



ST. ELIZABETH - ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

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OCTOBER 12TH 2025



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".

ORIGINAL TEXT:
FR. WILLIAM TEMPLE, 1ST PASTOR 1908-1940

MASS SCHEDULE

PARISH OFFICE - WEDNESDAY, 9AM-3PM
ALL OTHER TIMES BY APPOINTMENT.

SAT. VIGIL

4:00 PM

MONDAY 12:15 PM
TUESDAY 7:15 AM
WED 7:15 AM
FRIDAY 12:15 PM
SATURDAY 8:15 AM

SUNDAY

7:30 AM

10:00 AM

CONFESSIONS
SATURDAY
8:45 AM

HOLY HOUR
MON & FRI
12:45-1:45 PM

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4TH SUNDAY OF THE MONTH FILIPINO MASS AT 4:00 PM

SUNDAY MASS WILL BE LIVE STREAMED AT 10 AM ON YOUTUBE AND POSTED ON FACEBOOK FOLLOWING THE MASS.

OCTOBER 12TH 2025 - 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Catholic Diocese of Wilmington

THE CITY DEANERY

CATHEDRAL OF ST. PETER | ST. ANN | ST. ANTHONY OF
PADUA | **ST. ELIZABETH** | ST. HEDWIG | ST. JOSEPH | ST.
MARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
ST. PATRICK | ST. PAUL | ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

NOTES FROM FR. ROGER

MENSAJES DE PADRE ROGER

St. Elizabeth Parish School has a 118 year history.
The educational journey continues forward.
You are welcomed and invited to be part of our
future.



**THE OPEN HOUSE FOR
HIGH SCHOOL IS:
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND
12:00PM TO 3:00PM**

The primary purpose of Catholic schools is a
faith-based, holistic education that integrates
spiritual formation, academic excellence, and
character development, leading students to a
knowledge of God and a life of virtue and service
to others. Catholic schools provide an
environment for faith to mature, fostering virtues
like humility, wisdom, and compassion while
promoting social responsibility and preparing
students for both a professional life and the
deeper purpose of contributing positively to
society.

*Our Spirituality is formed by a Benedictine
Tradition, to honor the Religious Sisters who founded
the school and taught here for over 100 years.*

*Fraternally,
Fr. Roger*

MASS INTENTIONS 10/12-10/19

SAT	4:00 PM	ROBERT BORS
SUN	7:30 AM	HOWARD P. WEST, III
	10:00 AM	RANDY PIEKARSKI
MON	12:15 PM	JOSEPH STEPHANO
TUES	7:15 AM	ALL DECEASED ST. E ALUMNI
WED	7:15 AM	JOSEPH STEPHANO
FRI	12:15 PM	RAYMOND J. PIEKARSKI, JR.
SAT	8:15 AM	STEPHEN PARISI, JR.
	4:00 PM	STEVE SANNA & PHYLLIS SANNA
SUN	7:30 AM	GRACE MOORE
	10:00 AM	ELIZABETH BLAKELY LUCEY

MASS CARDS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE PARISH OFFICE, 1500 CEDAR
STREET.
\$10 OFFERING ENCOURAGED - MASSES CAN BE SAID FOR THE
DECEASED, BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, SPECIAL INTENTIONS, ETC.
+ PLEASE CALL OR VISIT THE PARISH OFFICE TO INQUIRE ABOUT
AVAILABLE DATES.

STEWARDSHIP + OFFERTORY

PARISH COLLECTIONS 10/5/2025 - \$6,726.00

ONLINE GIVING 10/5/2025 - \$4,836.50



Weekly Offertory

Using your phone's
camera, focus on
the square below
and then click on
yellow text.





HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?

WE ARE ALWAYS AVAILABLE TO PRAY FOR YOU AND YOUR INTENTIONS.

PRAYER INTENTIONS CAN BE RECEIVED BY PHONE, OR EMAILED DIRECTLY TO THE PARISH OFFICE:
OFFICE@STEPARISH.ORG

ST. ELIZABETH DEVOTION



St. Elizabeth Devotion is a time to gather in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

We will celebrate the **Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick**, listen within the Liturgy of the Word, followed by prayers to St. Elizabeth and Eucharistic Benediction.

Additionally, there will be a special blessing for expectant mothers.

Please join us Monday, November 3rd at 6:00 PM.

1,000 HAIL MARYS DEVOTION

Please join us on the last Saturday of the month to pray the Devotion of the Thousand Hail Marys, starting at 9:00 am (after the 8:15 mass). This devotion takes about 5 hours, however you do not need to be able to stay the entire time. Light refreshments are provided. Consider praying with us for all your personal intentions.

HOMEBOUND & SICK MINISTRY

Reminder: Many of our parishioners are homebound, or ill, and unable to attend Mass. The reception of the Eucharist is essential to our spiritual lives as Catholics. Please call the parish office if you or someone you love is in need of the distribution of Holy Communion, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, or the Anointing of the Sick. It gives us great joy to minister to our parish family in this way.



SACRAMENTS

The **Sacrament of Reconciliation** will be offered on Saturday mornings after the 8:15 AM Mass.

