

Saint Elizabeth's Church

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Food Pantry Open Tuesdays 5:30–6:30pm weather permitting

Helpline (401) 253-8366

Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses:

Saturday Vigil:

4:00pm Advent to Easter

5:00pm Easter to Advent

Sunday at 9:00am, 10:30am & 5:00pm

Português - Domingo às 7:30

Weekday Mass at 7:30am (bilingual):

No Mass on Thursday

Holy Days of Obligation and Holidays:

As listed in the Parish Bulletin

Baptism

After the birth of the child, parents are invited to contact the rectory to schedule the Baptism.

Sponsor Certificates

Please contact the parish office.

Marriage

Upon engagement, couples should contact the parish office to schedule a wedding date and initiate the preparation process that ordinarily requires a period of six months – one year.

Reconciliation

Saturday from 3:20pm – 3:50pm or by scheduling a time with the parish office

Anointing of the Sick

Those in need, or a family member, are encouraged to contact the priest

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Adults who believe they are being called to receive the Sacraments of Initiation should contact the parish office.

Holy Orders – Vocations to the Priesthood

Discerning a vocation to the priesthood? Speak with the priest or contact Fr. Brian J. Morris, Director of Vocations, at (401) 331-1316 or www.catholicpriest.com.

Rectory Hours:

Monday through Friday*

9:00AM to 4:00PM

*** Wednesday to 3PM**

Gospel Reading Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

In the synagogue at Nazareth, Jesus reads aloud from the scroll of the prophet Isaiah and announces that this Scripture is now fulfilled.



Background on the Gospel Reading - Today's Gospel reading combines two separate passages taken from the Gospel of Luke. First we hear the opening verses where Luke establishes the purpose of his Gospel. His style is typical of polished Greek and Roman literature. In this passage, we learn that Luke may have written to a specific person, Theophilus; but the word Theophilus may also be a general reference, functioning as the phrase "Dear Reader" might in contemporary writing. In Greek, the word Theophilus translates as "lover of God."

Today's Gospel reading then skips several chapters in which one would find the Infancy Narratives, Jesus' baptism by John, the temptations Jesus faced in the desert, and the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. In chapter four of Luke's Gospel, we hear that Jesus is in his hometown of Nazareth, attending the synagogue on the Sabbath, which is said to be his custom. In this account, we find another important clue that Jesus lived as a faithful, observant Jew. We will continue to read from Luke's Gospel in sequence for the next two Sundays.

As Jesus stands in the synagogue, he reads from the scroll handed to him; it contains the words of the prophet Isaiah. At this early moment in his ministry, Jesus announces his mission in continuity with Israel's prophetic tradition. This reading from Isaiah defines Jesus' ministry. We will find more evidence of this as we continue to read from Luke's Gospel throughout the year. Jesus' ministry will include bringing glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives, healing to the sick, freedom to the oppressed, and proclaiming a year acceptable to the Lord.

Through this text from Isaiah, Jesus announces God's salvation. The "year acceptable to the Lord" is a reference to the Jewish tradition of Sabbath years and jubilee. The Sabbath year was observed every seventh year. It was a year of rest when land was left fallow and food stores were to be shared equally with all. A year of Jubilee was celebrated every fiftieth year, the conclusion of seven cycles of Sabbath years. It was a year of renewal in which debts were forgiven and slaves were freed.

This tradition of Jubilee is the framework for God's promise of salvation. And yet in Jesus, something new begins. Jesus not only announces God's salvation, he brings this salvation about in his person. Jesus is Yahweh's Anointed One, filled with the Spirit of God. The Kingdom of God is now at hand. It is made present in Jesus, in his life, death, and Resurrection. Jesus will send the Holy Spirit so that the Kingdom of God can be fulfilled.

The Holy Spirit is Jesus' gift to the Church. The Holy Spirit enables the Church to continue the mission of Jesus. When we do what Jesus did—bring glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives, healing to the sick, and freedom to the oppressed—we serve the Kingdom of God. ~ From Loyola Press Sunday Connection

God the Father sent his Son, Jesus, to save us. Jesus showed us how to love others and serve God's kingdom. Jesus responded to the needs of the world. He shared his message of the Father's love and forgiveness with everyone, especially those who were in need. He sends us the Holy Spirit to help us continue his mission.



