



ST. ELIZABETH of the Trinity



NOVEMBER 14, 2021



33rd SUNDAY *in ordinary time*

"Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will
not pass away." - Mk 13:31

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

I have some project and facilities updates to start with. We are still waiting on the permit from the city for the parking lot, but I am told by our project manager that we should have it this calendar year which will allow for construction when the weather breaks. I will keep you posted. I know parking will be a concern for the next few months. I heard that St. Frances Xavier Cabrini is the patron saint of finding a parking spot!

We are continuing to tuckpoint the buildings as the weather allows, followed by new roofs where they are needed. This winter we are planning to have the interior of the gym scraped/ground, tuckpointed and then painted while kids are on Christmas break and sports are on hiatus. Now that the gym has been tuckpointed the salt peter can be treated, and the paint will stick which will certainly freshen up the gym. It will look better and be safer, praise God. This is the same approach we must take for all the buildings, the exterior work of roofing and tuckpointing must be completed first to prevent further water damage before any interior restoration can be started.

The decrees of relegation for the churches of St. Thecla and St. Cornelius have been issued by the cardinal as you know and in time it will mean we will be able to sell those buildings. Of all the RMC mergers and sales, ours has to have been the most decisive and rapid in terms of consolidating onto one campus. We all know that the downside of this decision was that it alienated more than a few people from St. Thecla and St. Cornelius, but there is a positive side too. St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish can now focus on building a new unity and focus on evangelization, all while having a much better financial situation to rely on.

Both the Parish and Finance Councils have advised that we use about half of the money from the property sales to renovate the campus and acquire and build up another adjacent property for parish ministry, meetings etc... We will have a more detailed breakdown in the coming months so that everyone can see how the nearly ten million dollars from the sales of St. Cornelius and St. Thecla will benefit St. Elizabeth of the Trinity in the short and long term. The goal is to keep nearly half of the proceeds from the sales to invest in non-restricted investment endowments for various parish and school needs, not the least of which is the mission of making Catholic disciples of Jesus Christ.

As we near the end of the liturgical year next weekend the Church presents us with readings about the end times... apocalyptic reminders. Just as God freely created all things from nothing so too in His good time, He will bring to a definite end all evil, suffering and injustice. Our Lord who came once in great simplicity as a little child will come again as He said, ***“with great power and glory, and then He will send out the angels and gather His elect.”***

Jesus Christ is coming back in an unmistakable manner, all the dead shall be raised up, the Final Judgement will happen and then there will be a new heaven and a new earth. The former things will have passed away. Friends, this is a good thing and what we should all be longing for, it's what the early Christians prayed for when they said, ***“come Lord Jesus.”***

Those are the final words from the book of Revelation which is also called the “apocalypse.” The word apocalypse has come to mean absolute destruction of everything and is seen as a frightening thing, but the real meaning for us is that God reveals what truly is. The word “apocalypse” comes from Greek and means “unveiling” a pulling back of a curtain. It's not a bad thing at all, but a revelation of the truth of all things including what's in the human heart. As we get closer to the Lord the more we long for His coming and can say once again what the first disciples did... ***“come Lord Jesus.”***

God bless,
Fr. Mike



DECREE OF RELEGATION

To read the entirety of the Decrees of Relegation for St. Cornelius Church and St. Thecla Church, which were signed by Cardinal Cupich on November 4, please go to the parish website (stelizabethtrinity.org) or to the Archdiocese's site:

St. Cornelius:

<https://www.renewmychurch.org/documents/1607309/1607597/20211104+Decree+of+Relgation+to+Profane+but+not+Sordid+Use+St.+Cornelius+Church.pdf/db1621fd-0e5c-4987-a6cc-297719a1b762>

St. Thecla:

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Today's Gospel predicts end times; our challenge though is to live faithfully now. When we live in conformity to the Word, hearing Jesus' words and living them out, the future holds no fear for us.

As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul poor box, know that you are hearing the words of Jesus and living them out.

EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINE

Items for the bulletin of Nov. 28, including Mass intentions, are due no later than Nov. 16.

