



ST. ELIZABETH of the Trinity



AUG. 9, 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.
G to G volunteers 6:30 p.m.
Spanish Baptism Preparation 7:00 p.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)



19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Peter said to him in reply, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. - Mt 14:28-29

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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

Aug. 9, 2026



“Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid.”

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

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

When was the last time you cried out, “Lord, help me; Lord, save me”? How many times have you made a promise to God: “Lord, if you get me out of this difficult situation, I will come back to you?” Like Peter in today’s Gospel, we all face storms that make us afraid. Let us invite Jesus into those storms and trust Him to calm our hearts.

I grew up across the street from my home parish. Parishioners would leave bicycles at our house while attending Mass, and my mother would lock the gate before taking us to Mass. Since my brother and I sat in the children’s section, we came up with a secret plan. We told our mother we needed to use the bathroom at home, got the house keys, and sneaked out after the Gospel to ride bicycles, hoping no one would notice.

Things didn’t go as planned. My brother fell, injured his arm, and damaged the bicycle. When we failed to fix it, it felt like our whole world was falling apart! Terrified, we returned to church and prayed for God’s help. Our mother eventually discovered everything and involved the pastor. We were forgiven, but our punishment was to become altar servers, under the watchful eyes of our mother and pastor! The Lord got us out of trouble, and somehow, the altar became my place—and has remained so until today. God truly works in mysterious ways!

The story of these two mischievous boys connects in some way with Peter and the disciples. When a storm strikes their boat, they are terrified. Peter steps out in faith toward Jesus, but when he focuses on the strong wind instead of Jesus, he begins to sink. His problem was not the storm itself, but that he took his eyes off Jesus. When he cries out, “Lord, save me!” Jesus immediately reaches out His hand and catches him.

We all have our “Peter moments” when life’s storms overwhelm us—a serious illness, a struggling marriage, financial worries, or fear of the future. Yet Jesus always comes toward us. Let us recognize Him and cry out, “Lord, save me!” He reaches out His hand and says, “Take courage; it is I. Do not be afraid.” This Sunday, name your storms and place them in the hands of the living Lord.

In Parish news: Our Generation-to-Generation campaign is underway, and we are currently in the silent phase, meeting with parishioners to discuss the campaign. You may receive a call from one of our volunteers; please take the time to speak with them and prayerfully allow the Holy Spirit to guide your discernment. Thank you for your continued love and support of our parish.

Next Saturday, we will celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary with an 8:30 a.m. Mass. Although it is not a holy day of obligation this year, as it falls on Saturday, we are encouraged to honor and celebrate Our Blessed Mother assumed to Heaven.

St Elizabeth of the Trinity, Pray for Us!

See you in church!

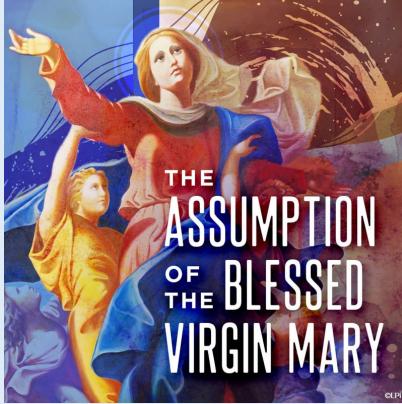
In Christ,

Fr Deo



In this Gospel, Jesus immediately stretched out His hand and caught Peter, and said to him: "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?"

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 bring them faith and hope!



THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

On August 15 we celebrate the Holy Day — the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This year, because it falls on a Saturday, the obligation to attend Mass is removed.

We will offer a Vigil Mass in Spanish on Friday night August 14 at 6:30 p.m. and have our regular Saturday morning Mass at 8:30 a.m.



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.

NOTICE!

The Parish Office will be closed until 1:00 p.m. on Friday, August 14. The combined Parish and School staffs will be attending their annual retreat. Thank you for your understanding.

Welcome
OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Baptism

Lillian Mae
child of Claire & Kevin
(Bailey) Connor



GENERATION TO GENERATION: ANSWER THE CALL CAMPAIGN AT St. Elizabeth of the Trinity

We are now entering the beginning stage of the Generation to Generation: Answer the Call campaign. Our parish's participation in the campaign, along with all parishes in the Archdiocese of Chicago, will meet needs of our parish and support Catholic ministries in Cook and Lake counties.

Our goal at our parish is to raise \$810,000 in pledges payable over five (5) years from our parish families. Fifty percent of the funds from these pledges will go toward the parish needs as listed in our case study. The remaining fifty percent will go towards spiritually renewing our church, supporting our priests, and assisting vulnerable communities.

When you receive your invitation to participate in this historic effort, please pray and discern a multi-year sacrificial pledge that is right for your family. Today, join us in praying for the success of the Generation to Generation campaign.



