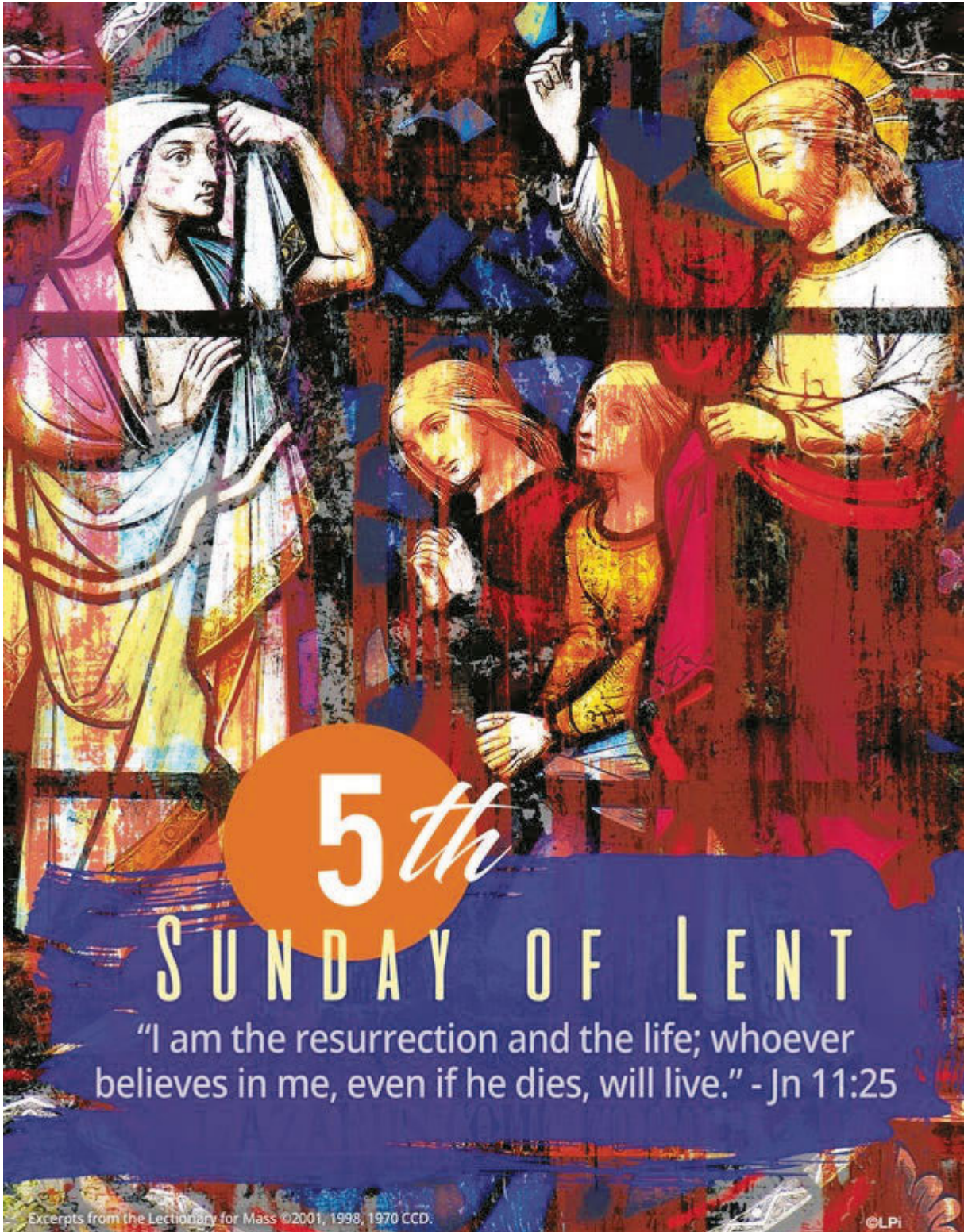




# ST. ELIZABETH of the Trinity



**MARCH 26, 2023**



**5<sup>th</sup>**

**SUNDAY OF LENT**

"I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live." - Jn 11:25

Last weekend we had a very nice St. Joseph Day celebration after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. A special thanks to JoAnn Keto and the volunteer team that coordinated the event. The pasta and baked goods were a nice reprieve to our Lenten fasting and discipline. May St. Joseph, Guardian of the Holy Family, and Patron of the Universal Church watch over our parish and pray for us.