Jim Madura
jmadura@archchicago.org

PRAYER SHAWLS

The November Prayer Shawl meeting will be one week earlier - **Monday, November 15 at 7 p.m.** in the Art Room of the Junior High building. The members have been able to donate many warm, beautiful hats and scarves to the St. Vincent de Paul Society for distribution to those who need them. In addition, we have many prayer shawls available for parishioners and their friends who are sick, lonely or in need of comfort. These shawls are made with yarn and prayers for the person receiving it. If you know someone who could use a hug of comfort, please call Carol at 773-775-1649 and arrange to choose one.



The parish choir has started singing at Mass, but you can still join. If you can lend your voice to minister to the Lord, consider joining the choir. Rehearsals are on **Tuesdays at 7:15 p.m.** in the choir loft.



CHOIR PRACTICE



Sick List

**Michele Schmidt—Maria Szumski—Carol Williams—
Gary Sowell—Virginia Barski—Jeffrey Lalowski—
Jadwija Chudzynski—Amy Grudzinski—Bernadette Bannach—
Patricia Newell—Guzman family—Angela Ross—Kasia
Worth—Nicholas Guerrieri—Cathy Minnick—Marie
Brasher—Stan Wolenczuk—Beverly Underwood—Molly
Morris—Paola Estrada—Judy Biala—Eva Anderson—Elise
Fernandez—Gerard Rangel—Roger Rangel—Emery Tanski—
John Carr—Fr. Dan Fallon—Cathy Muldoon—Pauly—
John Morrison—Sr Roda Villaruz MSHT—
Sr Kelly Masdat MSHT**

(Call the rectory office to have your name added or removed)

Food Pantry Update

Effective Tuesday, December 7, 2021 the Parish Food Pantry will be operating out of its new location on our main campus. It will be in the gym building at 5859 N. Moody. Entrance will be off the parking lot behind the church. The food pantry will be open for patrons on Tuesdays 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. and Thursdays 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. These times provide some flexibility for volunteers and patrons and avoid conflicts with school drop-off, recess, and pick-up.

Sign-Up Genius will be used to communicate the need and scheduling of volunteers. The link will be available on our parish website and once you sign up, your email will be added to receive further updates. You can also email us at: foodpantry@stelizabethtrinityschool.org to have your email added. There will be a great need for volunteers over the next couple of weeks to prepare the new space and move the stock. The Sign-Up Genius site will have the latest information.

The St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Food Pantry is a ministry of the parish with the objective, for those who serve and are served, to experience the unconditional love of Christ. It is through experiences like this that we can all grow in our relationship with God and know that we are loved. It is also our hope that as we continue to unify our “new” parish, that this ministry will be a means to enhance our relationships with our fellow parishioners as we work together in performing the corporal work of mercy of feeding the poor.

Love & Peace,
Shannon and Jerry Nelson
St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Food Pantry Managers



SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

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BRING NEW SIGHT TO THE BLIND... in a culture where the excessive pursuit of power or pleasure can spiritually blind us to the dignity and right of others; and

SET THE DOWNTRODDEN FREE... in communities where health, economic and moral forces leave people without real hope.



St Vincent de Paul - St Elizabeth of the Trinity Conference Christmas Sharing Program

The purpose of the Christmas Sharing Program is to provide gifts to families in need during the Christmas Season. This small gesture can help adults and children experience the magic, joy, and spirit of the Christmas season.

Gifts collected from our Christmas Sharing Program will be distributed to the **Mission of Our Lady of the Angels**. The Mission of Our Lady of the Angels is located in the West Humboldt Park area on Chicago's west side. This area is one of the poorest neighborhoods in Chicago. The purpose of the Mission is twofold: to assist the materially poor and to share the treasures of the Catholic faith.

Please do not wrap the gift – gift bags are acceptable. Also note that all items must be new. The gift can be returned to the St Elizabeth of the Trinity Church at the Masses on **Saturday, December 4th and Sunday, December 5th**.

Due to strict Covid-19 guidelines, we are requesting that no clothes be purchased which require a size.

