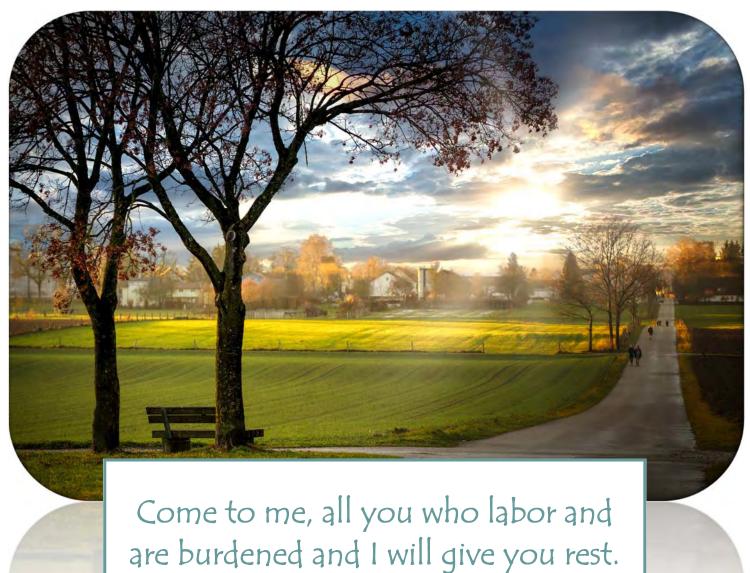


St. Elizabeth of Hungary

Roman Catholic Church



14th Sunday in Ordinary Time & July 5, 2020

175 Wolf Hill Road, Melville, NY 11747 631 - 271 - 4455

Faith - Family - Fellowship



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(9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in July & August)

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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!



REGISTRATION FOR FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

Classes for kindergarten to eighth grade Faith Formation will begin in October 2020. We are offering classes in the Parish Center twice a month with a significantly reduced number of students in each room, following recommendations of the CDC and New York State requirements. Classes for special needs and older students who want to receive the sacraments are offered too. Our parish's program partners with parents in passing on the Catholic faith and preparing their children for First Reconciliation (Confession), First Communion, and Confirmation.

Parent meetings will be offered in the church and through online virtual meeting platforms, giving parents choices to better accommodate complicated family schedules with the unknowns of Covid-19. The Family Program's parent classes requirement will be on hold this academic year (2020-2021) as we determine how and if it can continue with the challenges of Covid-19. A calendar of classes and detailed information is posted on our parish website (www.stelizabeth.org) under the Rel Ed tab.

FAITH LIKE A CHILD

If you Google Search recommendations on how to raise generous children, almost every list of ideas begins with — or at least contains — the directive for adults to be good models of generosity themselves. Our children learn from our actions much more than from our words. Of course, when I think back over the years while my children were growing up, I think I may have learned as much from them as they learned from me. There is a time between early childhood and middle school where a child seems to be freer to give and share than at any other time in life. It is around the age of First Communion when the cries of "mine" turn to laughter and smiles, and the urge to be a part of something bigger than oneself leads to sharing. Before you know it, the child hits the pre-teen years, and once again, he or she becomes the center of the universe.

I believe that the previous paragraph is all true, however, the stages described seem to repeat themselves throughout adulthood. Don't you agree? Sometimes we fall into seeing ourselves as the center of the universe, or we become consumed by our state in life or with what we have acquired. Also, we at times are generous and loving people. It is sin that draws us back into ourselves and away from any meaningful life of stewardship and generosity. In order to be freed for love, we need role models to help us see what really matters. We need to reflect on the example of many of our brothers and sisters in Christ. And, yes, we need to look to children who may be at the point in their lives where sharing is fun, and love is something in abundance.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Parish Movie Night

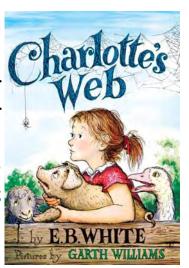
All are welcome to join us for parish movie night on Monday, July 13 and Monday, July 27. We will recite the Rosary at 7 p.m. on the Great Lawn followed by movie night at 8:30 p.m. in the parish parking lot.

