



St. Elizabeth of Hungary Church

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**"The chief service I
owe you, O God, is that
every thought and
word of mine should
speak of you."**

St. Hilary

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*Ordinary Time
January 9, 2022 &
January 16, 2022*

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Mass Intentions

First Week of Ordinary Time

January 9 - 15, 2022

● Saturday 4:00 pm	January 8th Anna Kolnoski
● Sunday 8:00 am 10:00am 12:00nn	January 9th Fred Rudnicki Irene Szczykutowicz Thomas H. Crowhurst Thomas Butfiloski Alejandro Ancheta
● Monday 8:00 am 12:05 pm	January 10th People of the Parish Ann Kolnoski
● Tuesday 8:00 am 12:05 pm	January 11th In memory of Armon & Palmieri families Anthony Coppolecchia
● Wednesday 8:00 am 12:05 pm	January 12th Blessings for Mary Abue Paul Chu
● Thursday 8:00 am 12:05 pm	January 13th Jodi Peach Kruz Edward Szczykutowicz
● Friday 8:00 am 12:05 pm	January 14th Theodore M. Kondracki Wiler Charles-Pierre Belkys "Cari" Cerasa
● Saturday 12:05 pm	January 15th Jodi Kurz

2nd Week of Ordinary Time

January 16-22, 2022

● Saturday 4:00 pm	January 15th Fran Tortorello
● Sunday 8:00 am 10:00 am 12:00nn	January 16th The Abue Family Anthony Lordi, Jr. Nancy Paczkowski
● Monday 10:00 am	January 17th (Martin Luther King, Jr.) Vivian Martin
● Tuesday 8:00 am 12:05 pm	January 18th People of the Parish Diane Rojek
● Wednesday 8:00 am 12:05 pm	January 19th Debra A. Minch Phyllis Ribauda
● Thursday 8:00 am 12:05 pm	January 20th Anthony J. Mirandi Tom O'Brien
● Friday 8:00 am 12:05 pm	January 21st Sr. Barbara Ginther, SC Rose Ribauda – Health Andrew C. Valvano
● Saturday 12:05 pm	January 22nd John & Mary Kuhtik

Memorials

Week of January 9, 2022

Sanctuary Lamp & Altar Candles

Available for Intentions - \$10

Week of January 16, 2022

Altar Bread & Wine

Available for Intentions - \$10



Financial News



Offertory Collections

December 19th Deposit/Donations	\$ 4,432.70
December 26th Deposit/Donations	\$ 2,894.47
Weekly Amount Needed to Stay on Budget	\$ 4,150.00

Restricted Donations from Weekly Envelopes

Offset Heating Expense	\$ 1,401.00
Offset Archdiocese Assessment/Tax	\$ 35.00

Online, E-Giving Donations through “We Share”

Our online giving platform: <https://sainteonline.weshareonline.org/>

Christmas 2021 Collection

Our Parish Finance Council has budgeted **\$20,000.00** for this year’s Christmas Collection.

Collected to Date: \$14,026.00

With many parishioners away or remaining home with Mass online, we anticipate Christmas gifts to the parish to be coming in through the end of January. Thank you to those who have been so generous to our parish this Christmas season.



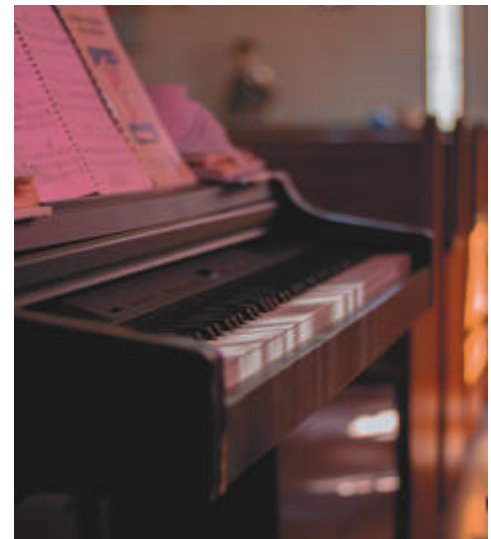
Parish News

Parish Pipe Organ Renovation

Beginning January 2022, our 70 year-old Pipe Organ will undergo a major refurbishing by the Peragallo Organ Co. The pipes and all its parts will be removed from the loft and a temporary electronic organ will be given us to manage in the interim. We expect the organ to be returned in all its glory during the Easter season in May.

If you would like to make a gift to offset the \$200,000.00 expense please contact Fr. Ed.

Families might want to use this opportunity to memorialize a deceased loved one. This magnificent pipe organ will be a key part of weddings and funerals for the next 70 years.



Annual Appeal ^{the 2022}

The 2022 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal will begin soon. It will fund essential programs and ministries at the heart of our Catholic mission in our four counties – namely to proclaim the gospel, to pass on the faith to future generations, particularly through the celebration of the sacraments, and to care for the poor and those on the margins.

Now more than ever, especially during this health crisis, our ministries and programs need your support. Will you prayerfully consider making a gift to the 2022 Annual Appeal?