Gift suggestions are below:

hats, gloves, scarves
colored pencils / crayons / chalk
socks
any clothing items not requiring a size
Etch-A-Sketch / other drawing toys
plastic toy animals / stuffed animals
craft kits (sewing, beads etc.)
play science kits
jump ropes
books (non-violent, non-magic)
model planes / trains / cars
play doctor / play kitchen / any play-grown- up
toy cars / trucks
toys
basic sports equipment— ESPECIALLY basketballs
Legos
erector sets
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other educational toys



We thank you for your kindness and generosity and we wish you a Blessed Christmas Season.

The St Vincent de Paul Society
St Elizabeth of the Trinity Conference



RELIGIOUS ED

LIFE WITH CHRIST IS A WONDERFUL ADVENTURE!-POPE ST. JOHN PAUL II



St. Monica and Patience

St. Monica has taught us that patience must be cultivated by our lives of prayer. Prayer helps us to develop the strength and love to bear with one another's defects and faults. This saint proved her patience especially with how she lived with her pagan husband, Patricius, and her son Augustine who would later become one of the greatest saints in the Catholic Church.

Monica's husband, Patricius, had a very sharp temper. She responded with patience and gentleness and prayed for twenty years for her him. He eventually converted to Catholicism and a year later died at peace with God and family.

Monica raised all her children as Catholics and taught them their faith and prayers. Augustine was gifted with a brilliant mind, but he did not like to study. As a teenager he indulged in drinking, cheating and stealing.

Monica asked priests, and even a bishop, to speak with Augustine in the hopes that he would change his ways. Just as with her husband, Monica never gave up praying for her son. Her prayers were often accompanied by many tears.

Augustine, determined to teach public speaking in Rome, gave his mother the slip after she tried to talk him out of it. While in Italy, he was influenced by Ambrose, the Bishop of Milan, whose sermons he heard regularly. As never before, he was attracted to the teachings of the Catholic Church. Monica traveled to Milan where she was pleased to hear of Ambrose's influence on Augustine. Her prayers knew no end and on Easter Sunday, Augustine was baptized. Shortly afterward, his patient mother died. Augustine did as his mother bade him and had her buried in Italy instead of her homeland.

Augustine never forgot his mother and wrote movingly of her in his great book, Confessions. He portrayed her as a model Christian and saint. He said, "To her I owe all that I am." May we inspire people to say that of us.

RE Calendar

November 14th: Class (10am-11:30am)

November 21st: Class (10am-11:30am)

November 28th: No Class-Thanksgiving Break

December 5th: Class (10am-11:30am)

