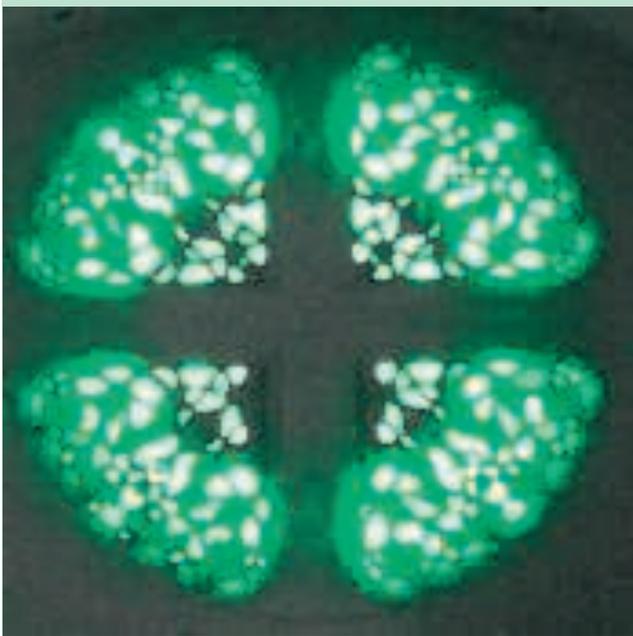


*Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 9th, 2018*

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Mission Statement

We, the community of St. Elizabeth empowered by the Holy Spirit, are the instrument that enables all, bound together in love and thanksgiving to realize that the Lord is our Savior. This is achieved through worship, the proclamation of the Word, mutual concern and service.

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Saturday Evenings.....4:00 pm
Sundays 8:00, 10:00 am & 12:00 noon

Weekdays..... 8:00 am & 12:05 pm
Saturdays..... 12:05 pm only
First Friday.....11:00 am Holy Hour
Holidays 9:00 am only

Ministry to the Sick

Homebound

Please let us know of any parishioners, unable to attend church wishing to receive the Sacraments - Anointing of the Sick & Communion.

Hospital Visitation

Present privacy regulations require the family to notify the parish of hospitalized parishioners. Please call the Rectory Office to arrange a visit.

Reconciliation

Monday - Saturday
After the Noon Mass

Saturday
3:00 - 3:45 pm or call for an appointment.

Baptism

Contact the rectory Office for date and Preparation Class

Parish Membership

We welcome new members to our parish. Registering helps us know you are one of us. Please contact the Rectory Office.

Marriage

Contact the Rectory Office at least one year in advance.

MASS INTENTIONS

Twenty Third Week of Ordinary Time
Week of September 9th, 2018

Saturday September 8th

4:00 pm Choe Ip Run ~ Lake Family

Sunday September 9th

8:00 am Sophie Wnek ~ Family
 10:00 am William F. & Catherine Talbot ~ Family
 12:00 pm Thomas H. Crowhurst ~ children Andrew,
 Jennifer & Tim

Monday September 10th

8:00 am People of the Parish
 12:05 pm Matilda De Noia ~ Debbie & Christina

Tuesday September 11th

8:00 am Louise Forster ~ Joan Maleski
 12:05 pm Anthony Platas ~ Diane & Ann Marie Bednar

Wednesday September 12th

8:00 am Joey Ortiz ~ wife Maria
 12:05 pm Special Intentions for Thomas & Family ~ Aunt

Thursday September 13th

8:00 am Mary & John Kuhtik ~ John & Joyce Evans
 12:05 pm Marie Cammarata ~ Family

Friday September 14th

8:00 am Christopher Flores ~ Mom & Family
 12:05 pm Clair & Dorothy Hengesbaugh ~ Mary Vollendorf
 (Anniversary)

Saturday September 15th

12:05 pm Joseph Agatha ~ Ann Marie Lake

September 15-16, 2018

Twenty Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Saturday September 15th

4:00 pm Baran Family ~ Lorraine Carrol

Sunday September 16th

8:00 am Franklin Ferguson ~ Diane & Ann Marie Bednar
 10:00 am Madeline LaTempa ~ Latempa & Cloud Family
 12:00 pm Thomas Walker ~ wife Joyce & Family

