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AUGUST 1, 2021 EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday Masses Saturday: 4:30pm Sunday: 7:30am, 10:00am

Weekday Masses Tuesday – Friday 7:00am Wednesdays 8:30am (September – May only)

New Parishioners, Welcome!

Please contact Heather Solis at hsolis@stekc.org to join the parish. You must be a registered parishioner for sacramental preparation.

Sacraments

Reconciliation Saturdays: 3:00pm – 4:00pm or by appointment with Fr. Greg

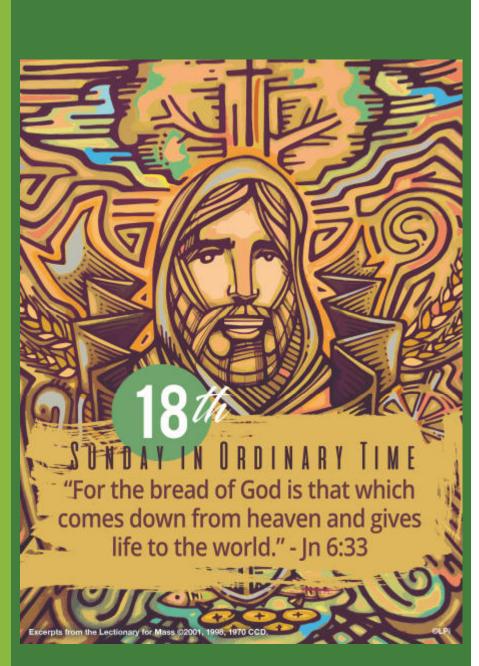
Preparation for Infant Baptism Please contact Deacon Mike McLean at mmclean@stekc.org to make arrangements.

Marriage

Registered parishioners who wish to be married need to contact Deacon Mike McLean nine to twelve months prior to the anticipated wedding date.

Our Mission Statement

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church is a vibrant, Christ-centered community whose primary purpose is to celebrate the sacred liturgy and the Sacraments. Empowered by the Sacraments, we are called to personal holiness, to spread the word of God, and to actions of generosity and compassion toward all of God's people.



18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

When we lose our ability to trust, we become afraid. When we are afraid, we may begin to grumble and question whether where we are is where we need to be. For us who have faith, we even question whether God is who God says He is. Trust is so important to our success on our journey. Often, the road of our lives can become a bit treacherous. We may find ourselves feeling more unsettled than comfortable and less fulfilled than we would like to be. As much as we try, the pieces of our puzzle don't quite fit together as they ought. We wonder if we will ever experience happiness again. Then, something reminds us that God is very much present in this mess we call life.

God is still bringing hope out of despair and life out of death. After all, God is the true bread that comes down from heaven to give life. All that is necessary is for us to trust in this truth, even when we may be lacking in some of life's essentials. The God who gives life is the same God who sustains it. He is also the same God who assures us that we will not perish.

-LPi



Dollars and Sense

In an effort to increase awareness and understanding of our parish's finances, each week in this column we will provide updates and information regarding a variety of topics:

If you are traveling this summer, please remember to keep your pledge current. An easy way to do that is to sign up for automatic withdrawal. But if you prefer to use envelopes, please remember to catch up when you return home. Or better yet, anticipate your absence and give in advance. Safe and happy travels to all!

Pray for our Military

We remember in our prayers the loved ones of our parish family who serve in the military: Major James Harris, son-in-law of John and Kieran Cullinan; SPC Riley Head, nephew of Sarah Darmitzel; John Kelly, son of Joe Kelly; Luis Moen, son of Gary and Bridget Moen; Pfc. Michael Muraski, nephew of Phillip Muraski; Ross Ryan Nigro, grandson of Gloria Nigro; Jeremy Rice, son of Mike and Catherine Rice

Please notify the parish office when a loved one is serving in and returning home from the military.

School Corner

Technology in the Classroom

Today's student is born into a technological society. The classroom used to serve as an introduction to computers and information technology but now students of all ages enter the classroom having had "Smart TV" and "Smartphone" be a part of their everyday language and experience. The challenge of being a leader in the use of academic technology has therefore changed. It is now more critical than ever that the teaching environment not only actively engage with technology but that it be used to open the discussion around what constitutes proper and productive use of these tools.

In the academic year of 2018-2019, St. Elizabeth launched a 1:1 Chromebook "take-home" initiative for 7th and 8th-grade learners. This initiative was one of the keys to the success of STE's remote instruction during COVID. This would have not been possible without the STE community's ongoing commitment to our school.

As we continue to grow and adapt beginning next month the school will engage in a 1:1 "take-home" pilot for the 5th-6th grade students for the 2021-2022 academic year.