Today we heard about one of the Lord's most amazing miracles, the raising of Lazarus from the dead. Martha complained to Jesus: "***If you had been here, my brother would not have died.***" Death is real and painful, Jesus wept at Lazarus' grave, and we grieve too. It's fitting that the readings give us the chance to reflect on a question that we might think has only one answer: *What is death?*

Death is the result of sin, they are connected; death primarily affects the body, sin primarily affects the soul.

Jesus responded to Martha: "***Your brother will rise.***" And she responded with a faith in the resurrection: "***I know that he will rise in the resurrection on the last day.***" But the Lord didn't just respond "Yes, that's true." He says, "***I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.***" What does this mean?

The Lord is talking about two different kinds of life and death. Life and death of the soul as well as that of the body. First the body. The most common understanding of death is that the soul separates from the body, which is true. This will happen for all of us and even Christ died, but we are promised to get our bodies back as we heard in the first reading and in the Creed. That glorified body we receive at the end of time will never die.

The soul is meant to live in the fullest and most meaningful sense of the word because it is connected by grace and faith to Him who is Life itself. That's heaven and on that day the soul and body will be united without sickness, suffering or death. We die once but will never die again.

In a spiritual sense, our soul can die even while being immortal. A person who dies in the state of mortal sin will experience what the book of Revelation calls "***the second death,***" that is hell. The permanent state of having chosen against Christ.

This spiritual death of the soul is not inevitable like the death of the body. God wants all people to be saved! The only other time in the Gospels that Jesus wept was over the city of Jerusalem that wouldn't accept Him as their savior. The Lord weeps over the death of the body and even more over the death of a soul that rejects Him, the source of all goodness and life. This reminder of the second, spiritual death adds power to the Lord's words when He says: "***Everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.***" We will never die the second death if we believe and live in Jesus!

St. Francis in his song praising God about creation wrote about death with confidence:

*All praise be yours, my Lord, through Sister Death, from whose embrace no mortal can escape. Woe to those who die in mortal sin! Happy those she finds doing your will! The second death can do them no harm. Praise and bless my Lord and give him thanks. And serve him with great humility.*

Because Jesus has overcome death, we need not fear it and should have real hope for ourselves and deceased loved ones as a prayer in the Mass for the Dead says:

***"For your faithful Lord, life is changed not ended, and when this earthly dwelling turns to dust, an eternal dwelling is made ready for them in heaven."***

God bless,  
Fr. Mike

Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live."  
- Jn 11:25



The Gospel today challenges us to see and believe the signs of grace in our lives: joy, peace, forgiveness, mercy, and kindness.

**This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist families in need by providing food and assistance with utility and rent bills, etc. Thank You!**

## Holy Week Schedule

### Palm Sunday Masses, April 2

Sat.: 5:00 p.m. and Sun.: 7:30, 9:00\*, 11:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m. (Spanish)

*\*9:00 Mass will start in the Prayer Garden with Blessing of Palms and Procession*

### Wednesday, April 5

Confessions - 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

### Holy Thursday, April 6

Morning Prayer at 8:30 a.m.

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper at 6:30 p.m. (bilingual)

*The church will remain open until 10:00 p.m. for Adoration*

*(The collection today will go to our St. Vincent de Paul Society)*

### Good Friday, April 7

Morning Prayer at 8:30 a.m.

Stations of the Cross at 3:00 p.m.

Celebration of the Lord's Passion - *(with Holy Communion)* at 6:30 p.m. (bilingual)

### Holy Saturday, April 8

Morning Prayer at: 8:30 a.m.

