



ST. ELIZABETH of the Trinity



NOVEMBER 5, 2023
THE THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*This weekend, we celebrate the Feast
of our parish patron, St. Elizabeth of the Trinity*



"I think that in Heaven, my mission will be to draw souls by helping them go out of themselves to cling to God by a wholly simple and loving movement, and to keep them in this great silence within that will allow God to communicate Himself to them and transform them into Himself."

FROM FR. MIKE

November 5, 2023

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of our Patroness, St. Elizabeth of the Trinity, which is officially Wednesday, November 8th. We are grateful that on Saturday Nov. 4 at 4:00 p.m. we will have Fr. Britto Berchman preside at Mass and give a talk on good communication in marriage afterward. All are welcome, but please register beforehand so we can order food accurately. We also have hospitality after the 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Sunday Masses. Come join us.

An update on our One Parish One Prisoner (OPOP) ministry. Check out the biographies for our two incarcerated friends, Michael and Chris in this bulletin. I hope you have been able to pray for them as they look forward to being released within the next six to twelve months. We all have made mistakes and committed sins, maybe very serious ones, yet we all desire compassion and understanding in the face of our weaknesses. The silence and routine of prison can be a chance for men and women to reflect and pray more, and come to some peace from self-forgiveness while receiving the Lord's love. Everyone has wounds from their past and we may have developed unwholesome ways of coping with them. Please continue to pray for courage and strength for Michael and Chris and support us in helping them release from prison with a future full of hope.

This week also kicks off National Vocation Awareness Week throughout the United States. In his message for the 60th anniversary of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations, Pope Francis stated: *"Our common vocation to give ourselves in love develops and finds concrete expression in the life of lay men and women, devoted to raising a family as a small domestic church and working as the leaven of the Gospel to renew the different sectors of society; in the testimony of consecrated women and men who are completely committed to God for the sake of their brothers and sisters as a prophetic sign of the kingdom of God; in ordained ministers – deacons, priests, and bishops – placed at the service of preaching, prayer and fostering the communion of the holy People of God."*

The common baptismal call to holiness that we all have is first lived out in the basics of family life, the domestic church. Children learn how to be good Catholic parents by the example that their own parents gave them. Our daily prayer and time for family prayer is so important. The family that prays together stays together is a common saying but is proved to be true from experience. If Christ is truly invoked and made present in our homes, if He is invited, He will bring the peace, guidance, and calm that we need.

Catholic families that practice the faith through regular Sunday Mass, show that the Lord is the priority of the week and of their lives. My own father always told us that while we lived under his roof, we would go to Mass on Sundays because it was a commandment from God and my father led by example. When a family prays, receives the sacraments, and is pursuing the path of holiness it will naturally be a place where a child learns to be open to the particular vocation God has called them to. Jesus Christ calls us all to follow Him in a particular way, many through marriage, some to ordained life as priests, and some to a form of consecrated or intentional single life for His Kingdom.

Have you ever asked a loved one in your life if the Lord was calling them to be a priest or religious?

God bless,

Fr. Mike





In the Gospel today we hear the good news that when we keep our focus on God and serve one another God exalts us!

As you place your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul Society poor box, please say a special prayer for the poor who have no one to pray for them.

ALL WOMEN OF THE PARISH

Please join the Women's Group **TODAY**
at **9:00 a.m. for our monthly Mass.**

All women of the parish are also invited to the next meeting
of the St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Women's Group on
Wednesday, November 15 at 6:30 p. m. in the auditorium. Please join us for a fun evening!

ALL PARISHIONERS

Please join us after the 9:00 a.m. Mass **TODAY**
for **Hospitality in the Auditorium.**
Everyone is invited.

EARLY BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINES

There are early bulletin submission deadline relating to the Thanksgiving holiday:

Anything to be included in the **November 19** bulletin, including Mass Intentions, needs to be submitted by Friday, **November 10.**

Anything for the **November 26** bulletin, needs to be submitted by Thursday, **November 16.**

Jim Madura
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ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Annual Spaghetti Dinner fund raiser for the Station School in Rwanda.

