



St. Elizabeth Roman Catholic Parish

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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time January 29, 2023



Five of the eight baptisms we had last weekend ...a blessing of growth indeed!

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday 12:15 pm

Tuesday 7:15 am

Wed 7:15 am

Friday 12:15 pm

Saturday 8:15 am

Holy Hour

Monday & Friday

12:45-1:45 pm

Confessions

Saturday

8:45 am

*4th Sunday of the month
Filipino Mass at 4:00 PM*

Sat. Vigil

4:00 pm

Sunday

7:30 am

10:00 am

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Sunday Mass will be live streamed at 10:00 AM
through Facebook and posted after on the website.

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NOTES FROM FR. ROGER

MENSAJES DE PADRE ROGER

Parish Lenten Opportunity: Break Open and Share the Word of God. Do you know the differences in the story of Jesus' passion as told in each of the gospels? Are you called to reflect more deeply on God's Word? Join us on Zoom for Sunday evenings in Lent: Feb 26th, March 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th and April 2nd from 6:30-7:45. Email parishioner Jo-Ann Baca at joannbaca@gmail.com to register and receive the Zoom link.

This year we will be bringing back our Pass the Word Discernment Program for those young men who may be interested in learning more about diocesan priesthood.

The Vocations Office will sponsor this day of prayer and discernment on Thursday, March 16, 2023, at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in Bear, DE. Bishop Koenig, many of our priests and our 9 seminarians will spend the day with the invited participants sharing experiences of the missionary zeal that drives the priestly heart in the 21st century.

PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE

Thursday, March 16, 2023

9:30 am Buses arrive

Welcome and Distribute Name Tags

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church Bear DE

10:00 am

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Very Rev. Norman Carroll, Director of Vocations

Most Rev. William Koenig, D.D., Bishop

10:10 am

Welcome to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

a little history

10:30 am Mass

Most Rev. William Koenig, Main Celebrant

Rev. Richard Jasper, Homilist

11:45 am

Lunch Provided by parish

12:30 pm

Presentations/Discussion/Small Groups

2:00 pm

Prayer (Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction)

Most Rev. William Koenig, Bishop

2:30 pm Closing & Dismissal

Rev. Norman Carroll

Rev. Richard Jasper

STEWARDSHIP + OFFERTORY

January 22		\$5,569.00
Online		\$2,169.50
Total		\$7,738.50

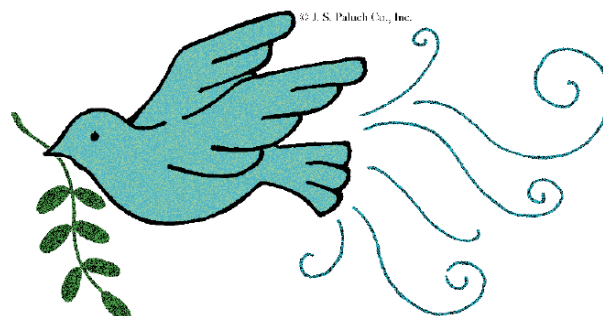
MASS INTENTIONS 1/28-2/5

Sat	4:00 pm	Nancy Sammons People of the Parish
Sun	7:30 am	Sr. Ann Miller, OSB
	10:00 am	Matthew Mairs (15th Anniversary) Judy M. McLaughlin
Mon	12:15 pm	Ana Ortiz
Tues	7:15 am	Joe & Betty Oboryshko
Wed	7:15 am	Paul & Betty Sullivan
Fri	12:15 pm	Jim Dallas Daniel F., Marguerite, and Danny O'Donnell
Sat	8:15 am	Judy McLaughlin
	4:00 pm	Stanialaus & Anna Rutkowski
Sun	7:30 am	Alice Soja People of the Parish
	10:00 am	Barbara Hall Pat Nagle

Mass cards are available in the Parish Office
Celebrated in the parish—\$10 Offering
Celebrated outside the parish—\$10 Offering

Please call or visit the parish office
to inquire about dates.

Masses can be said for birthday's, anniversaries,
special intentions, etc.



*Commemorative Candles
for the week of January 29*

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Pray for...



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Please notify the office
of changes in yours or a
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that we might properly
focus our prayers.

Doris Wilds
Jack McDermott, III
Herman McDermott
Kathleen Matarese
Darlene Bargelski
Joseph Korup
Margaret Wertz
Maryann Berry
Tab Smith
Debbie Buchler
Harry Bargelski, Jr.
Jolynn Maniscalco
Anne Marie McLaughlin
James Creedon
Jack McDermott, I
Claudette Bargelski

LIVESTREAM HELP WANTED

Would you be interested
in livestreaming the
10:00 AM mass?
Please reach out
to Deacon Ken
Email:
kenneth.pulliam@comcast.net
or text: 302-584-5434



ST. ELIZABETH DEVOTION

Every month we have our St. Elizabeth Devotion. It is a time to gather in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, to encounter the Word, Benediction, and the St. Elizabeth Prayer, Litany and Hymn. We celebrate this devotion to honor our patroness, to learn from her story and to strengthen us to be a community that stands up for life as Elizabeth did.

