



St. Elizabeth of Hungary CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Office Hours: Tuesday-Friday 8:30 am-5:00 pm, lunch from 12:00pm until 12:30pm, and by appointment

Clergy: Pastoral Administrator: Rev. Emmett Hall

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Francis Nwizu Deacon: Deacon Paul Williams Seminarian: Ben Chavez

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Maria Longoria Chavez: Business Manager Elizabeth Seidemann: Parish Catechetical Leader,

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MASSES

Sunday Eucharist: Saturday Anticipatory, 5:00 pm and Sunday 8:00 am10:00 am and 12 Noon

Daily Eucharist: Holy Mass celebrated on Monday to

Saturday at 8:00 am

Confession: Saturday 3:30 - 4:30 PM and by appointment

ADORATION

First Friday: Eucharistic Adoration is from 10:00 am-7:00 pm ending with Benediction.

All Other Fridays: Eucharistic Adoration from 6:00 pm—7:00 pm ending with Benediction.

Mass Intentions and Sanctuary Candle: Please call Bertha at x221 or office@stelizabethdallas.org to arrange for these.

General Information for a Mass, Building Rental or Room Usage: Please speak with Bertha at x221 or office@stelizabethdallas.org.

Business Office and Tithing Questions including Credit Card Drafts, Prepays, Altar Flowers and Online Giving: Please contact Maria Chavez at (469) 697-6774 or mchavez@stelizabethdallas.org or Bertha at x233 or office@stelizabethdallas.org.

Material Assistance: St. Vincent de Paul Society at 469-418-0871 or svdpseoh@currently.com; Oak Cliff Churches for Emergency Aid located at 123 S. Llewellyn Ave., Dallas TX; No Aid available at the parish office.

Baptism: Parents are to call Bertha at x221 or email office@stelizabethdallas.org to schedule an appointment for the Baptismal class. Both parents and godparents are required to take the class. These classes are held in our parish on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 10:00-11:30 AM in the Grahmann Center. Only after the class and all documentation is received, may a baptismal time will be scheduled.

Evangelization: Children and Teen Formation: We provide a total formation program for Catholics from Pre-4 to Adult. For information on the Children's Program held on Sunday morning or the High School Program please call Elizabeth at (469) 697-6775 or eseidemann@stelizabethdallas.org. This office works with Vacation Bible School, Young Adults Formation and RCIA for Children and Teens which is mandatory for students over 7yrs who wish to become Catholic.

RCIA (Adult): If you are over 18 and wish to become a Catholic, or are wanting to complete, as an adult, the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation please call our director, Estella Castillo at 214-725-2100 to schedule an appointment to prepare you for classes that will begin in September. Classes are held on Wednesday Evenings at 7:00 pm.

Quinceañera: A Quinceañera blessing may be given at the end of a regular weekend Mass. These should be scheduled at least one month in advance. Please contact Fr. Emmett or Fr. Francis at 214-331-4328 for further information.

Marriage: Please call the parish at least 8 months previous to the date you wish to celebrate your marriage so that the required formation required by the diocese can be completed. Please contact Elizabeth Seidemann to begin your process of formation toward your marriage. Please note that marriage issues in the Catholic Church must all be completed before the Sacrament can be celebrated in a Catholic Church. Please call Elizabeth at (469) 697-6775 or eseidemann@stelizabethdallas.org for information.

Anointing of the Sick and Homebound Ministry: The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is administered by appointment. Please call the office to make arrangements. For extended needs for communion at home please call the office for further information.

Funerals: Before making arrangements, please contact our funeral coordinator, Cliff Thompson at the office: (469) 697-6778, Cell: (214) 558-0719, or Email: cthompson@stelizabethdallas.org.

Liturgical Ministries:

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors and Altar Servers, please call Deacon Paul Williams at (469) 901-8138 or email at: paulwilliams4015@gmail.com
Ushers: please call Michael Rangel at 469-855-2943.

St Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic School: Jennifer Borth, Principal 214-331-5139 http://www.saintspride.com

Project Gabriel: If you are pregnant and are considering terminating your pregnancy, let us help you choose life for your child! Call 469- 602-HELP (4357) or White Rose: (972) BABY -DUE.

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

From the Desk of the Parochial Vicar



As this happens to be the first reflection I am doing for our parish, I think it's good to begin it with a brief introduction of myself. My name is Fr. Francis Nwizu, a priest of the Catholic Diocese of Nnewi in Anambra State of Nigeria. I was ordained a priest on the 10th of July 2010. Before moving to Dal-

las in May 2023, I was engaged in parish ministry in Nigeria from 2010 to 2021, and master's degree program in Canada from 2021 to 2023. I am very grateful to Bishop Edward J. Burns for appointing me to St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish in Dallas, and for allowing me to help Fr. Emmett Hall in ministering to you, the good people of St. Elizabeth Parish. Thank you for the warm welcome.

My reflection is based on the readings of the 15th Sunday in ordinary time, Year A. The prophet Isaiah emphasizes that the word of God does not return to God without fulfilling the purpose for which it was sent (Is. 55:10-11). God transforms us through his word, but only to the extent that we cooperate with him. This is another fact that Jesus opens to us in the gospel pericope. Jesus illustrates the reason for fruitfulness or sterility of God's word. This word is God (Jn 1:1), who became flesh and lived among us (Jn. 1:14). One thing is certain here – the seed (the word of God) and the farmer (God) remain the same and constant. God is constantly sowing the word, Jesus Christ, in our hearts, and those who welcome him in the rich soil of their hearts will experience abundant fruits.