We are very grateful for the sponsors that continue to support the school and welcome new sponsors to the Sharing Family project.

The students at the Station School in Rwanda will never forget your kindness and generosity. They believe that there are angels in Chicago!

Special gratitude to Phil's Pizza D'Oro.





GET TO KNOW OUR STAFF – JENICA ANDERSON SCHOOL AND PARISH MARKETING DIRECTOR

Mrs. Jenica Anderson has been handling social media for the school since 2022 and is now expanding her role to include marketing as well, for the school and the parish.

She grew up in a suburb outside of Sacramento, California.

Mrs. Anderson attended San Diego State University, where she graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in General Communications, and a Minor in English.

After graduating college, she moved from San Diego to Chicago, to pursue a career in marketing. She has worked in the commercial real estate industry as a marketing director in Chicago, as well as Scottsdale, Arizona.

Along with being the Marketing Director for St. Elizabeth, she is also the cross country and track coach for the school. Mrs. Anderson has two children who attend the school. She enjoys spending time with her family, cheering her kids on in sports, and running.

If you have any marketing needs, questions, or concerns, please reach out to Mrs. Anderson. You can contact her at: j.anderson@stelizabethtrinityschool.org

She is looking forward to expanding the school & parish presence in our community!

Don't forget to do this by December 1st

If you have an individual retirement account and you are age 73 or older, you probably know that you must take your required minimum distribution (RMD) before the year ends. However, did you know that you can fulfill all or part of your RMD and reduce your taxable income by transferring funds directly from your IRA to your parish or the Archdiocese of Chicago?

Don't wait until it's too late to benefit from reduced taxes. **Learn more at** archchicago.org/qcd.

If you would like more information on how to make a QCD gift to St. Elizabeth of the Trinity contact Krystina M. Campbell, Planned Giving Officer, Archdiocese of Chicago at 312.534.5404 or kcampbell@archchicago.org.



SICK LIST

Michele Schmidt—Maria Szumski—Gary Sowell—Jeffrey Lalowski—Jadwija Chudzynski—
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Elise Fernandez—Emery Tanski—Cary Muldoon-Pauly—Sr. Kelly Masdat MSHT—Darlene Russo—
Constance Anderson—Dolores Nano—Roberto Druca—Doreen Ciesla-Hugglung—Steve Hovde—
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Donna J. Kolinski—Richard Muench

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



NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK

November 5–11 we are praying, educating and promoting all vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, consecrated life and marriage. In addition to your prayers, you are invited to join a Holy Hour of Adoration at the parish, or a sponsor parish, to pray for our priests, seminarians and all those who are discerning their vocation. Visit **vocations.archchicago.org**.



ONE PARISH  ONE PRISONER

Bio's of our Two OPOP Incarcerated Friends

Michael Delich – projected release date – Spring, 2024

I'm just hoping to have some help when I'm free. I want to live a much better life than I have in the past. I'm very easy to get along with, I'd like to think. I'd really like to work with troubled teens. I'm hoping and praying that my community will help me get all set up with a place to live, with a church. I've been going to church on and off all my life. Whenever I get around the wrong folks, I start to go down the wrong path. The thing that scares me most is being alone and by myself for the rest of my life. I want to find good, trusting friends – I've never had that.

Christopher Boyd – project release date – Summer, 2024

I'm a good listener and I like to learn. I'm a people person. I want to get a job, buy a house, get married, have a couple of kids, and talk to young men and women about the struggles I've been through, that I made it – talk about the streets, jail, that there are better ways to do stuff. I love a challenge. Meeting new people can be a good thing in my life – especially where I come from. Don't nothing scare me if it's about bettering myself. The hardest thing I expect to face is meeting people and putting trust into them, to be disappointed because I don't have nobody on the outside – mom, father, grandparents, all gone. No wife or girlfriend. It's just me against the world.

