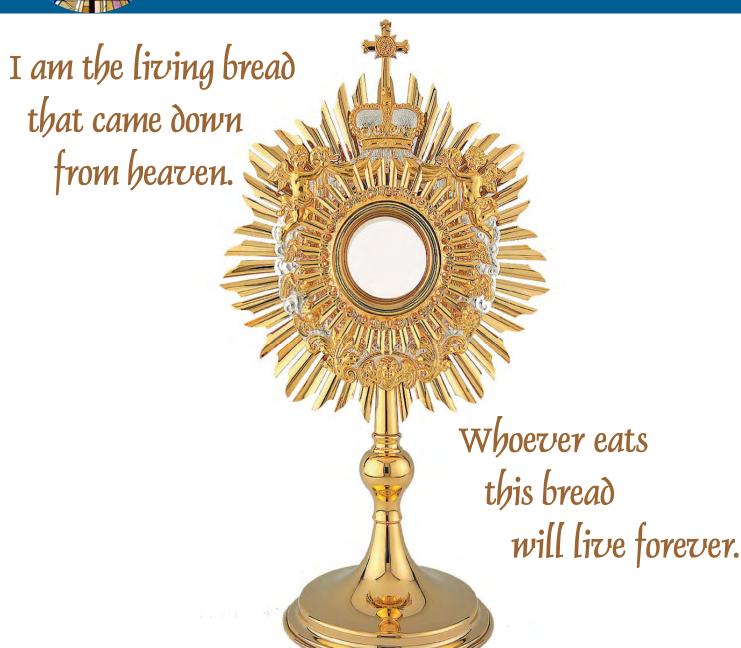


St. Elizabeth of Hungary

Roman Catholic Church



Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ & June 14, 2020

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Are you interested in receiving emails from St. Elizabeth Church? Have you stopped receiving emails from us but would like to reconnect? Send your updated information (name, address and current email address) to mkies@stelizabeth.org and we will update our records to keep you informed on all parish events.

We invite all new members of our parish community to register at the Center. We also encourage you to join one of our numerous parish ministries, so that you may acquire a deeper sense of belonging and accomplishment serving the needs of others.

Celebration of the Eucharist

Weekday (Monday to Thursday) at 9:30 a.m. in church. Saturday at 5:00 p.m. (Vigil for Sunday) in church.

Sunday at 9:00 a.m. (outdoors weather permitting) and 11:30 a.m. in church Holy days usually at 9:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. (Please check the bulletin or website.)

Becoming a Catholic or Adult Confirmation

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Were you never Confirmed and now find that you would like to complete your Sacraments of Initiation? Are you interested in finding out more about the Catholic faith? If you answered "Yes" to any of these questions, then Faith Formation is for you! Call the Parish Center for more information.

<u>**Paptism**</u>

Baptisms are celebrated on various Sundays throughout the year at 1:15 p.m. You are encouraged to register for the baptism BEFORE YOUR CHILD IS BORN, so that it is easier to attend the required Baptism Preparation Class. Please call the Center and we will be happy to set up an appointment. Many parents also use this opportunity to register in the Parish as a new parishioner. Information about Godparents is available on the website.

Marriage

We are happy to arrange for your wedding. First, we have the marriage interview and then we can set the date for the wedding. More information is available on the website. Please call the Center for an appointment and we will be happy to help you!

Reconciliation

Confessions will be heard by appointment only. Please email Fr. Irinel: iracos@stelizabeth.org

Anointing of the Sick

We encourage all those eligible for this Sacrament to be anointed after the Noon Mass on the first Sunday of the month or by calling the Center. Those eligible are those who are about to undergo an operation; are suffering from serious illness and the condition has worsened; or are enduring the weakening effects of advancing age and it has been one year since they were last anointed.

Mass Cards

Mass cards are always available when the Parish Center is open. If you are unable to come to the Center during our normal hours, you are invited to call (631.271.4455) and request a Mass card over the telephone or email center@stelizabeth.org. Credit cards are accepted in payment of the offering. If you are at the Center during Religious Education hours, feel free to leave your contact information and someone will be in touch with you the next day to fulfill your request!

FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

"My flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink.

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood

remains in me and I in him." (John 6:55-56)

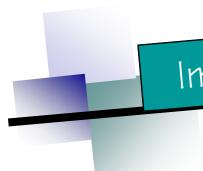


The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, also known as the Feast of Corpus Christi, is a celebration of the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist. On this day, we recall the institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper.

In the United States, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ is celebrated on the Sunday after Trinity Sunday, rather than on the Thursday. While the Last Supper is also commemorated on Holy Thursday, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ focuses solely on the gift of the Eucharist. The mood is also more joyous than that felt on Holy Thursday, the day before Christ's passion and death.

The origins of the Feast of Corpus Christi date back to the 13th century and to a nun from Belgium, Sister Juliana of Mont Cornillion. From an early age, she had a great love for the Blessed Sacrament and believed a special feast should be held in its honor. She is said to have had a vision of the Church as a full moon with a dark spot, symbolizing the absence of the feast. She took her cause to Church leaders including the Bishop of Liege and the Archdeacon of the Cathedral of Liege, both of whom became convinced. The bishop began celebrating the feast in his diocese. The archdeacon would go on to become Pope Urban IV, and in 1254, he issued a papal bull establishing the feast for the universal Church, placing it on the Thursday after Trinity Sunday. Unfortunately, Pope Urban died just one month later, and the feast would not become more widely celebrated until the 14th Century.

The feast is often marked by Eucharistic processions, during which the Blessed Sacrament is carried in a monstrance through the church and into the streets. Many also spend time in Eucharistic Adoration on the solemnity.



Important News from Fr. Irinel

As you may already be aware, Long Island has now entered what is known as Phase 2 of the reopening. The Parish Center will reopen on Monday, June 15 and be open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Friday.

It is with great joy that I announce we will resume celebrating Mass in church beginning this weekend, keeping in mind we are limited to 25% capacity. The Diocese has not yet given us permission to distribute Communion, so we will continue with spiritual communion.

Saturday Mass will be celebrated *in church* at 5 p.m. We will follow the recently-released Diocesan directives, keeping every other pew unoccupied and following social-distancing and mask requirements for everyone's safety.

Sunday Mass at 9 a.m. will be celebrated <u>outdoors</u>, weather permitting. Should we need to move indoors due to inclement weather, the same guidelines as Saturday Mass will be in place.

Sunday Mass at 11:30 a.m. will be celebrated *in church*. Again, the same indoor guidelines in place for Saturday will be followed.

Daily Mass at 9:30 a.m. resumed *in church* on Wednesday, June 10. The same guidelines will be in place as on the weekend.

The Corpus Christi procession will be at the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, June 14.

If the doors to the church are locked, we have reached capacity for that particular Mass (of course, capacity will not be problem at 9:00 a.m. should we be outdoors.) For the well-being of our entire parish community, the church will be thoroughly cleaned after the 5 p.m. Mass and again after the 9:00 (if indoor) and 11:30 a.m. Masses.

Should you not yet be comfortable returning to Church for Mass, you are invited to stream our 5 p.m. Mass live on Instagram or, after 5 p.m., on YouTube by using this link:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAWIh7Pd_xLSPne8iOU-HAq.

You may also continue to follow Fr. Irinel with his "Espresso for the Soul" and other posts by visiting our website and looking for the Instagram logo with the words "Pray with Fr. Irinel" on the left-hand side of our homepage. Click on the logo and you will be brought to Fr.'s Instagram page, "vobiscum2016."

Dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains in effect. If you are sick or vulnerable, we encourage you to remain home and stream Mass.

Celebration of the sacraments of Baptism and Matrimony, as well as Funerals are also now permitted, keeping in mind that the guidelines for these sacramental celebrations remain the same as for Mass.

We will do our utmost best to keep you informed and up-to-date through our website and via Constant Contact emails.

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world...

"For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink.
Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him."

- Jn 6:51, 55-56

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD



WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained:

Mary and the Saints

Question:

Why do Catholics pray to Mary and the saints?

