



ST. ELIZABETH of the Trinity



JULY 26, 2026

This week at St. Elizabeth...

Monday:

Mass 8:30 a.m.
Rosary 9:00 a.m.

Tuesday:

Mass 8:30 a.m.
Rosary 9:00 a.m.
Food Pantry 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.
Exposition 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 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.

Thursday:

Mass 8:30 a.m.
Rosary 9:00 a.m.
Exposition 9:15 a.m. - 6:50 p.m.
Confession 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Benediction 6:50 p.m.
Spanish Prayer Group 7:00 p.m.

Friday:

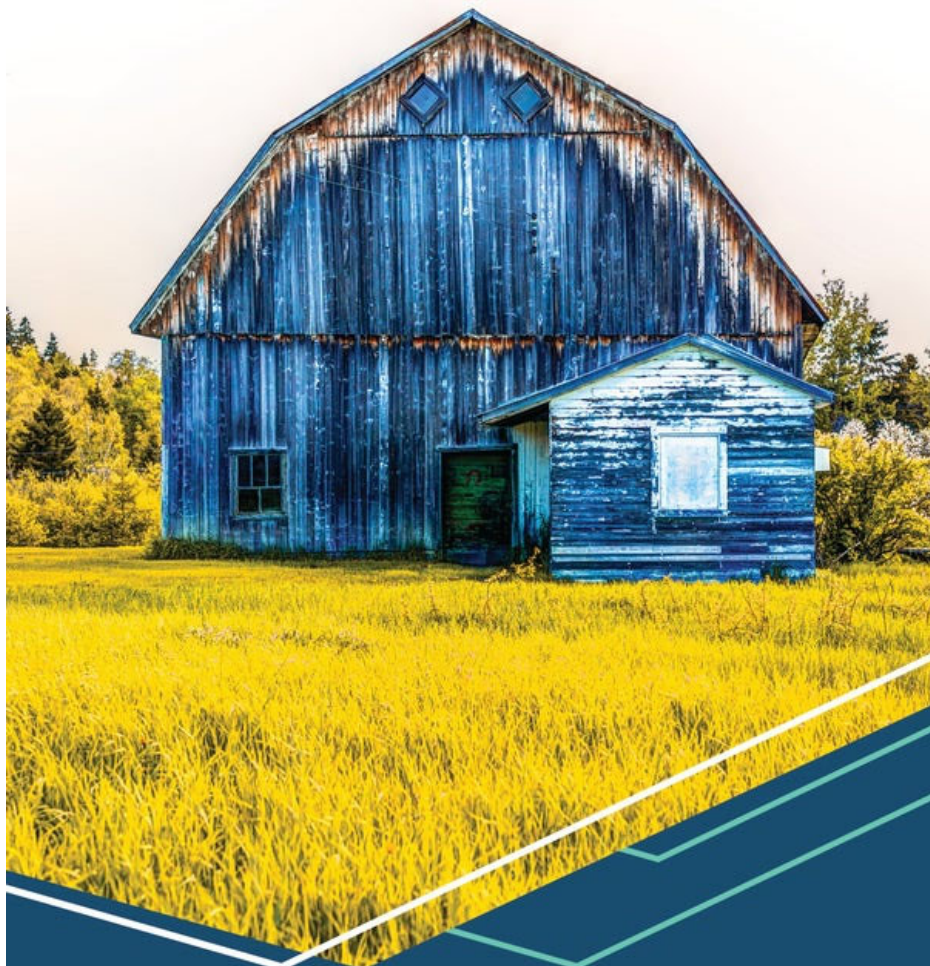
Mass 8:30 a.m.
Rosary 9:00 a.m.
Gamblers Anonymous 12:15 p.m.
Spanish Group 6:30 p.m.
Alive & Grateful 7:00 p.m.

Saturday:

Mass 8:30 a.m.
Rosary 9:30 a.m.
Confession 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.
Mass 5:00 p.m.

Sunday:

Mass 7:30, 9:00, & 11:00 a.m. (English)
Confession 12:00 - 12:45 p.m.
Mass 1:00 p.m. (Spanish)



17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field." - Mt 13:44

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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

July 26, 2026



Dear Sisters and Brothers,

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

This Sunday's readings invite us to seek and grow in divine wisdom. They ask us a simple but important question: What is the most important thing in your life? What is your greatest treasure?

I remember when I was in first grade, our teacher asked, "If you found a suitcase full of money, what would you do?" One student said he would buy a truckload of candy for the whole school; another would buy a house and car for his parents; yet another said she would feed the hungry and help the poor. But one little girl simply answered, "I'd give it to my mom." When the teacher asked why, she replied, "Because she would know what is really important."

