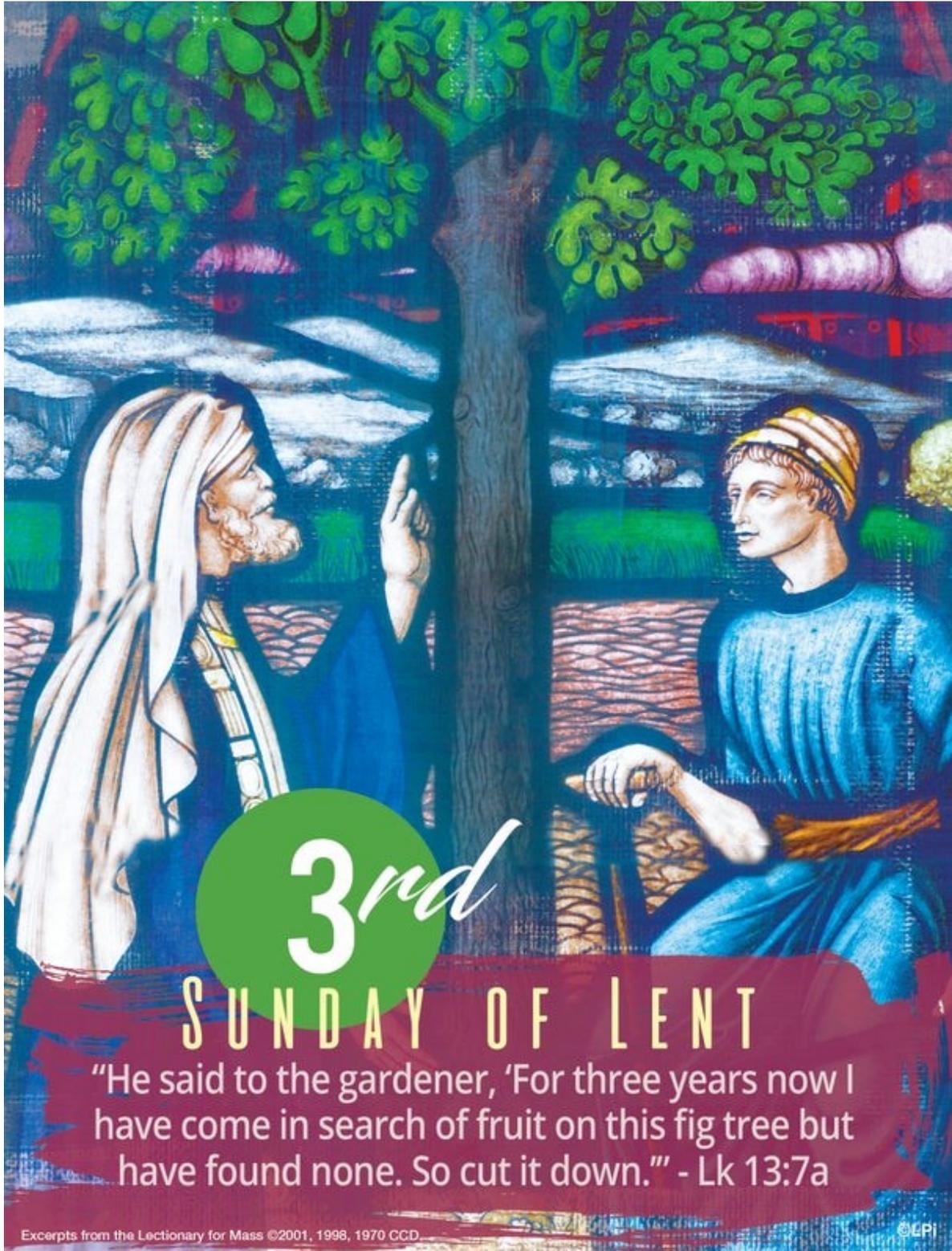




ST. ELIZABETH of the Trinity



MARCH 20, 2022



We are well on our Lenten journey and just finished celebrating both St. Patrick's and St. Joseph's Day, perhaps you dispensed yourself from your Lenten sacrifices for a day. As we prepare ourselves spiritually for the Holy Triduum, we are blessed to have a RCIA candidate who will be fully initiated at the Easter Vigil. If you have never attended the great Easter Vigil, I recommend it. It is a longer Mass but one that tells the story of salvation history, and Jordan, our catechumen, will be Baptized, Confirmed, and receive his First Holy Communion. The Lord welcomes him into the Church. Can you come and welcome Jordan to the parish as a fully initiated Catholic? We send our RCIA candidates to a joint parish program run out of St. Paul of the Cross which includes Mary Seat of Wisdom and St. Julianna. It is an excellent program.

What's the best way to bring the best out of us? What really motivates us? Sometimes we're motivated by positive examples of what our lives can be like for the better. It has been learned from marriage counseling that we need 3 - 4 times more positive reinforcement than negative reinforcement in relationships for them to be loving and fruitful. We often need encouragement more than criticism. Yet we also need to learn that our decisions have consequences. By seeing the negative consequences of our bad decisions, we can make better ones.

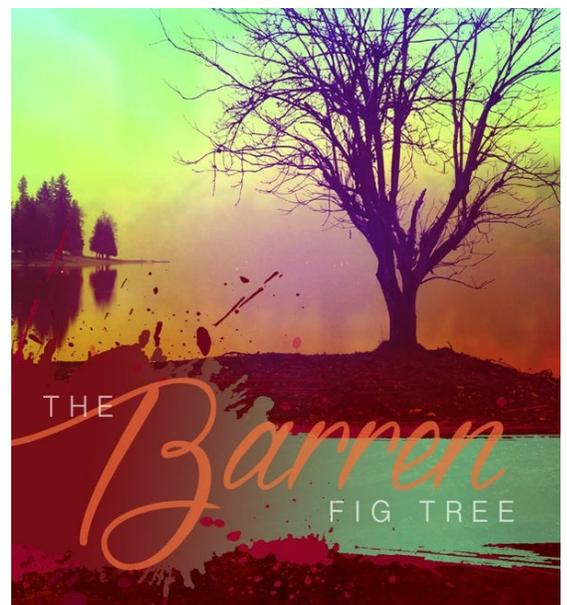
