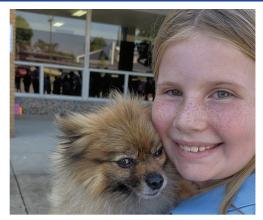
Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time♦ October 12, 2025









OCTOBER PRAYERS AND FEASTS

This week at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church and School was a beautiful blend of reverence and joyous celebration, perfectly captured in the collage above. The images highlight's the parish and school's deep faith in praying a Living Rosary, where students essentially formed the beads, symbolizing their collective prayers and commitment to the Blessed Mother during this month dedicated to the Holy Rosary. Other photos are of the school's celebration of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, patron saint of animals and the environment. These heartwarming pictures feature a variety of cherished pets—dogs, cats, and perhaps a small bird or guinea pig—lined up with their student and parent owners for the annual pet blessing. The smiles on the faces of the children and the calm, sometimes curious, demeanor of their beloved animals truly embody the Franciscan spirit of creation and kinship. Together, the photographs tell a story of a week filled with spiritual devotion, communal connection, and a joyful appreciation for all of God's creatures.

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PRAYER & LITURGY

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Monday, October 13

Monday of the 28th Wk of Ordinary Time 8:15 a.m. Mass:

Arthur Lampitt+ by Janice Dittman

Tuesday, October 14

Tuesday of the 28th Wk of Ordinary Time

6 p.m. Mass:

Charles James Kirk+ by Mark Yehling

Wednesday, October 15

Saint Theresa of Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Louis Vaughn+ by Premo+ & Kay Clay

Thursday, October 16

Thursday of the 28th Wk of Ordinary Time

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Bill Loftus+ by Pat Loftus

Friday, October 17

Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Mar-

8:15 a.m. Mass:

Nancy Gray+ by Ed & Marie Gray

Saturday, October 18 Saint Luke, Evangilist

8:15 a.m. Mass: NO MASS

Saturday-Sunday, October 18 - October 19 Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. (Saturday) Vigil Mass: Bill Schrenk+ by His Daughter

8:00 a.m. Mass: Lisa Dellamano+ by Janice Willaredt

Streamed 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 Bill Schrenk+ by **Bootsie Schrenk**

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers this week are offered for **Tim** Domagalski by Marylou & Tim Lyerla

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 annointing or communion to the Homebound, etc. at stelizabethgc.org/pastoral-care

PARISH LIFE

LADIES SODALITY FALL BAZAAR & TURKEY DINNER

Just a little over a month away from our Ladies Sodality Fall Bazaar & Turkey Dinner. If you are an avid collector of Precious Moments figurines, Raikes Bears and Raikes Originals and Noritake glassware, or would like to just buy a figurine as a gift for someone special, please visit the Collectables Table which will have about 75 Precious Moments figurines and additional collectable items. Each item is more adorable than the next. These were donated with the direction that proceeds be split between St. Elizabeth and Holy Family Parishes. Look for even more specifics in the bulletin insert and on our parish Facebook page.

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!

ST ELIZABETH 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

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 and God bless

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 https:// snows.org/wayoflights

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 &

KNIGHTS CORNER

I would like to remind everyone that October is the month of the rosary. Also the 40 days of life has started, at the abortion clinic.

Please take time to pray the rosary and for the closure of the abortion facility.

Peace be with you,

Grand Knight Alan Arakaki



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



Saturday, Oct. 11, 2025

Bishop Thomas John Paprocki

9:00 am - Respect Life Mass 10:00 am - Rosary Walk Holy Family Catholic Church, Granite City

NO RSVP

April S. Wood required 11:30 am - Luncheon & Speaker St. Mary Church - Englebert Hall,

1621 10th Street, Madison, IL 62060

April S. Wood ~ Director of Litigation, 40 Days for Life



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HONORED VETERANS DINNER NIGHT