Blessing of Easter Food at 1:00 p.m.

*(no afternoon Reconciliation or 5:00 p.m. Mass)*

**The Great Easter Vigil at 8:00 p.m. (bilingual)**

### Easter Sunday Masses, April 9

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



### PALM SUNDAY

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday, the beginning of Holy Week. Palms will be blessed at the beginning of each Mass. The 9:00 a.m. Mass will begin in the Prayer Garden, where the palms will be blessed and we will then joyously process into church for the rest of the Mass *(weather permitting)*.

### THE POWER OF SACRIFICE

Lent can feel like a long time. Sometimes we'd like to skip right to Easter! But through prayer and sacrifices, we share in Christ's suffering and prepare for the joy of his resurrection. This Lent, we've learned how people in Honduras, the Philippines and Kenya made sacrifices so their families and communities can thrive. How have your Lenten sacrifices helped your family and community and communities around the world? Visit [csrricebowl.org](http://csrricebowl.org) to learn more.





## Hospitality Sunday

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Please join us next Sunday after the 9:00 a.m. Mass for fellowship and free hospitality in the Auditorium. This is an opportunity for the parish to gather together and get to know each other. We thank the Women's Group for hosting.

### EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINE

Anything for the April 9 bulletin, (Easter Sunday), including Mass intentions, needs to be submitted by March 31.



### 2022 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

2022 contribution statements are now available by request.

We would prefer to email them to you or have you pick them up at the parish office, but they can also be mailed. You may call or email the parish office if you would like to request a copy. Call 773 763-8228 or email: parishoffice@setparish.org or 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 you will receive an acknowledgement directly from the Archdiocese.

### LENTEN EVENING PRAYER & STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The parish has a couple of ways that you can add to your prayer life during Lent. One way would be to join us for Lenten Evening Prayer each Monday of Lent at 6:30 p.m. This is a short twenty minute service filled with prayer and song. You can also join us for the Stations of the Cross devotion on Friday evenings of Lent. They are at 6:30 in English and 7:30 in Spanish. You can also join with the school at 2:15 on Friday.

### Coffee with Christ: Save the Dates

Over Lent and Easter we will have the opportunity to grow in prayer as a community. We will come together to learn about and practice new ways to pray over a cup of coffee. All are welcome. In the auditorium. We will end in time for the 11:00 Mass.

**March 26th 10:00-10:50– Discernment of Spirits**

**April 23th: 10:00-10:50 – The Examen**

**April 30th: 10:00-10:50 – Imaginative Contemplation / Lectio Divina**



## SICK LIST

Michele Schmidt—Maria Szumski—Gary Sowell—Jeffrey Lalowski—Jadwija Chudzynski—  
Amy Grudzinski—Bernadette Bannach—Patricia Newell—Guzman family—Angela Ross—  
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Elise Fernandez—Emery Tanski—Fr. Dan Fallon—Cary Muldoon-Pauly—  
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Flavia Langan—Dennis Cresco—Roger Doering—Eugene Chmielowski—Alice Ward—  
Arthur Hamilton—Paul Wierdak—Marcos Fernandez Sr.—Victoria Judson  
*(Call the rectory office to have your name added or removed)*



## Invitation to Spread Some Easter Joy!

Our SVdP Conference is assisting our friends at Mission of Our Lady of the Angels in their project of providing 300 Easter Baskets to newly arrived refugee children that are staying in a shelter here in Chicago. We are collecting small gift items that can be placed into Easter Baskets. The gifts should be small enough to fit into a basket, and inexpensive.

Appropriate gifts include small stuffed animals (bunny, or baby chicks), Play doh, Slinky, Card games, Old Maid, Crazy 8s, Uno, etc...., small race cars, trucks, blocks, Mini Jenga, Transformer type toys, jump rope, Rubik's Cube, coloring books, books. Dollar Tree and Dollar General have many inexpensive gifts that are perfect to stuff an Easter Basket.

