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Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 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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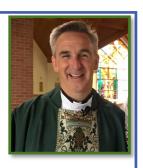
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+ My dear parishioners and friends:

It was wonderful to see everyone at Mass this past weekend. It was Catechetical Sunday, and we welcomed all our volunteer catechists back with a blessing and our deep appreciation as they begin the new academic year. They give of themselves so generously as they educate our next generation of Catholics. I take this moment to thank them on behalf of our staff and the entire parish. I often think of them as the unsung heroes of the church in their special mission of evangelization. This mission is also shared with our many other volunteers who lead our Baptism ministry teams, our RCIA team, and our youth ministry, all of whom, I wish to recognize and thank in this public way. May God bless each of vou with abundant graces!



I hope that you saw the new lighting in the narthex and the new screens that will be our modern electronic bulletin boards. Another feature that we haven't fully installed yet is a camera that will be used in the church for live streaming special celebration Masses. For example, if you have members of your family who are not able to attend a wedding or a funeral or some other special occasion, they will be able to watch via our website. Please be assured that the camera will be focused on the sanctuary and used in the instances where individual families want to share these life milestones with others. This is an example when modern technology is helping us to bring joy and peace to others and also share the beauty of our parish.

I hope you had the chance to use our new Help Desk in the narthex and meet Kathe Carson, our Director of Communications. In an effort to make life easier for everyone, now you will be able to obtain Mass Cards, sign up for various offerings at Mass, or find out more about the many ministries we have at the parish. There will also be a small box on the counter of the Help Desk where you can leave your Welcome Connection Cards. This will be very convenient for people who are not regular parishioners. You will also be able to ask Kathe questions that she will be happy to answer, or at least, direct you to the right person for an answer. Kathe will be at the desk on Sunday mornings for the 9 AM, 10:30 AM, and 12 Noon Masses. Currently, we are looking for volunteers to help man the Help Desk for the 5PM Mass on Saturdays and the 7:30 AM and 6:15 PM Sunday Masses. If you are so inclined to help, please contact me at frstephen@saintelizabeths.org. I appreciate it!

As I am writing my column this morning, I have just returned from saying Mass for our Moms' Group. They meet every Monday from 9:15 to 11:15 AM in the Parish Center. We had a great time sharing this small intimate Mass followed by a beautiful conversation. I truly recommend this to all of our young mothers to make some new friends and also find support among other young women, who are at the same stage of their lives. You will be warmly welcomed and so happy you came to one of the meetings. If you are interested, please reach out to Jenica Purisima at jenicapurisima@gmail.com. (The Moms' Group is also looking for babysitters to be with their children at the Parish Center, while they attend their meeting. If you are able to give a little time, I am sure that will also be a very fun ministry! Please contact Jenica if you can help.)

On another note, this Sunday, September 23, our YACHT Club will go to Bear Mountain for a hike and Mass on top of the mountain. Any parishioners in their 20's or 30's are welcome to join us. We will leave the parish parking lot at 1:30 PM.

As you can see, we have so many wonderful ministries. When you have time, take a look at our ministry section on our website, or read our bulletin for announcements, or give the Parish Center a call. There are a lot of great people for you to meet and enjoy knowing. As the saying goes, "the more the merrier." With 63 different ministries, I'm sure you'll find something where your specific talents can be put to good use for the building up of the Kingdom of God here at our parish.

I look forward to seeing you next weekend for Mass and also for a little fun and relaxing time at our picnic on Sunday, September 30 from 1 to 5 PM. Enjoy your week, your families, and know that you are especially blessed in God's eyes.

Yours in the Risen Lord,

Fr. Stephen

LOOK WHAT'S NEW

Greeters Ministry: We are seeking volunteers of all ages who want to say HELLO and take part of our Greeting Committee. We want to make Saint Elizabeth's a welcoming and friendly family community. As Greeters, our job is very simple. We are here to show the love of Christ and make everyone feel part of our Church family. For additional information on serving as a Greeter, contact Mrs. Sue Foy at susanfoy@aol.com or call at 201-665-4036. You can also contact Fr. Carlos about this ministry at

frcarlos@saintelizabeths.org.

Kidz Korner-Preschool Worship Program begins October 7th: This is a developmentally appropriate worship program designed specifically for young children, ages 2 1/2 to 5. During the months of October and November this Fall, parents can bring their "potty trained" preschoolers to the Youth Room below Church for check-in at 10:15 am then attend 10:30 am Mass. There is no cost. Space is limited each week. First come first serve. For more information or to help out, contact Donna Jackson - donnaj417@yahoo.com / 201-444-6915.



