

Saint Elizabeth Catholic Church

917 Montrose Road, Rockville, Maryland 20852-4203



1st Sunday of Advent

November 29, 2020

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SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday: 5pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 9am, 10:30am,
12:15pm and 6pm

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday - Friday: 7am and 11:30am

Saturday: 9am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday, 4:00pm, 1st Friday, 11am;

Every Wednesday 7:00 pm
or by appointment.

BAPTISM OF CHILDREN:

Parents must be registered in the parish and participate in a parent preparation class. A preparation session is held every other month. You must RSVP in advance; this can be done on our website or by calling the parish office.

CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS:

Adults interested in becoming Catholic are always welcomed. For more information on the RCIA process, please visit our website or call the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Couples planning to be married at St. Elizabeth must contact one of our parish priests before a wedding date is set and at least six months in advance. Participation in a preparation program is required.

SICK CALLS:

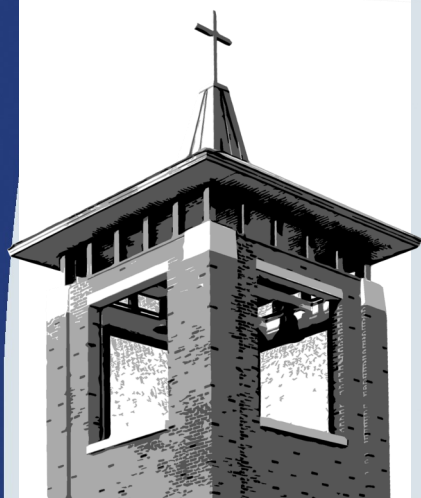
Please notify the parish office as soon as possible with information about anyone who is hospitalized, sick, or homebound and who may wish to be visited by a priest or a Eucharistic Minister.

SUPPORTING YOUR PARISH:

Secure automatic giving is provided to our parish through FaithDirect. Please visit www.faithdirect.net to enroll online, or call toll free (1-866-507-8757). Our parish code is **MD19**. (Note that enrollment in FaithDirect does NOT automatically register you in the parish. Please call the parish office for details.)

PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

We ask that if you wish to make this your parish home that you please fill out the online registration form by going to stelizabethchurchmd.org/registration. You must be registered to receive **certification letters of eligibility for baptism, to be married in the Church, to be a sponsor for confirmation, to be a godparent**, or to receive sacramental preparation. You should be registered to enroll in Saint Elizabeth School or the Religious Education Program. If you are over the age of 21 and have previously been registered as part of your parents' household, we ask that you register under your own name. We ask that you notify the parish office if your family status changes, including any contact information, or if you move out of the area.



2020

Christmas Mass Schedule

Thursday, December 24th, Christmas Eve

2:00 pm (Children's Mass)

4:00 pm (Children's Mass)

6:00 pm

10:00 pm (Carols start at 10 pm)

Friday, December 25th, Christmas Day

9:00 am

10:30 am

12:15 pm

To aid social distancing at Christmas Masses, permission has been granted throughout the Archdiocese of Washington to start Christmas Eve Masses this year as early as 2:00 p.m.

Reserve your tickets starting on

December 1st

Tickets will be necessary for admission to all Christmas Masses

Parish Life

****Latest Updates****

Please check our website for up to date information. stelizabethchurchmd.org

How May We Pray for You?

Our online presence is growing during this time and we would like to stay connected as a community in prayer. If you go <https://stelizabethchurchmd.org/prayer> you will find the up to date list of those who have recently passed, those who are sick, and a place where you can submit your current prayer requests.

Resources for Assistance

If you or someone you know is in need of assistance (eviction prevention, utility, rent), or for help with food assistance, information can be found on our website by going to <https://stelizabethchurchmd.org/assistance>

Remember Those Who Have Died

Please keep in your prayers those who have died, especially Bede Ecuacion (father of Ryan). Their family has our parish community's deepest sympathy.

Parish Registration is now Online!

