

CHURCH OF SAINT ELIZABETH

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 22, 2018





Pastor

Rev. Stephen Fichter

Parochial Vicars

Rev. Carlos Briceño Rev. Vincent D'Agostino

Deacon

Rev. Mr. Andrew Saunders

Pastoral Associate

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Youth Minister

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Music Ministry

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Lisa Tota

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Facilities Manager

Joseph Costanzo

Masses

Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 pm, 10:30 am,

12 noon & 6:15 pm

Saturday: 9:00 am & 5:00 pm (Anticipated)

Weekday: 7:00 am & 9:00 am

Reconciliation

Saturday: 12:30 pm

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My dear friends,

"If I can survive in Wyckoff, I can survive anywhere." This was what I told myself when I first arrived at St. Elizabeth's and realized how vibrant and large a parish it is. I had heard from seminarians and priests that there were a lot of things going on at St. Elizabeth's. There was a school attached to the parish as well as six weekend Masses scheduled. Along with many parish staff who work here to make the parish run as smoothly as possible, there were also three priests assigned and a permanent deacon.

I can remember the day I came by to visit the parish that I would be assigned to for the last year of my Seminary formation as a transitional deacon. I arrived five minutes late to the nine o'clock Mass thanks to the morning commute traffic and construction on Route 208, but Fr. Stephen waited for me to serve at the Mass and introduced me to the parishioners for the first time. I received the warmest welcome from everyone, and I realized that St. Elizabeth's was going to be a parish that I will forever remember with fond memories. I also had the chance to meet everyone at the parish center. My first and most important priority at St. Elizabeth's has been to remember as many faces and names as my aging brain would allow me to store without blowing a fuse. Following the three priests around taking care of all the parish ministries, I had the opportunity to meet so many wonderful and holy parishioners of St. E's.

I must admit when I first moved into the rectory, I did not know if I would be able to adjust to the life of the parish. It certainly was a huge difference from the Seminary life. Plus, one of the first things Fr. Stephen told me was that he would push me out of my comfort zone and told me to be like a sponge to absorb and learn as much as I could in the time I had at St. E's. But, before I could complain too much, my time at St. E's has come to a conclusion for the summer. I can now say not only did I survive but learned to appreciate everything and everyone I had the chance to encounter in the short one and a half months here.

If I may be so bold to ask a favor, please keep the priests, deacons and religious in your prayers that we may continue to strive to be perfected toward the image God desires of us, which is to be the humble instruments of God to bring people intimately closer to Him. I pray for your safe and blessed summer and will see you all again with a great big smile in September!

In Christ,

Deacon Steve Chun

NEWS AND EVENTS

Missionary Speaker: We welcome Father Leo Shea, a missionary from the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers, who will speak at all the Masses this weekend. Maryknoll is the popular name for the Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America, which was founded more that 100 years ago to follow Christ's command to preach the Gospel to all the nations. They serve principally among the poor and marginalized around the world.

Prayer Chain: Become a link in our prayer chain! Once a month a list of those who would like to be remembered in prayer will be mailed to you. The praying is done at home with respect for the confidentiality of those seeking prayer. With prayer, all things are possible. If you would like to join our prayer chain or have someone prayer for, please contact Lisa at the Parish Center 201-891-1122 ext. 211.

Angel Fund Update: The total now collected is \$20,855. Thank you to all our donors. Please consider a gift if you have not already donated. We are aiming to give Sacred Heart School \$50,000. They are relying on our support. Thank you for helping.

St. Elizabeth's Online Giving: If you are considering Online Giving, it is easy to enroll. Simply go to our website (www.saintelizabeths.org) and click on the Online Giving tab in the *How Can We Help* you section. This will take you to the Enrollment form in Parish Soft. If you have any questions, please contact Jack Polito at 201-891-122 ext. 202 or email at jtpolito@saintelizabeths.org.

COLLECTIONS FOR THE WEEK ENDING July 15th Offertory \$15,524 | Online \$3,642 | Total \$19,166

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 21 9:00 am Memorial Mass 5:00 pm Thomas Shelby, 1st Anniversary

Sunday, July 22
7:30 am People of the Parish
9:00 am Anne Boffa
10:30 am Mary Kocher
12:00 noon Michael Mazzola

Monday, July 23

6:15 pm Robert Natiello

7:00 am Lucrezia Porta 9:00 am Elizabeth Mac Callum

Tuesday, July 24 7:00 am Rev. Daniel Danik 9:00 am John Anthony Abate

Wednesday, July 25 7:00 am Carmen Giuffre 9:00 am John Cannizzo

Thursday, July 26 7:00 am Mark Sproha 9:00 am Ben Landel

Friday, July 27 7:00 am William Hanley 9:00 am Intentions for Carl Patrick Bolleia