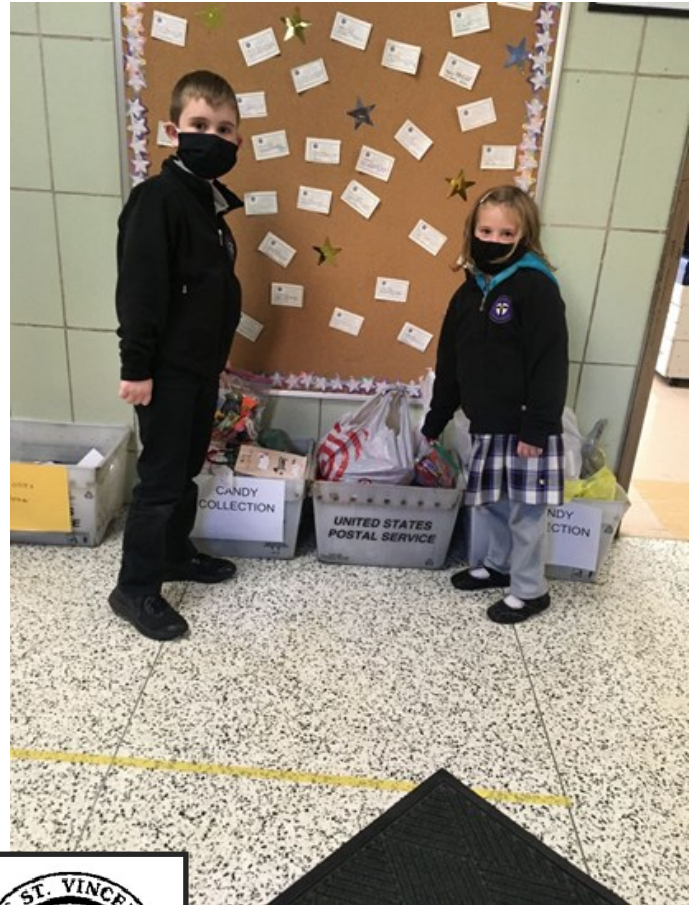
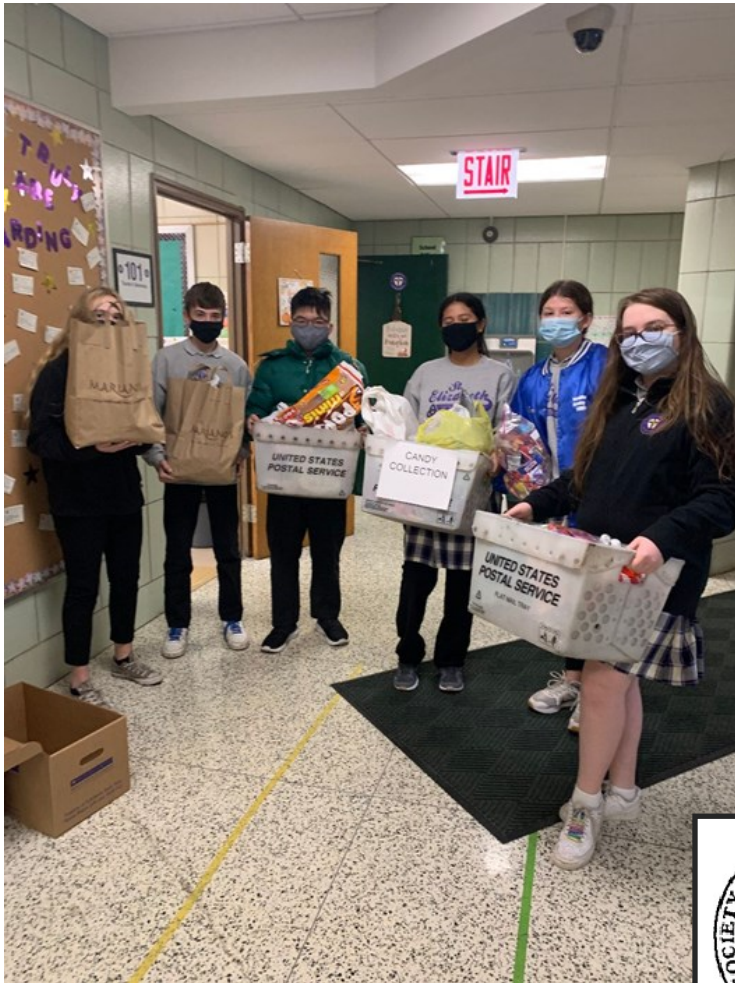




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Students from St. Elizabeth of the Trinity donated candy for the St. Vincent de Paul Society's backpacks for the homeless project.



FULL, CONSCIOUS, AND ACTIVE PARTICIPATION



One of the most important documents issued by Vatican II was the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy. And one of the important points that this document stressed is that when we attend Mass, we should participate in a full, conscious, and active manner. I'd like to take the time to reflect on what these words really mean and how we can apply them when we are at Mass. At times like this, I like to refer to the dictionary to get to the real meaning of words.

“Full” according to the dictionary, and for our application, means greatest in extent, with nothing missing, fully developed, charged with emotion. A few words from the thesaurus include: filled, complete, inclusive.

“Conscious” means keenly aware, intentional, concerned. The thesaurus adds: mindful, cognizant, alert, deliberate.

“Active” means showing involvement or energy, fully involved, not resting. And from the thesaurus: lively, vigorous, energetic, dynamic, full of life.

Take a deep look at these words and phrases. Then think back to your experiences at Mass. Do they overlap? I'd say, in most cases, no.

Our participation in Mass is our right and our duty as a result of our Baptism.