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RCIA Team

We invite parishioners willing to accompany, support, and encourage adults who are journeying toward Baptism or seeking full communion with the Church to be



Be part of our Flock!

We send out weekly emails and text reminders with tickets for Mass and important updates! Sign up by going to stelizabethmd.flocknote.com and join the group St. Elizabeth Parish Family!

Immaculate Conception *Holy Day*

Mass Schedule

Vigil:
Monday, December 7th
at 5:00 pm

Tuesday,
December 8th at
7:00 am, 8:30 am,
11:30 am, and 7:30 pm



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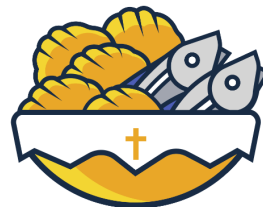
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#iGIVECATHOLIC
#GIVINGTUESDAY

On #GivingTuesday, December 1st, you can 'Give Catholic' by supporting St. Elizabeth Church. Your prayers, support, and monetary gifts allow St. Elizabeth Catholic Church to spread the Gospel and share God's message of love and peace with others. Join others by supporting the mission of our Catholic Parishes. Visit the link below to donate.

<https://washington.igivecatholic.org/organizations/st-elizabeth-catholic-church-rockville>

1st Sunday of Advent Hope



Mass Intentions

Sat. 11/28	9:00am	Departed Loved Ones
	5:00pm	McDonough Family
Sun. 11/29	7:30am	Our Parish Family
	9:00am	Departed Loved Ones
	10:30am	Jordan T. Milne
	12:15pm	James Hollywood
	6:00pm	Eileen P. Steele
Mon. 11/30	7:00am	Departed Loved Ones
	11:30am	Cecilia Cancio (int)
Tue. 12/01	7:00am	Fr. John Van Deerlin
	11:30am	Paula Ann Lawson
Wed. 12/02	7:00am	Sr. Pierre de St. Louis & Sr. Catherine Nguyen
	11:30am	Victor Canlas
Thu. 12/03	7:00am	Fr. Peter Bang & Joseph Pfac
	11:30am	Donald Schaefer
Fri. 12/04	7:00am	Joseph Thang & Antoine Vuong
	11:30am	Dennis Wesley (int)
Sat. 12/05	9:00am	Thanksgiving
	5:00pm	Donna Woody
Sun. 12/06	7:30am	Our Parish Family
	9:00am	Martin Gelinas
	10:30am	Claire Kinney Joyce
	12:15pm	Andrew Anastasi
	6:00pm	Carl Emil Bernhardt

Mass intentions apply the graces from the prayers of Mass to the intention (someone who has passed, someone who is sick, any special intention etc.)



You must e-mail

vwesley@stelizabethchurchmd.org to confirm a date and time. Mass stipends can be accepted online by going to **stelizabethchurchmd.org/massintentions**

Scripture Readings Week of November 29th

MON	ROM 10:9-18 / Matthew 4:18-22
TUES	IS 11:1-10 / Luke 10:21-24
WED	IS 25:6-10A / Matthew 15:29-37
THU	IS 26:1-6 / Matthew 7:21, 24-27
FRI	IS 29:17-24 / Matthew 9:27-31
SAT	IS 30:19-21, 23-26 / Matthew 9:35-10:1, 5A, 6-8
SUN	IS 40:1-5, 9-11 / 2 PT 3:8-14 / Mark 1:1-8

part of our RCIA Team. Contact Mary Theresa to discuss ways you might become involved: mtheneghan@stelizabethchurchmd.org or 301.881.1380, ext. 309.

Christmas Flowers

If you would like to honor or remember a loved one this Christmas season and help beautify our altar, we are now accepting Christmas flower donations online. Please visit <https://stelizabethchurchmd.org/christmasflowers> to make a donation, submissions are due by December 14th to be included in the Christmas bulletin.



'O Come Let Us Adore Him'

First Wednesday of the Month Holy Hour

Join us on Wednesday, December 2nd at 7:00 pm for our first Wednesday of the month holy hour (Eucharistic adoration & confession).

