

CHURCH OF SAINT ELIZABETH Christmas 2018





Pastor

Rev. Stephen Fichter

Parochial Vicars

Rev. Carlos Briceño Rev. Vincent D'Agostino

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Masses

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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MAY YOU HAVE BLESSED CHRISTMAS

+ My dear parishioners:

As the song lyrics go . . . it's the most wonderful time of the year! Merry Christmas to one and all! This is my second Christmas with you, and I feel that Saint Elizabeth's is really becoming home. As a parish family, we have shared so much together this past year. We have seen our loved ones being baptized, receive First Holy Communion and Confirmation, get married, and sadly, we have lost family members and had Masses celebrating their time with us here on earth. On each of these occasions, there has been a beautiful moment in time for us to grow ever closer to God, our Father, and walk with Jesus, our brother, here on earth.

Now, at Christmas we remember that extraordinary Child born to simple parents in the most humble of circumstances - the Child, who came to save us because we are all so loved by God. I take this moment to tell you how much it has meant to me this past year to feel so loved by all of you! I know first-hand the beauty of your families as I have participated in these sacramental moments with you, and I am truly humbled by your genuine trust and friendship.

There is an incredible energy at Saint Elizabeth's. We have 63 ministries with a vast reach among so many people. The work of these ministries spans everything from food programs to bereavement to prayer groups, from altar servers, musicians, Eucharistic ministers, lectors, ushers, and church decorators to our lovely gift shop in the Parish Center to our RCIA team and to our Knights of Columbus to name just a few. . .

All of this love was exceedingly evident to Cardinal Tobin when he came to bless our new Saint Elizabeth's statue and celebrate her Feast Day Mass with us in November. He commented on the beauty of our church, but what he found so impressive was your presence. The Cardinal knows that our beloved St. E's parish is strong. What encouragement we are to Cardinal Tobin! He sees the devotion and caring and recalling one of my homilies this past year - how we treat each other like diamonds and not marbles!

Father Carlos, Father Vincent, Deacon Andy, and Deacon Steve are incredible colleagues. Their generous can-do spirit and all the creativity they bring to their individual ministries is first tier. I am truly blessed to have such wonderful colleagues in our mission here to serve you with all our hearts. I also thank our tireless staff, whose pictures you see around this page. They always bring great ideas to our monthly staff meetings and make them realities by their hard work and devotion.

As I kneel at the manger this Christmas, I will tell the Infant Jesus that I am grateful to be here with you, and I will ask Him to help us continue our good works in His name.

Happy Birthday, Jesus! Merry Christmas, everyone!

In God's Peace and Love,

Fr. Stephen



























MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 22 9:00 am Memorial Mass

5:00 pm Noel Ferris White

Sunday, December 23

7:30 am Genevieve Ahlever 9:00 am Narciso & Bruna Morson 10:30 am People of the Parish 12:00 noon Daniel Giletta 6:15 pm Conrad & Helen Hurtz

Monday, December 24

9:00 am Thomas Harkins 4:00 pm Rose & Anthony D'Agostino 4:00 pm Mary Reynolds 5:30 pm Eugene T. Heimers, III 7:30 pm Joseph Wells 10:30 pm Doris & Thomas Cooney 10:30 pm James Dineen Joseph DiBella

Tuesday, December 25

9:00 am People of the Parish 10:30 am Richard Lovell, Jr. 12:00n noon Alex Pope

Wednesday, December 26

9:00 am Anna Kasperska

Thursday, December 27

7:00 am Joseph Kutrucz 8:00 am Peter Razzo, Jr. (please note there will not be a 9am Mass on 12/27)

Friday, December 28

7:00 am Peter Sclafani 9:00 am Elizabeth Delanev

Saturday, December 29

9:00 am Memorial Mass 5:00 pm Frank & Teresa Anello

Sunday, December 30

7:30 am People of the Parish 9:00 am Frank Masciandaro 10:30 am Eleanor Weiner 12:00 noon Veronica Clarke 6:15 pm Carlo Calautti



NEWS AND EVENTS

Christmas Schedule

Christmas Eve

4:00 p.m. Mass 5:30 p.m. Mass 7:00 p.m. Christmas Pageant 7:30 p.m. Family Mass 10:00 p.m. Caroling 10:30 p.m. Mass

Christmas Day

9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12 Noon

Christmas Flowers: This

verse rings true all year, but never truer than at Christmas.



