



CHURCH OF SAINT ELIZABETH

December 29, 2019



Every family should look to the icon of the Holy Family of Nazareth. ~ Pope Francis

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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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Can you find
the hidden picture of
Jesus in this bulletin?



My dear friends,

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

I know it seems the time went fast, but this is a wonderful time to reflect on this year's blessings and to look forward to 2020. The New Year could be a perfect year to make changes that will improve our spiritual, professional, and family lives. I believe that 2020 is the perfect year to reflect on our faith and trust in God, our Creator. You and I are united with God as we journey with Jesus through life. I would like to share with you a few points to consider for the New Year that I found on Aleteia: (aleteia.org is a Catholic website).



Never forget that you are God's creation and therefore a gift He has bestowed on the world. Be humbled by the fact that He certainly has you in the palm of His hand. Without Him you are nothing.

Be happy with who and what you are. God made you and loves you. If you feel you need to change to please Him, you can do it. Just ask for His help.

The choices you make are your responsibility. Sometimes our choices hurt us. Embrace them and learn from them and move on. Thank God for the experience.

Sometimes NOT getting what you want or what you think you need is a blessing. If you trust God, you will thank Him. When "one door closes another opens."

Always count your blessings, not your troubles.

Always do your best. The "best" is all God expects from each of us.

You can make it through whatever comes along. Grace will be there, but it only comes one day at a time. Don't fret about the future.

Prayer is the most powerful of weapons and can be your greatest ally in all diversity. Don't take things too seriously, especially yourself.

The key to happiness is to give of yourself, not to "get" for yourself.

Miracles happen; you are one — I am one — we all are one.

Temptation is everywhere. It is okay to say "NO."

Finally, never fail to help a neighbor, whoever it may be, even a stranger.

To conclude, I would like to take the opportunity to thank Fr. Stephen and Fr. Vincent for their mentoring and guidance. Even though I have been ordained for 7 years, I have lots to learn. I want to thank the staff and every one of you for your kindness. I wish you a blessed New Year 2020!

Love, Fr. Carlos



NEWS AND EVENTS

Holy Day of Obligation, Solemnity of Mary
Tuesday, December 31st 5:00 pm Vigil Mass
Wednesday, January 1st 9:00 am & 10:30 am Masses

COLLECTIONS FOR THE WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 15
Offertory \$21,293 | Online \$3,113 | Total \$24,406

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 28

9:00 am Memorial Mass
5:00 pm Frank & Teresa Anello
Maureen Mancino, 3rd Annv.

Sunday, December 29

7:30 am People of the Parish
9:00 am Barbara Dodd
10:30 am Veronica Clarke,
26th Anniversary
12:00 noon Protection of the
babies in the womb &
their families
6:15 pm Cassie & Howard Wel-
don

Monday, December 30

7:00 am Peter Lentini
9:00 am Frank Masciandaro

Tuesday, December 31

7:00 am Paul Flynn
9:00 am Mrs. Rogalski Sr.

Holy Day of Obligation
Solemnity of Mary
Vigil Mass 5:00 pm
Louis Avallone

Wednesday, January 1

9:00 am People of the Parish
10:30 am James Lyons

Thursday, January 2

7:00 am Jeffrey Scott Pfeifer
9:00 am Tommy FitzPatrick

Friday, January 3

7:00 am Lillian Vecchiotti
9:00 am Regina Ruane

Saturday, January 4

9:00 am Memorial Mass
5:00 pm Janet Rogalski

Sunday, January 5

7:30 am People of the Parish
9:00 am Teresa Feola
10:30 am Christina C. Sielder
12:00 noon Grace Musillo,
4th Anniversary
6:15 pm Joseph Francica

NEWS AND EVENTS



Christmas Flowers: 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 bulletin.

March For Life: is the world's largest Pro-Life rally, Friday, January 24. The bus departs from St. E's after a 6am Mass. If you want to attend the march, St. Elizabeth's in Wyckoff will be providing two buses in collaboration with Mount Carmel Church, St. Catharine Church, St. Paul Church, and other Northern New Jersey Parishes.

Bereavement Support Night: We encourage anyone who has experienced a loss to come to Bereavement Support Night on Wednesday, January 8th at 7:30 pm in the Amadeus Room, Parish Center. No registration is required.

Did you know..... Hearing devices are available for Mass. If interested, please ask one of our priests, and they will assist you.

RCIA...IS RCIA FOR YOU or SOMEONE YOU KNOW?

