

AUGUST 10, 2025



19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour when the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come."

- Lk 12:39-40

FROM FR. DEO



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Peace be with you! We're halfway through the Novena for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. My weekly meditation connects the Sunday readings with the Assumed Virgin Mary whom we venerate as our Mother and the Icon of faith and hope. This 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time invites us into a journey of faithful and hopeful vigilance, and trust in God's promises.

The Letter to the Hebrews reminds us that "faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen." The author refers to Abraham, our father in faith, who

obeyed God's call without knowing where he was going. He trusted in God's promise even when it seemed impossible. He lived as a pilgrim, always moving forward in faith, trusting God's word. Abraham's faith is a model for us to follow. We experience situations that put our faith to the test, such as the loss of a loved one, unanswered prayers, illness, financial hardship, broken relationships and spiritual dryness. We question God's power, and it even becomes difficult to trust in Him. However, only faith can bring light and meaning to our life. Faith does not mean that we will have answers to all our problems but requires us to trust in God who has all answers.

In the Gospel, Jesus tells us not to live in fear, but in trust and readiness: "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it has pleased your Father to give you the kingdom." Therefore, Jesus invites us to practice vigilance in the parable of the servants who remain ready for their master's return: "Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival." We must live each day as if it matters eternally, not in fear, but in watchful love and daily faithfulness. Vigilance means living each moment in communion with God through prayer, love, and service of our neighbor. But how can we watch while serving the Lord? Am I living with the readiness of a faithful servant? Do I truly trust God's promises? The Blessed Virgin Mary is our model of joyful faith and hopeful readiness for the Lord.

Mary's Assumption into Heaven is a sign of hope for believers that what God did in her, He promises to do in us. She is the "first fruit" of the resurrection (CCC §966). The Assumption proclaims the final victory of grace over sin, of life over death. Mary was preserved from sin by a special grace of God, and she remained faithful to God throughout her life. Because of this, her body—the temple of the Word of God—was not abandoned to the corruption of the grave. In a world where death and suffering seem to have the final word, the Assumption reminds us that, like Mary, we're destined to have a share in Christ's glorious resurrection.

Mary believed the angel's message and consented to God's will, even though she didn't fully understand what it meant. This act of radical trust is the clearest biblical example of living faith. She is "the first and most perfect disciple of Christ" (John Paul II), and the "one who believed fully in God's word, becoming a mirror of the Church's faith" (Pope Francis, *Lumen Fidei*, §58). She believed even when it seemed like the promise was lost. Her life and her Assumption remind us that our present suffering and struggles are not the end. Heaven is real, and it is our true home. Let us imitate her faith and trust in God and show her our filial love and devotion by praying the Rosary.

In our parish news, the Parish and School staff will have a retreat on August 14th. We ask for your prayers as we discern how to better serve and bear witness to the Gospel in our ministries. As summer draws to a close and a new academic year begins, we invite all students—from preschool to college—to join us for a special "Back-to-School Blessing" next weekend. Our children need God's guidance, protection, and inspiration in the school year ahead. Finally, I'd like to remind you of our missionary challenge to invite at least one friend or family member to church. May our lives become a Magnificat—a song of praise to the God who lifts up the lowly and promises eternal life to all of us, Mary's children.

Happy Sunday and Blessed Assumption.

In Christ,

Fr Deo



In today's Gospel, Jesus says: "Sell your belongings and give alms. Provide money bags for yourselves that do not wear out, an inexhaustible treasure in heaven that no thief can reach nor moth destroy."

Please help the St. Vincent de Paul Society bring respite and hope to the elderly who are not able to find relief from the summer heat, and you will indeed find "an inexhaustible treasure in heaven!"

St Vincent DePaul Society Bundle Weekend August 23 and 24th Before and After all Masses

Bring you gently used clothing, shoes, linens, and small appliances to the back parking lot to share with others!

We do not accept **any** furniture, dishes, books, or videotapes



Any questions, please contact Jill Powers at jill@svdpchicago.org



THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY MASS TIMES

Friday, August 15 is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Our Mass times will be as follows:

Thursday, August 14 at 6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

Friday, August 15 - 8:30 a.m. and

6:30 p.m. (English)

The 8:30 a.m. Mass will be followed by light hospitality in the vestibule.

Please join us in praying the Novena for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary after the weekday 8:30 morning Mass through August 14.

On Sunday August 10 it will be prayed at 12:30 p.m.

PLEASE SUPPORT THE QUARTERLY EVANGELIZATION COLLECTION

It will take place at all Masses <u>this weekend</u> as a second collection. This collection helps us bring you programs such as *That Man Is You* and *The Rescue Project*, among others. It also helps with our monthly hospitalities and holiday book giveaways.

Please be generous in your support of this worthy parish endeaver.

BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING FOR STUDENTS & TEACHERS

At all Masses next weekend we will offer a special blessing for all who are returning to school, whether Catholic or public, whether grammar school, high school or college, whether student or teacher. Please join us and start the school year off with this spiritual blessing!





Josiah Eric child of Eric and Delilah (Contreras) Ortiz





Sofia Rose child of Javier and Amanda (Garcia) Robles

NOTICE

Because of a parish/school staff retreat, the **Parish Office will not open until 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 14.** Thank you for your understanding.



ST. ELIZABETH OF THE TRINITY HOLY NAME SOCIETY ANNUAL GOLF OUTING SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2025

1:00 p.m. shotgun start – 4 ball scramble

Low Price of \$180 (\$150 without transportation)

Includes golf, cart, food and drinks at the course, post-golf reception plus transportation.

Please see handouts in the vestibule for registration or email

stelizabethhns@gmail.com or call Tim Jacobs at 773.410.0736



SICK LIST

Bernadette Bannach—Elise Fernandez—Dolores Nano—Arthur Hamilton—Michele Schmidt— Joe & Nelda Garza—Jimmy Retondo—Elizabeth Hofstede—Donna Kolinski—JoAnn Keto

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- A Lenten journey battling the darkness of the seven deadly sins through the counteracting light of seven saints.

SPEAKERS:

























PROGRAM INFORMATION

Tuesday Evenings beginning September 2, 2025 St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish in the school auditorium 6040W. Ardmore Ave,

SCHEDULE

7:30 p.m. Gather 7:45 p.m. Video Presentation 8:15 p.m. Table Discussion 8:45 p.m. Conclusion

REGISTRATION

Enroll by scanning the QR Code or by filling out a registration card found in the church vestibule or the parish office.





Religious Education



Join Us for the RE for the 2025-26 School Year

Registration is now open for children from 1st to 8th grade. Forms are available online, at the back of church, or by using the QR code above.

Tuition for this upcoming year will be \$275 plus \$75 for each additional child and our first class is Sunday September 7th

We look forward to helping your child to grow in their faith and love for Jesus!

We can always use more help if you would like to be a catechist or a classroom aid please contact Ashley Guinn in the parish office.

ST. ELIZABETH OF THE TRINITY PARISH

SANCTUARY ANGELS

CONSIDER JOINING OUR CHURCH CLEANING MINISTRY AND HELP CARE FOR OUR SACRED SPACE, REFLECTING THE LOVE WE SHARE AS A PARISH COMMUNITY.



HELP US UPKEEP OUR BELOVED CHURCH BY PARTICIPATING IN THE CLEANING OF THE SANCTUARY FLOOR AND FIXTURES, DEEP CLEANING PEWS AND THE SACRISTY.

CONTACT FR. LEO FOR MORE INFO.

Pope at Youth Mass: The Lord is gently knocking at the window of your soul



Last weekend
Pope Leo spoke
to one million
young people
from 150 countries as they celebrated The Jubilee of Youth in
Rome as part of
this Holy Year.

Here is a link to the Mass on You Tube:

https://www.vaticannews.va/ en/pope/news/2025-08/popeat-youth-jubilee-massadventure-with-the-lord.html

And here is a link to a printed version of the Pope's homily: https://www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en/homilies/2025/documents/20250803-omeliagiubileo-giovani.html



ST. ELIZABETH OF THE TRINITY SCHOOL

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Less than three weeks before school starts and we cannot wait to get back in the lab to create again!

Our rising 8th graders created a hydraulic arm in their STEM elective. Using the power of water, the fluid provided force that enabled the arm to lift, move, and manipulate heavy loads with precision.







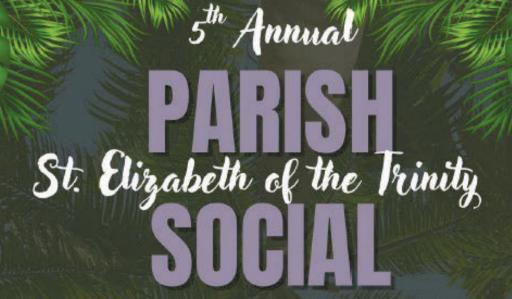


















Celebrate the 5th year of our beloved Parish Social—an evening full of fun, fellowship, and community spirit! This free event brings together our school and church families for a night of connection and celebration.