Bring a chair!
Wear your mask!
Social distancing!

Bring your own snacks from home or even come early and have a tailgate party with your family!



July 13 (G)
A gentle and
wise grey spider
with a flair for
promotion
pledges to save
a young pig's





July 27 (G)
A college professor bonds with an abandoned dog he takes into his home.

Free will donations accepted. (Rain date to be determined.)

life!



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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Prayer of the Faithful

Sunday, July 5, 2020 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

With confidence and trust, let us bring our prayers before the Lord.

For the Church and all who exercise her ministry, may we grow in holiness by God's grace, let us pray to the Lord.

For the salvation of the world through the power and mercy of Christ, 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 blessings and continued graces upon the lives of all of us gathered here, let us pray to the Lord.

For Adam Elbayer, newly-baptized and Amanda Blanke, newly-Confirmed this weekend after participating in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, may they be faithful disciples of Jesus and witnesses to Christ in all their words and deeds, let us pray to the Lord.

For those who are sick, especially Paul Doer and all those suffering from the effects of the coronavirus pandemic, may God's Holy Spirit bring them comfort and healing, let us pray to the Lord.

For all who have died and all the victims of the coronavirus, may they come to share in the eternal life of the Risen Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

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

Almighty and loving Father, hear our prayers and answer them according to your holy will. 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 Melvill

Scripture Insights

Sunday, July 5 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

It must have been shocking for people in the first century to hear Jesus refer to God as "Father," as He does in today's Gospel. The word He used is **abba**, which could actually be translated as "papa. In using this form of address, Jesus was emphasizing that God is not a faraway deity, disinterested and detached from creation. God is personal, loving and involved in our lives.

God is our Father and the "little ones" are His children who are humble enough to see that God has revealed himself in Christ (Matthew 18:1-4). Perhaps the "wise and learned" (the Pharisees) were too proud and stubborn to have an open mind about the new things God was doing in Jesus. Or maybe God calls the humble so that there will be no question that it is the work of God and not just the accomplishments of important people (1 Samuel 16:7). Whatever the reason, true wisdom seems to come to those who are humble.

Jesus Himself embodies both wisdom and humility, and for those who will follow His example, He promises rest. But this kind of rest does not mean inactivity; it means refreshment, peace of mind and renewed energy. The yoke was the harness that attached the cargo to a best of burden. When Jesus says "take my yoke," He means "let's trade yokes - let me take your burden from you." In the book of Sirach, the yoke represents the Law (Sirach 51:26-27). In Matthew 23:1-4, it is associated with the scribes' and Pharisees' interpretation of the Law. Jesus takes away our failure to carry the burden of the Law and replaces it with grace; that is, the love and forgiveness of the Father that comes to us through Christ.

Lord, Hear our Prayers for



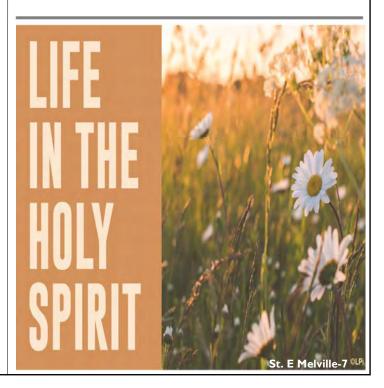
the Deceased

the Sick

Paul Doer; 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



Mass Intentions, Presiders and Readings for the Week

Mass Intentions

Monday, July 6 William Conklin

Tuesday, July 7 Maria Urbaites

Wednesday, July 8 Jeanette Marascia

Thursday, July 9 Peter J. Keenan

Saturday, July 11

Frank Cappola; Edward J. Franz; Michael Lauer; Christopher Zonin

Sunday, July 12

In Thanksgiving to the Bl. Virgin Mary for Brittany Mark J. Epstein; Marie Mack; Alphonso Pisciotti and for the parishioners of St. Elizabeth

Banns of Marriage



Second Banns

Jenna Scudieri (St. Elizabeth) and Ralph Miranda (St. Hugh of Lincoln)