Join us the first Monday of each month at 6:00 PM.

There is a Blessing of the Child in the Womb at the conclusion. If you have received the good news that you are pregnant, come for the blessing.

We welcome through Baptism

Landon John Kiser

son of Timothy & Allie (Woodard) Kiser

Joseph Anthony Kokoszka, III

son of Joseph & Danielle Kokoszka

Peyton Michelle Donley

daughter of Brin & Jennifer Donley

Kade Anthony Finner

son of Kevin & Angela Finner

Madelyn Jo Menge

daughter of Geoffrey Menge & Sara Montague

Anthony Robert Noble

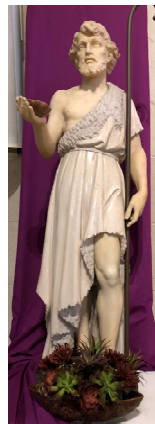
son of Shawn & Alyssa (Faraone) Noble

Rylee Jennifer Steen

daughter of Michael & Meghan (Coen) Steen

Lucas Liam Murray

son of Keegan Murray & Emily Abernathy



SACRAMENTS



The **Sacrament of Reconciliation** will be offered on Saturday morning after the 8:15 AM mass, at 8:45.

The **Anointing of the Sick** may be requested after mass if you are preparing for surgery. "Last Rites" can always be requested at home or at the hospital. It is best to do so when the person is still able to participate in the prayer.

Funerals - Funeral directors will contact the church and make arrangements for you. Visitations in church are at the pastor's discretion and parish membership. Eulogies in church are discouraged by Diocesan Policy.

Weddings - Call for scheduling and PreCana. Couples should contact the parish at least 1 year in advance.

Baptisms - Baptisms will be celebrated on the 2nd and 4th Sundays at 11:00 AM. Please attend the 10:00 AM mass. Families should register in the parish. Discuss dates with Lisa in the parish office when you are ready. Participation in one preparation session is required. This can be done before the birth of your child.

SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY FOOD DRIVE

FEBRUARY 11th & 12th 2023



On Saturday, February 11th and Sunday, February 12th there will be a Nonperishable Food & Household Items Drive at all Masses. Items needed: soup, pasta products and sauces, cereal, stews, tuna, jelly, rice, beans, peanut butter, coffee, tea bags, juices, canned fruit, soap, tooth paste, toilet tissue and laundry

detergent. Monetary Donations accepted and used to purchase supplies to provide, prepare and serve lunch at Emmanuel Dining Room by Monsignor Grant Council on the 31st of each month with 31 days. Please make checks payable to: Monsignor Grant Council KofC. All contributions will be gratefully appreciated.

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LITURGY

MUSIC MINISTRY

Marion Jacob
Director

mjacob@steparish.org

Jean Scalessa
Funeral Coordinator

jeanscalessa@gmail.com



Are you in 4th grade or above and interested in being an altar server at Sunday Mass? If you are, let Fr. Roger or our seminarian, Brooks, know and we can set up a training session and begin as a crossbearer to observe.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

(302) 652-3626

Religious Ed. classes (Grades 1-8)
Sundays from 9:00-9:50 & 10:00 AM mass

Barbara Maddams, Coordinator
Eileen Lisowski, Sacramental Prep

OUTREACH

Outreach is aware that one of the biggest problems facing some members of our community is food insecurity. If you or someone you know is having trouble feeding their family please call 652-3626 and leave us a message by selecting the Outreach option. Please leave your name, phone number and best time to reach you.

VOCATION REFLECTION

Pray that all those discerning a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life will find encouragement through our prayers and sacrifices on their behalf. **If you think God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, religious brother or sister, contact Fr. Carroll. 302-573-3113,**

www.cdow.org/vocations

or vocations@cdow.org.

Check out the new Facebook page

"Vocations Diocese of Wilmington"



"DID YOU KNOW..."

...we all have a "vocation"? The way we live our life is our vocation - Marriage, Priesthood, Religious life or the Single life! It is how YOU are meant to live and contribute to the Body of Christ! Pray for discernment of your call.