We were all surprised by her mature answer. While the rest of us focused on the money, she trusted her mother to know what truly mattered. Her response reminds us that true wisdom is not about having or doing more but about knowing what is most important.

Jesus teaches us that true wisdom, our greatest treasure, is the Kingdom of God. Knowing, loving, and following Christ is worth more than wealth, success, or power. In the first reading (1 Kings 3:5, 7-12), when God invites Solomon to ask for anything, he chooses wisdom—a listening heart to know and do God's will. That is the greatest gift we can seek. We often pray for health, security, or success, but today's readings invite us to pray first for wisdom. In the Gospel (Matthew 13:44-52), Jesus tells two simple parables: a man discovers a hidden treasure, and a merchant finds a pearl of great price. Both sell everything they have because they recognize that what they have just found is worth far more than anything they already possess.

Many people spend their lives searching for happiness in wealth, success, or power, only to discover that something is still missing. As St. Augustine famously wrote, "Our hearts are restless until they rest in You." The greatest treasure is not "something"—it is Someone: Jesus Christ. Every Sunday we come to Mass because we have already found the treasure. In the Holy Eucharist, Christ gives Himself completely to us.

The question is whether we treasure Him enough to place Him at the center of our lives. As St. Paul reminds us, God can bring good even from our struggles when we trust in Him. May God give us listening hearts, the wisdom to recognize His Kingdom, and the courage to choose Christ above everything else.

In Parish news, Our Generation-to-Generation campaign is now underway. Thank you for your continued love and support for our Church. Please keep the campaign in your prayers and participate as you are able. Together, we are building a stronger parish for generations to come.

I am pleased to announce that our parishioner, Ryan Duggan, has been accepted as a candidate for the Permanent Diaconate. Please keep him and his family in your prayers as he continues to discern his vocation and begins his formation in preparation for possible ordination. We will introduce Ryan and his family to our parish community this weekend.

St Elizabeth of the Trinity, Pray for Us!

See you in church!

In Christ,

Fr. Deo



In today's Gospel, we find that the demand of daily Christian living is to spend our life primarily searching for the Kingdom of God.

This month through your gifts the St. Vincent de Paul Society was able to assist families and individuals by providing assistance for food, utility bills, rent, etc. Thank you for your continuing support of our mission!



Religious Education



Join Us for RE for the 2026-27 School Year

Registration is now open for children from 1st to 8th grade. Forms are available on our website, 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 there is a \$100 sacramental fee if your child will receive a sacrament this year. Our first class is Sunday September 13th from 10:00-11:30 and the full calendar can be found online.

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.



PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

(June 8 - August 14)

Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Friday 9:00 - 2:00 p.m.

2026 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL RESULTS THROUGH July 19

Parish Goal	\$43,532
Amount Pledged	\$61,161
Amount Paid	\$53,711
Balance Due	\$7,450

We are very grateful for the generosity of the 192 parishioners that participated in this year's Annual Catholic Appeal. As you can see, we were very successful! Thank you for your support!

And just a reminder, if you are one of the 31 parishioners that have not yet completed paying your pledge, please do not forget to do so.

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Couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary from across the Archdiocese of Chicago are invited to gather together for the Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass that will be celebrated by Cardinal Cupich on **Sunday, September 13, 2026 at 2:30 p.m.** The mass will be celebrated at Holy Name Cathedral, 735 North State Street, Chicago, IL 60654.

Please email gwa@archchicago.org or contact your parish office with any questions. To register online, please visit pvm.archchicago.org/events/golden-wedding.

To register, please click [here](#) or scan the QR code.



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



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Dear Parents, Parishioners, and Friends of St. Elizabeth,

At St. Elizabeth of the Trinity, we believe that our Catholic school is more than a place of learning, it is a place of holistic formation, where academic excellence and Catholic identity meet; where Christ is known and loved; and where students are shaped not only for success in life, but for holiness and service in the Church. We believe every child deserves access to a nurturing, high quality education that supports both their academic success and spiritual growth. We are proud to serve a diverse community of students and families who are deeply committed to learning, character development, and community engagement.

Each year, a growing number of our families face financial challenges that put their children's education at risk. With your support, we can ensure that no student has to leave our school simply because of financial hardship.

Several years ago the Tax Credit Scholarship (TCS) was abolished and we created the Trinity Tuition Assistance Fund (TTAF) to replace it. We are reaching out to ask for your help in providing tuition assistance to students in need. Your contribution will directly support families who are struggling and ensure their children can remain at St. Elizabeth of the Trinity, continuing to learn, thrive, and build a better future. For the 2025-2026 school year, we had over 30 students receiving financial aid.