Answer:

One of the statements of faith we make when we pray the Nicene Creed and the Apostles Creed is that we believe in "the communion of saints." The Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us that this communion (another word for community) includes all the faithful on earth, the souls in Purgatory, and the blessed women, men, and children who are in heaven. This teaching is grounded in our belief that, through Baptism, we are united with Christ and to one another with bonds that are stronger even than death.

And so from the time of the early Church, Christians have turned to other believers for prayers and assistance, including those who have gone before us, confident that God hears the prayers of all of His children. While we ask the saints (and one another) for prayers and support, we remember that the saints join us in prayer. But it is God who blesses and sanctifies us.

When we think of Mary and the saints in heaven, we have to remember that we can turn to them for intercession and assistance because they were faulted, limited human beings, just like us. This means that they are able to understand our struggles, doubts, fears, joys, and hopes. But as we learn their stories, we can also begin to recognize that they stand out in the history of the Church because they persevered in their commitment to follow Christ. Whether they were ordained, vowed religious, martyrs, husbands, wives, or even children, they show us that holiness is possible. We can not only follow their example but also benefit from their prayerful support.

Our devotion to the saints and gratitude for their witness, prayers, and protection should also be an inspiration for us, especially when we become aware of the needs of others or when others ask us to pray for them. We are called to share the blessings we receive. This is also part of our own journey of growing in holiness.

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Prayer of the Faithful

Sunday, June 14, 2020 Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Knowing God's great love for all of us, we can confidently bring our needs before Him.

For Pope Francis, our bishop, priests, deacons and all who serve the Church, may the Lord strengthen them in their mission of bringing the light of Christ to a weary world, let us pray to the Lord.

For our civic leaders and all who help formulate public policy, may the Holy Spirit guide them in all they do as we emerge from the coronavirus pandemic, let us pray to the Lord.

For an end to hatred, injustice and violence, may we, with God's help, encourage common good, social justice and respect, let us pray to the Lord.

For this gathered assembly, may the love and truth that God has poured into our hearts sustain us in all that we do, let us pray to the Lord.

For people in war-torn countries, may God bring them peace and security, let us pray to the Lord.

For those who are sick, may they be strengthened by God's help and aided by their friends, let us pray to the Lord.

For all who have completed their pilgrimage on earth, may they find eternal joy in their heavenly home, remembering Jane Goebel, Sylvia Galdi Nevins, Al Pisciotti,

Eugene Solar and all the victims of the corona virus, let us pray to the Lord.

For the prayers we hold deep in our hearts, let us pray to the Lord.

God our Father, hear the needs of your people and resond with mercy and compassion. We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ.

AMEN

Prayer for 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 in 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. St. E Melville

Scripture Insights

Sunday, June 14 Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

We celebrate today the mystery of the real presence of the Body and Blood of Christ in the Eucharist that unites our community of faith.

In the First Reading, from Deuteronomy, Moses implores the Israelites to "remember" their desert story as they stand at the Jordan River about to enter the Promised Land under the leadership of Joshua. Moses recalls for the Israelites the heart of the desert story: how God tested them in the desert by afflicting them with hunger and thirst and then provided manna and water "in order to show you that not by bread alone does one live but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of the Lord." Moses twice makes the point that this manna was "a food unknown" to the Israelites.

The Gospel reading for today is an excerpt from the end of Jesus' Bread of Life discourse in the Gospel according to John. Speaking to a Jewish crowd, Jesus repeatedly refers to Himself as bread, saying: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven." He concludes by saying, "Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever." The Jewish audience would have immediately recognized that Jesus was appropriating for Himself the sacred and traditional image of bread and water from the Israelite desert experience. Jesus, as "the living bread that came down from heaven" was once again "a food unknown" to the Israelites.

In the Second Reading, Paul offers us one of the earliest testimonies in the New Testament to the belief in the real presence of Christ in our Eucharistic celebrations. For Paul, the body and blood of Christ united the Christian community as one body. He taught the early Christian communities that Jesus is "the true food...and the true drink," "the living bread that came down from heaven."

