



ST. ELIZABETH of the Trinity



MAY 3, 2026 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

This week at St. Elizabeth...

Monday:

Mass 8:30 a.m.
Rosary 9:00 a.m.
PPC 7:00 p.m.
Spanish Community 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday:

Mass 8:30 a.m.
Rosary 9:00 a.m.
Food Pantry 9:00 –10:00 a.m.
Adoration 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
This Is Our Faith 1:30 p.m.
Confession 5:30 - 6:00 p.m.
Benediction 6:00 p.m.
Mass 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday:

Mass 8:30 a.m.
Rosary 9:00 a.m.
This Is Our Faith 6:30 p.m.
Women's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

Thursday:

Mass 8:30 a.m. (School May Crowning)
Rosary 9:15 a.m.
Adoration 9:15 a.m. - 6:50 p.m.
Confession 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Benediction 6:50 p.m.
Spanish Mass 7:00 p.m.
Spanish Prayer Group 7:30 p.m.

Friday:

Mass 8:30 a.m.
Rosary 9:00 a.m.
Gamblers Anonymous 12:15 p.m.
Alive & Grateful 7:00 p.m.

Saturday:

Mass 8:30 a.m.
Rosary 9:00 a.m.
Baptism Prep 9:30 a.m.
Confession 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.
Dance Recital
Mass 5:00 p.m. (Flower Sale)

Sunday:

Mother's Day Flower Sale—all Masses
Mass 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 a.m. (English)
Children's Liturgy of the Word 9:00 a.m.
Confession 12:00 - 12:45 p.m.
Spanish Mass 1:00 p.m.

God bless our First Communicants

Jionni Arroyo
Dalia Boettcher
Jayden Brunner
Colin Campbell
Silas Camuy
Catalina Conlisk
Mary Cunningham
Alice Davis
Evangeline Dawson
Sebastian Delgado
Lucy Dietz
Wesley Dirnberger
Ashlynn Dougherty
JuliAnn Eckhorn
Saul Espinoza
Michael Forde
Mateo Garcia
Shae Graney
Henry Hampton
Ramon Hernandez Grande
Sharlyne Hernandez Grande
Emmett Infante
Theodore Jacobs
Leo Juarez Nunez
Nixson Larson
Thomas Levar
Marrisa Mack
Fabian Marcelo

Patrick McInerney
Zuleika Moreira Mendez
Jose Meza Sorio
Lilly Orga
Lenny Ortega-Gaytan
Maeve O'Sullivan
Sophia Perez
Emily Park
Elizabeth Rakow
Avery Ravera
Alex Roman
Maria Rubino
Solena Sandoval
Jack Shrader
Stella Smith
Rebecca Traversa
Berlynn Vega
Ian Vega
Jaydaline Vega
Joaquin Venegas
Autumn Walsh
Maeve Whelehan
Katherine Zavala



Our Vision...

*We are a vibrant Catholic parish family
where all are welcomed to seek
and be transformed by Christ,
and to be sent forth to radiate
Trinitarian love in daily life.*

FROM FR. DEO

May 3, 2026



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

God is good all the time... All the time God is good!

I extend heartfelt congratulations to our First Communicants who have encountered Christ in the Eucharist. It was a joy to witness their excitement and reverence. We look forward to presenting them to the community as they take part in the crowning of the Virgin Mary. As St. Augustine reminds us, “Be what you see; receive what you are—the Body of Christ.” In this sacred gift, Jesus comes into our hearts and walks with us.

This Fifth Sunday of Easter calls us to be a dynamic community, one that bears witness to Christ through our love and service to one another. It is a message about who we are together as Church, and it beautifully echoes our parish vision: “*We are a vibrant Catholic parish family where all are welcomed to seek and be transformed by Christ, and to be sent forth to radiate Trinitarian love in daily life.*” Christ is the Way who leads us to the Father, the Truth we embrace, and the Life we are called to share and live.

In the readings (Acts 6:1-7), the early Christian community faced real challenges of unfair treatment of the poor, but the community did not ignore it. Instead, it responded by establishing the ministry of deacons to ensure just and compassionate care. This reminds us that our faith is meant to be lived in community. Each of us has a role to play in building up the Church—through service, charity, and shared responsibility.

The second reading (1 Peter 2:4–5) reminds us that we are “living stones,” called to be part of something greater than ourselves. God is building us into a spiritual home, with Christ as the cornerstone. In a world of uncertainty, difficulties, and violence, Jesus assures us: “Do not let your hearts be troubled... I am the Way and the Truth and the Life” (John 14:1, 6). When we feel lost, we are invited to trust in Him and walk in His Way.

