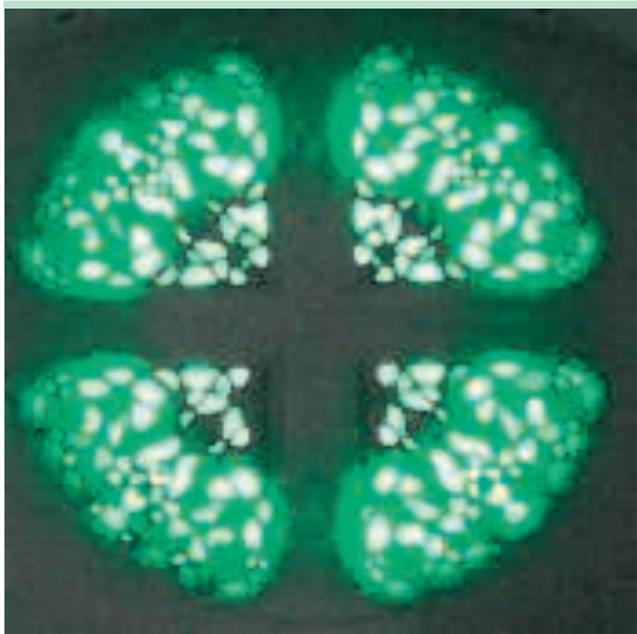


*Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 23rd, 2018*

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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 Fifth Week of Ordinary Time
Week of September 23rd, 2018

Saturday September 22nd

4:00 pm John J. Bednar ~ Diane & Ann Marie

Sunday September 23rd

8:00 am Joseph Alves ~ Mr. & Mrs. Tony Peda
 10:00 am William F. & Catherine Talbot ~ Family
 12:00 pm Felix & Sol Calderon ~ daughter Christianne
 (Wedding Anniversary)

Monday September 24th

8:00 am People of the Parish
 12:05 pm Bara Family ~ Corka

Tuesday September 25th

8:00 am Anna Lancos ~ Barbara Balak
 12:05 pm John J. Bednar ~ Diane & Ann Marie

Wednesday September 26th

8:00 am Dolores Kmetz ~ Julie Bertolini
 12:05 pm David Fernandes ~ Parents

Thursday September 27th

8:00 am Dolores Kmetz ~ Maryann Phillips Williamson
 12:05 pm Rhoda D. Santos ~ Lito & Teya David

Friday September 28th

8:00 am St Jude ~ Jasmine
 12:05 pm Mary Walker ~ Daughter Joanne & Family

Saturday September 29th

12:05 pm Rodalyn Adona P. Diego ~ Diego Family

September 29-30, 2018

Twenty Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Saturday September 29th

4:00 pm Chonge Ae & Richard Lake ~ Lake Family

Sunday September 30th

8:00 am Torre Brown ~ Pirozzoli Family
 10:00 am Rosanna Pezzella ~ Mom & Dad
 12:00 pm Al Cammarata ~ Family

Readings for the Week of September 23, 2018

Sunday:

Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/Jas 3:16--4:3/Mk 9:30-37

Monday:

Prv 3:27-34/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5 [1]/Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday:

Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44 [35]/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday:

Prv 30:5-9/Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163 [105]/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday:

Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc [1]/Lk 9:7-9

Friday:

Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4 [1]/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday:

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5 [1]/Jn 1:47-51

TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

First Reading:

For if the just one be the son of God, God will defend him and deliver him from the hand of his foes. (Wis 2:18)

Second Reading:

And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace. (Jas 3:18)

Gospel:

"Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me." (Mk 9:37)

Weekly Memorials



Altar Candles & Sanctuary Lamp

Maureen & Peter Young ~
 Lyp Family
 In Memory of their
 50th Wedding Anniversary

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

CHARLES J. VENDITTO
 LUIS JORGE FISCO



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 23rd, 2018 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Oscars. The Super Bowl. TV talent shows. Your son's Little League championship. We live in a culture set on competition. The desire to "be the best" goes beyond hobbies and into politics, the corporate world, and parenting comparisons at the park. This desire is as old as the human race, and it surely arose in Jesus' day. While Biblical society was significantly less open and upwardly mobile than our own, power was attractive. From what we know, many of Jesus' disciples had come from lowly backgrounds. Now they followed an increasingly popular rabbi who seemed primed to do something big.