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 on your behalf.

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 11:15 AM. Please attend the 10:00 AM Mass. Discuss dates with the parish office when you are ready. Participation in one preparation session is required. This can be done before the birth of your child.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Religious Education (302) 652-3626

Classes (Grades 1-7) are held on Sunday mornings from 9:00 AM - 9:50 AM, prior to the 10:00 AM Mass.

Coordinator: Barbara Maddams

Confirmation Prep: Karen Donovan

LITURGY

Music Ministry

Marion Jacob (Director) mjacob@steparish.org

Altar Serving

4th Grade & Up: This is a ministry that is always needed! Interested children, please have a parent or guardian contact the Parish Office to arrange training sessions.

LEGION OF MARY CHAPTER

We would like to extend an open invitation to all the men and women of our parish to our weekly Meetings Saturdays at 9 a.m. in the Church's Altar Server Sacristy. If you are interested, please contact Deacon Ken at the parish office: 302-652-3626. We look forward to praying with you.



FAITH & CHARITY

CATHOLIC APPEAL

Since 1976, the Annual Catholic Appeal has been a unified effort in which all parishioners are asked to provide critical, financial support to nearly forty diocesan ministries that provide for the spiritual emotional and physical needs of the community. This year, the appeal will be called the Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal. We are all united by our faith and called to charity. Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal funds are the major financial source available to support these vital ministries.

For more information on the Appeal, or to arrange a contribution electronically, please visit the Faith and Charity Appeal homepage: : <https://cdow.org/ministries/development-office/faith-and-charity-catholic-appeal/>



**STEPPING INTO HOPE:
JOIN US FOR
THE 2025 BISHOP'S 5K &
FAMILY FUN DAY!**

Get ready for a morning of faith, family, and fun!
Saturday, November 22, at St. Mark's High School.
• 8:00 AM: Registration & bib pick-up
• 9:00 AM: Race start

All ages and fitness levels are welcome—run, walk, or cheer! Enjoy complimentary snacks, pizza, water, face painting for children, and family games. Learn more about the life-changing programs of Catholic Charities and see how your support impacts our community every day.

We'll also be collecting food for our "Stock the Pantry" initiative—please bring a non-perishable canned food donation and join our Catholic Charities team in serving those in need.

SCAN THE QR CODE
TO REGISTER
OR DONATE TODAY!



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WILMINGTON"
Check out the page, and give us a
Follow and a Like. See you there!

READINGS FOR OCTOBER 12TH 2025

1st Reading: 2 Kings 5:14-17

Responsorial: Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4

2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-13

Alleluia: 1 Thessalonians 5:18

Gospel: Luke 17:11-19



COMMEMORATIVE CANDLES

Candles are always available to be lit inside of the church to honor a loved one or remember a special personal intention. The suggested offering is \$10, cards are available upon request.



October is dedicated as the Month of the Holy Rosary in the Catholic Church to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary and encourage the faithful to pray the rosary. The custom was established by Pope Leo XIII in 1884 to seek Mary's intercession during times of trial for the Church. October also includes the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary on the 7th, which commemorates the Christian victory at the Battle of Lepanto in 1571, attributed to Mary's intercession and the praying of the rosary.



RESPECT LIFE MONTH

October 2025

Birthright's Annual Bottles for Babies Fundraiser

Throughout the whole month of October, "Respect Life Month," Birthright of Delaware hosts its Annual Bottles for Babies Fundraiser.



The weekends of October, baby bottles will be distributed after all the Masses. We ask you to please take as many bottles as you would like and/or give it to a loved one.

Fill the bottle with loose change, cash or a check then please read the insert, fill it out as neatly as possible (if you chose to do so for a Tax credit)! Return the bottle(s) at the end of October or sooner whether filled or empty.

Proceeds benefit pregnant women and their families. On behalf of our mothers, Birthright staff and volunteers, we graciously Thank You!

Footprints Mass

Join us in October, Respect Life Month, for the Annual Footprints Mass. The Mass will be held on Sunday, October 19, 2025, at 9:30am at St. John the Beloved Church in Wilmington, DE. A special invitation is extended to parents, grandparents, and siblings who grieve the death of a child as a result of miscarriage, stillbirth, abortion or early infant death. The loss may be recent or many years ago. As a Catholic community, all are welcomed to join us in prayerful support at this special healing Mass at St. John the Beloved. It is a time when we come together to remember those who died too soon. Sponsored by the Offices for Marriage and Family Life and Respect Life of the Diocese of Wilmington.

ON THIS WEEK'S EPISODE OF CATHOLIC FORUM

LEARN ABOUT THE DIOCESE OF WILMINGTON'S CATHOLIC CEMETERIES WITH EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MICHELE LINDER.

PODCAST & VIDEO PREMIERS

OCT. 15, 2025 @ 12:00 P.M.

AIRS ON

RELEVANT RADIO 640

OCT. 18, 2025 @ 1:30 P.M.