Whether it's \$100, \$500, or more, your gift makes a meaningful difference. You are not just helping pay for tuition—you are helping a child grow in faith and knowledge by staying with their teachers, their friends, and the learning environment where they feel safe and supported.

Thank you for believing in the power of Catholic education and for supporting our students and families. Together, we can make sure every student who belongs at St Elizabeth of the Trinity can stay.

If you would like to donate to the Trinity Tuition Assistance Fund (TTAF) you can send a check to my attention at school or donate online through ParishSoft:

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/FD-795>. Please know that no matter the amount in the TTAF, Father Deo and I will work with families to ensure that any student who wants to attend St. Elizabeth of the Trinity School is able through school and parish support.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. I can be reached at the above number or at k.hillmann@stelizabethtrinityschool.org. I thank you for taking the time to consider my request.

Yours in Christ,
Kristine Hillmann, Ed.D.

Trinity Gala News and Updates

Congratulations to Sue Fulara, the winner of our second in a series of bonus Early Bird “Trinity Gala” Raffle ticket drawings for a gift card at Kamari Kafe.

For the next few months, we will continue to draw one name from among those who have purchased tickets for the Trinity Gala Cash Raffle, which is being held in conjunction with the Trinity Gala event, set for Saturday, November 14, at the Ridgemoor Country Club.



Not familiar with the Ridgemoor Country Club? Here's a quick snapshot of our Trinity Gala venue, which was established in 1905, which describes itself as “a club in the heart of the city.”

Ridgemoor is a conveniently located, (6601 W Gun-nison St., Harwood Heights, IL) setting for our commu-nity-building evening. Attendees can anticipate atten-tive service, quality dining, and tasteful surroundings.

While Ridgemoor is not on the circuit for hosting major golfing events with world renowned participants, the Club boasts one memorable “hall-of-fame” worthy oc-casion. The year was 1942 and the regular US Open was canceled due to World War II. A special golfing event, called the Hale America National Open, was planned instead and held at the Ridgemoor Country Club. The tournament raised \$20,000 for the Navy Relief Society and the USO. Golf-ing legend Ben Hogan shot a 17 under par 271 across four days, including a course record 62.



We're looking forward to Saturday, November 14, at the Ridgemoor Country Club! Don't miss out on the fun and make your reservation today.

For more information about the Trinity Gala, check out the Parish website,

<https://stelizabethtrinity.org/trinity-gala-save-the-date-november-14-2026/>



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How Does the Archdiocese Help Support our Parish in its Mission?

When reflecting on the Generation to Generation campaign we may wonder how and why supporting the Archdiocese is important.

It is not unusual for people to think of the Archdiocese and the parishes within it as separate entities. In reality, they are one and the same. Just as the Archdiocese itself is part of a larger entity, the Universal Church, the parishes are part of the Archdiocese. And the Archdiocese has the responsibility of caring for its parishes.

The Archdiocese of Chicago covers all of Cook and Lake County. It serves a Catholic population of over 1.9 million people through its 216 parishes. All of these parishes, although each unique in their own way, are a part of the larger Archdiocese. Here are just a few ways that we at St. Elizabeth of the Trinity benefit from the Archdiocese.

There is the Facilities and Construction Department that is very important when it comes to capital projects and maintenance issues. There is Financial Operations that supports us both by an Archdiocesan Office, and also our local Vicariate Office. The Office of Catholic Schools is huge when it comes to running our school. There are the Offices of Catechesis & Youth Ministry and Lifelong Formation that help with Religious Education, adult programs, and OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults). There is the Office of Divine Liturgy which clarifies any liturgical issues. There is SPRED (Special Religious Education) for children with developmental disabilities. The Real Estate, Legal Services, and Insurance Departments have proved to be essential in their support. Human Resources is always an important asset. These are just a few ways that the Archdiocese aids us and the other 215 parishes on a daily basis.

In addition to those items listed above, the Archdiocese has the mission of recruiting priests and religious through the Vocation Office, running a nationally renowned seminary (St. Mary of the Lake), offering immeasurable charitable help through Catholic Charities, offering immigration assistance, maintaining Catholic cemeteries, and chaplaincies for the police and fire departments plus at both airports. There are also domestic violence initiatives, and offices serving the Black, Hispanic, Polish, and Native American communities, the Global Mission Office, the Respect Life Office, prison ministries, the Office for the Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults and Office for the Deaf, Radio & TV Departments plus the *Chicago Catholic* newspaper. There is also Ministerial Support, the Marriage Tribunal, Parish Operations, Stewardship & Development, and very importantly, care of our retired priests.