Our Lady of Guadalupe Image – Beginning on January 7 the Visitation Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be traveling around the state of Rhode Island.

Monday, January 31, St. Luke, 108 Washington Street, Barrington, all day from 7AM Mass, Veneration, Adoration all day to 7PM Holy Hour, Rosary, Presentation, Benediction

Tuesday, February 1, Our Lady of Loreto, 346 Waterman Street, E. Providence, 9:00AM presentation, Adoration, Veneration, Rosary, 1:00PM Mass.

Saturday, February 5, St. Brendan's, 60 Turner Avenue, Riverside, 7:15-7:45AM Confession, 8AM Mass, Adoration until 9:30AM Presentation, Veneration, 1:30PM Presentation, Veneration, ending with 5PM Vigil Mass. View the complete schedule at dioceseofprovidence.org/life-and-family-respect-life.

9 Days for Life Continues Through January 27, 2022

9 Days for Life is a novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Visit www.9daysforlife.com for more info.

Welcome

We welcome these newly Baptized children into the Church and our parish family:

Addilyn Mae Cook, daughter of Anthony Cook and Stephanie Vieira

Nora Elizabeth Melo, daughter of Evan Melo and Julia Russo



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The Anointing of the Sick "is not a sacrament for those only who are at the point of death. Hence as soon as anyone of the faithful begins to be in danger of death from sickness or old age, the fitting time to receive this sacrament has certainly already arrived." CCC, no. 1514, citing SC, no. 73

A Summary from the Catechism of the Catholic Church on the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Who receives this Sacrament? **1514** The Anointing of the Sick "is not a sacrament for those only who are at the point of death. Hence, as soon as anyone of the faithful begins to be in danger of death from sickness or old age, the fitting time for him to receive this sacrament has certainly already arrived." **1515** If a sick person who received this anointing recovers his health, he can in the case of another grave illness receive this sacrament again. If during the same illness the person's condition becomes more serious, the sacrament may be repeated. It is fitting to receive the Anointing of the Sick just prior to a serious operation. The same holds for the elderly whose frailty becomes more pronounced. **The effects of the celebration of this Sacrament** **1520** *A particular gift of the Holy Spirit.* The first grace of this sacrament is one of strengthening, peace and courage to overcome the difficulties that go with the condition of serious illness or the frailty of old age. This grace is a gift of the Holy Spirit, who renews trust and faith in God and strengthens against the temptations of the evil one, the temptation to discouragement and anguish in the face of death. This assistance from the Lord by the power of his Spirit is meant to lead the sick person to healing of the soul, but also of the body if such is God's will. Furthermore, "if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven." **1521** *Union with the passion of Christ.* By the grace of this sacrament the sick person receives the strength and the gift of uniting himself more closely to Christ's Passion: in a certain way he is consecrated to bear fruit by configuration to the Savior's redemptive Passion. Suffering, a consequence of original sin, acquires a new meaning; it becomes a participation in the saving work of Jesus. **1522** *An ecclesial grace.* The sick who receive this sacrament, "by freely uniting themselves to the passion and death of Christ," "contribute to the good of the People of God." By celebrating this sacrament the Church, in the communion of saints, intercedes for the benefit of the sick person, and he, for his part, though the grace of this sacrament, contributes to the sanctification of the Church and to the good of all men for whom the Church suffers and offers herself through Christ to God the Father. **1523** *A preparation for the final journey.* If the sacrament of anointing of the sick is given to all who suffer from serious illness and infirmity, even more rightly is it given to those at the point of departing this life; so it is also called *sacramentum exeuntium* (the sacrament of those departing). The Anointing of the Sick completes our conformity to the death and Resurrection of Christ, just as Baptism began it. It completes the holy anointings that mark the whole Christian life: that of Baptism which sealed the new life in us, and that of Confirmation which strengthened us for the combat of this life. This last anointing fortifies the end of our earthly life like a solid rampart for the final struggles before entering the Father's house. **Call the Rectory to speak to a priest; please leave a message if no one is currently available.**