Readings for the Week of September 9, 2018

Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37

Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5, 5-6, 7, 12 [9]/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4]/Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17 [11]/Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24 [24b]/Lk 6:27-38

Friday: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 [cf. 7b]/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22/Ps 116:12-13, 17-18 [17]/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

First Reading:

Then will the eyes of the blind be opened, the ears of the deaf be cleared. (Is 35:5)

Second Reading:

Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom that he promised to those who love him? (Jas 2:5)

Gospel:

Then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha!"-that is, "Be opened!" And immediately the man's ears were opened. (Mk 7:34-35a)

Weekly Memorials



Altar Candles
 Marie Cammarata ~ Family
Sanctuary Lamp
 Marie Cammarata ~ Family

The donation for the Sanctuary Lamps and the Altar Candles are \$10.00, the Altar Bread is \$15.00, and the Altar Wine is \$25.00. The flowers for Blessed Virgin Mary & St. Joseph are 2 @ \$45.00 St Ann are \$45.00. The Tabernacle is 2 @ \$45.00 and the Cross is \$110.00. Please stop by the Rectory to reserve any of the above items.

For the Dearly Departed



We offer our condolences to the families and friends that have lost a loved one. May the soul and the souls of the faithfully departed through the mercy of God, rest in Peace

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY



Baptisms are performed on all Sundays except for the second week of the Month. Please call the Rectory and make an appointment with a priest to help guide you through this sacrament

2019 Mass Book is now open
 Please come to the Rectory with your requests

September 9th, 2018 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Jesus went by way of Sidon into the district of the Decapolis." For most of Jesus' ministry, he remains in Galilee and areas with a predominantly Jewish population. Today, however, we see Jesus traveling through a heavily pagan area. This makes the utterance of faith in today's Gospel all the more astounding. "He has done all things well."

In this story, a deaf man is brought to Jesus. This man is not without community! Despite communication difficulties due to a speech impediment, his people bring him before Jesus. Jesus lays hands upon the man and commands his broken body to change. "Be opened!" Immediately the man's ears were opened, his speech impediment was removed, and he spoke plainly." The community is stunned. They can't stop telling the story. The more Jesus asks them to settle down, the more they proclaim! The Jewish people expected a Messiah but a Messiah with very particular qualifications. The Greeks and pagans anticipated no such savior. There were no expectations to meet. They had a special capacity to be completely, utterly surprised.

As Catholics, it can be easy to become accustomed to the songs and the prayers, to the routine of religious education drop-offs and Sunday Mass attendance. By now, we may have very particular expectations. When was the last time you allowed yourself to be surprised by God? Sometimes we are all like the deaf man in today's Gospel. God wants to speak to us, but we can't hear clearly. In your prayer this week, go before God honestly. Give yourself permission to drop your expectations and assumptions. Ask Him to renew your faith to show you how, in your life, "He has done all things well."

Stewardship of Treasure

"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."
Matthew 6:21

| Offertory Collection | 09/02/2018 |
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| Weekly Collections | \$ 4,547.00 |
| Assessment Collection | \$ 952.00 |
| Fuel & Heat Collection | \$ 75.00 |
| By Mail | \$ 468.00 |

If you currently are not using envelopes please call the rectory and we can easily get you signed up. Please keep in mind that **if you are moving** make the Rectory aware. We need to keep are records current and to let the envelope company know of the change of address or to discontinue, thanks.

This week 09/09/2018 Please use Weekly and European Relief Envelope

Next week 09/16/2018 Please use Weekly and Catholic University Envelope ~ Thank you in advance for your generosity

The St. Elizabeth's Rosary Altar Society is running a bus trip to Sight & Sound Theatres to see the new biblical production of "JESUS" **on October 17, 2018**. The cost of the trip is \$125.00. The trip includes the bus, show, and dinner at one of the local restaurants. We will be stopping at Kitchen Kettles for lunch on your own, and some shopping before the show.

Sold Out

CCD / RCIA

Registration for CCD is now open. You can register online at sainteonline.org

Packages were sent to your homes and in addition they were sent via email. Please get them back as soon as possible.

