

St. Elizabeth of Hungary

Roman Catholic Church



12th Sunday in Ordinary Time & June 21, 2020

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Faith - Family - Fellowship



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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

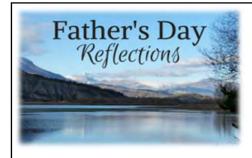
Confessions will be heard by appointment only. Please email Fr. Irinel: iracos@stelizabeth.org

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!



Our readings today speak to us of God's love and care for His children.

As our Father, God promises to:

- Care for us.
- Help us to grow.
- Guide us with justice.
 - Be merciful.

God the Father gave up His only Son, Jesus Christ, so that we might be saved through Him. He provides an example of the very vocation of fatherhood.

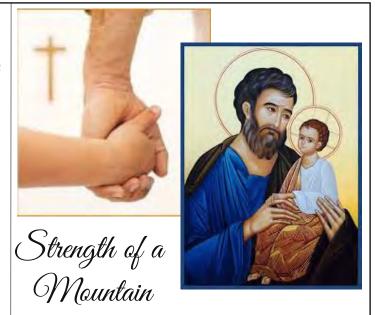
Fathers are to sacrifice their lives for their families. They do this by:

- Being the spiritual leader and guardian of their families.
 - Praying for and with their families.
 - Being a courageous witness to the Gospel.
 - Providing care and support for their families.
 - Serving as an example of goodness and truth.
 - Leading with courage and accountability.
 - Laying down one's life for another.

Fathers are called in a special way to reflect God's unconditional love and forgiveness. Like God, they correct us when we sin but always pick us up when we fall. Like the farmer in the Gospel reading, relentlessly scattering his seeds "night and day," God will never give up on us.

Today, in a special way, let us be grateful for:

- Our fathers, by birth or adoption, who love us and support us through life.
- Our Church leaders, who take on the paternal role of guiding us through life.
- And God our Father, who will always teach justly and grant us boundless mercy.



God took the strength of a mountain, The majesty of a tree The warmth of a summer sun. The calm of a quiet sea, The generous soul of nature, The comforting arm of night, The wisdom of the ages, The power of the eagle's flight, The joy of a morning in spring, The faith of a mustard seed, The patience of eternity, The depth of a family need, Then God combined these qualities, When there was nothing more to add, He knew His masterpiece was complete, And so, He called it....Dad

Author Unknown

May all fathers continue to be examples of stability, love and protection for the families entrusted to their care, let us pray to the Lord.





The Parish Center is now open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Friday only through the Main Entrance on Wolf Hill Road.

- <u>9:30 a.m. daily Mass</u> is celebrated in church.
- 5 p.m. Saturday Mass is celebrated in church.
- <u>9 a.m. Sunday Mass</u> is celebrated <u>outdoors</u>, weather permitting. Should we need to move indoors due to inclement weather, the same quidelines as other indoor Masses will be in place.
- 11:30 a.m. Sunday Mass is celebrated in church.

We will follow Diocesan directives, keeping every other pew unoccupied and following social-distancing and mask requirements for everyone's safety. 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-HAg.

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.

Given the status of the current pandemic, despite our best efforts to mitigate exposure to the virus in the church and church facilities, attending Mass and other Church functions may pose a risk of contracting the coronavirus. The church does not have the ability to supervise every visitor's actions throughout the day and cannot guarantee with certainty that an individual will not contract the coronavirus. Please make your decision to attend Mass, or any other church function prayerfully and thoughtfully, being cognizant of all the risks. Proper face masks are to be worn at all times on church property (bandannas and scarves are not acceptable). Social distancing must be observed at all times (at least six feet apart). For your own well-being and that of other parishioners and guests, if you do not feel well, please stay home. If you feel someone on church property is not adhering to our policies, please report it to us immediately.

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Noun: A person who is admired or idealized for courage, outstanding achievements, or noble qualities.

Join the Knights of Columbus today and show your family and especially your children who true heroes are in our great country. The Knights of Columbus Council #5753 are a group of Catholic men who are from our parish. Their main mission is charity. Help support our parish and Father Irinel in all his endeavors.

Now is the time to join! It only takes 30 minutes online and you can become a member. Once you are a member, we ask that you attend a few of our meetings (one hour) and volunteer a few hours a year at one of the parish events.

Join now and we will donate \$30.00 to the "Food for Brothers" program. This program gives grocery debit cards to Knight members in Suffolk County who need help feeding their families during this pandemic. During this period, Suffolk Chapter of Knights of Columbus will match our donation. That means a \$60.00 donation for each new member that joins our council.