We are called not only to believe, but also to contribute actively to the life and mission of our parish community. This will result in making us the vibrant parish we strive to be. I want to sincerely thank each of you for your love and support of our parish. A parish is not just church and school buildings—it is its people, every one of you. Together, we are called to love our parish, take responsibility for it, and actively participate in its life and mission.

Our parish will be participating in the “Generation to Generation: Answer the Call” campaign, along with every parish within the Archdiocese of Chicago. This campaign is an opportunity to strengthen our local parish and support the broader Chicago Catholic community by spiritually renewing our parishes, supporting our priests, and assisting parish communities in need. More details will be shared soon.

As we enter the month of May, we turn our hearts to the Blessed Virgin Mary, our model of faith and trust in Christ. I thank the Pastoral Council for organizing the candlelight rosary on May 1, a beautiful way to begin our Marian devotions. I encourage each of you to take time to pray the Rosary during Our Lady’s month.

In Christ,

Fr Deo

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me.” John 14:1



big thank you to Deacon Greg, who is recovering from the injuries he suffered on Easter, who led them in prayer and to Fr. Deo for providing a blessing.

Ozanam Sunday, 2026

Last Sunday members of our St. Vincent de Paul Society gathered for the Ozanam Sunday Commitment Ceremony after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. They renewed their Vincentian Mission of service, spirituality, and friendship. A



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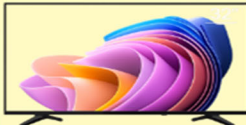
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Feed the Hungry



The Food Pantry's Shelves are Bare!

Thank you for your generous donations to the Food Pantry over the past few months. They were greatly appreciated.

The hungry are still hungry and our volunteers need help feeding them. Please consider grabbing a few extra canned goods or non-perishable items at the store and dropping them in our collection bin in the back of church. Thank you for supporting us as we try to do God's work.

Welcome
OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Baptism

Niko Ares
child of Lauren & Fatmir
(Weichmann) Pecaku



Reign Ivan,
child of Samantha & Ivan
(Grazziano) Ramos



Shane Ryan
child of Jessica & Michael
(Davis) Settepani



Pray for Pope Leo XIV and his intentions on May 8.

This is the first anniversary of his election as pope.



SICK LIST

Bernadette Bannach—Elise Fernandez—Dolores Nano—Arthur Hamilton—Michele Schmidt—
Nelda Garza—Jimmy Retondo—Elizabeth Hofstede—Donna Kolinski—JoAnn Keto—Jane Berg—
MaryAnn Hermesdorf—Lidia Piper—John Kottra—Rosemary Marinello—Marion Calvino—
Giovanni Randazzo—Rick Levins—Grace Luna—Marivic Ginete Malibiran—Larry Muench
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The Women's Centers of Greater Chicagoland will be hosting its annual Blooming for Babies Fundraiser

This Mother's Day weekend, May 9-10 at our parish!

We will have 3 gorgeous bouquets to choose from!
Bring \$\$\$!

Funds raised from the purchase of flowers will help women facing crisis pregnancies

We need volunteers to help sell flowers. If you're interested in volunteering, please contact Victoria at v.annahastings@gmail.com.



Totus Tuus Registration is Open

St. Elizabeth of the Trinity will be hosting Totus Tuus from July 12-17th.
The day program for grades 1-6 will run from 9am-230 pm Monday July 13th- Friday July 17th
The Evening Program for grades 7-12 will run from 6:30pm-8:45pm Sunday July 12th-Thursday July 16th
Questions? Contact Ashley Guinn

WHAT IS TOTUS TUUS?

Totus Tuus is a week-long, summer youth retreat for young people in first through 12th grade. Participants will grow in their faith through skits, games, songs, the celebration of the sacraments, and engaging, interactive teaching. Hosted at 22 parishes, a Totus Tuus team of four college students and seminarians will inspire our young people with their energy and enthusiasm for the Catholic faith. They bring to our parish a zeal for the proclamation of the Gospel and a missionary spirit. Their joy is contagious and will remind us that Jesus "came that we might have life and have it more abundantly" (Jn. 10:10).

The Totus Tuus program is built upon five pillars: love for the Eucharist, Marian devotion, authentic catechesis, Christian vocations, and fun! Our hope is to deepen the relationship our young people have with the Lord Jesus, while showing them how exciting a lifetime adventure with the Lord can be.

A Totus Tuus promise: If you can convince your kids to come the first day, we promise you they'll want to come back the next day!