Saturday November 8, 2025 is the date for this year's Veterans Dinner Night. Join us at Moose Lodge, 2521 Maryville Rd. Doors open 5:30 p.m., Event Begins at 6 p.m. All Vets are invited with a guest. Additional Guests are \$20 RSVP to Tom 618-789-0337 Or Paul 618-407-3011

COLLECTABLES AT LADIES SODALITY BAZAAR

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LADIES SODALITY CHRISTMAS TREE AUCTION

St. Elizabeth Ladies Sodality invites you to take part in their festive Christmas Tree Auction, featuring a stunning collection of themed trees decorated by members of Ladies Sodality with their individual choice of theme and decorations

- Display & Bidding Details: Trees will be on display in the Harmony Room beginning the weekend of October 12th They will also be showcased at the Fall Bazaar on Sunday, October 26th Bidding opens Sunday, October 12th and closes at the end of the Fall Bazaar on October 26th Winning bids will be announced at the close of the Bazaar
- Auction Guidelines: Payment is due at the time of tree pickup You do not need to be present to win Celebrate the season early and support a great cause—your perfect holiday tree might be waiting!

Don't miss this festive opportunity to support the church and take home a special prize!

For questions contact: Christine Domagalski 618-304-2575

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





Ladies Sodality is BUSY this Fall and Winter, providing great opportunities to win some great prizes, buy some wonderful crafts and fellowship with a wonderful meal!

Ladies Sodality Fall Bazaar Basket Raffle

Join us for a chance to win one of four beautifully curated baskets at our Fall Bazaar on Sunday, October 26, 2025!

Raffle Ticket Details:

- \$1.00 per ticket or 6 tickets for \$5.00
- Tickets are available in the church bulletin or at the church office and at the Fall Bazaar. Tickets and money (cash or check) can be turned in the day of the Bazaar or before to St. Elizabeth Church Office

Raffle Highlights:

Four themed baskets will be raffled off. Winners will be drawn at the conclusion of the Fall Bazaar. You do not need to be present to win. Winners will be contacted by phone and announced in the church bulletin

#1 Gaming Basket Raffle Gaming Gift Cards, Snacks - Estimated Retail Value \$100.00

#2 Dinner at Si Senor (Granite City) Raffle Estimated Retail Value \$100.00

#3 Lottery and Liquor Basket (21 years old to win)
Scratch Off Tickets, Liquor, Snacks-Est. Retail Value \$85.00

#4 Lottery and Wine Basket (21 years old to win) Scratch Off Tickets, Wine, Snacks-Est. Retail Value \$110.00

Don't miss this festive opportunity to support the church and take home a special prize!

Volunteers Needed for the Ladies Sodality Fall Bazaar!

Help us make this cherished event a success by lending a hand in the kitchen and setup. All work takes place in the school cafeteria, and flexible shifts are available—volunteer as much or as little as you'd like!

Meal Prep & Setup Schedule

October 18 & 19 - 10:30 AM to 7:00 PM: Turkey cooking

October 22 - 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM: Side dish prep

October 23 - 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM: Sweet potato prep

October 24 - 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM: Side dish prep

October 25 - All day: Final setup and kitchen prep

October 26 - 6:00 AM to 8:00 PM: Fall Bazaar Day!

For details or to sign up, contact: Laura Schrenkenberg - 618-225-0430 Chris

Domagalski - 618-304-2575

Dessert Donations Welcome!

Please bring your delicious baked goods to share at the dinner. Drop-off times:

Friday, October 24 and Saturday, October 25 - until 5:00 PM

Sunday morning - before the Bazaar begins

Support the Cause

Monetary donations are appreciated to help cover the cost of turkeys and supplies. Drop off contributions at the parish office or place them in the Mass collection basket. Be sure to label your envelope or check for "turkey/supply donation."