Become a Hero today. Join this great group of men from our parish.

Email us today at: council 5753@gmail.com Call: 516-252-2145

> God Bless Grand Knight - Tom Ferraro

Ordinary Time

by Paul Turner

Ordinary Time, the longest season of the church year, fills the weeks "which do not celebrate a specific aspect of the mystery of Christ." It's the no-particular-reason season. Christmas Time honors the birth of Christ. Easter Time rejoices in the Resurrection. Ordinary Time is devoted to the mystery of Christ in all its aspects.

The number of the weeks of Ordinary

Time replaces the old counting of weeks "after Epiphany" and "after Pentecost." The old calendar suggested that Pentecost ran for six months. The new calendar gives Pentecost a day. Then we return to Ordinary Time.

At first glance the principles of Ordinary Time seem basic enough. Start counting the weeks after Christmas Time. Break for Lent and Easter. Resume after Pentecost and keep counting till Advent. Basically, that's how it works. But we have a few quirks.

For example, there is no "First Sunday in Ordinary Time;" however, there is a first week. Usually Christmas Time ends on a Sunday with the Baptism of the Lord. The lectionary also calls it the First Sunday in Ordinary Time, but it is part of Christmas Time. (Some years the Baptism of the Lord falls on a Monday, but that's another story.) Ordinary Time gets underway on a weekday. When the next Sunday rolls around we start week two.

On the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday, we see the last of Ordinary Time until after Pentecost. Even then, it emerges only on weekdays. Trinity Sunday always follows Pentecost Sunday, and the solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of the Lord comes the next Sunday in the United States. (In countries where this solemnity is a holy day, it falls on a Thursday.) So when the numbered Sundays in Ordinary Time return in summer, we start out a little higher than where we left off.

Sometimes we skip one or two entire weeks of Ordinary Time during the Easter break. We want to close the Sundays of the year with Christ the King, one week before Advent. Christ the King always falls on the 34th Sunday in Ordinary Time. So, we determine the week number after Pentecost not based on where we left off before Lent but counting backwards from Christ the King. One or two weeks may disappear, but Ordinary Time still serves the complete mystery of Christ.

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Prayer of the Faithful

Sunday, June 21, 2020 Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Trusting in the kindness of our heavenly Father, let us offer our prayers this day.

For the Holy Father, may he continue to grow in holiness and wisdom in his service to the living and true God, let us pray to the Lord.

For civic leaders and those in authority, may the Lord provide His grace for the peaceful resolution of conflicts in the world, 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 people throughout the world who are persecuted for their faith, may God's love give them courage as they stand for Christ in the darkness, let us pray to the Lord.

For all fathers, may they continue to be examples of stability, love and protection for the families entrusted to their care, let us pray to the Lord.

For all who suffer, may the Lord provide them with the comfort of family and friends and peace in prayer, let us pray to the Lord.

For our beloved dead, may they taste the sweetness of life eternal as the gracious gift of Jesus Christ overflows, remembering Salvatore Saccente, Robert Tadas 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.

We thank you, Father, for your steadfast love. Please hear and answer our prayers this day according to your wisdom. 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-6

Scripture Insights

Sunday, June 21 Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Scriptures show that, when God's chosen prophets and Apostles faithfully carry out their mission, they always encounter suffering. This is especially evident in the life of the prophet Jeremiah, who recounts his painful struggles in five sections of his book known as his Confessions. Today's First Reading is from one of them. But something remarkable happens in this passage: though Jeremiah begins by describing a dire situation, he shifts to an expression of confidence that God is with him and will see him through the crisis. What a powerful example for us in our own struggles: to bring them to the Lord with all the details of the misery, the pain and the confusion we experience and then to affirm our trust that God is with us and will delivery us!

In the Book of Psalms, we find many prayers that do precisely this. Known as the Psalms of Lament or Supplication, they make up nearly one third of the one hundred fifty psalms. Today's Responsorial Psalm follows their pattern: description of personal distress, prayer for deliverance, confidence and thanksgiving for God's help.

Today's Gospel reading comes in the middle of a long instruction Jesus gives to His twelve disciples prior to sending them out on a mission. He minces no words about the opposition they will endure. At the same time, He calls them to unshakeable courage: "Do not be afraid;...you are worth more than many sparrows." What a firm basis for hope He offers us when He promises: "Everyone who acknowledges Me before others, I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father." May His words of promise be the basis of our courage and hope, whatever we may face in faithfully responding to the mission that is ours.