Many of you might remember back in the 80's and 90's there were a lot of anti-drug commercials and one of them was of a man standing over a hot frying pan who took a raw egg saying: "This is your brain" and then he cracked the egg into the frying pan and said: "This is your brain on drugs....any questions?" It was a dramatic image to dissuade from the use of drugs.

We sometimes call this way of giving life lessons "tough love". Though it may appear as harsh, what seems like tough love might be just the thing we need. Parents and teachers must use this kind of love all the time and it's not always easy. We had a rule in my house that if we couldn't hold a "B" average in school we couldn't do certain extra-curriculars like clubs or sports. One of my sisters had to quit cheerleading for a year when her grades dropped, and she didn't like it. But my parents knew her education was more important. She was able to pick up her grades and then got to do cheerleading the next year. *With these images in mind let's look at today's Gospel.*

In today's Gospel Christ tells us that we need to repent sincerely, or we will perish. Jesus then uses a parable about a fig tree to make the point. In the parable the owner clearly represents God. For three years the owner came to the fig tree to collect its fruit, but every year there was no fruit on the tree, so he said, "**cut it down.**" At the threat of losing the fig tree the gardener asked for more time to care for the tree...because it *might* still bear fruit. The owner, in His great patience, accepted the offer and gave even more time for the fig tree to produce fruit.