Registration Link:

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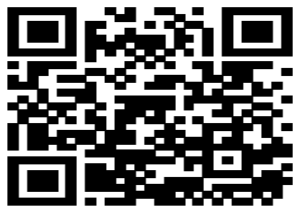
Join us for **Ordering Your Priorities**—an immensely practical Bible study that will help you discover and prioritize what matters most in life.



**St. Elizabeth of the Trinity School
Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00 pm
May 6th -June 24th**

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Questions? Contact Ashley Guinn



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Read about Brianna*, a mother who found support through Catholic Charities:

Brianna, a 25-year-old single mom, spent the first two years of her daughter's life staying with friends, worrying every day they would be put out on the streets. Her two jobs could not cover all their expenses. Within a month of connecting with Catholic Charities, Brianna and her daughter had an apartment of their own, with the program paying a portion of her rent so she could start saving money, earn her GED, and get a better-paying job.

"For the first time, I could stop worrying about where we would sleep and start hoping for my daughter's future."

Please support the Second Collection on Mother's Day, May 10 or anytime at catholiccharities.net/mothers

**Names have been changed to protect privacy*



catholiccharities.net/mothers

World Book Day

Recently some of our school's younger students celebrated World Book Day. The best way to spend a day celebrating books is at the library! Shelves full of stories, quiet corners, and endless possibilities! A perfect place to celebrate the magic of books.



Donations toward our school's Fun Run are being accepted through the end of May. Please support our school!



The Value of Catholic School Education – Looking Back Over 65 Years

When asked if I might compose a short reflection on Catholic education, it prompted me to revisit my lifelong connection to Catholic schools. My journey began with my own 16+ years as a student in Catholic schools, continued as I sent my three children to Catholic institutions, and further deepened during the 15 years I worked in the business office of a Catholic university. Today, two of my grandchildren attend St. Elizabeth of the Trinity school. My experience with Catholic schools, now spanning 65 years, fills me with gratitude for the lessons and values I received.

The Catholic school model has evolved over the decades, but its foundation of academic excellence, faith-driven principles, and strong ethics has not only persisted but flourished. These core values remain central to the Catholic education experience, as demonstrated by our own parish school motto of “Wisdom, Worship, Works.”

My introduction to Catholic education began in 1961 when I started 1st grade. Through the next 16+ years, I was a student and graduate of St. Angela elementary school, Mother Theodore Guerin High School, and De Paul University. This quality and ethics-based education, along with the values instilled by my parents, has profoundly influenced who I am today.

Back in that day, the Catholic school model was one that relied largely on the religious order Sisters, who served for minimal compensation. Tuition was nominal due to the Sisters’ dedication. Classrooms normally numbered 40-50 students and the style of teaching was highly structured. The Sisters taught ... and we learned.

When it was time for our children to begin their schooling in the early 90’s, my husband and I chose our St. Tarcissus parish school. In time, they moved on to Regina Dominican and Quigley Prep and, ultimately, to Loyola University Chicago. Tuition was no longer nominal; class sizes a bit smaller. Their student experience was certainly more interactive and participatory. They were challenged to think on a broader scale. Yet, an academically excellent and ethics-based education remained at the heart of their studies at every level.

Fast forward another 30 years, and now two of my grandchildren have begun their formal faith and education journey here at St. Elizabeth of the Trinity. Yes, it’s the same school building that my own children attended, but it is a new beginning, both for the students and for our parish. Our school is a vital ministry of St. Elizabeth parish, and continues to offer academic excellence, caring and dedicated leadership and faculty, along with a faith-based focus on developing the whole child.

In this Easter season of renewal, our parish school stands as a living symbol of the continuation and constancy of superior academics and faith-based education for yet another generation. In a world that eagerly awaits their gifts, our young students are the future of our parish and our Church.

Donna Hawkins Quirk



Watch St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Sunday Mass on YouTube - search for the St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish channel.

SATURDAY MAY 2, 2026

5:00 PM — +Don Love Jr., +Donald Hundreiser (RIP), +Chicago fire fighter Michael Altman, +Lorraine & +Ralph Schmidt, +Ziggy Agolcer (RIP)

SUNDAY MAY 3, 2026

7:30 AM — +John Mulcrone (RIP), Marytown Franciscan community & Bonaventure Province

9:00 AM — +Richard A Deck, +Paul Shallcross, Alfhea Angel M. Onita (recovery), Delia C. Contreras (recovery), souls in Purgatory

11:00 AM — +Ronald Bentley (RIP), +James Valentin (RIP), +Joney Flordeliz (anniversary), +Salvador M. Dignadice (birthday)