Parish Support for So Others Might Eat

After a five month break due to COVID-19 St. Elizabeth resumed its longstanding (since 1978) "second Saturday of the month" outreach to SOME in September. Under SOME's modified Provide-A-Meal program, we deliver food donated at St. Elizabeth for a chicken based luncheon meal but do not stay to help prepare and serve the meal. Our latest substantial supply of chicken and other requested food was delivered to SOME on November 14. Despite the public health challenges it has faced this year, SOME has modified its services in ways that enabled a continuous provision of essential services to meet the huge needs of its many clients. SOME's quarterly report notes that so far this year it has served 140,801 nutritious meals to hungry people. 236 families (690 individuals including 480 children) continue to be safely housed in SOME's affordable housing. And part of its response to COVID 19, SOME has also distributed 9,416 masks to vulnerable residents, distributed 29,560 pounds of food, completed 7,552 hours of online learning, and completed 29,719 wellness checks.

Decorating the Church for Christmas-December 24th

"The people walking in darkness have seen a great light." It's time to decorate the Church for Christmas! We need volunteers to assist in decorating (while keeping social distance). We will meet on December 24th at 12 pm. If you'd like to volunteer, go to <https://stelizabethchurchmd.org/volunteer> and select the option 'Decorating the Church for Christmas' Questions? contact Colleen at csteele@stelizabethchurchmd.org



Find us on
Facebook

Facebook.com/StEChurch

Stay connected by joining our Facebook group!

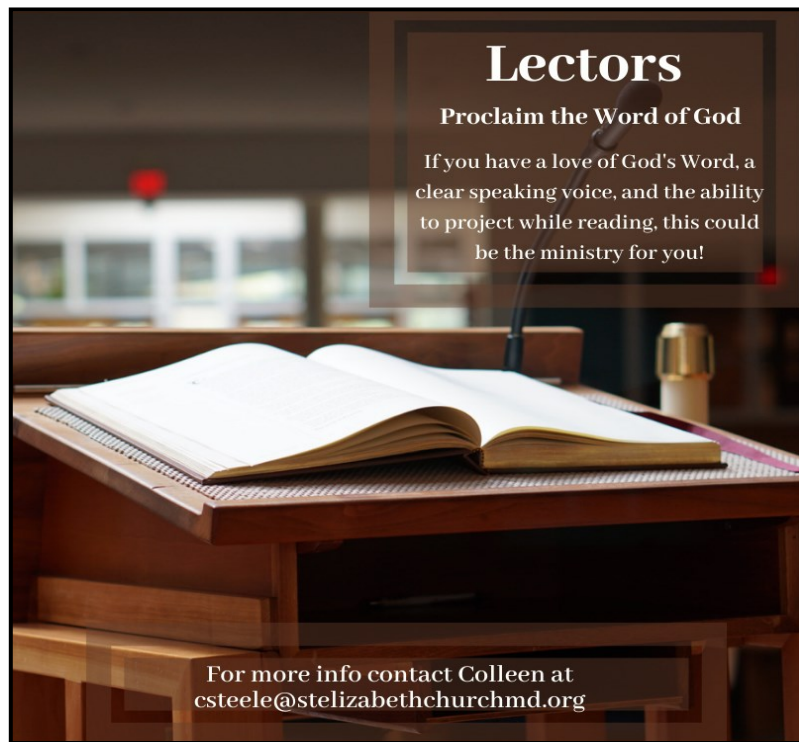
We have created a Facebook group for all of us to join where we can stay connected and share with each other. You can find the group on Facebook by searching for St. Elizabeth Parish Family or by looking at groups through our Facebook page which can be found at facebook.com/stechurch

Winter Recruitment Campaign: Volunteer for A Good New Year!