Christ sometimes uses tough love, but it's a love to help us bear fruit, so that on our day of judgment we will have no cause for shame or fear. Let's be grateful we have the chance to receive this loving warning and remember that "**God is patient, but His patience is given for our salvation.**"

God bless,
Fr. Mike





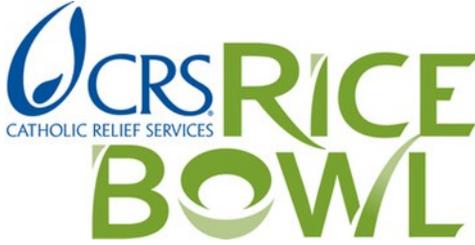
In today's Gospel Jesus is quite clear in His message: "Bear fruit or be cut down." During Lent we are called to cultivate and fertilize our spiritual lives through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

Through your almsgiving you are performing a good work; far greater than you think. Know that your nickel, dime, or quarter is multiplied by the coins placed by others in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box.

THIS WEEK FOR LENT...

Evening Prayer (Vespers): Monday at 6:30 p.m.

Stations of the Cross: Friday at 6:30 p.m. in English (Mass at 7:30 in Spanish)



OVERCOMING DISASTER

In Bangladesh, cyclones and other natural disasters are increasing—destroying farms, homes and more—making it difficult for people like Noornobi to earn a living and support their families. But Noornobi has learned new techniques to protect his land and income, enabling his niece and nephew to go to school. How can you care for creation to help the planet and our global family? Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.

The Parish St. Joseph Table is Back!

March 20 in the St. Elizabeth of the Trinity School auditorium

Please join us after the 11:30 Mass until 2:30 in the school auditorium. Immediately following the Mass, we will process from the church to the auditorium where the food will be blessed. After the blessing we will partake in the Luncheon and Sweet Table.

While there is no charge for the meal, a donation will be accepted, and all proceeds will go to our parish Saint Vincent de Paul Society.

TODAY!

Come to enjoy the food and friendship.

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Sunday, APRIL 3, 2022 –

7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.



Social Center – 5859 N. Moody Ave.

Donation: \$8.00 Pre-sale - \$10.00 at the door

Children under 5 are free

Tickets available from any scout.

Take advantage of our take-out option!

Baptism

Welcome

OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Jesse Daniel, child of
David & Dulce
(Walters) Macias



CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

2021 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

2021 contribution statements are now available by request. We would like to email them to you or have you pick them up at the parish office, if possible, or they can be mailed. You may call or email the parish if you would like to request a copy. Call 773-763-8228 or email: jmadura@archchicago.org.

If you are a Faith Direct user, you are able to print out your own report through their website. If you have made contributions to the Annual Catholic Appeal or To Teach Who Christ Is campaign, you should receive an acknowledgement directly from the Archdiocese.

Food Pantry

The Parish Food Pantry operates out of its new location on our main campus. It is in the lower level of our gym building at 5859 N. Moody. Entrance is off the parking lot behind the church. The food pantry is open for patrons on **Tuesdays between 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.**

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
Food Pantry Managers
Email: food-pantry@stelizabethtrinityschool.org



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

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LADIES GUILD

The date of our next meeting will be Thursday, **April 21 at 7:00 p.m.** in the school auditorium. Note that this is a change from the earlier announced date. All women of the parish are invited to attend.

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SUNDAY, MARCH 27TH
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Pray Fast Give

Oftentimes, people think of Lent as a time to give up chocolate, TV, candy, etc. and while fasting is one way to live out Lent, there are also two other important aspects to keep in mind.

Prayer is essential for our soul and Lent can be a time to form new prayer habits and spend more time with our Lord.

Fasting, purposely saying "No" to things, can be difficult, but it helps us to see that God is the only one who can truly fill us with happiness.

Almsgiving is the giving of something important to those in need. Most of us think this refers to just material items like food, clothing or money, but it also means giving to those who are in need spiritually by spending time with them either in person, over the phone or through the mail.



ST. ELIZABETH OF THE TRINITY

HELP THE FOOD PANTRY & ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

St. Elizabeth of the Trinity School and RE Program are collecting the items listed below during Lent this year. Please drop off your items no later than April 4th. (RE students, please bring your items no later and April 3rd.)