SATURDAY, **SEPTEMBER 20, 2025** **FOLLOWING 4 PM MASS** 6040 W. ARDMORE CHICAGO, IL

Food from Firewater Saloon



- Bags Tournament
- Live Band
 Kids Tent

To keep this event free and fun for everyone, we're gratefully accepting:

- Volunteers to help with setup and activities
- In-person donations at the school or rectory
- Donations via Faith Direct:

SCAN ME



2025TrinitySocial@gmail.com



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 AUGUST 9, 2025

5:00 PM — deceased members of the Ognibene family, Kathy & David Burns, +James Donovan, +Margaret Keogh

SUNDAY AUGUST 10, 2025

7:30 AM — for our parishioners

9:00 AM — Mary & Joseph Jaszczor, +Tom Gutzman, souls in Purgatory

11:00 AM — Joe Gardner, Joey Gardner 12:00 PM - 12:45 PM — CONFESSION

1:00 PM — (Spanish) Cesar Hernandez Marin, Santiago Gonzalez, +Hector Castaneda, +Alfonso Contreros Estrada, + Familia of Contreras Manon, Souls of Purgatory

MONDAY AUGUST 11, 2025

8:30 AM — for those in our Book of Remembrance

TUESDAY AUGUST 12, 2025

8:30 AM — Joe Volpe, Kathy Navaro, +Charles Jacobucci 11:00 - 6:00 PM - Adoration / Benediction at 6:00 PM 6:30 PM — Richard Milkiwski (special intention)

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 13, 2025

8:30 AM — for those on our memorial trees and boards

THURSDAY AUGUST 14, 2025

8:30 AM — for our parishioners 6:30 PM — Bilingual Mass

FRIDAY AUGUST 15, 2025

8:30 AM — Oscar Pena, Pilar Lourdes Garcia, Sunshine & Audrey Gomes (birthdays), +Tom & Pat Rice, +John & Rayetta Hastings, John & Mary Kay Hastings (wedding anniversary)

6:30 PM — for our parishioners

SATURDAY AUGUST 16, 2025

8:30 AM — +Anna Berndt

5:00 PM — Daniel Guerrero, +Marcos Fernandez, +Don Love

SUNDAY AUGUST 17, 2025

7:30 AM — Helen & Alexander Kolinski, Jo & Ed Sanborn, Anna, Joseph, Estelle, Walter & Edward Dyjak

9:00 AM — souls in Purgatory 11:00 AM — Lorraine, John, Martin, Richard & Brian Fulara, Matthew & Margaret Futterer, Carmen Caraballo Rosario, Reynold Salmi, Esther Ormachea, Andrew Pfister (1st anniversary)

12:00 PM - 12:45 PM — CONFESSION

1:00 PM — (Spanish) Cesar Hernandez Marin, Santiago Gonzalez, Carmen Alvarado (1st anniversary)

Presider Schedule - August 16 & 17

5:00 p.m. — Fr. Leo / *piano* 7:30 a.m. — Fr. Leo / organ 9:00 a.m. — Fr. Deo / piano 11:00 a.m. — Fr. Leo / organ 1:00 p.m. — (Spanish) Fr. Deo





Norbert Rendak

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Clare, Virgin

Tuesday: St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious Wednesday: Sts. Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus,

Priest, Martyrs

St. Maximillian Kolbe, Priest and Thursday:

Friday: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin

Mary

St. Stephen of Hungary Saturday:

Next Sunday: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday: Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22

(12b)/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/

Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

Dt 10:12-22/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Mt Monday:

17:22-27

Tuesday: Dt 31:1-8/Dt 32:3-4ab, 7, 8, 9 and 12/Mt

18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17/Mt

18:15-20

Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-Thursday:

6/Mt 18:21—19:1

Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps Friday:

> 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14/1 Cor 15:54b-57/ Lk 11:27-28 Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-27/

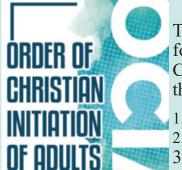
Lk 1:39-56

Saturday: Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 11/Mt

19:13-15

Next Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 (14b)/

Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53



Do You Want to Join the Catholic Church?

The **Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)** is a process for adults, of high school age or older, who wish to enter the Catholic Church or complete their Sacraments of Initiation and is designed for the following:

- 1. Those who have never been baptized.
- 2. Those who have been baptized in another Christian faith.
- 3. Those who have been baptized Catholic but never prepared for and received First Communion and/or Confirmation.

The OCIA sessions, hosted by our sister parish St. Paul of the Cross in Park Ridge, provide opportunities for you to ask questions about the

Catholic Church. You will learn what the Catholic Church believes, teaches, and proclaims as revealed by God.

The Lord awaits all of us to answer His call to a deeper relationship with Him through His Church. This is only possible if we have the Sacraments that He gave His Church.

If you would like more information, or to begin the process of OCIA, please contact Ashley Guinn, St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Director of Evangelization and Lifelong Formation by email at aguinn@archchicago.org.

May the Holy Spirit continue to guide you towards a deeper conversion and relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church.





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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., and 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.)

Parish Office (Rectory): Summer Hours: Monday - Thursday- 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. & Friday 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 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 Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)*. 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 Ashley Guinn 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)

"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