It is important for us to realize from the very outset, when we go to Mass, we are not spectators or observers or an audience watching a play or an actor on stage. No, we can say that we are co-celebrants with the priest who is presiding over the Mass. Thus, he is referred to as the presider. Our role, as the faithful who assemble for Mass, (we are the assembly) to pray and praise God, is necessary in the celebration of the Mass.

Pope Francis has said that when we are at Mass we should be “joyful.” After all, look at where we are - God's house! Look at what we have come to receive - the very Body and Blood of Christ! Even so, more times than not, an outsider observer of us at Mass might think we are at a funeral rather than a joy-filled event!

However, if we practice full, conscious, and active participation - if we are vibrant, energetic, deliberate, completely involved, intentional, and full of emotion - how can we not be joyful?

The embodiment of the three words should help us to see that we need to be fully present at Mass. We should not allow any distractions. These words mean that we should be intimately involved in all aspects of the celebration. These words mean that we should not allow our minds to wander. We should not come late or leave early. We should fully make the Sign of the Cross and fully genuflect. We should actively, pray, and sing, and listen. We should be conscious of what is being proclaimed in the Scripture readings and what is being preached in the homily.

Of course, all of this requires a great deal of discipline, but in the end, the result is worth it! How often have we heard young people, or maybe some not so young people, say that Mass is boring or that they don't get anything out of it? I would reply that you get out of it what you put into it. If you do not fully participate, you are just passing time. If you are not conscious in your participation, you might as well be anywhere else in the world. If you are not active in your participation, you might as well be one of the statues.

As I stated earlier, attending Mass is our right, in addition to being our duty. Why not strive to get the most out of it? Sing the songs, put yourself into the Readings by picturing yourself in the background of the story being told, pray the prayers, observe the periods of silence, share the Sign of Peace. In short, why not be joyful - you are at Mass! You are in God's presence and you are receiving the gift of God's grace. You have received the Body and Blood of Christ in Holy Communion. We believe that we become what we receive - so be joyful!

I'd like to add one final thought that I think is especially appropriate at this time of year. This involves our body language and what our actions are projecting. Think of when you are invited to someone's house for dinner. When you come in you normally take your coat off and make yourself comfortable, especially when you are eating at the dining room table.

Well, when we come to church, we are coming to God's house and we are having a meal, the Eucharistic banquet, so why do many of us appear as if we can't wait to get out of there? Let's at least make ourselves comfortable in the presence of the Lord. Let's make ourselves at home! Let's look like we want to be there and are not in a rush to leave or that we would rather be anyplace else, by taking our coats off, or at the very least unbuttoning them. In most cases we have heat, so this is possible! Try it and show the Lord that you want to be in His presence and that you are comfortable there and are filled with joy as a result!

Jim Madura



Watch St. Elizabeth of the Trinity 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass live on You Tube - search for St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish channel.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2021

5:00 PM — Malachy Byrne, Michael Maughan, Don Love Jr., John & Helen Ptak, Nancy & Kevin Paczkowski, John Gibata, Ralph Annunzio, Patrick Rodden, Margaret Rodden Wydra, Consolacion Censon (birthday remembrance), Bridie Griffin

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2021

7:30 AM — Helen & Alexander Kolinski, Jo & Ed Sanborn, Anna, Joseph, Estelle, Rose & Walter Dyjak
 9:00 AM — *(livestreamed)* - Eileen & Jack Owen, Don Quinn, Holy Name Society, John Morrison, Vilma Pangoniene
 11:00 AM — Steve Samaritano, Antoni, Bajkowski, Shawn Christopher Conney, Edward Brasher, Marie Brasher (98th birthday)
 1:00 PM — (Spanish) - Maria Gamboa, María Teresa Cardenas, Rosa Chacho, Luz Morquecho, Miguel Paida

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2021

8:30 AM — Bill & Rose Trunk, LaVonia Komatowski, Joshua Albert

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2021

8:30 AM — for our parishioners
 11:00 - 6:00 PM - Adoration / Benediction at 6:00
 5:30 - 6:00 PM - CONFESSIONS
 6:30 PM — for police officers and their families