ITEMS REQUESTED

- Individually packaged toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Bars of soap
- Small bottle of dish soap
- Wool blankets*
- Hand warmers
- Socks
- Undershirts (men and women, all sizes)
- McDonald and Dollar Tree Gift Cards (recommended amount \$10 a card)

*Monetary donations are appreciated and we will purchase the wool blankets.

Totus Tuus Host Families Needed!

When: June 25th-July 1st

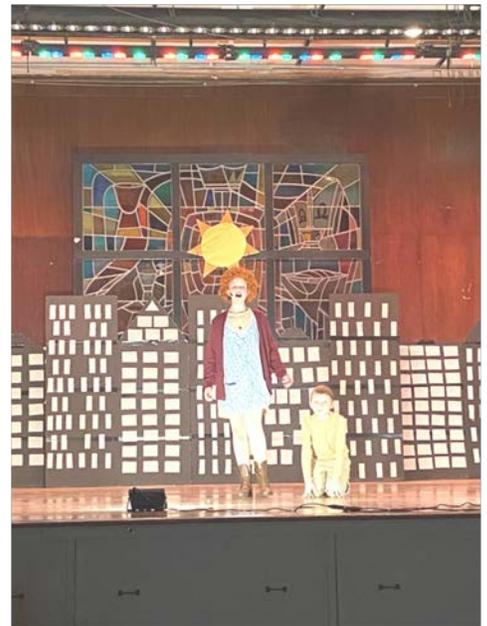
We are seeking any St. Elizabeth of the Trinity parishioners willing to host the Totus Tuus team during their stay and programs. The team consists of two college aged girls and two college aged guys. Host Families provide sleeping arrangements (one bedroom for the two team members), a private bathroom, a morning continental breakfast, and possibly laundry facilities. Housing of team members takes place from their arrival Saturday until their departure the following Friday morning. Each team will provide their own transportation to and from the parish. Please contact Kathleen Driscoll if you can help or have any questions. (773)-763-8228 or kadriscoll@archchicago.org.



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Fact of Faith

WHY IS LENT FORTY DAYS?

The Lenten season is a time of preparation for the liturgical celebration of the suffering, Death, and Resurrection of Christ. Many Catholics spend that time on the three practices of Lent: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. It is also a time to participate in the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation.

The season of Lent lasts from Ash Wednesday until the evening of Holy Thursday. If Sundays are excluded from the count, the season lasts forty days. The forty-day length of Lent is rooted in the biblical usage of the number forty. Forty is typically indicative of a time of testing, trial, penance, purification, and renewal. In the New Testament, forty days is the length of Jesus' time of trial in the desert in preparation for his public ministry, proclaiming the Gospel.

Mark 1:12-15

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan. He was among wild beasts,

and the angels ministered to him.

After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand.

The forty-day period of Jesus' trial in the desert echoes a number of events in the Old Testament:

- The face of the earth was cleansed and purified during the promised period of days and nights that rain poured down during the great flood—"I will bring rain down on the earth for forty days and forty nights, and so I will wipe out from the surface of the earth every moving creature that I have made" (Gen 7:4).
- The face of the earth was renewed during a forty-day period after the mountain tops appeared and the waters of the great flood receded—"The tops of the mountains appeared. At the end of forty days Noah opened the hatch of the ark that he had made" (Gen 8:5-6).
- Moses spent forty years as a shepherd in the desert before God called him to lead the Israelites out of slavery—"Moses fled when he heard this and settled as an alien in the land of Midian . . . Forty years later, an angel appeared to him in the desert near Mount Sinai in the flame of a burning bush" (Acts 7: 29-30).
- Moses fasted for forty days and nights on Mount Sinai before receiving the tablets of the covenant—

"So Moses stayed there with the LORD for forty days and forty nights, without eating any food or drinking any water, and he wrote on the tablets the words of the covenant, the ten commandments" (Ex 34:28).