Fr. Vic Ivers passed away in 2014 at age 95. At St. Joseph Parish in Libertyville, as his final Mass was coming to a conclusion, he stopped, took off his shoes, laid them in front of the altar and said, "so now who will fill these shoes?" Then he processed out, leaving the shoes behind with a question that remains for today. The Who Will Fill These Shoes? event has been celebrated in the Archdiocese of Chicago ever since. For more information, visit vocations.archchicago.org.



WHO WILL FILL THESE SHOES?

November 24, 2023, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

**Inviting young men in the
Archdiocese of Chicago, ages 13–20.**

Parents and priests are also invited to this annual event hosted at Mundelein Seminary.

Come and learn more about the priesthood and your vocation.

November 24, 2023 University of St. Mary of the Lake
11 a.m. – 3 p.m. 1000 East Maple Avenue
Mundelein, IL 60060

Please register at [this link](#) by November 23.
For further information contact Katie Hazen at
khazen@archchicago.org.





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**Step-by-Step Walk Through the Mass
Do This in Remembrance of Me, Part 14:
Listening to God's Word
by FR. LUKE SPANNAGEL**



As St. Jerome said, "Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ." Without a doubt, St. Jerome understood that the Bible truly is God speaking to his people. That is why it is so important to have readings from the Bible during Mass. Listening to God's Word helps us to learn about and understand who God is and how much He loves us. Also, we learn about ourselves and just how much we need God in our lives. As we continue some reflections on the Liturgy of the Word, we focus this week on the more spiritual aspects of listening to God's Word and receiving it into our hearts.

Start with Silence

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal reminds us that silence is a very important part of the Mass. Not only are we silent while the readings are read, but there should also be a brief silence after each of the readings. As the Diocese of Peoria's *A Study of the Mass* teaches, "Even these brief moments allow us to meditate on the marvels and mysteries we just heard... In our world of 'noise,' this silence may seem uncomfortable to us. Yet, this is all the more reason for us to pay close attention to this detail of the sacred Liturgy" (p. 7). Silence is an important means for the faithful to actively participate in the Mass, since it allows the opportunity to really listen with our hearts and take in God's Word.

What if the readings don't make sense to you? Fr. Guy Oury reminds us that "The Word of God is not a document. It is not something of the past that happens to narrate a stage of revelation" (*The Mass*, p. 62). The Word of God continues to be alive and active (Hebrews 4:12), seeking us out and helping to draw us nearer to God. That is why it is important for us to do our part during the readings of the Mass by really listening and thinking about the words of Scripture. If God is speaking to his people through the Scriptures, and we are part of God's family, then God is saying something to us through each reading. A great question to ask ourselves is: What is God teaching me here? About himself? About us as his people? About how he asks us to live? These reflections will help us concentrate more on the words and help us understand their meaning, even from a reading about a most unusual topic!

Allow His Word to Grow Roots

Another way to help us better understand the readings is to recognize that the entire Old Testament is a preparation of God's people (that includes us!) for receiving Jesus. The New Testament is a fulfillment of the Old—all the prophecies, all the expectations—all perfectly fulfilled in the person of Jesus Christ. One of my favorite meditations is to think about something from the Old Testament and see how it leads to Jesus. In the same way, then, look at something in the New Testament and remember back to its beginnings in the Old Testament. For example, we read in Isaiah 7:14, "Behold a virgin shall conceive and bear a son and shall call his name Emmanuel." For many of us, our mind probably jumps to Mary and Jesus. Some of the connections are very clear, and some are subtler. Spending time reflecting on the readings can not only help us better understand what we hear, but it also helps the Word of God to be truly rooted in our hearts, our thoughts, and our actions.

As Charles Belmonte reminds us, Sacred Scripture reveals to us the "truth, both about God and about our own salvation... What we hear during the Liturgy of the Word is truth about God and the narrative of the marvels God performed... Its culmination is the Paschal Mystery of the Death and Resurrection of Christ, which is perpetuated in the Eucharist. Therefore, the central theme of the readings is always Christ... By carefully listening to the Word of God and reflecting on it, we will realize who ... Christ is, what he says and does, what he expects of us, and how we are to go about accomplishing the task he entrusted to us. Gradually, we will enter into the intimacy of God and discover the meaning of our own existence. And, as a consequence, we will get to know how to do—always and in everything—the will of God" (*Understanding the Mass*, p. 75-76). Now that's a reason to "listen up!"