WORD OF LIFE

Many people are unaware that someone they know personally is silently suffering from participation in abortion. If a friend confided in you tomorrow that she had an abortion, would you be able to respond in a way that brings her closer to healing? Learn how in "How to Talk to a Friend Who's Had an Abortion": <http://bit.ly/friend-had-abortion>

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

PRAYER TO ST. ELIZABETH

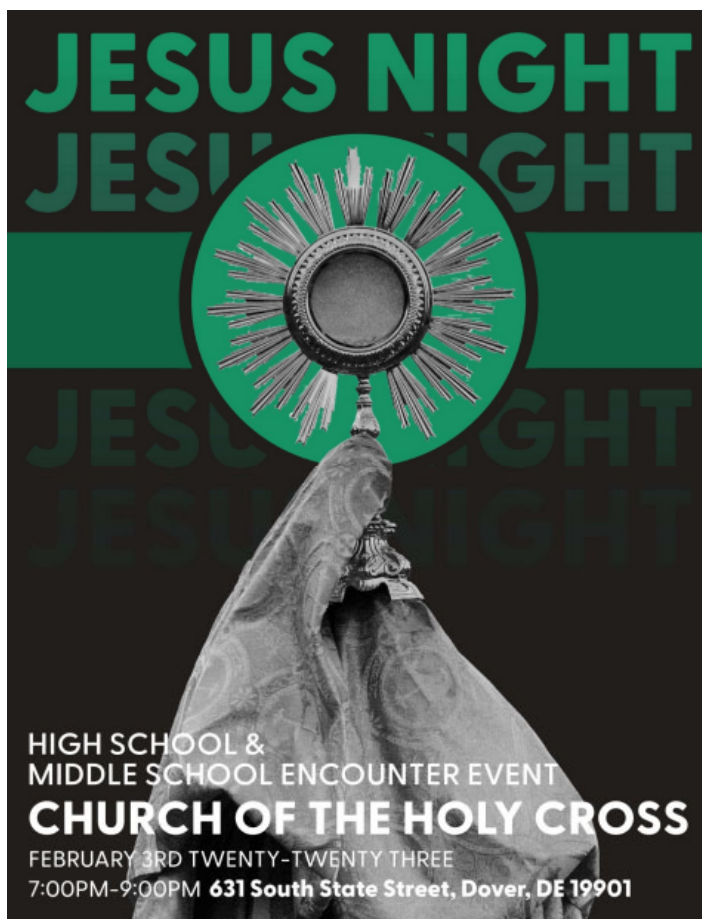
O glorious St. Elizabeth,
beloved friend and relative of Mary, Mother of God,
Mother of the great herald of Christ, St. John the Baptist,
and patroness of our parish,
we come before you and ask that you help us to obtain
the wish nearest our heart.

Grant O God,
that we may ever be faithful followers of St. Elizabeth;
that our homes, like hers,
may be filled with the Holy Spirit;
that our feet, like hers,
may walk in the ways of the Lord;
and that our lips, like hers,
may ever break forth in triumphant song
to give the frightened Mary
affirmation and confidence:
"Blessed art you among women
and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus".

We ask this prayer through our patroness Elizabeth
and through the example of the passion
and death of Christ our Lord.

Amen

Original Text: Fr. William Temple, 1st Pastor, 1908-1940
Adaptations 2009: Fr. Norm Carroll, 7th Pastor, 2009-2022



You're Invited! Jesus Night – Friday, February 3, 2023; Holy Cross, Dover, DE. CYM welcomes Damascus Camp as we celebrate a night of fellowship, fun, witness, and worship. This first-time event in the Diocese of Wilmington will be a beautiful way to enter more deeply into reflection on Jesus, truly present in the Eucharist, especially during the ongoing National Eucharistic Revival. For students in grades 6 through 12, plus parents and ministry leaders. Register Here: <https://www.cdowcym.org/events/detail/damascus-camps-jesus-night>

HELP WANTED

The Benedictine Sisters of St. Gertrude Monastery, Newark, DE 25 Gender Road are in need of a full-time cook for 12 Sisters. This would involve preparing lunch and dinner for the Sisters. The approximate hours would be from 10:30 a.m. to 6:30p.m. The schedule would vary from week to week. If you are interested, please contact Heidi Christopher at 410-829-8873 or 302-414-8076 between 7 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.



RETRouvaille

Rediscover the Love in Your Marriage

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program begins the weekend of February 10 - 12, 2023 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.



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DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Bishop William E. Koenig invites all couples celebrating their 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th wedding anniversary, or any anniversary beyond 50th, to the Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass being held on World Marriage Sunday, February 12, 2023, at 1 pm at Saint Margaret of Scotland Church in Newark, Delaware. The Mass coincides with National Marriage Week, February 7 through 12.