Drop off gifts in the SVdP White Box located to your left in the vestibule as you enter church for Masses on Palm Sunday, April 1 and April 2. Thank you!



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Registration forms available in the vestibule or at parish office.

For more information and to register, contact:

**Ashley Guinn**  
[aguinn@archchicago.org](mailto:aguinn@archchicago.org) or  
773.763.7228



## Save the date! ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER



Date: Sunday, April 30th

Time: 11:30 am-3:00 pm

Location: Phil's Pizza D'Oro

Cost: \$6.00 carry out per person

This years event will be carry out only

MENU

Salad

Bread

Spaghetti with meat sauce

Dessert

Proceeds will be donated to the Station School in Rwanda

**Tickets will be sold outside of the church on April 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> or you can purchase at the rectory**

You will have an opportunity to sign up for sponsorship when picking up your dinner order or during pre-ticket sales  
If you have sponsored a student and have not yet picked up your *thank you* letter, you can do so at the event

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### PRAYER SHAWL GROUP

Meeting, Monday, March 27 at 7:00 p.m. in Art Room.



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Five 8th graders participated in the Regional Science Fair two weeks ago, Sam S., Grace D., Zac W., Regina D., and Nora F. All five earned a Gold Award for:

- \*Scientific approach
- \*Creativity
- \*Logical conclusions
- \*Concise research paper in proper form
- \*Knowledge of content when sharing project and results
- \*Good quality and quantity of background research

Four of the five were invited to the State Science Fair, and the fifth was invited as an alternate. Grace, Nora, and Zac also received an Award of Excellence for their posters and Sam received a Superior Achievement Award for his poster.

Congrats to our 8th graders and Mrs. Dati and Mrs. Curtin for all their work with the students!

## CONGRATULATIONS!





## POPE FRANCIS: TO BE AN APOSTLE IS TO SERVE

VATICAN CITY (CNS) -- Being an apostle does not mean climbing up the church's hierarchy to look down on others but humbling oneself in a spirit of service, Pope Francis said.

During his general audience in St. Peter's Square March 15, the pope explained that apostleship as understood by the Second Vatican Council produces an equality -- rooted in service -- among laypeople, consecrated religious, priests and bishops.

"Who has more dignity in the church? The bishop? The priest? No, we are all Christians at the service of others," he said. "We are all the same, and when one part (of the church) thinks it is more important than the others and turns its nose up (at them), they are mistaken."

Vatican II, the pope said, did not focus on the laity's relationship with the church's hierarchy as a "strategic" move to adapt to the times, but as "something more that transcends the events of that time and retains its value for us today."

The Second Vatican Council's Decree on the Church's Missionary Activity states that collaboration between the hierarchy and the laity is essential for the church to fully live out its mission.

Viewing Christian life as a chain of authority "where the person on top commands the rest because they were able to climb up (the ladder)" is "pure paganism," said the pope.

Reflecting on the passage from St. Luke's Gospel in which Jesus sends out 72 apostles ahead of him two-by-two, Pope Francis said that service is the vocation Jesus gives to all, including "to those that seem to be in more important positions."

"Listening, humbling yourself, being at the service of others: this is serving, this is being Christian, this is being an apostle," he said.

The pope encouraged Christians to pray for members of the church's hierarchy who appear conceited since "they have not understood the vocation of God."

Pope Francis also asked that all members of the church reflect on their relationships and consider how that impacts their capacity for evangelization.

"Are we aware that with our words we can harm people's dignity, thus ruining relationships?" he asked. "As we seek to dialogue with the world, do we also know how to dialogue among ourselves with believers? Is our speech transparent, sincere, and positive, or is it opaque, ambiguous and negative?"

"Let us not be afraid to ask ourselves these questions," the pope said, because examining the responses can help lead Christians toward a more apostolic church.