Pray for the Sick & Homebound

Raul Acevedo, elder and community leader in the Romero Community of El Salvador; Annette Ahnemann, sister of George Koppe; Mary Ann Brown, mother of Kevin Crawford; Coly Bryant; Jim Buckley; Terry "Red" Carter, father of Patrick Carter; Mark Craig; Anita Donaldson; Sue Dulle; Mike Faeth; Cathy Fox; Leo Guzman; Angela & John Hirte; Christine Hurlbert; Jan Irick; Wanda Kaffenberger; Sandy Kauffman, mother of Matt Kauffman; **Dale Keith**, brother of Joyce Fish; **Lionel Klem**, son of Jonathan & Ellen Klem; **Lucy** Koch, daughter of Kevin & Beth Koch and granddaughter of Michael & Hanna Cusick; Joseph Ludwikoški, son of PJ and Mary Ludwikoski; Carol Lynn; Fr. Robert Mahoney; Marsha Mangold; Pearl Mayanja, daughter of Judith Mayanja; John Miller, father of Victoria Blume; Michaella Neal; Butch & Donna Newell; Sara Ottenbacher, sister-in-law of George & Terri Hage; **Rosie Ragsdale**, daughter of Kelsey & Michael Ragsdale; **Tahlia Riley; Don Rizzo**, father of Anna Valdivia; Ron Rode, father of Kay Kremer; Mary Jayneen Ross, sister of Jim VanDyke; Larry Shiller, brotherin-law of Chris Lester; Marilyn Stowers, sister-in-law of Shirley McCarty; Heather Volker, sister-in-law of Staci Courter; Toni Walters; Felix Witkowicz, father of Sandra Nussbeck; Marie Wood, sister-in-law of Peggy VanDyke; Beverly Yancey, sister of Janet Garnett

Please notify the parish office when a friend or loved one is in need of prayers, Eucharistic Minister, or is in the hospital.

Pastor's Corner

Dear Parishioners,

It has been a challenging summer for many of us in terms of loss, and I recently experienced one of my own. My wonderful canine companion Remi died on July 20. He was 15-1/2 years old and had just been diagnosed with an acute heart condition. He had started some medication, but nothing seemed to reverse or ease the symptoms. He died of what was most likely a heart attack very early in the morning on July 20.

It has been so hard to be without him. He had such a mighty presence in my life. When you live alone, a dog fills the house with such warm, positive energy. I miss him so much! But I am so glad he didn't have to suffer for a long time. Remi was healthy up until the last four or five days of his life. That gives me a lot of consolation.

He was 4-1/2 years old when I got him. He'd been a breeder's dog and had been given to a shelter, so I was happy to welcome him into my life. As a Piebald Dachshund he was just beautiful and such a character. Dachshunds tend to have strong identities, which I always enjoy. Remi was such excellent company. He just wanted to be wherever I was. And he was happiest if he and I were just relaxing on the sofa. He didn't need much outdoor time. He was not one to go for a walk. He loved being indoors, on the sofa and near me, which made him a perfect companion for me.

Remi was definitely his own dog. He didn't need a lot of attention or affection, though he did learn to connect with people if treats were involved! He had the funniest ways and was so dear to me. When I'd ask if he wanted to go to the office, he'd yelp with delight and go running to the garage, often spinning his wheels faster than he could steer. When I'd get up from the sofa to go to the kitchen, I'd come back to see Remi sitting in my place with a look that said, "You moved. So did I. Is it wrong that I don't feel guilty?" He also loved going for a ride every night, putting his head out the window for a few minutes to survey the neighborhood. But he was just as eager to get home!

If you've lost a pet, you know how much it hurts and how important it is to grieve it properly. This is my second experience of losing a close canine companion, and I really want to take my time with the grief. I also realize that it frees me in certain ways, and I want to spend the next year living in to that. So I have no plans to get another dog. I'll say I'm undecided. So please don't offer or do anything to get me a dog. It's really important to me to take my time and decide if I want another, or if it's a chapter to close. It hurts, there's no way around that. But please don't bring me a dog or surprise me with opportunities. Someone actually did that after Truman died and it didn't work out well.

Thank you for being so welcoming to Remi. I know he wasn't very friendly or interested in bonding too warmly, and I really appreciate how you respected that. He was definitely my dog, and I belonged to him! I always liked to say that Remi's solar system was very small: I was the sun and he was the only planet revolving around it! At least that's how he wanted it to be. It's going to take some time before I can talk about it publicly, especially at Mass, as it is heartbreaking. But I appreciate your prayers, support and patience! Peace,

Building Our Legacy



Pledged: \$5.68 Million Total Collected: \$5,443,085

Remember When... One Year Ago, August 2020



Ribbon Cutting Ceremony



Classroom Move-in

Stewardship

In today's Gospel we hear Jesus proclaiming that he is "the bread of life." He then offers an invitation to come to him. For us, the invitation is to live the Eucharistic life in Christ. What does it mean for our parish family to live together in the Eucharist? What does it mean for us to share the Eucharist together, to participate in the "bread of life" together? Does it mean we love each other, support our community of faith, work together? Do we carry each other's burdens? Celebrate our joys? What are the practical implications of being good stewards of our Eucharistic life together?