Jesus does his best to dissuade their high hopes by prophesying his own defeat. "The Son of Man is to be handed over and they will kill him." Internalizing the message proves challenging for the disciples, and their attention remains fixed on earthly glory. "They [discuss] among themselves on the way who was the greatest." True to style, Jesus flips their pretensions on their heads. "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all."

We have heard these Biblical principles before. Do we believe them? In our professional lives, do we do whatever we can to get ahead, or are we concerned with the entire team succeeding? In the lives of our children, are we more concerned with victory or with building character? Jesus doesn't condemn success, but he reframes it. "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me." Today's Gospel is a reality check. In God's eyes, our success will not be measured by worldly output alone but by how much love and service we offer to others in the process.

Stewardship of Treasure

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

Offertory Collection	09/16/2018
Weekly Collections	\$ 3,779.00
Assessment Collection	\$ 43.00
Fuel & Heat Collection	\$ 929.00
By Mail	\$ 672.00

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.

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CCD / RCIA

Opening day for CCD was on September 16th

We need to have a copy of the child's baptism certificate on file. Please check that we have it on file.

We will consider late applications but there will be a late charge. You can register online at saintonline.org or stop by the rectory

September
16--9:00-9:50am First Class
10am--Mass and Blessing of the Catechists
23--9:00-9:50am Second Class
9:00am--7th Grade Parent Meeting-Lower Church
30--9:00-9:50am Third Class
9:00am--8th Grade Parent Meeting-Lower Church
10:00am Community Mass

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

Organizations/Associations

Up Coming Meetings...

Finance Council	TBD	7 PM
Rosary Altar Society	Oct 1st	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)

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. Deadline for reservations and money is by August 1st. For information you can call Deacon John at 908-338-5249 or e-mail at john2859@aol.com.

Sold Out

Knights of Columbus News

The Linden Knights of Columbus #2859 meets every third Monday of each month at 7:30PM at the American Legion on Elizabeth Avenue. All members are welcome to attend the meetings. If you would like to join the Linden Knights you can call Deacon John (Grand Knight) at [908-338-5249](tel:908-338-5249), or visit the state web site at www.kofc.org. All men of the age 18th or older can join. The Knights of Columbus is the largest Catholic lay organization of the Church.



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

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.

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Humility is really a virtue that allows us to keep our relationships in proper order: God first, others second, and myself third. However, we all wrestle with our incompleteness, weakness, and imperfections. Passions and impulses from within can color how we view our lives and distort them. Who among us does not struggle with jealousy, envy, pride, and lust? Then, when we can't have what we desire, we find ourselves angry, greedy, and taking more than we deserve. The downward spiral continues. Even Jesus' disciples, who knew him better than most, argued about who was the greatest. Humbly seeking the wisdom that comes from God and His righteousness is the corrective we need in order to keep ourselves in check.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

If you have traveled on Southwest Airlines, you are aware of how they line people up prior to boarding. You receive a lettered group of A, B, or C and a number. You line up with your group and in sequence based on your numbers. This means that before every flight, you'll hear people ask over and over, "What number are you?" Some don't ask and simply place themselves in the line. I have been A-1 before and had someone stand in line in front of me. There is nothing before A-1 in the line! It is crazy the urgency of some to board the plane and get the perfect seat. For some, I think it has more to do with a sense of entitlement. No one is going to cheat me out of my place in line! I deserve it!