Um Resumo do Catecismo da Igreja Católica acerca do Sacramento da Santa Unção

Quem recebe este sacramento? **1514** A Unção dos Enfermos «não é sacramento só dos que estão prestes a morrer. Por isso, o tempo oportuno para a receber é certamente quando o fiel começa, por doença ou por velhice, a estar em perigo de morte» **1515.** Se um doente que recebeu a Unção recupera a saúde, pode, em caso de nova enfermidade grave, receber outra vez este sacramento. No decurso da mesma doença, este sacramento pode ser repetido se o mal se agrava. É conveniente receber a Unção dos Enfermos antes duma operação cirúrgica importante. E o mesmo se diga a respeito das pessoas de idade, cuja fragilidade se acentua. **Os efeitos da celebração deste sacramento** **1520** *Um dom particular do Espírito Santo.* A primeira graça deste sacramento é uma graça de reconforto, de paz e de coragem para vencer as dificuldades próprias do estado de doença grave ou da fragilidade da velhice. Esta graça é um dom do Espírito Santo, que renova a confiança e a fé em Deus, e dá força contra as tentações do Maligno, especialmente a tentação do desânimo e da angústia da morte. Esta assistência do Senhor pela força do seu Espírito visa levar o doente à cura da alma, mas também à do corpo, se tal for a vontade de Deus. Além disso, «se ele cometeu pecados, ser-lhe-ão perdoados». **1521** *A união à paixão de Cristo.* Pela graça deste sacramento, o enfermo recebe a força e o dom de se unir mais intimamente à paixão de Cristo: ele é, de certo modo, *consagrado* para produzir frutos pela configuração com a paixão redentora do Salvador. O sofrimento, seqüela do pecado original, recebe um sentido novo: transforma-se em participação na obra salvífica de Jesus. **1522** *Uma graça eclesial.* Os doentes que recebem este sacramento, «associando-se livremente à paixão e morte de Cristo, concorrem para o bem do povo de Deus». Ao celebrar este sacramento, a Igreja, na comunhão dos santos, intercede pelo bem do doente. E o doente, por seu lado, pela graça deste sacramento, contribui para a santificação da Igreja e para o bem de todos os homens, pelos quais a Igreja sofre e se oferece, por Cristo, a Deus Pai. **1523** *Uma preparação para a última passagem.* Se o sacramento da Unção dos Enfermos é concedido a todos os que sofrem de doenças e enfermidades graves, com mais forte razão o é aos que estão prestes a deixar esta vida («*in exitu vitae constituti*: de modo que também foi chamado «*sacramentum exeuntium* – sacramento dos que partem»). A Unção dos Enfermos completa a nossa conformação com a morte e ressurreição de Cristo, tal como o Baptismo a tinha começado. Leva à perfeição as unções santas que marcam toda a vida cristã: a do Baptismo selara em nós a vida nova: a da Confirmação robustecera-nos para o combate desta vida; esta última unção mune o fim da nossa vida terrena como que de um sólido escudo em vista das últimas batalhas, antes da entrada na Casa do Pai. **Chame a Reitoria para falar com um padre; por favor, deixe uma mensagem se ninguém estiver disponível atualmente.**

Support the Church in Latin America

The annual national Collection for the Church in Latin America (CLA) will be this weekend, January 22-23. The 2022 campaign highlights the faith of Latin America and the many opportunities we have to *share faith* with them. In addition to offering our help and support to the Catholics of Latin America, we have much to learn from them. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops invite you to aid our faithful brothers and sisters in the Catholic Church of Latin America. To learn more about who the collection benefits visit www.usccb.org/latin-america for info.