- The Israelites spent forty years wandering in the desert, as a time of testing, trial and purification of the people, before reaching the Promised Land—"Now the Israelites had wandered forty years in the desert, until all the warriors among the people that came forth from Egypt died off because they had not obeyed the command of the LORD" (Jos 5:6; see Num 32:13).
- The prophet Elijah spent forty days in the desert before encountering God on Mount Horeb—" [Elijah] got up, ate and drank; then strengthened by that food, he walked forty days and forty nights to the mountain of God, Horeb" (1 Kgs 19:8).
- The Ninevites were given forty days before God was going to destroy the city, allowing time for repentance and conversion—"Jonah began his journey through the city, and had gone but a single day's walk announcing, 'Forty days more and Nineveh shall be destroyed,' when the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast and all of them, great and small, put on sackcloth" (Jon 3:4-5).



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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, MARCH 19, 2022

5:00 PM — Peter Smith, Don Love, Jr., Michael Maughan, John & Helen Ptak, Henry Mitchell, Laurence Martin, Peter O'Brien, Kathleen Martin, Mary Gillespie, Patricia Martin, Jeffrey Lalowski, Cindy Pleasant, Nicholas Diakoumis

SUNDAY, MARCH 20, 2022

7:30 AM — Helen Kolinski (5th anniversary), Alexander Kolinski, Anna Dyjak & Jill Sanborn (birthdays), Estelle & Walter Dyjak, Ed Sanborn, Joseph Dyjak (62nd anniversary & birthday)
 9:00 AM — Eileen & Jack Owen, Don Quinn, Peter Smith, Irene Golec, peace in Ukraine
 11:00 AM — Danny Ryan, Brian Brady, souls in Purgatory, John Needham
 1:00 PM — (Spanish) - Andy Flores, Anna Picciolini, Rudolf & Lucyna Gustek, Sean Bullistron

MONDAY, MARCH 21, 2022

8:30 AM — for peace in Ukraine

TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 2022

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 the homebound of the parish

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 2022

8:30 AM — for peace in Ukraine

THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 2022

8:30 AM — Joshua Albert

FRIDAY, MARCH 25, 2022

8:30 AM — Annie T. Nash, Karen Avorywoskie
 7:30 PM — Mass (Spanish)

SATURDAY, MARCH 26, 2022

8:30 AM — Pauline Haas, Charles Boyd
 3:00 PM — WEDDING — Ryan Robinson & Sarah Donohoe
 3:30 - 4:30 — CONFESSIONS
 5:00 PM — Don Love, Michael Maughan, Kevin Paczkowskyj, Winifred Chambers, Louis Gonzales, Gonzales, McManus & Tierney families (special intention)

SUNDAY, MARCH 27, 2022

7:30 AM — Gonzales, McManus & Tierney families (special intention), Winifred Chambers-Tierney, Louis Gonzales
 9:00 AM — Eileen & Jack Owen, Don Quinn, Gonzales, McManus & Tierney families (special intention), Louis Gonzalez, Winifred Chambers-Tierney, Frank Serritella
 11:00 AM — Kenneth Hoppensteadt
 1:00 PM — (Spanish) - Andy Flores, Anna Picciolini

Presider Schedule - March 26 & 27

5:00 p.m. — Fr. Landfried
 7:30 a.m. — Fr. Grisolano
 9:00 a.m. — Fr. Grisolano
 11:00 a.m. — Fr. Landfried
 (Spanish) 1:00 p.m. - Fr. Landfried

DISPENSATION

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



WEDDING BANS

Ryan Robinson & Sarah Donohoe - III



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Lent
 Monday:
 Tuesday:
 Wednesday: St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop
 Thursday:
 Friday: The Annunciation of the Lord
 Saturday:
 Next Sunday: 4th Sunday of Lent
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Readings for the Week

Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 [8a]/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9
 Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30
 Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25: 4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35
 Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19
 Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23
 Friday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/ Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38
 Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14
 Next Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [9a]/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32



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1:00 p.m. (Spanish)

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Confession:

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Saturday: 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

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

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

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

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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*