Saturday, July 28 9:00 am Memorial Mass 5:00 pm Arlene LaDuca

Sunday, July 29

7:30 am Arlene LaDuca 9:00 am Winired Doran 10:30 am Joseph & Emily Shadiack 12:00 noon Alicia Madigan, 8th Anniversary 6:15 pm People of the Parish



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R.C.I.A. Rite of Christian Initiation of

Adults: RCIA is designed to welcome adults into our Catholic faith. Preparation is a year-long ongoing process culminating at the Easter Vigil Mass. The goal is to receive the Sacraments of Baptism (for non-Christians), Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist.



marriage encounter

IS RCIA FOR YOU or SOMEONE YOU KNOW?

Do you know someone or are you someone who is interested in becoming Catholic? Are you Catholic but have not yet received all of the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist)? The RCIA is a process of prayer, reflection, and learning that allows for the continual discernment of God's will in our lives. Candidates include:

- · Non-baptized adults, who wish to enter the Catholic Church.
- · Baptized adult Christians of another denomination (i.e. Lutheran, Anglican, Presbyterian), who wish to continue their Christian faith in the Catholic Church.
- · Adult baptized Catholics, who have not completed the Sacraments of Initiation (Holy Communion and/or Confirmation) and wish to do so.

Now is a great time to get information and find out more! For more information, please contact Father Vincent at 201-891-1122 ext. 209 or frvincent@saintelizabeths.org.

Next Marriage Encounter Weekend: Fr. Carlos is looking for 10 or more married couples from St. Elizabeth's who wish to make their marriages stronger to accompany him on a Marriage Encounter Weekend. Couples will rediscover the gift of each other and their call to love one another: "Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves." (Romans 12:10)

The emphasis of the weekend is on developing a communication technique that fosters a deep and intimate connection in a spirit of love and understanding. The weekend starts on Friday night September 28th at 8:00 pm and runs until Sunday, September 30th immediately after the Sunday Mass about 4:30pm. This weekend will take place in Morristown, NJ. A non-refundable application fee of \$50 confirms your place for the weekend. At the end of the weekend, each couple is given an envelope and asked to make a freewill donation. No one is ever refused the opportunity to make a weekend because of the lack of money.

Do not let this opportunity pass you by to enrich your marriage, no matter how long you have been together. To register go to http://www.wwme.org/find-a-weekend. Also, please contact our St. Elizabeth couple coordinator Sue Foy at 201-655-4036 to sign up on our parish list. For any other information contact Fr. Carlos at frcarlos@saintelizabeths.org.

Memorials for the Week of July 22nd

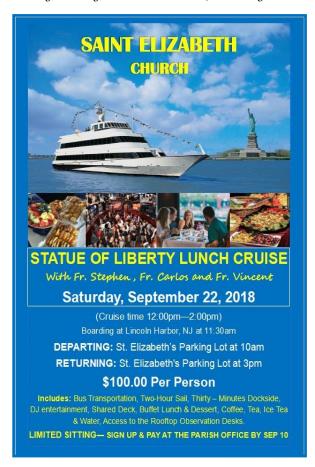
Flowers for the St. Elizabeth Shrine, In Memory of Mark Sproha, Given by The Carpentieri Family.

Flowers for the Holy Family Shrine, In Memory of William Kane, Given by The Carpentieri Family. **Movie Night:** Come join us as we watch the movie "The Case for Christ" to follow Lee Strobel's journey to solve the biggest mystery of all time. In 1980, Lee Strobel's award-winning, investigative reporting earned him a promotion to legal editor at the Chicago Tribune. Things at home aren't going nearly as well. His wife Leslie's newfound faith in Christ compels Lee to utilize his journalistic and legal training to try and disprove the claims of Christianity, pitting his resolute atheism against her growing faith.

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When: Tuesday, July 31 at Where: St. Elizabeth's Room Time: 7pm (1 Hour 53 Mins) Free Popcorn and water. All are welcome! (For more information contact Fr. Carlos)

Healing Mass: At Assumption Church, 29 Jefferson Avenue, Emerson on Friday, July 27, 7:30pm. Celebrant will be Rev. Paul Cannariato. Bring family, friends and neighbors who need healing. For more information, please call 201-262-1122. "They will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover." Mk 16:18







Upcoming Events!

<u>September 9th</u> Bring your Grandchildren or Grandparents to Mass Day!

> September 30th Parish Picnic

November 17th
Cardinal Tobin to celebrate
5 pm Mass in honor of
the Feast of Saint Elizabeth