Opening day for CCD will be September 16th There will be no registration done on the 16th.

We need to have a copy of the child's baptism certificate on file please have it available at time of registration.

Registration for RCIA HAS STARTED, PLEASE CALL John Machu at 908 596 8152

Organizations/Associations

Up Coming Meetings...

| | | |
|-------------------------|-----|------|
| Finance Council | TBD | 7 PM |
| Rosary Altar Society | TBD | 7 PM |
| Liturgy Committee | TBD | 7 PM |
| Building and Facilities | TBD | 7 PM |
| Pastoral Committee | TBD | 7 PM |

(All meeting take place at Rectory. Rosary Altar Society Meets at 238 E Blancke Any Questions call Joanne Badalis 908 486 6570)

Knights of Columbus News The Linden Knights of Columbus Council #2859 will be conducting a membership drive on **September 15th at the 4pm Mass, and on September 16th at the 8, 10, and 12 noon masses**. All catholic men from the age 18th and up are eligible to join the knights. The Knights are the largest Catholic organization in the world that supports the catholic Church and Clergy. The Knights have several programs for family, community, Church and Life activities. Please consider joining the Knights for the benefits you can receive by being a member. Deacon John



Save the Date ~ Octoberfest

On Saturday October 6th, 2018

Singing, Dancing and Refreshments

In the church basement immediately following the 4:00 PM Mass

Tickets will be \$10.00 for admission Children under 12 go free

There will be a 50/50 Raffle Tickets will be on sale shortly

Contact Joan Abbondante Cell # 908 347 8670

Please consider this sacrifice~

The U.S. bishops urge our participation each Friday in a nationwide Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life, August 3—September 28th. Participants will receive weekly emails or text reminders to pray and fast, along with little known facts about Roe vs Wade to share with others.

Sign up at www.usccb.org/pray!

If you are new to the parish, welcome!!! If you would like to register Please feel free to call us or fill in the form below

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

Phone _____

Email Address _____

You can drop this off in the basket and we can follow up with you

Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal 2018



The 2018 Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal is well underway. We have **\$18,608.00** already pledged. This is approximately **60%** of our goal of **\$30,264.50** The outpouring of support from many parishioners like you helps sustain the important ministries across the Archdiocese of Newark. These programs help to make our own parish,

St Elizabeth of Hungary a more vibrant place of worship. If you have yet to give, please pick up a pledge form at the back of the church or visit www.rcan.org/sharing.

Thank you for your prayers and support, It is important for all of us to participate.

Our parish also benefits by receiving a rebate from the appeal if it exceeds its goal.

The Centennial Plaza

In the vestibule please find forms, if you are interested in memorializing a loved one, remembering your family or just wishing St Elizabeth well. There are pavers, two lampposts and benches. The form will allow you to inscribe in the spaces for proper printing.

The costs are as follows:

Pavers are \$250.00

Lamppost are \$2,500.00 ~ Benches will be \$3,500.00

Please call the rectory if you have any questions

Attention families of 8th grade students planning to attend Catholic high school in Fall 2019! The High School Placement Test (HSPT®) administered as part of the Cooperative Admissions Program for Catholic high schools will be given on Friday, November 9, 2018. Registration for this exam is online at www.njcoopexam.org beginning September 4th. For more information about the Cooperative Admissions Program go to www.catholicschoolsnj.org.

Additionally, the Catholic high schools are holding their annual HS Expo admission fairs. Parents and students can meet with representatives from many Catholic high schools from 7:00-8:30 p.m. on the following dates at these locations

Tues., Sept. 18 at St. John the Apostle School, 571 Valley Road, Clark

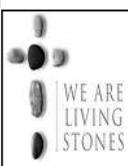
Tues., Sept. 25 at Visitation Academy, 222 Farview Ave., Paramus

Wed., Sept. 26 at the Archdiocesan Center, 171 Clifton Ave., Newark

Thurs., Sept. 27 at Primary Prep at St. Aedan, 41 Tuers Ave., Jersey City

For directions and more information, visit www.catholicschoolsnj.org or call 973-497-4260.

