

CHURCH OF SAINT ELIZABETH

Fourth Sunday in Lent March 22, 2020





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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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School Principal Karen Lewis Can you find the hidden picture of Jesus in this bulletin?

Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

I hope that this finds you all safe and healthy and well. These are difficult times and I know that many of us are feeling the fears and anxieties associated with this pandemic. But I would like to offer you some words of love and hope and faith by our Holy Father Pope Francis. The Pope recently said the following:

Tonight, before falling asleep think about when we will return to the street. When we hug again, when all the shopping together will seem like a party. Let's think about when the coffees will return to the bar, the small talk, the photos close to each other.

We think about when it will be all a memory but normality will seem an unexpected and beautiful gift.

We will love everything that has so far seemed futile to us. Every second will be precious.

Swims at the sea, the sun until late, sunsets, toasts, laughter.

We will go back to laughing together.

Strength and courage!

I know how difficult it is for so many who are confined to their homes. I also know how difficult it is that so many events have been canceled – most importantly the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass last weekend (and perhaps in the days and the weeks to come). **Please remember, this too shall pass.** We will get through this as a faith community united in prayer and in our belief in the promises of Christ's Resurrection. After all, that is what Easter means to each of us who believes – the promises of the Resurrection.

As I said in my homily last weekend, what the Resurrection tells us is marvelous: Life is eternal, and ... God loves us! Jesus proves God's ever-present and all-encompassing love for you and for me every day of our lives.

As I write this bulletin article, I am not sure what the decision will be for Masses in the future. We do plan, however, to live-stream the 7 a.m. and 9 a.m. daily Masses on the Parish website. If weekend Masses are cancelled, we will live-stream and record the Sunday Mass as well.

Please keep checking the Parish website for important announcements or call the Parish Center - 201-891-1122 with any questions. In the event the Parish Center is closed and you need immediate assistance, you can call the priest emergency phone number - 201-994-5699 to speak to one of the priests.

Please know that we love you and we miss you and we are praying for you. We also pray for all those who have been infected with or who have died from this virus. And we pray for all those health care workers who give so much in these difficult times.

God bless all of you. Father Vincent

NEWS AND EVENTS

Special Collection: Next week, our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection (CRSC). Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to all people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the CRSC and help Jesus in disguise. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.



Daily Prayer Book Subscribers: It is that time again- time to renew your *Give Us This Day* subscription. The 2020 price will be \$27. Please stop at the parish office today to sign up and pay for your subscription. The final date to order is March 27th. April's *Give Us This Day* is part of the 2019 order. The 2020 order will begin with May's book.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 21 9:00 am Memorial Mass 5:00 pm Francis Heffernan

Sunday, March 22

7:30 am People of the Parish 9:00 am Michael Teel 10:30 am John Casey 12:00 noon Bitsy Madigan, 31st birthday 6:15 pm Valentin Garcia, Jr.

Monday, March 23

7:00 am Noreen Hanson 9:00 am Harriett Wesche

Tuesday, March 24

7:00 am Gloria Logan 9:00 am Antonino Indomenico, 1st Anniversary

Wednesday, March 25

7:00 am Jim Delaney 9:00 am Jack Stanton

Thursday, March 26

7:00 am Audrey Stasion 9:00 am Edward Clark 1st Anniversary

Friday, March 27

7:00 am Peter Khanjian 9:00 am Francis Rogalski

Saturday, March 28

9:00 am Memorial Mass 5:00 pm Joseph Francicia

Sunday, March 29

7:30 am People of the Parish 9:00 am Arlene Corcoran 10:30 am Nancy Miller 12:00 noon Bruna Morson, Paul Vitolo 6:15 pm Federick Willliam Brockman

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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.

St. Martin's Soup Kitchen: On Saturday, March 28th, we will be serving chicken legs and thighs (Original Shake and Bake) and mixed vegetables. If you can donate food, please contact Tim Gilchrist at TJGILo3@gmail.com or 973-760-4506. It would be very helpful for planning if you could call by Tuesday, March 24th.