SICK LIST



Bernadette Bannach—Elise Fernandez—Dolores Nano—Michele Schmidt—Nelda Garza—Jimmy Retondo—Elizabeth Hofstede—Donna Kolinski—JoAnn Keto—MaryAnn Hermesdorf—Lidia Piper—Rosemary Marinello—Marion Calvino—Sarah Martin—Giovanni Randazzo—Grace Luna—Marivic Ginete Malibiran—Larry Muench—Peggy Larsen—Lucas Carter—Theresa Anspaugh—Stella Beck—Patricia Mielecki—Elia Perez—Theresa Anspaugh.—Joey Bachowicz—Leticia Jimenez—Carolyn Stanton—Lorena Suarez—Martha Jimenez—Carmen Garcia

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



SAVE THE DATE

PROCESSION &
SOLEMN MASS OF
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OF
**OUR LADY OF
CZĘSTOCHOWA**

SUNDAY,
AUGUST 23RD

AT THE
11:00 AM MASS

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Join us as we enthrone
Our Lady of Czestochowa
in our church.

Let us place ourselves,
our families and our parish
under her motherly protection.

OUR LADY OF CZESTOCHOWA,
PRAY FOR US!



Our Parish Prayer Garden

The "Holy Family Prayer Garden," on Ardmore Avenue, just east of the rectory, is a hidden gem on the St. Elizabeth of the Trinity campus. Recently, there've been trees pruned, flowers planted, mulch installed, and landscaping added to our Garden that serve to further enrich its luster.

Our Pastor Emeritus, Father McCarthy, said that the Garden idea was initiated in 2008 when he was Pastor. He recalls that the plan was to transform what was, in effect, the non-descript priests' "backyard" on the east side of the Rectory into a place of quiet prayer and meditation for parishioners. And, he adds, it would be a space for random visitors, too, who might seek to peacefully reflect on God's presence.

Responding to Father McCarthy's proposal to build this haven, a host of "Brick Brigade Volunteers" (as they were dubbed) stepped up to raise funds for what was called a "Parish Enrichment Project," and they moved the garden development forward.

Father McCarthy stated that the selection of the Holy Family theme underscored that we are a family-based parish and the Holy Family is the perfect role model. The actual Holy Family statue was a gift from a parishioner. Likewise, the high fence along the east side of the garden was donated by a parishioner in order to help create a sense of tranquility by separating the noise and traffic of the alley from the serenity of the Prayer Garden.

The fruits of everyone's ardent labor culminated in a celebratory blessing ceremony of the Garden by Bishop Francis Kane on August 24, 2008.

As to the pavers (engraved bricks), Father McCarthy points out that they were quite popular at the time as a permanent way of remembering loved ones while helping to cover the costs of the project. Similar pavers are found at many parishes, schools, and hospitals, as well as a particular location that would not have escaped the notice of Father McCarthy, namely, Wrigley Field.

When our three parishes came together in 2021, the Blessed Mother statue that graced the St. Cornelius Parish prayer garden, was added. Also, those who had purchased brick pavers at the St. Cornelius and St. Thecla prayer gardens were given the opportunity to have them brought to the St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Holy Family Garden.

At first glance, all the brick pavers and benches in the Garden might appear the same except for names. There are, however, bricks with unique messages. Rather than cram on this page a litany of the messages engraved on the bricks, all are invited to go on their own treasure hunt in the Garden, perhaps to discover names of someone they knew, inspiring testimonials, or joyful expressions of love and faith.

Over the years, our parish Garden has blossomed and continues to offer a suitable place for parishioners and passersby to pause for calmness and private prayer. One teacher from our parish school remarked that leading her class to a Garden visit each year provides the students with an opportunity to be still and be with God. She adds that she never needs to tell students to enter quietly as it seems to be understood that the Garden is "a holy place, holy ground."

One regular gathering in the Garden is on Palm Sunday each year when palms are blessed at the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Then the faithful process with their palms into church.

Over the years, the Garden is maintained by a small and dedicated cadre of parish volunteers. One commented that when she works in the Garden, she respectfully thinks about visitors who come to the Garden to make a special connection to a cherished loved one.

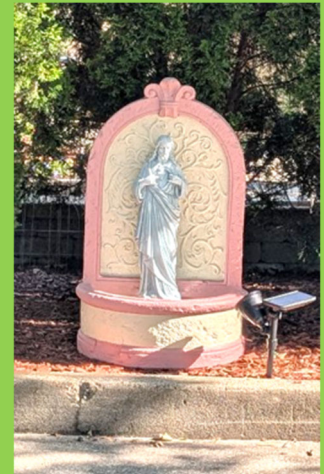
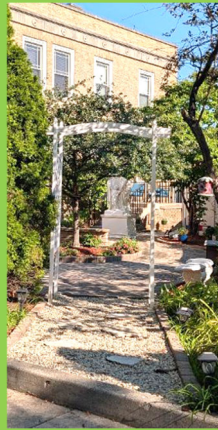
Jesus, Mary and Joseph, bless our families.

More information and brick paver order forms are available on the parish website:

<https://stelizabethtrinity.org/parish/brick/>. Order forms are also in the vestibule.

Installation of new bricks is currently done on an annual basis.

Come and Spend Some Quite Time in our Beautiful Holy Family Prayer Garden



Looking for a way to grow in your faith, and meet some fellow parents? Come join us for The Rescue Project!