If you have any further questions, kindly direct them to—Ryan L. Michelson, Director of School Advancement
Ryan.Michelson@rcan.org Phone: 973-497-4258



With your generous donations, our latest deposit in our WALS saving account is \$42,050.

The We Are Living Stones Capital Campaign continues to focus on strengthening our parishes while building a bright future for the entire Archdiocese we ask that you continue to pray for the success of this campaign both at your local parish, as well as at your neighboring parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Newark.

Thank you for your consideration and your participation in this endeavor. **Our goal is \$450,911.00 to date we have \$202,774.00 in pledges and \$132,694.00 in collected donations.**

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Question:

If God is good, why is there evil in the world?

Answer: The problem of evil is perplexing. If God is all-powerful and all-good, why doesn't He stop bad things for happening? He must either not be all-powerful, or perhaps He's not very good after all. Human beings have faced the possibility of evil since the very beginning of our existence. In granting us free will, God gives us the ability to make free choices. God does not force us into moral perfection. We are not forced to love Him or to love our neighbor. We must make the decision ourselves. This means, of course, that we have the ability to choose against love.

One small decision of selfishness, jealousy, or pride may not seem so bad. But every decision -- good or bad -- is like a stone dropped into a still pond. The ripples extend much farther than the original stone. When decisions against love begin to compound, they affect families, neighborhoods, and nations. This is all the more reason for Christians to be faithful to our baptismal call to love one another as Christ has loved us!

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

We often associate the word "healing" with something that produces dramatic, physical results: the blind see, the crippled walk, and the deaf hear. Witnessing such miraculous events is few and far between for most. Healing happens more frequently in very ordinary ways using very ordinary means. And we can all be God's instruments for bringing it about.

Kindness, love, mercy, and compassion can go a very long way. Treating people with kindness, being inclusive and welcoming of the poor, the weak, and the powerless, listening to another's story and pain, offering compassion and love to those who have wronged us, avoiding hurtful criticisms and watching our tongues. All can go a long way to changing and healing human hearts. There is power in love and kindness. Does this power not speak of someone greater than ourselves working in and through us?

*****Volunteers Needed*****

Opportunities for you to use your free time.

RCIA ~ Teach adults to become Catholics, Please contact **John Machu at 908 596 8152**
Funeral Servers~ People that help at the altar and read when the family is unable. On call basis. Especially looking for men
Volunteering is most rewarding please consider helping us help others Thank you Call the rectory 908 486 2514

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

I love watching replays of great sports highlights. Sometimes you see something so extraordinary that you tell others they have to see it to believe it. The one-handed catch, the in-the-park home run, and the photo finish are all examples of these types of moments. They are amazing feats that boggle the mind.

I wonder how many people in biblical times saw Jesus perform miracles and told others they wouldn't have believed it unless they saw it with their own eyes. Of course, we believe the stories of his miracles, and we didn't see them in person. We do believe them, don't we?

There is no television program that features replays of the actual miracles Jesus performed 2,000 years ago. However, there are miracles every day for the world to see. Many of those come about by allowing God to work through us. People are waiting to be healed and fed, and mountains are waiting to be moved. There might not be a replay for these miracles either. However, people will be amazed by the power of God. Jesus said we could do these things if we had faith. Blessed are those who believe but who have not seen. Furthermore, blessed are those who perform great works with God so that others may see.--Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

A Little Catholic Humor ~

Late one night, a burglar broke into a house he thought was empty. He tiptoed through the living room but suddenly he froze in his tracks when he heard a loud voice say: "Jesus is watching you!"

Silence returned to the house, so the burglar crept forward again. "Jesus is watching you," the voice boomed again. The burglar stopped dead again. He was frightened. Frantically, he looked all around. In a dark corner, he spotted a bird cage and in the cage was a parrot. He asked the parrot:

"Was that you who said Jesus is watching me?" "Yes," said the parrot. The burglar breathed a sigh of relief and asked the parrot: "What's your name?" "Clarence," said the bird.

"That's a dumb name for a parrot," sneered the burglar. "What idiot named you Clarence?" The parrot said, "The same idiot who named the Doberman Jesus."

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