Catholic Charities is recruiting 30 volunteers to take on a weekly, year-long commitment to service. To volunteer: submit an application, have a conversation with program staff about expectations, and commit to at least 75-hours of service including orientation and training. Except for medical professionals, volunteering is done remotely via video chat, phone calls, email, and regular mail. Visit our website at catholiccharitiesdc.org/volunteer/ongoing/ to learn more and to apply.

Angel Tree 2020

Each year, Catholic Charities helps hundreds of families during the holiday season by providing each of their children, ages 16 and younger, with a Christmas gift. This holiday season, Angel Tree will continue to occur yet with COVID-19 precautions. We are asking for community sponsors to make a donation to purchase gift cards for these families. Help make a family's Christmas wishes come true! Visit our website at catholiccharitiesdc.org for more information on how to donate.

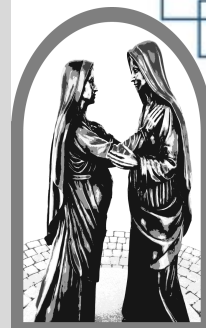


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Thank You, Nan Waffen!

Dear friends in Christ,

Friday, November 13, was Nan Waffen's last day as our Parish Secretary. She is retiring after serving St. E's for over 3 years in this capacity.

Nan has been a welcoming, well organized, dependable, very faithful and highly professional member of our office staff throughout her time at St. E's. From her previous career as a television producer, she brought a wealth of skills in dealing with people and solving problems that were great blessings to us all.

On behalf of our entire St. Elizabeth's parish family, I wish to thank Nan for her generous service to us. We'll certainly miss her, and we wish her all the best in this new stage of her life.

With kind personal regards, I am

Sincerely in Christ,
Msgr. Bill Parent



Bulletin Notice Deadline:

Please send any announcements for the weekend by 12:00 pm on Monday to Victoria Wesley.
(See staff contact info.)

NEXT WEEKEND'S PRESIDERS:

(05/06 December)

5:00 pm	Fr. Stefan
7:30 am	Msgr. Parent
9:00 am	Fr. Vitturino
10:30 am	Msgr. Parent
12:15 pm	Fr. DeSiano
6:00 pm	Fr. O'Brien

Clergy Schedules can be found on the website by clicking on "Clergy & Ministry Schedule."

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Upcoming Confession Schedule

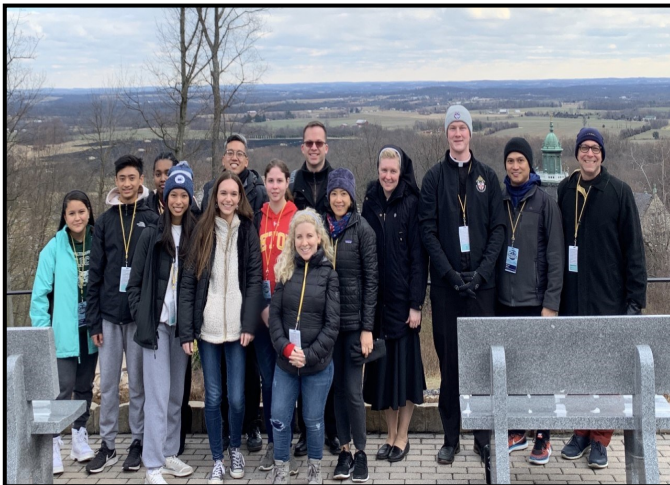
Wed, Dec. 2nd at 7:00 pm Msgr. Parent
Sat, Dec. 5th at 4:00pm Fr. Stefan
Wed, Dec. 9th at 7:00 pm Fr. Stefan



Stay up-to-date with all the events happening at St. Elizabeth!

Text to join our Flocknote list, which is used to send out parish updates.

Text the keyword '**StEMD**'
to **84576** to sign up!



Youth Group News

We meet in person (socially distanced) every other week and over Zoom on the off weeks!

For the latest information please register for Youth Group so that we have your contact information. Just go to stelizabethchurchmd.org/youthgroup

We are always in need of more adult volunteers. Volunteers must complete VIRTUS Training.