Jesus enumerates the different type of hearts (soils) that receive him - the pathway, the rocky, the thorny, and the rich soil hearts. A pathway is walked on by passers-by and plundered by animals. Probably, if we keep watch over the seed, it will grow because a land not exposed to preys becomes soft and good, over a time, for planting. But if we do not pay attention to the word of God and create time for reading and praying with it, the devil will steal it from us. Rocky ground has little soil on it. Such persons have shallow spirituality. They may pray, fast, and frequent Church activities, while harbouring hatred, unforgiving spirit, anger, and ill feelings against another person. Such attitudes stifle authentic spirituality. Thorny hearts are preoccupied by worldly gains over heavenly gains. But if the things of God are your topmost priority, you will be fruitful in good works.

The rich soil pays attention to the word of God and creates time for reading and praying with the scripture. It forgives, loves, endures, believes, and is hopeful for an eternal reward, as seen in the second reading (Rom 8:18). The rich soil cultivates and values the things of God, and placing them above every other demands of life. Just as good soil is achieved by diligent works of weeding, ploughing, manuring and watering; in the same way our hearts must be prepared by weeding off sins, vices and sinful habits. It must be ploughed by having proper and right disposition towards the word of God. It must be manured and watered through prayerful meditations, fruitful and regular reception of the sacraments.

Fr. Francís

Stewardship

Attendance July 9, 2023

| 5:00 PM | 168 |
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| 8:00 AM | 125 |
| 10:00 AM | 296 |
| 12:00 PM | 261 |
| Total | 850 |

Teller Team Captain 07/16— Phil Barrilleaux Teller Team Captain 07/23— Tom Janik



WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, July 17

8:00 AM — † Poor Souls in Purgatory, by Annie & Raquel Fuentes.

Tuesday, July 18

8:00 AM — \$\Pi \text{ Sofia Castillo, by Javier & Mary Castillo.}

Wednesday, July 19

8:00 AM — Intention of Sylvia Clark, by Paul & Barbara McComb.

Thursday, July 20

8:00 AM — 🕆 Gloria Thompson, by Joe & Rosie Villegas.

Friday, July 21

8:00 AM— ♥ Fr. Alfredo Caro, by Maria Curiel.

Saturday, July 22

8:00 AM— ♥ Hilaria D. Rodrigues, by Joe & Rosie Villegas.

5:00 PM— **♣** Antonia Gallo.

Sunday, July 23

8:00 AM— ♥ Larry Carnes, by Carla Carnes.

10:00 AM — The People of the Parish.



12:00 PM— **♣** Jose R. Gonzalez, by the Gonzalez family.

The Sanctuary Light burns the intention of Arryan E. Boodram by Margaret G. White.

Scripture Study

Tuesdays 7-8 PM On Zoom

Scripture Study will be on Summer Break until July 31. We will resume classes on August 1 with 1st Corinthians

(For ZOOM information contact Elizabeth Seidemann in the Parish Office) Saint Jerome:

"The Scriptures are shallow enough for a babe to come and drink without fear of drowning and deep enough for theologians to swim in without ever reaching the bottom."



Blood Drive Sign-Up

Our parish Health Ministry will be hosting a Carter Blood Drive activity set for July 23, from 9:00 AM until 2:00 PM. There will be a sign-up sheet in the rear of the church the weekend of July 15-16. Your community blood

supply is experiencing its most prolonged period of a critical shortage in recent history. All blood types are needed, desperately, from all eligible blood donors. Hospital patients are in jeopardy of not receiving the transfusions they require and hospital executives are monitoring day-to-day their ability to provide a full scope of services, based on the day's blood inventory.



RCIA classes will be on Tuesday September 5, 2023 from 7:00-8:30 in the Grahmann Center. A light supper will be available before class begins. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a Catholic, completing sacraments, or is interested in learning more about our faith please call Estella Castillo at 214-725-2100 or email her at: estellacastillo1@gmail.com.

SYNOD 2024

(As we prepare for the synod in 2024, Bishop Burns has asked that Catholics in the diocese pray for the success of the synod and for the growth of the Catholic faith in our diocese.)

Good and gracious God, heavenly Father, we thank You for the wisdom and grace You have given us through Your Son, Jesus. Increase our faith so that we may hear the voice of our Good Shepherd and joyfully follow the path His love illuminates before us. As we prepare for the synod in the Diocese of Dallas, send forth anew the Holy Spirit to guide us. Grant that our vision and understanding may be enlightened as we discern the mission of this local church in our time, while never losing sight of Your will and our hope to be with You in heaven. We entrust this synod to the maternal care of our patroness, Our Lady of Guadalupe, who intercedes for us and accompanies us, and whose "yes" in love and faith we seek to imitate.

NEXT:

Diocesan Efficiency and Church Governance July 22, 2023. 10 AM - 1 PM Cathedral Guadalupe, - Register at *synod.cathdal.org* 2215 Ross Ave, Dallas, TX 75201

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The Diocese of Dallas values the safety of its parishioners and guests. It is the policy of the Diocese of Dallas that **firearms are not carried** on any property owned by the Diocese, its entities, or its parishes or schools.

Pursuant to Section 30.07, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with an openly carried handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter any property with a handgun that is carried openly. Unlicensed holders may not enter any property with a handgun that is carried openly.

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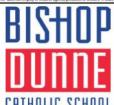
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