The poinsettias, greens, & trees lend a beauty to our church during this joyous season. A flower memorial is a great way to remember your loved ones this Christmas. Donation envelopes were included in your envelope packet and are available in the Narthex or Parish Center. Clearly fill in the name of your loved ones and turn in the envelopes with the collection. A special listing of all memorial names will be in our January bulletin.

The March for Life 2019 Washington, D.C. If you want to attend the March, Saint Elizabeth's in Wyckoff will be providing ONE BUS in collaboration with Mount Carmel Church, St. Catherine Church, St. Paul Church, and other Northern New Jersey Parishes. First come, first serve.

(Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and the Respect Life Ministry) When: Friday, January 18, 2019

Where: Departing and returning to St. Elizabeth's parking lot. **Time:** Leaving for Washington D.C. after the 6 am Mass. (Bagels and coffee will be served in the morning. A boxed lunch will be provided on the bus). Cost: Bus Transportation and Lunch: \$50.00.

Bereavement Support Night: We encourage anyone who has experienced a recent loss to join us on Bereavement Support Night which will be held on Wednesday, January 2, 7:30-9 pm in the Amadeus Room. No registration is necessary.

Become a Volunteer Leader for Friends with Special Needs: Young Life Capernaum is a ministry that gives young people (ages 14-22) with intellectual and developmental disabilities the chance to experience fun and adventure, to develop fulfilling friendships, and to challenge their limits, while building self-esteem through club, camp, and other exciting activities.

YL Capernaum Club meets two Saturdays a month from 1-2:30pm in the St. Elizabeth's Room. Leaders are moms and dads, college students, and working professionals, retirees, and other compassionate adults, who want God's best for kids. They have the privilege of knowing and sharing their lives with kids and young adults with disabilities. For more information and to "come and see", contact Blair Ransom ylcapernaum.blair@gmail.com or 908-347-9976.

Memorials for the week of December 23rd

Altar Bread & Wine, in memory of Joseph Hibo, III donated by the Barnes Family

Sanctuary Light, in memory of Deceased members of the Cipolletti & Lerro Families, donated by Veronica Cipolletti & Family

Candles on the Altar, in memory of Mae & Dominick De Vincentis, donated by the Franchavilla Family

Flowers by the Holy Family Shrine, in memory of Joseph DiBella, donated by Tina & Ray DiBella

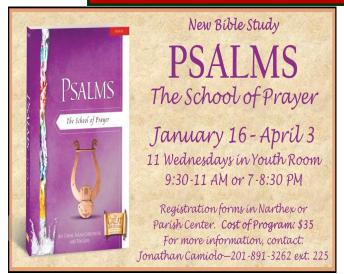
Flowers for the St. Elizabeth Shrine, in memory of Allison Occhiuzzi donated by the Occhiuzzi Family

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A <u>Special</u> Thank You to all who participated in the Advent Giving!

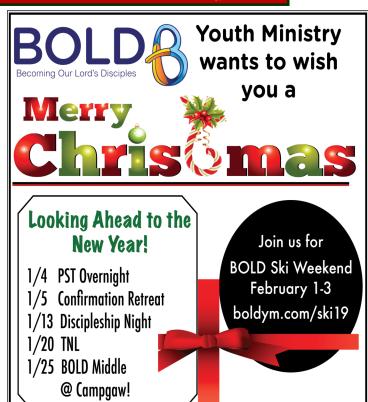




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You are invited to Women's and Men's Cornerstone 2019. These two day, one night retreats are an opportunity to renew your faith, experience the St. Elizabeth's Christian community and a meet other people in welcoming environment.

Women's Cornerstone - February 1-2, 2019 Men's Cornerstone - March 1-2, 2019



Register today at www.stelizabethcornerstone.org