12:00 PM - 12:45 PM — CONFESSION

1:00 PM — +Cesar Roman Rodriguez (keep in God's grace), +Jose Luis Bucio, +Maria Martinez (15th anniversary), +Antonio Ortiz Moreno (21st anniversary), +Maria Basila Alegria de Gomez (2nd anniversary), Petra Hernandez (birthday), Sidronio Pacheco (recovery), Rizo Cruz Family

MONDAY MAY 4, 2026

8:30 AM — +deceased members of the Gonsalves & D'Souza families, Alfhea Angel M. Onita (recovery), Delia C. Contreras (recovery)

TUESDAY MAY 5, 2026

8:30 AM — Eleanor, Samuel, Grace & Joseph Holden, Alfhea Angel M. Onita (recovery), Delia C. Contreras (recovery)

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

5:30 - 6:00 PM - CONFESSION

6:30 PM — for the intentions of the Holy Father

WEDNESDAY MAY 6, 2026

8:30 AM — +Rosemary Knight, +Hector P. Magnanao

THURSDAY MAY 7, 2026

8:30 AM — for our school community

9:15—6:50 PM — Adoration / Benediction

6:00 - 7:00 PM - CONFESSION

7:00 PM — Spanish Mass

FRIDAY MAY 8, 2026

8:30 AM — Bernice Pomierski

SATURDAY MAY 9, 2026

8:30 AM — for our parishioners

3:30 - 4:30 PM - CONFESSION

5:00 PM — +Marianne Bianchini, +Bridget Byrne, +Ann Tadeusiak, +deceased members of the Ognibene family, +Clara Rangel, +Raquel Guerrero, +Lorraine Schmidt

SUNDAY MAY 10, 2026

7:30 AM — Marytown Franciscan community & Bonaventure Province

9:00 AM — +Sonia Maco, +Paul Shallcross, +Irene & +Eugene Chmielowski, +Catherine & +James Holden, souls in Purgatory

11:00 AM — +Anna Pawlik (RIP), +Cherie Cabanlit, Theresa Cicchetti, +Rizalina Flordeliz, +Freda Alanano, Carmen Rosario Castro, +Bertha Pawelski, Geri Pawelski, +Cynthia E. Rubic

12:00 PM - 12:45 PM — CONFESSION

1:00 PM — Petra Hernandez (birthday), Sidronio Pacheco

Presider Schedule - May 9 & 10

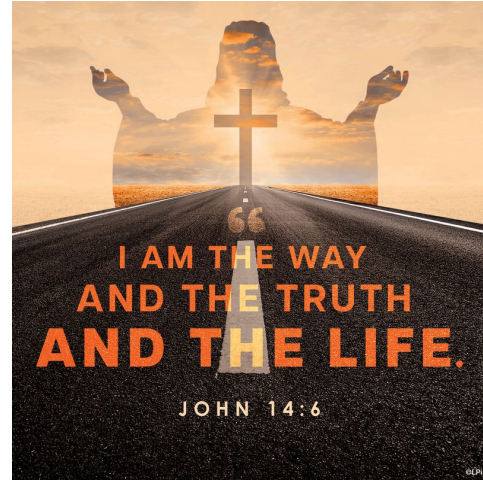
5:00 p.m. — Fr. Mike Grisolano / piano

7:30 a.m. — Fr. Leo / organ

9:00 a.m. — Fr. Leo / piano / parish choir

11:00 a.m. — Fr. Greg Rom / organ

1:00 p.m. — (Spanish) Fr. Leo



Jane Berg

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: 5th Sunday of Easter

Monday:

Tuesday: Cinco de Mayo

Wednesday:

Thursday: National Day of Prayer

Friday:

Saturday:

Next Sunday: 6th Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

Monday: Acts 14:5-18/ Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/ Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/ Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/ Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31/ Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/ Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

Next Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16 and 20/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

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A Note of Gratitude



Please join me in extending heartfelt thanks to Veronica Vargas and Jesus Robles, who recently generously gave their time to rejuvenate the wood paneling and inside doors of our church. Their quiet dedication has beautifully enhanced our sacred space, reflecting the reverence and warmth we cherish as a parish.

So many others of you offer similar acts of service that often goes unseen yet makes a lasting difference. We are deeply grateful for all of your generosity and love for our parish.

- Fr. Deo

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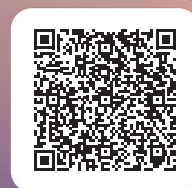


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SERVICES

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)**

Low Gluten Hosts: available from priest in center aisle at all Masses

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: 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.,
Saturday: 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., and Sunday: 12:00 to 12:45 p.m.**
(all are bilingual)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday: 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (Benediction at 6:00 p.m.)
**Thursday: starts after the 8:30 a.m. Mass until Benediction at
6:50 p.m. (in Spanish)**

Parish Office (Rectory) Hours: 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 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*