Lord, Hear our Prayers for



the Deceased

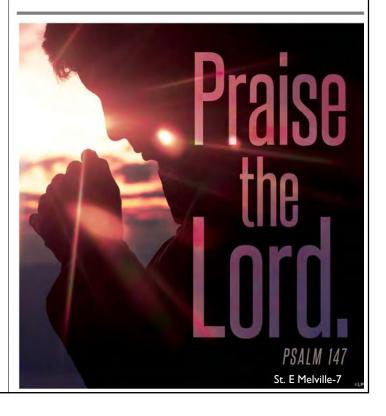
Jane Goebel; Sylvia Galdi Nevins Al Pisciotti; Eugene Solar

the Sick

Wesley Raymond Ingram; Nick Montanino

Our Servicemen and Women

Ssgt. James Calfa, U.S. Army
Tsgt. Mitchell Ciccarelli, U.S. Air Force
Ssgt. Dylan Ciccarelli, U.S. Air Force
Fireman William DeGaray, U.S.C.G.
MIDN Brian Z. DiSalvo, U. S. Navy
Sgt. Victor B. Famighette, U. S. Army
Major Thomas Frey, U.S.M.C.
Lt. Brendan Johnston, U.S. Navy
Cpl. Brad John Peck, U.S.M.C.
First Lt. Kiersten Spencer, U.S. Army
Sgt. Michael J. Stewart, U.S. Army
Lt. Col. Kent Walsh, U.S. Army
Lt. Frederick Zappala, U.S. Army



Mass Intentions, Presiders and Readings for the Week

Mass Intentions

Monday, June 15 Jorge Herrera

Tuesday, June 16Frank Ruotolo and Fred Pisculli

Wednesday, June 17 Anne Bahnken

Thursday, June 18 Ida and William Pareti

Saturday, June 20

James Favia; Kathleen Flynn; Pura Toledo Margaret and Richard Lauer; Mariano Saldana, Sr.

Sunday, June 21

Al Cali; Anthony Ferry; Christopher Marulli Richard Price; Derek Romeo; all fathers living and deceased and the parishioners of St. Elizabeth

Banns of Marriage

Third Banns

Megan Reilly (St. Elizabeth) and Seth Powers (Our Lady of Lourdes)



Weekly Readings

Monday, June 15

Reading 1: 1 Kings 21:1-16
Gospel: Matthew 5:38-42

Tuesday, June 16

Reading 1: 1 Kings 21:17-29
Gospel: Matthew 5:43-48

Wednesday, June 17

Reading 1: 2 Kings 2:1, 6-14 **Gospel:** Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday, June 18

Reading 1: Sirach 48:1-14
Gospel: Matthew 6:7-15

Friday, June 19 (Most Sacred Heart of Jesus)

Reading 1: Deuteronomy 7:6-11
Reading 2: 1 John 4:7-16
Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30

Saturday, June 20

Reading 1: 2 Chronicles 24:17-25

Gospel: Luke 2:41-51

Sunday, June 21

Reading 1: Jeremiah 20:10-13
Reading 2: Romans 5:12-15
Gospel: Matthew 10:37-42



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and

White Post Farms

for donating the beautiful flowers

that adorn our Church grounds.

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— Outreach Ministry



Feed my sheep...

We are in great need of any donations of nonperishable foods at this time as our pantry is extremely low on everything. Thank you!

- ☐ Canned Chef-boy-Ardee
- ☐ Oatmeal
- ☐ Baking Products
- ☐ Apple Juice
- ☐ Boxed or Powdered Milk
- ☐ Tea
- ☐ Bread (Sliced)
- ☐ Crackers
- ☐ Pasta Sauce
- ☐ Canned Potatoes
- ☐ Peanut Butter & Jelly
- ☐ Cooking Oil
- ☐ Canned Meat/Spam
- ☐ Rice

☐ Canned Tuna & Chicken

- ☐ Tomato Sauce
- ☐ Beans (Black/Red dry or canned)
- ☐ Cleaning Products
- ☐ Diapers, Size 4
- ☐ Laundry Detergent
- ☐ Toothpaste
- ☐ Feminine Products (pads)

SPECIAL NOTE:

Nonperishable foods may be left in the Gathering Lobby. We are unable to accept fresh foods at this time.