Although not complete, this list of the benefits the Archdiocese offers to us as a parish, or to the other parishes collectively, or to the larger Church, I'm sure you can agree, is quite impressive.

In closing I think it is correct to say that we (SEOT) are the Archdiocese and the Archdiocese is us. Just as the parish supports the Archdiocese, the Archdiocese supports the parish. I recommend that you keep these thoughts in mind when you are asked to pray over making your Generation-to-Generation pledge.

Jim Madura



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

SATURDAY JULY 25, 2026

5:00 PM — +Bridget Byrne, +deceased members of the Ognibene family, +Joseph A. de Miliano, +John & +Estelle Malek, +the Macior family, +Loreli Miller (6 mo. anniversary), +John Scanlon

SUNDAY JULY 26, 2026

7:30 AM — +Valerie Adrian Davis (RIP), Marytown Franciscan community & Bonaventure Province
 9:00 AM — +Kevin Kirby (birthday), +Rose Marie Jakubiak, +souls in Purgatory
 11:00 AM — +Henryk Bujno, +Anne Hundrieser, +Thomas & +Betsy Morrison
 12:00 PM - 12:45 PM — CONFESSION
 1:00 PM — (Spanish Mass) Carlos Alexis Hernandez Perez, Rizo Cruz family, +Sodronio Pacheco, +Sandra Puma (birthday), +Jesus Chacon, +Jose Sacramento Suarez (21st anniversary), Antonio Espinoza (help in recovery), +Julia Suarez, +Pedro Arroyo (VEP)

MONDAY JULY 27, 2026

8:30 AM — +Kevin Kirby, +Rose Marie Jakubiak, +Gloria Spychalski (85th birthday)

TUESDAY JULY 28, 2026

8:30 AM — Zofia Kalembe
 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 JULY 29, 2026

8:30 AM — Beatriz Saucedo (birthday), +Henryk Bujno

THURSDAY JULY 30, 2026

8:30 AM — +Charles Boyd
 92150—6:50 PM — Adoration / Benediction
 6:00 - 7:00 PM— CONFESSION

FRIDAY JULY 31, 2026

8:30 AM — for our parishioners

SATURDAY AUGUST 1, 2026

8:30 AM — Kepros & Pryst families
 3:30 - 4:30 PM - CONFESSION
 5:00 PM — +Keith Walker, +Don Love, +James Donovan (anniversary), +Margaret Keogh (anniversary)

SUNDAY AUGUST 2, 2026

7:30 AM — +Valerie Adrian Davis (RIP), Marytown Franciscan community & Bonaventure Province
 9:00 AM — +Richard A Deck, +Gerry Biala, +souls in Purgatory
 11:00 AM — Carmen Caraballo Rosario (health), +Joe Gardner (birthday), Joseph Gardner, +Norbert Rendak (1st anniversary)
 12:00 PM - 12:45 PM — CONFESSION
 1:00 PM — (Spanish Mass) +Sodronio Pacheco, +Julia Suarez, +Jesus Chacon, Rizo Cruz family

Presider Schedule - August 1 & 2

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



WEDDING BANNS



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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Monday:
 Tuesday:
 Wednesday: Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus
 Thursday: St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
 Friday: St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest
 Saturday: St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
 Next Sunday: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46
 Monday: Jer 13:1-11/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21/Mt 13:31-35
 Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Mt 13:36-43
 Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
 Thursday: Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab/Mt 13:47-53
 Friday: Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14/Mt 13:54-58
 Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 14:1-12
 Next Sunday: Is 55:1-3/Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18/Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21

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LEARN THE IGNATIAN WAY OF HOW TO DISCERN & DECIDE

Are you facing a decision or transition in life?

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Saturday's: 9:15am - 11:15 am

7 week series: Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22, Sept. 12, 19, 26

Discern & Decide is a video series on spiritual discernment, rooted in the Ignatian tradition. Each short episode invites reflection on how God is present and active in our daily choices.



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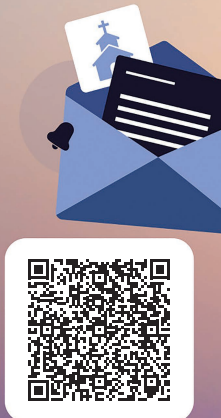


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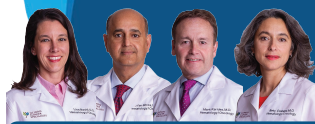
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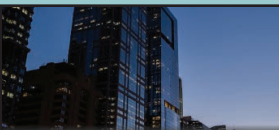
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SERVICES

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)**

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) Summer Hours: Monday - Friday- 9:00 a.m. -
4:00 p.m. and 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*