ball, 1621 Tenth Street, Madison IL 62060. Questions: call Cheryl at 18-610-7158

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 hope everyone celebrated All Saints Day!

In honor of All Souls Day, I would like everyone to say a few "eternal rest" prayers for the departed.

Peace be with you,

Grand Knight Alan Arakaki



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



5K Royal Run

St. Elizabeth Granite City
Benefiting the St. Elizabeth Centennial Campaign

Saturday, November 15

Hooded shirt for all 5K participants - Medal for all 5K finishers.
TROPHIES for Top Male/Female Overall and in each age group:
10 & Under, 11-14, 15-19, 20-24, 25-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69, 70 & up



More info & registration:
StElizabethGC.org/run



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Blood Drive **St Elizabeth Catholic Church**

Parish Life Center
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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!

Extra Extra!

Disciples & Stewards

TURKEY DINNER THANK YOU

Thank you to each and every person that pitched in to help our Ladies Sodality with the Fall Bazaar & Turkey Dinner last weekend. We served close to 700 dinner and were also able to donate a considerable amount of food to Collinsville Area Food Pantry to help those in need. We really appreciate all of the support. Special thanks to our kitchen team for their hours of difficult work to make the event a success. Many hands make the load lighter and we are grateful for all who helped even in the smallest way to make this event a success. Thank you and God Bless you all!

-Ladies Sodality

HOLIDAY SCRIP REMINDER

SCRIP is still available for sale in the Parish Office and remains an important fundraiser for our parish/school community. Please stop by or send in an order, with payment, to the school with your student (include contact information please!) Your continued support of the SCRIP program is appreciated!

FOOD DRIVE REMINDER

As we head into the winter/holiday months, please be reminded that the food donations we collect to support those less fortunate in our community will perhaps be even more important than ever this year considering the current Federal government shutdown. Please consider buying extra to donate. Among the most needed items are: cereal, packaged oatmeal, peanut butter, saltine crackers, jelly, soup, canned fruit, canned meat (tuna, chicken) and pasta noodles.

BILLIES KIDS COMING SOON!

For the past few years, we have supported BILLIES KIDS as they aim to provide a Christmas to many families who struggle in our community. In the next week or so, you will see the giving tree return to the gathering space with tags for kids toys and clothing. Please be generous to this very worthy cause. Thank you!

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





Serving those who Serve



Dear Father,

Allow me to express my profound gratitude to you and your parish community for participating in the upcoming National Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS).

As you know, the collection is approved by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops to be taken every three years, to increase awareness and support of the mission, *"Serving Those Who Serve."*

The ministries offered by the AMS benefit those who serve in all six branches of the U.S. Armed Forces, Veterans, and their families.

The mission of this Archdiocese is to ensure that service members, Veterans, and their families be able to seek sacramental preparation for baptism, confirmation, first Communion, penance, and marriage; to benefit from consultation with a priest, and to receive the sacrament of penance as they defend our rights of freedom and speech, and face constant transition and uncertainty.

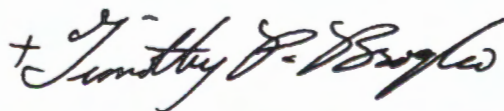
In addition, the AMS Co-Sponsored Seminarian Program is the only vocations program in the United States that provides priests to serve as military chaplains and also to serve in parishes and dioceses across the country that struggle with their own critical shortage of ministers. When the priest separates from the military, he then returns to his diocese or community.

Please help me continue to provide for those entrusted to my pastoral care – including those who originate from your own parish or diocese - by including one or more bulletin announcements in your weekly publication, making collection envelopes readily available, and perhaps consider having an active-duty or retired military member of your parish offer a witness regarding his or her experience of receiving the sacraments or counsel from an AMS endorsed priest while serving on active-duty.

Please pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Know that your intentions will be remembered at the altar.

With my best wishes for your ministry and the expression of my gratitude, I am

Fraternally in Christ,



(The Most Reverend) Timothy P. Broglio
Archbishop for the Military Services, USA

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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.



THIS WEEK

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

Monday, November 10

Tuesday, November 11

VETERANS DAY- School & Parish Office Closed

Columbus Home Mtg.- 7 p.m.

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

Wednesday, November 12

BINGO- 7 p.m. (Columbus Home)

Thursday, November 13

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

Benediction & Reposition at 9 p.m.

Friday, November 14

Saturday, November 15

5K ROYAL RUN - 7 a.m.

Tribunal Advocate Training- 10 a.m.- 3 p.m. (St. Boniface)

Sacrament of Reconciliation 3 p.m.

Sunday, November 16

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



“...because I came down from heaven not to do my own will but the will of the one who sent me....” John 6:38

When praying the “Our Father”, say the words slowly so you truly recognize what you are saying. Every day when praying this prayer, we repeat what Jesus said in the scripture passage – “thy kingdom come, thy will be done.” Even though we say these words, do our actions reflect those words? This is the difference between saints and the rest of us. Saints were faithful and obedient to **God’s will. Start today – start aligning your words and actions with God’s will for you.**

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

STEWARDSHIP

October 26, 2025	Actual	Goal	Over/(Short)
Week 17 Regular Income	\$4,007.00		
91 Envelopes, Average \$44.03			
Loose	\$443.23		
One Time Donations	\$12,000		
Online Giving	\$653.17		
TOTAL	\$17,103.40	\$11,193.00	(\$5,910.40)
YTD TOTALS	\$151,371.54	\$190,281.00	(\$38,909.46)

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	\$140.00
Special Projects	\$25.00
Mission & Ministry	\$200.00

Are 70 ½ or older?

If you are 70.5 or older, you can support your parish, school, or diocesan ministry directly from your IRA. An IRA gift can potentially reduce your taxable income, and if you are 72 or older and must fulfill a Required Minimum Distribution, your donation is a compassionate way to fulfill this requirement. Please contact your Finance professional to learn more.

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: \$4,084.00

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

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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