Join us for food, a thought provoking video and meaningful small group conversation.

Sessions starting August 31st from 6:30-8:00pm in the auditorium.

To Register use the QR Code or email Ashley Guinn at aguinn@archchicago.org.



NOT CATHOLIC?
HAVEN'T RECEIVED FIRST COMMUNION OR
CONFIRMATION?

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LOVE IN A NEW WAY BY
BECOMING CATHOLIC.**



Classes for becoming Catholic begin on September 13th and we will partner with our brothers and sisters at St. Paul of the Cross. Deepen your faith, journey with others, and be welcomed as a member of the Catholic Church. Contact Ashley Guinn at aguinn@archchicago.org to learn more.



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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.



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

SATURDAY AUGUST 8, 2026

5:00 PM — +Don Love Jr.

SUNDAY AUGUST 9, 2026

7:30 AM — +Franciscan community & Bonaventure Province

9:00 AM — ++souls in Purgatory

11:00 AM — Danny Cabbot Jr. (birthday) +Brian Brady, +Carmen Rosario Castro, +Rosalio Penados (1st anniversary)

12:00 PM - 12:45 PM — CONFESSION

1:00 PM — (Spanish Mass) +Sodronio Pacheco, +Jesus Chacon, +Pedro Lopez, Antonio Espinoza (help in recovery), Lorena Suarez (health), +Aurora Reyna, +Maria Guadalupe Boyzon

MONDAY AUGUST 10, 2026

8:30 AM — +Mary & +Joseph Jaszczor

TUESDAY AUGUST 11, 2026

8:30 AM — +James Swab, Ana Navarro (birthday)

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 AUGUST 12, 2026

8:30 AM — Joe Volpe, +Danny Guerrero (45th birthday)

THURSDAY AUGUST 13, 2026

8:30 AM — +Rose Marie Jakubiak

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

6:00 - 7:00 PM — CONFESSION

FRIDAY AUGUST 14, 2026

8:30 AM — for our parishioners

6:30 PM — Spanish Mass

SATURDAY AUGUST 15, 2026

8:30 AM — Oscar Pena, +Michael Novy (RIP), Leonardo Caybot (birthday), +Pilar Lourdes Gabriela Garcia

3:30 - 4:30 PM - CONFESSION

5:00 PM — +Marcos Fernandez, +Tom Gutzman, +deceased members of the Ognibene family, +Pilar Lourdes Gabriela Garcia

SUNDAY AUGUST 16, 2026

7:30 AM — Franciscan community & Bonaventure Province

9:00 AM — +souls in Purgatory

11:00 AM — +Reynold Salmi (birthday), +Esther Ormachea (anniversary), Carolyn Stanton (healing & peace)

12:00 PM - 12:45 PM — CONFESSION

1:00 PM — (Spanish Mass) +Sodronio Pacheco, +Jesus Chacon, +Pedro Lopez, Lorena Suarez (health), Aurora Reyna

Presider Schedule - August 15 & 16

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. Leo / organ

1:00 p.m. — (Spanish) Fr. Deo



Joan Marcatante

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr

Tuesday: St. Clare, Virgin

Wednesday: St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious

Thursday: Sts. Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs

Friday: St. Maximillian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr

Saturday: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Next Sunday: 20th Sunday in Ordinary

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33

Monday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/Jn 12:24-26

Tuesday: Ez 2:8-3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: Ez 12:1-12/Ps 78:56-57, 58-59, 61-62/Mt 18:21-19:1

Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Mt 19:3-12

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

Next Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28

Trinity Gala News and Updates

Thanks to all who have purchased their tickets for the first Annual Trinity Gala, set for Saturday, November 14, at the Ridgemoor Country Club, 6601 W. Gunnison St., Harwood Heights.

Based on questions we've received, here is some information you might want to know.

- The Welcome Reception begins (bar opens) at 6:00 p.m. The country club dinner will be served at 6:45 p.m., and the evening ends (bar closes) at 11:00 p.m.
- The Program for the evening includes a silent and a live auction, plus dancing with music provided by a local, popular DJ.
- The Ridgemoor Country Club bar accepts **cash only**. In other words, drinks must be purchased with cash -- not with a credit card or a tap of a cell phone.
- Bar selections range in price from \$15 for top shelf drinks to \$3 for sodas.
- The dinner entree is chicken and beef. Both a vegetarian and a vegan meal option are also available.

Please make your entree request when purchasing your dinner ticket.

Attire for the evening is semi-formal.

You can purchase your Trinity Gala Event (dinner) tickets by going to ParishSoft by scanning this QR Code. (Note: Tickets are \$90 each; tables are for 10 people). Tickets are also available at the Parish Office.



For Gala Dinner Tickets
\$90 each



For Gala Raffle Tickets
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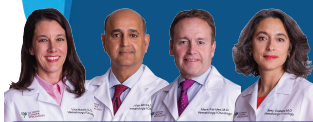
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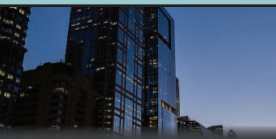
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SERVICES

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*