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 25, 2023**

5:00 PM — Mike Maughan, Don Love (birthday remembrance)

**SUNDAY, MARCH 26, 2023**

7:30 AM — for our parishioners  
 9:00 AM — for our parishioners  
 11:00 AM — Carmen Rosario Castro, Salvador Dignadice, Gloria Dignadice (birthday)  
 1:00 PM — (Spanish) Cesar Hernandez Marin, Adrian & Jesus Hernandez, Maria Ritter, Silvestre Arroyo Delgado, Henio Castillo, Marianne Hallo, Trinidad Lagunas

**MONDAY, MARCH 27, 2023**

8:30 AM — Edgardo De La Rosa

**TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2023**

8:30 AM — for peace in Ukraine  
 11:00 - 6:00 PM - Adoration / Benediction at 6:00  
 5:30 - 6:00 PM - CONFESSION  
 6:30 PM — Marty Fulara

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, 2023**

8:30 AM — Annie & Luke O'Donnell, Sr.

**THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 2023**

8:30 AM — Charles Boyd, Rose Carlson, Hector Aguilar, Robert Spychalski  
 6:30 PM — (Spanish Confessions)

**FRIDAY, MARCH 31, 2023**

8:30 AM — Odilia B. Swinkle

**SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 2023**

8:30 AM — Kepros & Pryst families, Stanley J. Sokol  
 5:00 PM — Mike Maughan, Vicente Ormachea

**SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2023 (PALM SUNDAY)**

7:30 AM — Helena Klymkiw  
 9:00 AM — Larry Bellek, the Women's Group, souls in purgatory  
 11:00 AM — for our parishioners  
 1:00 PM — (Spanish) Jose Luis Bucio, Cesar Hernandez Marin, Maria Ritter, Silvestre Arroyo Delgado, Jesus Perez Rodriguez

**Presider Schedule - April 1 & 2**  
 5:00 p.m. — Fr. Sepulveda / (piano)  
 7:30 a.m. — Fr. McCarthy / (organ)  
 9:00 a.m. — Fr. Grisolano / (piano) Gather in the Prayer Garden for beginning of this Mass  
 11:00 a.m. — Fr. Grisolano / (Parish Choir / organ)  
 1:00 p.m. — (Spanish) Fr. Sepulveda



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**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: 5th Sunday of Lent  
 Monday:  
 Tuesday:  
 Wednesday:  
 Thursday:  
 Friday:  
 Saturday: April Fools' Day  
 Next Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Holy Week begins

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**THIS WEEK'S READINGS**

Sunday:	Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45
Monday:	Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c -62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:1-11
Tuesday:	Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday:	Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42
Thursday:	Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59
Friday:	Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42
Saturday:	Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56
Next Sunday:	Mt 21:1-11/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19, 20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14—27:66 or 27:11-54



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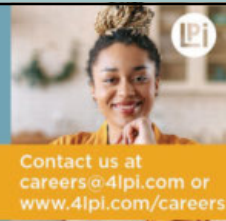
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## SERVICES

### 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 Thursday: 7:00 p.m. (Spanish)**

### Rosary:

**Prayed daily immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass**

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

### Confession:

**Tuesday: 5:30 - 6:00 p.m., Thursday: 6:30 to 7:00 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.)**

**Last Thursday from 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. (Benediction at 7:30 p.m.)**

**Rectory (Parish Office) Hours - Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and Saturday - 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

### Baptism:

Please contact Deacon Greg Bzdon to make arrangements:

[gbzdon@archchicago.org](mailto:gbzdon@archchicago.org)

### 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 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 Peggy Bradley for more information.

**Parish Registration:** New parishioners are asked to register at the Rectory. Forms are also available on our website under the Our Parish tab or in the rear of church.

**Communion Visits:** Ministers of Care bring Communion to the homebound. Contact Tony Lupinski through the rectory office to make arrangements.

**Food Pantry:** Open Tuesdays - 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. in the lower level of the gym  
For more Info email us at: [food-pantry@stelizabethtrinityschool.org](mailto:food-pantry@stelizabethtrinityschool.org)

**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*