Do you know someone or are you someone who is interested in becoming Catholic or is a Catholic but has yet to receive 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, contact Fr. Vincent at frvincent@saintelizabeths.org.

Retrouvaille Program: helps couples struggling in their marriage to put the pieces of their marriage back together and rebuild loving relationships. It is a Christian program, Catholic in origin, and couples of all faiths or no faith background are encouraged to attend. It is primarily a practice program about improving communication, building a stronger marriage, and helping couples rediscover the love they had for each other. This program is currently being offered in Diocese of Metuchen and will be held in February. See the website for more information at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

"To everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven."

Your loved one will be announced at Mass for two weeks, then included in the bulletin for six weeks. Call the Parish Center to let us know the names of those we should include in our prayers.

A time to be healed...

Healing prayers for: Lisa & Philip Mendola

A time for sorrow...

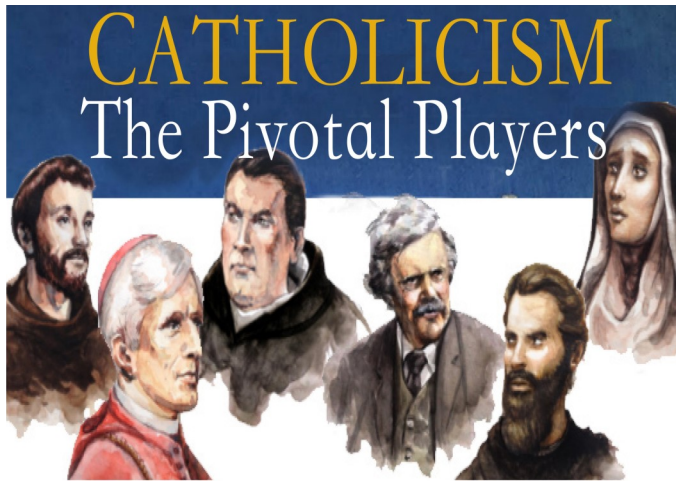
Recently deceased: Paul Crann

Memorials for the week of December 29

Altar Bread & Wine: In memory of Veronica Clarke, 26th Anniversary
donated by Kathleen Clarke Englert & Mark Englert & family

Sanctuary Fund: In memory of Anne Guarriello
donated by Marianne Franchavilla

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Six Consecutive Wednesdays Starting

January 15 through February 19, 2020

Mornings at 9:30 am - 11:15 am or Evenings 7:00 pm - 8:45 pm in the Youth Room

\$25 per person includes study guide

See registration forms in the Narthex or on our website:
saintelizabeths.com

BOLD 8 Youth Ministry
Becoming Our Lord's Disciples wishes you a

Happy New Year!

LOOKING AHEAD

**Jan 4 - Confirmation
Retreat**

Jan 12 - Meeting

Jan 26 - Bridges Run

Jan 31- Feb 2 - Ski Trip

stelizabeth@boldym.com for more info

make a plan in **2020** to see things more clearly ...

CORNERSTONE



These two day, one night retreats are an opportunity to renew your faith, experience the the loving St. Elizabeth's community and meet new people in a welcoming environment.

WOMEN'S RETREAT: February 7-8

MEN'S RETREAT: March 6-7

sign up at: stelizabethcornerstone.org

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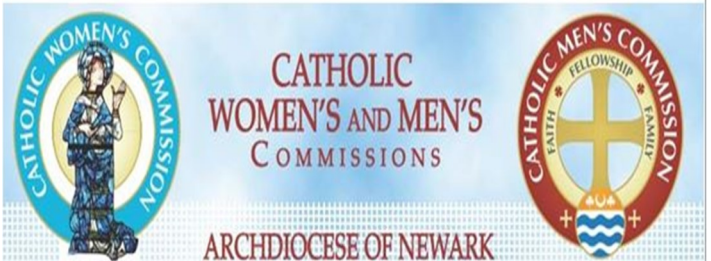
Preschool Workshop
(2 ½- 5 years)

**Sunday's
during 10:30 am Mass**



Parents - Bring your preschoolers to the Youth Room
below Church for 10:15 check-in, then attend Mass.

For more information, contact Donna Jackson at donnaj417@yahoo.com



The 2020 Catholic Men's Conference on Saturday, February 29 and the Women's Day of Reflection on Saturday, March 7, 2020! Both events will be held at Seton Hall University, have English and Spanish tracks and include Breakfast and Lunch. Registration fee is \$30. Time of events: 8 am – 4 pm. For more information or to register phone: 973-497-4545.