COLLECTIONS FOR THE WEEK ENDING September 16th Offertory \$17,326 | Online \$2,856 | Total 20,182

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 22

9:00 am Memorial Mass 5:00 pm Teresa Feola Robert Sidari

Sunday, September 23

7:30 am Joyce Sutlovich 9:00 am People of the Parish 10:30 am Ann, Beth & Cora Martone 12:00 noon Narciso & Bruna Morson 6:15 pm Dr. Paul Cannon

Monday, September 24

7:00 am For the Intentions of Eileen Heffernan 9:00 am Maureen Farley

Tuesday, September 25

7:00 am Peggy Kosen 9:00 am Laurie Anne Hennessy

Wednesday, September 26

7:00 am Mary Kocher 9:00 am Ellen & Joseph Polito

Thursday, September 27

7:00 am Alfred Gallagher 9:00 am Henry Borghi

Friday, September 28

7:00 am Richard Marrese 9:00 am Virginia Wohland

Saturday, September 29

9:00 am Memorial Mass 5:00 pm Daniel Giletta

Sunday, September 30

7:30 am Richard Marrese 9:00 am Gae & Salvatore Sinagra 10:30 am Kenneth Shelby 12:00 noon Joseph Del Guidice, 1st Anniversary 6:15 pm People of the Parish

Please remember to pray for our active Service Members.

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NEWS AND EVENTS

Seniors: The Seniors will be meeting on Monday, October 1st, at 12 noon in the Elizabeth Room. Father Vincent will speaking about his trip to the Holy Land. All seniors are welcome. Lunch will be served.

Rosary Society: Welcome Rosarians and fellow parishioners! You are all invited to join our own Fr. Vincent as he revisits the Holy Land at our 10:00 AM meeting on Thursday, October 18th in the Elizabeth Room. Refreshments will be served. Any questions? Contact Ronnie Gringeri at 201-891-5560.

Help Mom's Ministry Volunteers Needed!!! Do you have experience working with young children and are looking to share your gifts with the church? Volunteers for childcare needed for upcoming weekly mothers' ministry on Monday mornings from 9:15-11:15am in the Parish Center playroom. Commitment can be as often as every week or as little as once a month, depending on your schedule. Children's ages range from toddler to 5. Mothers with little ones welcome! Training in Protecting God's Children required and will be provided for volunteers. Contact Jenica Purisima at JenicaPurisima@gmail.com or the Parish Center for more info.

Knights of Columbus Council Meeting: The next general meeting for members will be in the Elizabeth Room on Tuesday, October 2nd, at 8 pm. Agenda items include discussion of the November Wine Tasting. Men of the parish interested in learning more about the Knights should contact Grand Knight Jim Setteducato at 201-321-7642, or Chancellor Dan McHugh at 201-650-9094.

Angel Fund: We are narrowing the gap. We have now received \$45,330. Keep those cards and checks coming in. Thanks to all who have helped.

Memorials for the week of September 24th

Altar Bread & Wine, in memory of John D. Bommer Sr., donated by the 5th grade St. E's students.

Flowers for the St. Elizabeth Shrine, in memory of Jean Rigoli, donated by the Rigoli Family.

Walking with Christ presents...

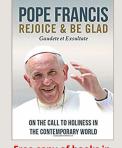
REJOICE AND BE GLAD

5 Week Talk Series on Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter <u>Gaudete et Exsultate</u>

Mondays in October 7:30-8:30 pm in Elizabeth Room

October 1—The Call to Holiness—Fr. Stephen

October 8—Two Subtle Enemies of Holiness—Fr. Vincent October 15—In the Light of the Master—Deacon Andy October 22—Signs of Holiness in Today's World—Fr. Carlos October 29—Spiritual Combat, Vigilance and Discernment—Jonathan



Free copy of books in Parish Center or at Info Kiosk

Walking with Christ presents...

My Holy Land Journey

with Fr. Vincent

This Tuesday, September 25 7:30 pm in Elizabeth Room

Father Vincent shares reflections using scripture and images from the Holy Land.

RSVP to StElizabethDC@gmail.com or in Parish Office

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St. Elizabeth School: Drop off all used clothes and shoe donations in the Gym during any of the following days/times: **Saturday Oct 13th**

8am-6pm and Sunday Oct 14th 8am-3pm. It is a great time of year to clean out your closets and make money for St Elizabeth School! An organization called *Clothingshoedrive.com*, will be collecting used clothes, shoes, coats, belts, ties, pants, comforters, curtains, towels, hats, scarfs, purses, jewelry, watches, backpacks, stuffed animals and dolls. Please place items in large tightly "tied" bags. (Label all shoe donations in a separate bag) St Elizabeth School will receive a check based on how many pounds of clothes are donated. Shoe donations raise a higher amount per pound. This is an easy opportunity to raise funds for our school and at the same time help those who are in need. If you have any questions please email Cor333@verizon.net.







Sign up to be our next BRIDGES HOST Tamily!



Please join us for coffee,

Mondays in the Parish Center 9:15-11:15 AM

9:13-11:13 AM

Fall meeting dates start on September 17

Exact dates: 17, 24; October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; November 12,
19, 26, December 3, 10, 17

Come when you can! No pressure to make all meetings! Babysitting will be provided. \$25 donation suggested to cover program materials.

Please contact Jenica Purisima at <u>Jenicapurisi-ma@gmail.com</u> if interested in joining us.