Of course, you can't deserve your place in the line more than another. We are all getting on the plane and going to the same place. In life, some of us act like people in a Southwest boarding line. We want our place in line, and we will sometimes put ourselves ahead of others without merit. Good stewardship allows us to see our actions in this regard as folly. Jesus said, "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." We are called to serve and not to be served. If we seek what we truly deserve in this life, we will find that we are not actually entitled to much. If we humble ourselves and seek to serve others, we will receive an abundance of good things, even though we still won't deserve it. For all we receive, whether we are A-1 or C-30, is a gift. --Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

A Little Catholic Humor ~

Lost on a rainy Friday night, a priest stumbles into a monastery and requests shelter there. Fortunately, he's just in time for dinner and was treated to the best fish and chips he's ever had.

After dinner, he goes into the kitchen to thank the chefs. He is met by two brothers, "Hello, I'm Brother Michael, and this is Brother Francis."

"I'm very pleased to meet you. I just wanted to thank you for a wonderful dinner. The fish and chips were the best I've ever tasted. Out of curiosity, who cooked what?"

Brother Michael replied, "Well, I'm the fish friar."

Father turns to the other brother and says, "Then you must be...." "Yes, I'm afraid I'm the chip monk..."

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH
Statement of Revenues and Expenses
for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018

REVENUES	
SUNDAY AND HOLYDAY COLLECTIONS	\$271,114
CHRISTMAS	23,859
EASTER	18,575
ASSESSMENT COLLECTION	20,717
INTEREST INCOME	15,193
RENTAL INCOME AND UTILITY REIMBURSEMENTS	613,543
RESTRICTED INCOME	62,203
NET FUNDRAISING AND RAFFLES	278
CANDLE REVENUE	12,815
OTHER INCOME	28,688
	1,066,985
EXPENSES	
SALARIES AND BENEFITS	317,096
CONTRACTED AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	44,370
REPAIRS, MAINTENANCE, INSURANCE, GROUNDS	103,232
UTILITIES	116,043
SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT	54,337
RECTORY EXPENSES	7,542
ARCHDIOCESAN ASSESSMENTS	52,416
PARISH PROGRAMS AND OTHER EXPENSES	23,083
	718,119
OPERATING SURPLUS	348,866
CAPITAL REVENUE - WE ARE LIVING STONES CAMPAIGN	\$21,103
CAPITAL EXPENSES - SIDEWALKS, FATIMA STATUE, DUMPSTER FOR KNEELERS	(37,364)
SURPLUS AFTER CAPITAL ITEMS	\$332,605

The Parish operated at a surplus of \$348,866 for the fiscal year, and an overall surplus after capital items of \$332,605. The Parish surplus is due to the rental income and utility reimbursement received from the Linden Board of Education, which totaled \$605,017, and is included in the \$613,543 of Rental Income and Utility Reimbursements line item.

Without the rental of the school building, the Parish would operate at a net deficit of (\$164,412).

Through your generous support of the "We Are Living Stones Campaign," we received \$21,103 last year. These funds helped to complete the sidewalk walk work, purchase the Our Lady of Fatima Statue, and pay for the dumpster from last year's Church kneeler project, all totaling \$37,364. This was in addition to the \$103,232 spent from operating funds on general Repairs, Maintenance, Insurance and Grounds Keeping. Thank you for helping our Parish to accomplish so many things in the last fiscal year.

As any homeowner knows, there are always repairs and necessary projects to be undertaken. Our Parish home is no exception. We have several important projects that must be undertaken in this coming year:

- the replacement of the electrical wiring underground coming from the street to the Church and Rectory buildings This project should come in under \$40,000.00
- the replacement of our Church front steps
- making our Church handicapped accessible with a ramp and lift to aid in accessing both the main and lower floors, along with handicapped accessible rest rooms

We do not have exact cost estimates on all of these projects yet, but we know they will be expensive.

As Pastor, along with the trustees and finance council, will do our very best to manage the revenues and expenses of the Parish. We ask you to pray for us in these tasks, and to continue to be as generous as you are able through our weekly and special collections, and through the "We Are Living Stones" campaign. It is through your prayers, support and generosity that we will be able complete these necessary projects to care for our Parish home, and to make it stronger for many future years.

If anyone has any questions on the financial report, you may see me after mass. May God continue to bless our beloved St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish!

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