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2021

8:30 AM — Mary, Terrance & Edward Wilk, Evelyn Schuster, John J Fergus

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2021

8:30 AM — Eileen Owen (birthday remembrance), Pauline Haas, Noreen Bongiorno

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2021

8:30 AM — Stephanie Marder (birthday remembrance)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2021

8:30 AM — for the homebound of the parish
 3:00 - 4:30 PM—CONFESSIONS
 5:00 PM — Michael Maughan, deceased members of the Ognibene family, Loraine & Ralph Schmidt, Patrick Rodden, Margaret Rodden Wydra, Vincent Martin, Mary McSweeney, Brian Hoplanson, Patricia Martin

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2021

7:30 AM — for our parishioners
 9:00 AM — *(livestreamed)* - Eileen & Jack Owen, Don Quinn, Sr. Ann Marie Cwick (2nd anniversary), Ginny McManus, Michael Honan, Si O'Donell, Soichiro "Pat" Hiram
 11:00 AM — Michael James Shannon
 1:00 PM — (Spanish) - Maria Gamboa

Presider Schedule - November 20 & 21

5:00 pm — Fr. Landfried
 7:30 am — Fr. Landfried
 9:00 am — Fr. McCarthy
 11:00 am — Fr. Griolano
 (Spanish) 1:00 pm - Bp. Bartosic

DISPENSATION

Cardinal Cupich has continued the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday and Holy Day Mass until further notice.



REST IN PEACE

Jeanne Ryjewski

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Monday: St. Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
 Tuesday: St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, Virgin
 Wednesday: St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious
 Thursday: The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin
 Friday:
 Saturday: BVM
 Next Sunday: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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Readings for the Week

Sunday: Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32
 Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158 [cf. 88]/Lk 18:35-43
 Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [6b]/Lk 19:1-10
 Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15 [15b]/Lk 19:11-28
 Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15 [23b]/Lk 19:41-44 Dedication: Acts 28:11-16, 30-31/ Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43/Mt 14:22-33
 Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/1 Chron 9:10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd [13b]/Lk 19:45-48
 Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13/Ps 9:2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19 [cf. 16a]/Lk 20:27-40
 Next Sunday: Dn 7:13-14/Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5 [1a]/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37

**I NEED NOTHING
BUT GOD,
AND TO LOSE
MYSELF IN THE
HEART OF JESUS.**

—ST. MARGARET MARY ALACOCQUE

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Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. & Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. (English) and 1:00 p.m. (Spanish)

Daily Mass Schedule:

Monday through Saturday: 8:30 a.m., Tuesday: 6:30 p.m. and First Friday: 8:00 p.m. (Spanish)

Church is open daily for private prayer until 5:00 p.m.

Confession:

Tuesday: 5:30 - 6:00 p.m., Friday: 7:00 to 7:45 p.m. (bilingual) Saturday: 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday: 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (Benediction at 6:00 p.m.)

Rectory (Parish Office) Hours - Monday through Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Baptism:

Please contact Deacon Greg Bzdon to make arrangements:
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Becoming a Catholic:

Would you like to learn more about what it means to be a Catholic? The Church calls this process *The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)*. It is a small group forum where interested people learn more about initiation and membership in the Catholic Church. Please call Kathleen Driscoll at the parish office for more information.

Marriage:

Must be arranged six months prior to the ceremony. Please contact a priest to make arrangements.

Religious Education for Public Grade School Students: Contact Kathleen Driscoll for more information: kadriscoll@archchicago.org

Parish Registration: New parishioners are asked to register at the Rectory. Forms are also available on our website under the Our Parish tab.

Communion Visits: Ministers of Care bring Communion to the homebound. Contact Deacon Steve Wagner through the rectory to make arrangements.

High School Youth Group: Mr. Mike Wuich HEELSFINL4@AOL.COM

Bulletin Deadline: Noon on Fridays (9 days prior to bulletin date)

***"It seems to me that I have found my
heaven on earth,
because my heaven is You,
my God,
and You are in my soul.
You in me,
and I in You – may this be my motto."***

St. Elizabeth of the Trinity