Senior's St. Valentine Mass & Luncheon

February 9th, 2022

We had such a wonderful gathering for Christmas with our Seniors in December, we are inviting all Seniors 65+ to join us for a St. Valentine's Mass & Luncheon on **Wednesday, February 9th**. Mass will begin at 12:05pm and the luncheon will follow in the Parish Hall. Please RSVP to the Rectory Office.

St. Michael School Cranford Open House Catholic Schools Week 2022

St. Michael School in Cranford is celebrating over 90 years of academic excellence. Established in 1929, St. Michael School is a thriving, faith-based school where children become independent thinkers and grow into responsible young adults grounded in Catholic values.

St. Michael School is a member of the National Catholic Education Association (NCEA) and accredited by the Middle States Association Commission on Elementary Schools. Primary, elementary, and middle school curriculums are based on guidelines set forth by the Archdiocese of Newark to prepare students for high school and beyond.

Controlled class sizes and average 16:1 student-teacher ratio fosters individualized attention and offers students the ability to engage in classroom inquiry, discovery, and learning. The early childhood education program offers pre-kindergarten 3 & 4 (full and half day) and full-day academically based kindergarten. On site before and after care is also available.

Extracurricular activities include instructional and competitive sports programs, instructional music, drama and Girl Scouts and Cub Scouts.

The faculty and families of St. Michael School will invite you to attend one of our upcoming Open House sessions on:

- *Thursday, January 27th from 7:00PM-8:00PM*
- *Sunday, January 30th from 12:00PM-3:00PM*

If you're interested in learning more about St. Michael School & all that our school has to offer, please contact the school directly at 908-276-9425 or saint.michael@verizon.net

For a copy of the St. Michael's School brochure, virtual tours and for more information about the school, visit: www.smscranford.com.

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Gospel Meditations

The Baptism of the Lord

January 9, 2022

*"We are called to live our baptism every day, as new creatures, clothed in Christ."
— Pope Francis*

What reference point do you use when making decisions? Many times, impulse takes control and decisions are made based solely on emotion and desire. We all know that these types of decisions can often get us into trouble. When a person has a confident sense of who they are and a real understanding of what is important and of value, the likelihood of kneejerk impulsive choices diminishes. Baptism gives us what we need to make well informed and purposeful decisions. By this simple gesture, God claims us as His own and provides us with the identity and purpose we need to properly live life.

Although we are sinners, in need of mercy and far from perfection we are called to order our life and make decisions based upon the wisdom and guidance of Almighty God.

It is tremendously reassuring, when we truly embrace this revelation and realize that we no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. The answer of who we are in God has been given to us. We no longer have to fumble around, trip over ourselves or walk aimlessly about. Issues surrounding the sacredness of life, the meaning of death, the protection of those most vulnerable, care for the weak and the poor, offering hospitality to those in search of a home, the purpose and proper place of work, how to create a just social order, caring for creation, and understanding our roles as heralds and stewards are just a few of the wonderful gifts baptism brings. When we make decisions based on things such as these core Gospel truths we really act as Christ himself, revealing to others the new creations that we are. This is how we live our baptism.

It is difficult to walk against the tide. Yet, that is precisely what baptism calls us to do. Although we are sinners, in need of mercy and far from perfection we are called to order our life and make decisions based upon the wisdom and guidance of Almighty God. He alone is the one who can claim us as His sons and daughters. Standing up for our principles will not make us popular. But who ever said Christianity is a popularity contest? Baptism calls us to stand up for that which goes against the grain of secularism. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor to steady us in the tempests of life and God is very pleased. Forge ahead. There is nothing to fear.

Gospel Meditations

2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

January 16, 2022

God delights in you. How do you feel when you hear that? Delight usually comes with an exuberant flow of joy that seemingly arises from one's toes with the expression of great glee. Reflecting upon the deep measure of joy God has in us can be a source of joy for ourselves. Delight is infectious. A very young brother and sister were playing on the beach when the all too familiar ice cream truck made its daily rounds. The boy shook with excitement and delight as he took his sister's hand and exclaimed, "The ice cream man is here, isn't it great!" As they ran off toward the truck, one could hear the girl reply, "Yeah, I can't wait!" The experience of a child's delight in something so simple as ice cream, lifts our spirits from our burdens and transports us to the lighter, more innocent side of life.

Life is not meant to be a burden. Believe it or not, God actually wants us to be happy! In fact, the wedding feast at Cana shows us that God even puts His blessing on our happiness. It is okay to celebrate the wonder of ourselves and others. Life is good. It is always interesting to note that Jesus saves the good wine until last. You would think it would be the other way around. The superb quality of Jesus' wine points to the superior quality of life we find in Christ. It is not a life of burdens but a life of wonder and delight! In Christ, we are lifted from the superficial and mundane to a life of purpose, hope, and love.

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Weekend Mass Schedule

(All Masses open to the public.)

Saturdays	4:00 PM	Anticipatory Mass for Sunday
Sundays	8:00 AM	Sunday Mass
	10:00 AM	Sunday Mass*
	12:00 Noon	Sunday Mass

*Also live streamed for those at home on our Facebook and Youtube:
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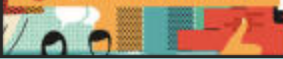
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