Lord, Hear our Prayers for



the Deceased

Salvatore Saccente; Robert Tadas

the Sick

Wesley Raymond Ingram; Frank McQuade 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

Bread for this weekend donate in loving memory of Al Cali by his neighbors and friends at Villages West.

Mass Intentions, Presiders and Readings for the Week

Mass Intentions

Monday, June 22

All Fathers Living and Deceased

Tuesday, June 23

All Fathers Living and Deceased

Wednesday, June 24

All Fathers Living and Deceased

Thursday, June 25

All Fathers Living and Deceased

Saturday, June 27

Joseph Bonfiglio; Carmen Ingenito

Kevin J. McLaughlin and all fathers living and deceased

Sunday, June 28

Domenick Barone; Marybeth Finnigan

John Lombardo; Pasquale Veneziano; all fathers living and deceased and the parishioners of St. Elizabeth

Banns of Marriage

First Banns

Amanda Strigaro (St. Elizabeth) and Joshua Roiland (South Huntington)



Weekly Readings

Monday, June 22

Reading 1: 2 Kings 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18

Gospel: Matthew 7:1-5

Tuesday, June 23

Reading 1: 2 Kings 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36

Gospel: Matthew 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday, June 24

Reading 1: Isaiah 49:1-6

Reading 2: Acts of the Apostles 13:22-26

Gospel: Luke 1:57-66, 80

Thursday, June 25

Reading 1: 2 Kings 24:8-17 Gospel: Matthew 7:21-29

Friday, June 26

Reading 1: 2 Kings 25:1-12 Gospel: Matthew 8:1-4

Saturday, June 27

Reading 1: Lamentations 2:2, 10-14, 18-19

Gospel: Matthew 8:5-17

Sunday, June 28

Reading 1: 2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a
Reading 2: Romans 6:3-4, 8-11
Gospel: Matthew 10:37-42

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

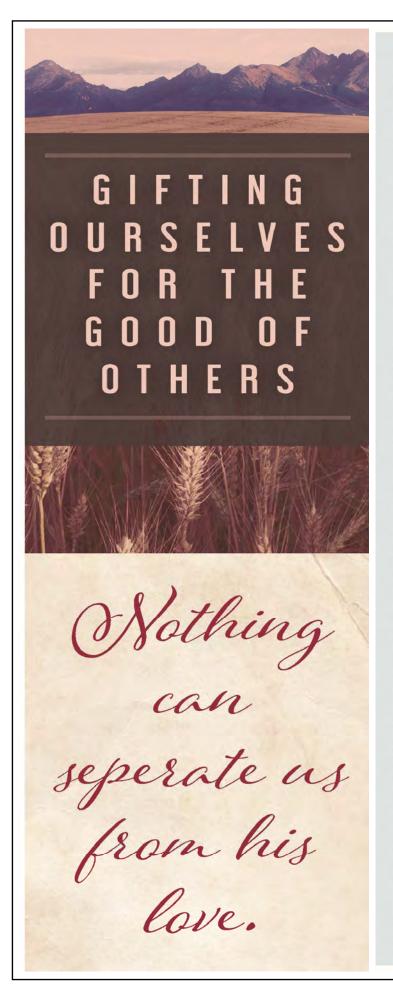
Outreach provides assistance with food, information and referral to other agencies to meet various family needs and other emergency assistance.

URGENT NEEDS

- ☐ Cereal ☐ Coffee
- lacksquare Pancake Mix lacksquare 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





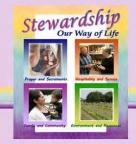


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INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Jesus knows that the challenges a disciple of the Gospel will face in the world are real. He tells all of us point blank, "Do not be afraid." There are many things we can fear as we attempt to live the Gospel: unpopularity, being rebuked, rejection, anger, being challenged, having to defend ourselves, standing alone, insecurity, failure, and even death. Many folks know that their faith calls them to live life more deliberately and radically but are cowards when it comes to putting it into practice. We easily justify sticking with the "acceptable" norms with which we are accustomed. These only serve to keep us stuck and mired in mediocrity. The Gospel given flesh by the very presence of Christ — seeks to stretch, challenge, and change us. We do not have to fear anything, even death. Sometimes, living with our fears brings us a sadly disordered sense of comfort. Maybe what we really fear above all else is change.

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Stewardship Corner

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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 Prayer

"Lord, in your great love, answer me." These words come from the depths of our hearts as we call to our God during our time of prayer. When you pray, trust in God's great love.

Bulletin Reflection

As Christians, we should not be afraid to let the world know that we are Christians. Jesus reminds us not to be afraid of those who persecute and mock us for our faith.



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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