~International Catholic Stewardship Council

Stewardship Shout-Outs:

 To our ministry leaders, who have continued to find ways to keep our ministries vibrant in the midst of the pandemic.

Fr. Grég

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Parish News & Notes

Current Mass Procedures We continue our regular weekend and weekday Mass schedule. All are invited to attend.



- Masks are now optional for individuals who are fully vaccinated. Unvaccinated individuals should continue wearing a mask when attending Mass.
- Those with serious health concerns, pre-existing conditions, or who are caregivers to the vulnerable, etc., continue to have the grant of a particular dispensation from the obligation to participate in Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation. For more information on the particular dispensation, please visit https://kcsjcatholic.org/comehome/
- We will continue to livestream Mass for as long as needed so that those not attending in person may maintain a spiritual connection with St. Elizabeth. All livestreamed and recorded Masses are accessible through our YouTube channel at https://bit.ly/ STEChurch_School

Thanks to all who have helped with this process over the past year.

Parish School of Religion

Registration for St. Elizabeth Parish School of Religion (PSR) has begun. PSR is a combination home/parish family program for families with children in grades 1 - 8 who do not attend St. Elizabeth School. The program consists of at-home lessons along with group lessons once a month in Seton Hall. You must register by August 1. For more information and to register, visit our website and click on "Religious Education" on the left toolbar.

1st Reconciliation & 1st Eucharist Preparation

Children not attending St. Elizabeth school who desire to receive 1st Reconciliation and 1st Eucharist prepare for these sacraments through the PSR. Parents will be required to attend a meeting for each sacrament. Students and parents will be required to attend one extra class to prepare for each sacrament.

Your child MUST be registered by August 1, 2021.

To secure your place and ensure that enough books will be ordered, your child must be registered for the 2021/2022 PSR year by August 1. Students not enrolled in St. Elizabeth School who wish to participate in Parochial League Athletics need to be registered in PSR by August 1 also.

There is a \$25* supply fee per child that is due at the Parent Meeting/Book Pick-Up on Wednesday, August 25 at 6:30pm in Seton Hall.

If you have any questions, please email Amy Wantz at awantz@stekcschool.org

*\$35 fee after August 1 registration deadline.

Parish News & Notes cont.

Social Services Notes

Thank you for your continued support of the St. Elizabeth Food Pantry and our St. Elizabeth Social Services.

Current food pantry needs are: no immediate needs



Mark Your Calendars Smoking 'n Waldo 10 is Coming!! When: Friday, September 17 6:00pm – 11:30pm and Saturday, September 18 11:00am – 10:00pm Where: St. Elizabeth Church 2 E. 75th St.



Friday night—Enjoy the Smoker's Selection, beer garden, photo booth

and live music from The Patrick Lentz Band. **NO KIDS ON FRIDAY NIGHT**.

Saturday is Family Fun Day—Enjoy the face painters, balloon artist, video-game trailer, food truck, Kona Ice, and live music from Quite Frankly and more.

For more information, including how to become a sponsor, check us out online: https://www.facebook.com/Smoking.n.Waldo http://stekc.weconnect.com/snw

Questions? smoking.n.waldo@gmail.com

Life Corner Presented by The Respect Life Ministry (RLM) of St. Elizabeth

"I know there are many who sincerely believe that limiting the right of abortion violates the freedom



Respect Life Ministry (RLM)

of choice of the individual. But if the unborn child is a living entity, then there are two individuals each with the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." —Ronald Reagan

Many learned people of all faiths have spoken about the evils of abortion. Listen to them.

Parish News & Notes cont.

Interested in the Catholic Church?

Join Us Tuesday, August 3 We welcome non-Catholics who are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church or who may be thinking about becoming Catholic. An inquiry session will be held on Tuesday, August 3 from 7:00 – 8:00pm in the Parish Ministry Center. We will answer questions and explain the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), the process by which adults join the Church. There won't be any pressure to join, and you don't have to have made any decisions. This is just a chance to ask questions and learn more about us.

Parishioners are strongly encouraged to invite non-Catholic friends who may have been thinking about joining the Church to attend this session. The RCIA process begins September 7, so now is the time to find out more. Anyone interested is encouraged to call the parish office at 523-2405, or email mmclean@stekc.org.