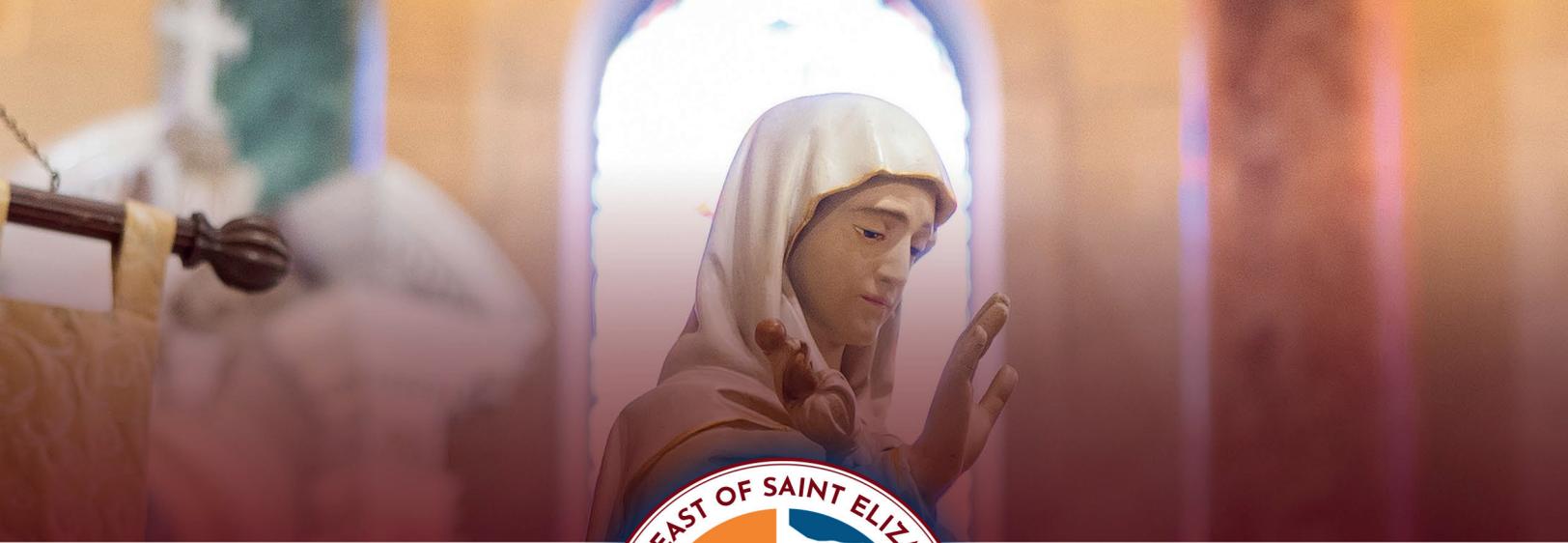
Listen to The Catholic Forum each week!

This week, meet Michele Linder, Executive Director of Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Wilmington.

The Catholic Forum podcast on Apple, Spotify, iHeartRadio, Amazon Music podcasts and YouTube.com/DiocesefofWilm debuts every Wednesday at 12:00 p.m.; and on Relevant Radio 640 every Saturday afternoon at 1:30.

More information is available at cdow.org/CatholicForum and [FaceBook.com/CatholicForum](https://www.facebook.com/CatholicForum).





The 13th Annual Feast of Saint Elizabeth

A Celebration of our Patroness, our Parish
Heritage and our Faith Community

Sunday, November 2, 2025

Musical Prelude & Procession Formation

9:30 a.m.

Mass

10:00 a.m.

Light refreshments will be served after Mass.

For more information: † 302.652.3626 † www.steparish.org



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In honor of the devotion to The Holy Rosary we remember during the month of October, here are a few suggestions for helping children to learn to pray the rosary - both at school with classmates or at home with family.

1. Prepare a handout with the words of the prayers they will need. Even if they know the prayers, it is helpful for them to see the words in front of them in the beginning.
2. Go over the mechanics of praying the rosary; which prayers, when and how many times. You can also use a handout with a diagram of the rosary and the prayers listed.
3. Explain that we pray the rosary at the urging of our Heavenly Mother and that our purpose is to meditate on the mysteries of Jesus' Life, Death and Resurrection. It can be helpful to have a book with the pictures and description of the scripture to pray with each decade.
4. Before handing out rosaries, instruct the children about the proper respect and reverence we show toward any sacramental, especially a rosary.
5. Devise a way for the children to take turns reciting the prayers: go around the room with each prayer for a different child, or have one child recite all 10 Hail Mary's in a row.
6. Take it slow. Answer questions, offer explanations as needed. Some of the children will be very familiar with the prayers and the rosary and for others, this might be their first real introduction.
7. Only pray as much or as little as works for your children and their ages!
8. Pray for patience and guidance and invite the Holy Spirit to guide your instruction.



With the school year well underway, St. Elizabeth School is alive with energy and purpose. From athletic events and theater productions to school-wide activities, our students are already sharing their God-given gifts in many ways. We invite all families to stay connected, support our community, and join us in giving thanks for a year filled with faith, learning, and growth. Thank you for your continued prayers!

St. Benedict, pray for us. +