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 4, 2023

4:00 PM — Cathy Minnick, Rose Harkan, Don Love Jr.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2023

7:30 AM — Emily Rodden, Bridget Kelly

9:00 AM — Dawn Cavins, Catherine Minnick, Richard Muench, Women's Group, souls in purgatory

11:00 AM — Kuss & Dziedzic families, Helen Michalik

12:00 PM - 12:45 PM — CONFESSION

1:00 PM — (Spanish) Jose Luis Bucio, deceased members of the Hernandez-Marin & Padilla-Gomez families

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2023

8:30 AM — deceased members of the Gonsalves & D'Souza families, Hugh Johnson

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2023

8:30 AM — Eleanor, Sammuell, Grace & Joseph Holden

11:00 - 6:00 PM - Adoration / Benediction at 6:00

5:30 - 6:00 PM - CONFESSION

6:30 PM — for peace in the Middle East

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2023

8:30 AM — Pete Eck

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2023

8:30 AM — Charles Boyd

6:30 PM — BILINGUAL CONFESSION

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2023

8:30 AM — Patricia Mielecki, Adriana Granados, Sgt. Leonard Lewandowski USMC-MIA, Antoni Bajkowski

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2023

8:30 AM — for our parishioners

3:30 - 4:30 PM — CONFESSION

5:00 PM — Marianne Connolly, Ralph Annunzio, Marcos Fernandez Sr., deceased members of the Ognibene family

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2023

7:30 AM — Helen & Alexander Kolinski, Jo & Ed Sanborn, Anna, Joseph, Estelle & Walter Dyjak, Richard Swiec, Eugene Fraczkowski

9:00 AM — Pete Eck, Richard Muench, Peter & Elisa Uliasz 60th wedding anniversary

11:00 AM — William Davitt, Paul Varga, John Needham, Eraine Mally—100th birthday

12:00 PM - 12:45 PM — CONFESSION

1:00 PM — (Spanish)

Presider Schedule - November 11 & 12

5:00 p.m.—Fr. Grisollano / Deacon Miles preaching / Guitar Ensemble

7:30 a.m. —Fr. Grisollano / Deacon Matthew preaching / organ

9:00 a.m. —Fr. Sepulveda / Deacon Miles preaching / Piano / Parish Choir

11:00 a.m.—Fr. Sepulveda / Deacon Greg preaching / organ

1:00 p.m.—(Spanish) Fr. Grisollano / Deacon Jose preaching



VETERANS DAY
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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time; Daylight Saving Time Ends; National Vocation Awareness Week

Monday:

Tuesday: Election Day

Wednesday:

Thursday: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Friday: St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

Saturday: St. Martin of Tours, Bishop; Veterans Day

Next Sunday: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday: Mal 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10/Ps 131:1, 2, 3/1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13/Mt 23:1-12

Monday: Rom 11:29-36/Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36/Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday: Rom 12:5-16b/Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3/Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10/Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9/Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

Friday: Rom 15:14-21/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11/Lk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (2b)/1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13



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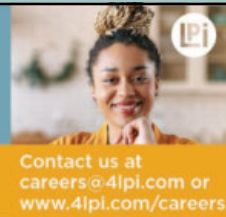
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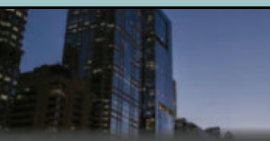
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SERVICES

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 to 6:00 p.m., Thursday: 6:30 to 7:00 p.m. (bilingual)
Saturday: 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., Sunday: 12:00 to 12:45 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. to 8:00 p.m. (Benediction at 7:50 p.m.)

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

Baptism:

Please contact Deacon Greg Bzdon to make arrangements:

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 parish office to make arrangements.

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

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

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*"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.
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St. Elizabeth of the Trinity*