We need sponsors in RCIA for this Autumn. Please call Mary Beth Cary 816-333-6036 and volunteer to walk this amazing journey of faith with us!

Employment Positions Available

St. Elizabeth Church and School is seeking to fill several positions, including maintenance worker, child care workers, cafeteria workers, and more. To learn more about the current positions that are available, see our website and click on the link.



Are You Celebrating Your Golden Wedding Anniversary in 2021? We Want to Hear From You!



The Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral of the

Immaculate Conception on Sunday, September 26, 2021, at the 9:00am and 11:00am Cathedral Masses. Bishop James Johnston will preside at each mass honoring the Golden Wedding couples. The event is for the couples and their immediate family. The celebration includes those couples whose 50th Wedding Anniversary falls between January 1, 2021 and December 31, 2021.

Couples who are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary this year are asked to contact the parish office to RSVP with your name and address. Even if you are unable to attend the Mass and celebration on September 26, please contact the parish office to be acknowledged and receive a gift from the Diocese.

You must RSVP no later than September 1, 2021.

Parish News & Notes cont.

St Elizabeth Bridge Club—Cardlarks

Our St. Elizabeth Bridge Club is strong. We hope to maintain the size of 20 teams (40 members).

We are currently seeking one additional team to compete. We play monthly in members' homes, and scores are tallied. We are competitive but very social!

If you are interested in playing bridge with us, contact Helen Livingston at 816-547-5005. We ask that members be vaccinated.

Welcome New Parishioners

A big St. Elizabeth welcome to the following newly registered parishioners. We are so glad you are here!

Colleen and Dave Wowak



Area News

Coping With Life Alone Program

Beginning Experience of Greater Kansas City ministers with persons who are suffering from the loss of a marriage relationship. Our programs help those suffering these losses through the grieving process, enabling them to look to the future with renewed hope and deepened faith.

Coping With Life Alone, a 10-week online session, begins August 16. For more information visit www.beginningexperiencekc.org or call Maria at 913-314-9844.

Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph Presents 3rd Annual "In His Real Presence" **Eucharistic Congress** St. Thomas More Parish September 10 & 11, 2021 Free, registration is required \$15 if you would like lunch

For more information and to register, visit https://kcsjcatholic.org/Eucharistic-Congress/ or email sage@diocesekcsj.org

Hosted by the Office of Divine Worship.

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Lectors	
4:30pm	TBD
7:30am	TBD
10:00am	TBD

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

4:30pm TBD 7:30am TBD 10:00am TBD

Servers

4:30pm	TBD
7:30am	John and Kathy O'Toole
10:00am	TBD

Greeters

4:30pm TBD 7:30am Doug Kinney 10:00am TBD

Gift Bearers

4:30pm	TBD
7:30am	TBD
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esus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst."

Response to the system we will be the set

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the

victim is currently under the age of 18), and 2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and 3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Victim Advocate at 816.392.0011 or victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

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		Schedule of Events	
	August 2 – August 8		
	Monday	August 2	
	Tuesday 7:00am 7:00pm	August 3 Mass RCIA Inquiry Session	
	Wednesday 7:00am	y August 4 Mass	
	Thursday 7:00am	August 5 Mass	
	Friday 7:00am	August 6 Mass	
	Saturday 3:00pm 4:30pm 4:30pm	August 7 Confessions—Church In-person Mass—Church Livestream Mass on YouTube	
	Sunday 7:30am 10:00am	August 8 In-person Mass—Church In-person Mass—Church	
	Mass O	bservations/Intentions August 2 – 8	
	Monday	St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest	
	Tuesday 7:00am	Aidan Riley	
	Wednesday 7:00am	St. John Vianney, Priest Living and Deceased Members of the Campbell and Peterson Families	
n ll	Thursday 7:00am	The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major Mark Speier	
)5	Friday 7:00am	The Transfiguration of the Lord Bob Turgeon	

Saturday St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest; BVM 4:30pm Jim and Betty Aylward

Sunday **19th Sunday in Ordinary Time** 7:30am St. Elizabeth Parish Family 10:00am Deanna Aubuchon

Readings for the Week of August 2, 2021

M: Nm 11:4b-15/Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [2a]/Mt 14:13-21 Tu: Nm 12:1-13/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13 [cf. 3a]/Mt **W**: Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35/Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-22, 23 [4a]/Mt 15:21-28 Th: Nm 20:1-13/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Mt 16:13-23 F: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9 [1a and 9a]/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mk 9:2-10 Sa: Dn 6:4-13/Ps 18: 28, 3-4. 47 and 51/Mk 17:14-20

Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [9a]/Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51

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