Volunteer Opportunities Day of the Bazaar
Sign up to help with the following areas:
Area Contact
Kitchen Laura Schrenkenberg
Dining Room Beth Masters - 618-660-6288
Basket
Booth Mary Riggs - 618-542-7855 or Chris Domagalski

General

Store Paula Thouvenot - 618-709-3000 Quilt Raffle Kathy Swift - 618-980-5216 Main Chair Christine Domagalski

Fall Bazaar General Store - Donations Needed!

We're calling on all talented bakers and crafters to help stock our General Store! Please consider donating your favorite homemade desserts, canned goods, or handcrafted items.

Drop-off Times:

Friday, October 18 and Saturday, October 19

Until 5:00 PM at the school cafeteria

Questions? Contact Paula Thouvenot

Your contributions make this event extra special—thank you for your support!

Ladies Sodality Monthly Meeting - All Are Welcome!

We warmly invite all women of the parish to join us for our upcoming Ladies Sodality meeting on Tuesday, October 28th, immediately following the evening Mass in the Harmony Room.

Come be a part of the planning for our exciting Fall and Advent events! Your involvement makes a meaningful difference in our parish, church, and community. Whether you're a longtime member or new to the group, there are plenty of ways to get involved and share your gifts.

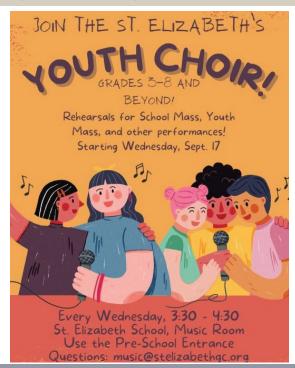
Together, we can make a lasting impact—and have fun doing it! We'd love to see you!

St. Elizabeth School

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







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

Stewardship

October 5, 2025	Actual	Goal	Over/(Short)
Week 14 Regular Income	\$9,686.00		
102 Envelopes, Average \$94.96			
Building Repair/Maintenance	\$801.00		
Loose	\$532.00		
BINGO Profit	\$12,000.00		
Online Giving	\$1,676.97		
TOTAL	\$12,695.97	\$11,193.00	\$1,502.97
YTD TOTALS	\$120,439.70	\$156,702.00	(\$36,262.30)

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 \$809.00 Special Projects \$161.00 Mission & Minstry \$111.00 Church in Gaza \$100.00

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

UPCOMING SPECIAL OR SECOND COLLECTIONS

October 25/26 - World Mission Sunday: World Mission Sunday was established in 1926 by Pope Pius XI, and the first worldwide observance took place in October 1927. This Collection recognizes in each local Church its catholicity and call to universal solidarity so Christians everywhere will recognize their common responsibility to evangelize the whole world. 91% if the revenue gathered is sent to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, and 9% to the Catholic Near East Welfare Association.

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

This Week

Sunday, October 19

Turkey Prep for Dinner: 10:30 a.m. to 7

Men At Prayer- 9 a.m.

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

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

Monday, October 20

Tuesday, October 21

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

4th Degree Knights of Columbus Mtg.-7:30 p.m. (Columbus Home)

Wednesday, October 22

Prep for Dinner: 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.

BINGO-7 p.m. (Columbus Home)

Thursday, October 23

Prep for Dinner: 9 a..m. to 6 p.m.

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

Benediction & Reposition at 9 p.m.

Friday, October 24

Prep for Dinner: 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Saturday, October 25

Sacrament of Reconciliation 3 p.m.

Sunday, October 26

LADIES SODALITY TURKEY DINNER & FALL BAZAAR- 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. (Cafeteria)

PSR 9:15 a.m. -10:15 a.m. (PLC) Holy Hour with Vespers and Benedication 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m



Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?" Luke 17:18

Most of us live relatively "easy" lives. We have food, shelter, clothing, and money. We go on vacation every year and own a car or two. Most of us take this all for granted. Did you ever notice that people with the least amount of possessions are usually the most grateful? Shouldn't this be the other way around? Take time every day and thank God for all He has given you and discern how He is calling you to share your gifts.

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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