Third Banns

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

Weekly Readings

Monday, July 6

Reading 1: Hosea 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22

Gospel: Matthew 9:18-26

Tuesday, July 7

Reading 1: Hosea 8:4-7, 11-13 **Gospel:** Matthew 9:32-38

Wednesday, July 8

Reading 1: Hosea 10:1-3, 7-8, 12

Gospel: Matthew 10:1-7

Thursday, July 9

Reading 1: Hosea 11:1-4, 8e-9 Gospel: Matthew 10:7-15

Friday, July 10

Reading 1: Hosea 14:2-10
Gospel: Matthew 10:16-23

Saturday, July 11

Reading 1: Isaiah 6:1-8

Gospel: Matthew 10:24-33

Sunday, July 12

Reading 1: Isaiah 55:10-11 Reading 2: Romans 8:18-23

Gospel: Matthew 13:1-23 or 13:1-9





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



WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained:

Kissing the Altar at Mass

Question:

Why do priests kiss the altar at the start of Mass?

Answer:

Our churches and chapels are filled with symbols. We might think of the more common symbols (like the crucifix, statues, stained-glass windows, vestment color and altar cloths) as well as major symbols (such as the paschal candle and the baptismal font). But there are some things that we can take for granted in our sacred spaces, because unfortunately, they seem to just be part of the building, including three of the main symbols of our liturgy: the ambo (lectern), the chair for the priest celebrant, and the altar.

These three objects are placed in a specially designated area called the sanctuary. They are the places where the Word of God is proclaimed, where the priest prays and presides at the celebration, and where the bread and wine are offered by the priest during the Eucharistic Prayer. Although each of these objects is sacred because of the role they play in our worship, the altar holds a special place. In a document containing the rules and instructions for the Mass — the "General Instruction of the Roman Missal" — we read: "The altar on which the Sacrifice of the Cross is made present under sacramental signs is also the table of the Lord to which the People of God is called together to participate in the Mass, as well as the center of the thanksgiving that is accomplished throughout the Eucharist" (no. 296).

One of the ways that we recognize the importance of the altar is when the priest and deacon kiss the altar at the beginning of Mass. Kissing is an ancient act of devotion. Remember, we also kiss the cross on Good Friday, and the deacon or priest kisses the "Book of the Gospels" after the Gospel is proclaimed. This act of devotion reminds us that the altar is a symbol of Jesus, the "living stone" (see 1 Peter 2:4), the foundation stone of our faith. It is a symbol gesture, but it is a powerful reminder of the One on whom our faith is built and in whose name we gather as the "household of faith" (see Galatians 6:10).

To learn more, see the "Catechism of the Catholic Church" (no. 1382-1383).

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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

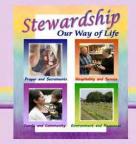
Outreach provides assistance with food, information and referral to other agencies to meet various family needs and other emergency assistance.

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







Stewardship Corner

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Harry Perepeluk Business Manager

Doreen Boehme Chairperson

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Denise Ferrari
John Ferrante
Marguerite Melone
Joseph Monestere
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: July

We are not only invited to share in the work of creation and to cultivate it, to make it grow and to develop it. We are also invited to care for it, to protect it, to be its guardians. Nowadays, we are increasingly aware of how important this is. It is no longer a mere recommendation, but rather a requirement, "because of the harm we have inflicted on [the earth] by our irresponsible use and abuse of the goods with which God has endowed her. We have come to see ourselves as her lords and

masters, entitled to plunder her at will... This is why the earth herself, burdened and laid waste, is among the most abandoned and maltreated of our poor" (Laudato Si', 2), that exist today in the world. (7/7/15, Educators)

Living Stewardship: Pillar of Prayer

Jesus loves us more than we can imagine. When you pray to Him, do not be afraid to ask Him to guide you through your sufferings.

Bulletin Reflection

"Come to me...and I will give you rest." What powerful words these are in today's Gospel. After all that we may have experienced these past few months, let us never forget these compassionate words of Christ, our 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.

Card Number:	Exp. Date:		
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