Stations of the Cross: Join us in Church on Friday mornings at 8:40 am, as we pray the Stations of the Cross. The practice of "Walking in Passion with Jesus" is quite ancient. Traditionally, pilgrims to Jerusalem would follow the route of Jesus's Passion. Today, this practice allows us to also walk that route with Christ, to mediate on His Passion and to share it in a particularly intimate way with one another.

2020 Anniversary Masses: The Office of Family Life Ministries of the Archdiocese of Newark is once again recognizing those couples celebrating five, twenty-five, and fifty years of Christian marriage. 2020 Anniversary Masses are celebrated at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark on April 19th at 3:00pm for 5 & 25 year marriages and May 3rd at 3:00 pm for 50 year marriages. To register, call Dotsy at the Parish Office, 201-891-1122 ext. 260.

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 prayed for, please contact Lisa at the Parish Center 201-891-1122 ext. 212.

Oasis: Have extra toiletries? Oasis is in need of sample size toiletries. There is a drop box located the narthex. If you have any questions, please contact Meg at 201-825-1256.

Movie Night at St. Elizabeth's: Please join us on Tuesday, March 24th, at 7 pm in the Elizabeth Room to watch the movie *The Passion of the Christ*. Please call the Parish Center no later than Friday, March 20th, and provide the number of people who will be attending. All are welcome!!

"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: Pam Grosso, John Martin

A time for sorrow...

Recently Deceased: Joseph Traficante, Vincent Stanson, Bill Comis

Memorials for the week of March 22nd

Altar Bread & Wine: In memory of Theresa Guglielmo, donated by Kathy Acocella

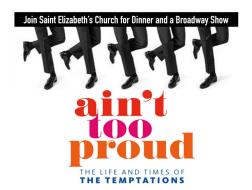
Candles on altar – In memory of Ann Guarriello, donated by the Bronander Family

Flowers for the St. Elizabeth Shrine: In celebration of Regina Marie Grosso, donated by her loving grandparents Pam & Frank Grosso

Flowers for the Holy Family Shrine: In memory of Dr. Anthony A. Antonelli, donated by: St. E's 8th grade class

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Friday, April 24, 2020

Ain't Too Proud is an electrifying musical that follows The Temptations' extraordinary journey from the streets of Detroit to the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame. With their signature dance moves and unmistakable harmonies, they rose to the top of the charts creating an amazing 42 Top Ten Hits.

DETAILS: Depart Saint Elizabeth's at 3:30 p.m.
Four course meal with wine at Bottagra in Hawthorne.
Orchestra seats for the show
Round trip bus ride to and from NYC
\$180 - per person

See Father Vincent with questions. Call the parish center today to reserve your spot. Space is limited as $\frac{1}{2}$

ARCHDIOCESAN LENTEN REGULATIONS

1. The days of both Fast & Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection.

The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence. On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted and (2) smaller meals which, if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.

Those between the ages of 18-59 are obliged to fast. On a day of **Abstinence**, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

- 2. The obligation to observe the laws of Fast & Abstinence "substantially" or as whole is a serious obligation.
- 3. The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.
- 4. The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty*) extends from the First Sunday of Lent, March 1, 2020 to the Solemnity of the Holy Trinity, June 7, 2020.

*Canon 920. §1 All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year..





Palm Sunday Masses

Saturday, April 4 5:00 pm Sunday, April 5 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12 noon & 6:15 pm

Chrism Mass

Monday, April 6 at 8 pm (Cathedral in Newark)

Easter Triduum Holy Thursday April 9

9:00 am Morning Prayer 7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday April 10

9:00 am Morning Prayer 12 noon Way of the Cross—Family Service 3:00 pm Lord's Passion 7:00 pm *Tenebrae* Service

Holy Saturday April 11

9:00 am Morning Prayer 9:30 am Blessing of Food Baskets 8:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday April 12

7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12 noon (please note there will not be a 6:15 pm Mass on Easter Sunday)