For more details contact:

Carmen Boston (cboston@stelizabethchurchmd.org)

or

Fr. Stefan (smegyery@stelizabethchurchmd.org)

Pray for the Sick

Our Parishioners

Please remember all those in our parish who are sick or in need of special prayers from us, especially Joan Bauk, Agnes Bartorelli, Cathy Cantilena, Sandy Cepaitis, Joan David, Joan Davis, Sara deArmitt, Pat DeCarlo, Peggy Drury, Richard & Diann Gottron, Ralph Hensley, Louise Jackson, Meaghan Kilner, Nancy Le, Sherry Leung, Ligia Lopez, Mary Ann Maury, Steve Milne, Jerry Miskelly, Donna Neradka, Joe Norris, Dulce Pangelinan, Megan O'Toole, Myriam Sakai, Agnes Saenz, Myriam Sakai, Karen Shahpoori, Tom Sheehan, Bill Taylor, Maria Tampe, Eunice Weixel, Lucille Wilson, Madeleine Wong, Rosalie Zoghby.

Friends and Family

Patricia Balisle (friend of Gingie Glover), Elsie Banks, Cathy Berk (sister of Jean Campenni), Bill Bevacqua (brother of John Bevacqua), Emma Bico (friend of Rhoe Guevarra), Louise Borba (friend of Antoinette Ponce), Nicholas Christakos, Abigail Daly (granddaughter of Donna Neradka), Carol DelBonifro (aunt of Antoinette Ponce), Carson Dratch (nephew of Deborah Ruddy), Alex Dromerick, Jr., Nestor Ian Fernando, Steve Frick (brother of Betty Bahadori), Mario Funari (father in-law of John Bevacqua), Sr. Edyth Fitzsimmons, CSJ, (cousin of Bill Fitzsimmons), Jeff Gage (relative of Toni Gage), Michael J. Guadagnoli, Carol Hallauer (friend of Gingie Glover), Celia & Torcato & Jeremiah Jowett, Sarah Lazer (friend of Stacy & Jim Crawford), Loc Le (father of Lan Le), Leopoldo Lopez (friend of Myrta Christian), Frank Lyons (parents of Sharon Watts), Andrew Mann (brother of Susan Mann), Lyn Mangona (friend of Rhoe Guevarra), Rosemary McArthur (friend of Jane Milne), Meghan McCormick (friend of Jane Milne), Leonard Moreno (friend of Rhoe Guevarra), Dennis Mutter (brother of Carol Westrick), Bjorn and Madeline, Sid Nelson, Bart Pearlman (brother in-law of Patti Schroeder), Eliodoro Peredo (friend of Gingie Glover), Reynaldo Principe, Marie Pyle, Mario Saenz (grandson of Agnes Bartorelli), Ines Santa Cruz (grandmother of Liam Santa Cruz), Linda Pearlman (sister of Patti Schroeder), Peter Pham (brother of Mary), Eliodoro Rosales, Celia & Torcato & Jeremiah Jowett Howard Waldron (friend of Toni Gage), Gary Wiser (friend of Patti Wang), and Jim Woolsey (friends of Jane Milne). Our gathered community remembers all of these people daily and asks God for His gentle and healing touch. *(Names will be listed for one month and then regularly be rotated off unless you call or e-mail (vwesley@stelizabethchurchmd.org) the parish office to ask for an extension. We continue to remember everyone in our prayers, whether listed or not.)*

Active Service Members

Travis Brinkman (nephew of Kathleen Szabo), Timothy Galginaitis (son of Jeff & Betsy Galginaitis), Robert Heeley (nephew of Carole Gelfeld), Steven Morse (friend of Suzan Corwin), Mike Ryan (nephew of Kathleen Szabo), Jason Scoles (friend of Mike & Stacie Townsend), Gabe Smith (nephew of Betty Bahadori), Sgt. Thomas Eric Sten, Jr., Richard Thomas (friend of Tim & Jenny McDonough).