Mass Intentions

Saturday – January 22

4:00PM – Maria Jose & Norberto Cabral, Angelina Soares, Vincent Lunney, Deodato, Maria & Durval Amaral, Joao Borges, Jose & Maria Ascencao Pimentel, Carolina Benevides, Joao M. Benevides

Sunday – January 23 (3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time)

7:30AM – Lidia & Jacinto DaSilva, Olivia & António Neves, José S. Mendonca, Maria Virginia Mendonca, José Sousa Mendonca, Jr., Duarte Botelho, Timothy DaPonte, João & Maria Vieira, Connie Vieira

9:00AM - Luis & Henriqueta Araujo, Robert Sousa, Maria Santo Cristo Correia, Manuel Correia, Gloria & Antonieta Melo, Joseph Mello, Aaron Michael Franco, Lorraine & William Park, John Paul Rego, Antonio daCosta, Maria da Conceicao Pimentel

10:30AM – Vincent Lunney, John M. Medeiros, Deodato & Maria Amaral, Joseph Faria, Maria das Mercedes Oliveira, John F. Costa, John Thomas Costa, Thomas & Alice Silva, Isabel & John Costa

5:00PM – Pro Populo

Monday – January 24 (St. Francis de Sales)

7:30AM – Steven & Mark Pobeznik, Dr. Victor P. DeMedeiros

Tuesday – January 25 (Conversion of St. Paul)

7:30AM – Ema Brum, Anthony & Angela G. Lima, Judith & Frank Brown, Jr.

Wednesday – January 26 (Saints Timothy & Titus)

7:30AM – Fr. Joseph D. Santos, Lydia S. Borges

Thursday – January 27

NO MASS - NÃO HÁ MISSA - NO MASS

Friday – January 28 (St. Thomas Aquinas)

7:30AM – Mariana F. & Manuel O. Carreiro, Carlos Placido

Saturday – January 29

4:00PM – Edmund D. & Lydia S. Borges, Maria Jose & Norberto Cabral, Justin & Jose Jorge Machado, Clara Mello, John & Dorothy Travers, Manuel Gomes, David deCastro

Sunday – January 30 (4th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

7:30AM – Russell Serpa, Gilbert Neves, José Jacinto Botelho, Duarte Botelho, Fernando Raposo, Jacinto Almeida, Maria das Mercedes Almeida, Manuel Joaquim Almeida, Jr.

9:00AM - Belmira Ramos, Fortunato & Deolinda Ramos, Elaine Polucci, Maria Adelaide Mello, Mary Lou Daniel

10:30AM – Daniel DeMatos, Antonio DaSilva, Zelia & Gil Amaral, John Amaral, Maria Julia Borges, Manuel Cabral, Maria dos Anjos Cabral, Julieta Cabral, Hilda deJesus, Jose Leitao, Rosa Leitao, Nathan Correia, Jonathan Sousa

5:00PM – Pro Populo

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Sanctuary Lamp

This week the sanctuary lamp burns in memory of
John Paul Rego

2022 Mass Book is Open - The Mass book for 2022 is open to record Mass intentions **TUESDAYS thru FRIDAYS (not on Mondays).**

Livro de missa está aberto - Você podem marcar Missas para 2022 pelas suas intenções das **terça-feira às sextas-feiras** (não Segundas)

JANUARY 23, 2022

Covid Self-test Kits

The Bristol Health Equity Zone has given us a case of Covid self- test kits. Please contact the rectory (253-8366) during normal office hours if you are in need of one.

First come first serve – no reservations.

Stewardship – Time, Talent & Treasure

Weekly Budget, January 9 - \$4,319.00

E-Giving, January 9 - \$397.69

Thank you! Obrigado!

We have Electronic giving available at St. Elizabeth's. Please visit the church website, www.saintelizabethchurch.net, and click on myEoffering. Or you could set us up on your electronic bill pay with your bank (ACH). Either way, we thank you for your continued support!

Grateful for God's Providence

Goal	\$ 340,278
Amount Pledged	172,370
% of Goal	51%
% of Registered Family participation	4%

Thank you to everyone who has participated in this Diocesan campaign. A reminder that we receive 40% of every dollar paid. To date we have received \$45,992 of our parish share.

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