Outreach is grateful for your generosity!

Outreach aims to aid people in accessing the resources that will assist them in meeting their basic needs.

Our Outreach Pantry is currently open by appointment only

Phone: 631.351.2136

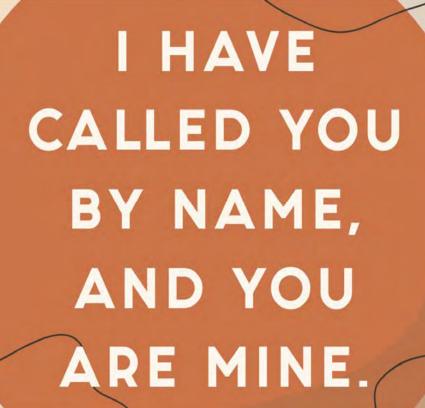
Outreach provides assistance with food, information and referral to other agencies to meet various family needs and other emergency assistance.

PLEASE HELP WITH OUR URGENT NEEDS

- ☐ Cereal
- □ Coffee
- ☐ Pancake Mix
- ☐ Canned Fruit
- ☐ Sweets (cookies / chips)
- ☐ Laundry Detergent ☐ Liquid Hand Soap
- ☐ Baby Wipes
- ☐ Toothbrushes
- ☐ Paper Towels
- ☐ Toilet Paper
- ☐ Diapers, Size 5,6 ☐ Dish Soap
- ☐ Tissues
- ☐ Shampoo

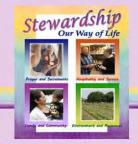






CONSULT NOT YOUR FEARS, BUT YOUR HOPES AND DREAMS.

ST. JOHN PAUL XXIII



Stewardship Corner

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Denise Ferrari
John Ferrante
Marguerite Melone
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Kathy O'Donohoe
Evelyn Polvere

Welcome New Parishioners!

Are you a new parishioner? Welcome! The Stewardship Committee is available to speak with new parishioners and answer any questions you may have. We're available at masses and at Hospitality Weekends. Look for us, we're wearing our name tags!

Welcome forms are available in the gathering area next to the bulletins or at the Parish Center.

Gifts & Talents

Are you being called to share your gifts & talents? The Stewardship Committee is able to help you discover your gifts & talents and help you determine a ministry that fits for you.

Come visit us on Hospitality Weekends for more information.

Stewardship Committee Mission

To welcome and encourage all parishioners to become vibrant participants centered in the Eucharist and to provide an opportunity to deepen our faith so as to flourish as disciples of Jesus. As the Body of Christ, we share our gifts of time, talent, and treasure by:

- · Witnessing and serving in deed and action for Christ's work of justice and peace in our ever-changing world.
- Gathering as a community to be nourished in love and care for one another.



Stewards of Creation: June

Creation is a gift to be shared. It is the space that God gives us to build up with one another, to build a "we." The world, history, all of time - this is the setting in which we build this "we" with God, with others, with the earth. (7/7/15, Educators)

Living Stewardship: Pillar of Formation

For a long time, we have been unable to receive our Lord Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Let us remember how, during the lockdown and suspension of Masses, we have yearned to receive the Body and Blood of Christ. May that time of isolation renew our Faith in the Real Presence!

Bulletin Reflection

"Do not forget the LORD, your God." May these words from today's First Reading inspire us to always have faith in our loving God.



Thank You For Your Continued Support To Our Parish

We are so grateful to all who continue to mail their weekly envelopes and those who have signed up for automatic giving. While we face this difficult time together, your continued generosity shows that our parish is still unified and can recover with one another's support.



Alternative Ways Of Giving

- Weekly and Easter Offerings can still be mailed to the Parish Center using the self addressed return envelope that comes with your offering mailing.
- One time donations or ongoing offerings using your credit card or direct bank withdrawal can be accepted using the authorization form below. You can mail it to the Parish Center or email kmergl@stelizabeth.org for assistance with this process.
- You can contact your bank to issue a donation check to the parish on your behalf.
 Following your instructions, the bank will mail a one time or recurring check, with no additional fees to you.



We Appreciate Your Ongoing Support and May God Bless You And Your Families.

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