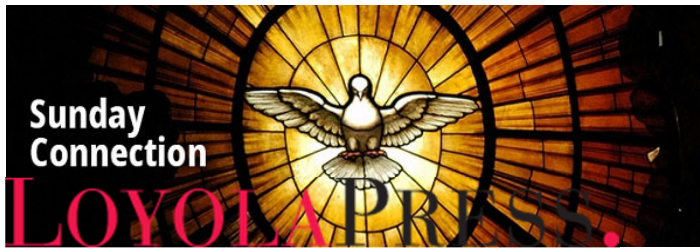
The Bishop will be available for photos with interested couples beginning at 12:00 noon and again after the Mass. If you would like to have a photo taken with Bishop Koenig, please arrive at 12:00 pm or plan to stay after Mass. There is no cost to you, however reservations are required. Please make your reservations by January 30th.

This year, you can register by clicking on <https://cdow.coursetorm.com/category/family-life-events> or by calling the office at 302-295-0657.

For more information, please contact the Office for Marriage and Family Life 302-295-0657 or OMFL@cdow.org

BASKET AUCTION

Delaware State Columbiettes will be hosting their annual Basket Auction on Sunday, February 26th from 1:00 to 4:00 PM at the Parish Life Center, Holy Cross Church, South State Street in Dover, Delaware. Tickets are \$25.00 per person to include a buffet dinner, desert, coffee and ice tea. Please respond by Saturday, February 18th to Mary Jane Deni, 69 Comanche Circle, Millsboro, DE 19966, 302 841 8831 (diamondmj@aol.com). There will be many fabulous gifts as well as a raffle with three great prizes.



This Sunday's Readings

First Reading: *Zephaniah 2:3, 3:12-13*

There will be a people who remain sheltered from God's anger.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalm 146:6-10*

The Lord is faithful forever.

Second Reading: *1 Corinthians 1:26-31*

God chooses the weak to show his power.

Gospel Reading: *Matthew 5:1-12a*

Jesus teaches what it means to be happy.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's reading is the beginning of Jesus' Sermon on the Mount, which is found in Matthew's Gospel. The form of the Beatitudes found here is not unique to Jesus. Beatitudes are found in the Old Testament, in the psalms, and in wisdom literature, for example. They are a way to teach about who will find favor with God.

We quickly note in this reading that the people whom Jesus calls "blessed" and "happy" are not people we think of as blessed or happy . . . the poor in spirit, the meek, the persecuted. This Gospel is one of reversals. Jesus' blueprint for happiness reflects little of what the world might call happiness.

"Blessed" is sometimes translated as happy, fortunate, or favored. In other words, Jesus is saying that divine favor is upon those who are poor, those who mourn, those who are persecuted. This news might have been welcome—and surprising—to the crowds who heard Jesus that day.

The Beatitudes can be understood as a framework for Christian living. Our vocation as Christians is not to be first in this world, but rather to be first in the eyes of God. By referring to the good things that the faithful will experience, Matthew reminds us that those who act in the manner described in the Beatitudes will find their reward with God.

Family Connection

Today's Gospel offers a contrast to many of the messages we hear in our society today. If we were to accept uncritically the "get ahead" messages of our culture, we would think that happiness means having money, being successful, having many possessions, and so on. When we think this way, we are not unlike the people who heard Jesus teach on the day that he taught the Beatitudes. The crowd that day also associated happiness with material possessions and status.

Talk as a family about what it means to be happy or to be blessed. Make a list of traits that you would associate with a happy person. Then read together today's Gospel, Matthew 5:1-12a. Reflect on Jesus' description of happiness. Think about what each of the Beatitudes might have in common and write a family summary of the Beatitudes. Post the summary in a special place as a reminder of what your family will consider "true happiness."

Conclude by praying together prayers of petition based on the Beatitudes, e.g., "We pray that we will be peacemakers who seek to get along with other people even when this is difficult. We pray to the Lord." All respond: "Lord, hear our prayer."



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ST. ELIZABETH SCHOOL NEWS

Open House Dates for Pre-K3 - 8th grades:

Sunday, January 29th 11am-1pm

Monday, January 30th 5-7pm

Wednesday, February 1st 8:30-10:30am

Pre-registration is encouraged. <https://www.steschools.org/admissions>



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St Elizabeth High School

9th-12th grade

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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2023

Save the Date: January 29 to February 4, 2023

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As communities of faith, Catholic schools instill in students their destiny to become saints. Academic excellence is the hallmark of Catholic education intentionally directed to the growth of the whole person – mind, body and spirit. Finally, service is fundamental to Catholic education and the core of Catholic discipleship. Service is intended to help form people who are not only witnesses to Catholic social teaching, but also active participants through social learning.

Want to find out more about St. Elizabeth School? Contact Mrs. Christina Nottingham, Director of Admissions at 302-656-3369, ext. 3039 or cnottingham@viking.pvt.k12.de.us for more information and a tour of our campus. Through the generosity of our benefactors, Financial Aid is available for those who qualify. Come see what St. E can offer your family!



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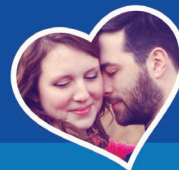


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