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Catholic Schools Week Open House

Sunday, January 28, 9:00-11:00 am
Wednesday, January 31, 8:45-10:30 am

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Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am,
12 noon & 6:15 pm

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Reconciliation

Saturday 12:30 pm

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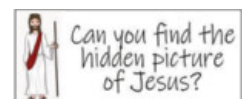
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+ Dear Friends:

Repent. Follow. Examine. They are three powerful verbs guaranteed to keep us close to God. As I mentioned in my homily, if we are open to changing our unhealthy behaviors, accepting of Jesus' invitation to follow Him, and continually examine our daily progress, then we are on the path to be happy in this life and happy with Jesus in the next.

It is a good daily practice to take five or ten minutes to thank God for the day past and to reflect on how it unfolded. I often think about which parts of the day jump out at me, and ask God for the light and wisdom to make adjustments or thank Him for the gifts that came my way in the past waking hours.

Dennis Hamm, SJ, wrote an article entitled *Rummaging for God: Praying Backwards through Your Day*. If you are interested in reading the entire article, here is the link:

<https://www.ignatianspirituality.com/ignatian-prayer/the-examen/rummaging-for-god-praying-backward-through-your-day/>

It is an excellent piece that outlines his five step method to guide us through a thorough understanding of our feelings. He also describes nine results that emanate from a thoughtful spiritual summation of the day. I love his final paragraph which says, *if we are to listen for the God who creates and sustains us, we need to take seriously and prayerfully the meeting between the creatures we are and all else that God holds lovingly in existence. That "interface" is the felt experience of my day. It deserves prayerful attention. It is a big part of how we know and respond to God.*

This week begins Catholic Schools Week. I am proud to say that our own Saint E's is a beautifully run school. Our students enjoy an atmosphere of high-level academics, enthusiastic sportsmanship, art, and the insight of how God is present in every aspect of their lives.

As the Vicar of Education for our archdiocese, I am very attuned to all our schools and am constantly looking for ways to help them be the best they can be. I work with so many amazing teachers and administrators, who have edified me with their hard work and dedication.

If you are considering a Catholic education for your children, I invite you to stop by one of our Open House events this week to see how our SES students learn. I admire how hard our parents work to ensure that their children are growing up with our faith traditions, while being prepared so well for higher education. We are truly blessed to have this wonderful collaboration between our faculty and our families.

My final thought for this column is one of a special thanks to Father Francis. He has been a very willing and joyful part of our team, and I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know him. May God bless him abundantly as he continues to follow in the footsteps of Jesus!

God bless, *Father Stephen*

P.S. My cell phone now rides in the back seat of my car.

NEWS AND EVENTS



Trinity's Triumph Movie

Father Stephen's movie is now available on the following streaming platforms:
Apple TV, Prime video,
Comcast, Vudu, Fios, Microsoft,
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Go to www.trinitystriumph.com for more information.



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The Collection for the week ending January 14
Offertory \$22,238 | Online \$9,125 | Total \$31,363

The Collection for the week ending January 21
Offertory \$13,935 | Online \$9,535 | Total \$23,470

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 27

9:00am Ryan Anthony Pospisil

5:00pm Robert Amerio,
6th Anniversary

Sunday, January 28

9:00am John Nunnery 16th Ann.

10:30am Rita Olson & Betty Smith

12:00pm Victoria DeSantis

6:15pm Robert W. Buchmann

Monday, January 29

7:00am Sandy Maselli

9:00am Mary Ellen McCarthy

Tuesday, January 30

7:00am John Denise

9:00am Deceased members of
Taylor Family

Wednesday, January 31

7:00am Mary Ryan

9:00am Rita Olson

Thursday, February 1

7:00am Frank J. Sharpe

9:00am Wanda, William and
Joseph Murphy

Friday, February 2

7:00am William J. Toth

9:00am Mary Ellen McCarthy

Saturday, February 3

9:00am Maureen Farley

5:00pm Maureen Farley

Sunday, February 4

9:00am Eileen Lyons

10:30am Mary Ellen McCarthy

12:00pm Richard Brady

6:15pm Bob Flach

NEWS AND EVENTS



Special Collection for Communicating God's Word. Today we taking up a the collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign. Your support helps the CCC connect Catholics with Christ in the United States and around the world using the internet, television, radio and print media. Half the funds we collect remain with the Archdiocese of Newark to support local efforts. Be a part of this campaign to spread the gospel message. Support the collection today by placing your envelope in the collection box located in the narthex.

Moms Group: Come join us for our first Moms Group meeting of the year on Tuesday, January 30, from 9:15-11:15 am in the Parish Center. There will be a babysitter and a light breakfast will be served. Hope to see you all there!

Bereavement Support Night: We encourage anyone who has experienced a loss to join us for Bereavement Support Night on Wednesday, February 7, from 7:30-9 PM. We will be in the Good Shepherd Room, Parish Center to extend our support during these difficult times. Registration is not required.



Celebrate Catholic Schools Week! On Sunday 1/28 from 9-11 and Wednesday 1/31 from 8:45-10:30 visit St Elizabeth School. Enjoy a student—led tour of our school, meet the teachers, and visit classrooms. Registration materials will be available for 2024-2025 School year. Join our SES Family!

St. Elizabeth School will celebrate its 70th Birthday in 2024. Are you an alumni, parent of an alumni or a former faculty member? Please join our email list at sesalum@sainte-school.org for information regarding upcoming events in 2024 celebrating this special occasion. Please include your name, email and the year of graduation or years at St Elizabeth School. Be part of the history and tradition of Catholic Education.

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

Healing prayers for: George Malke, Connie Jannuzzi,
Kim Pokowitz, Shankar Ramakrishnan

Recently deceased: Paul Giandinoto

Memorials for the week of January 28

Altar Bread and Wine & Candles on the Altar:

In memory of Paula Mangone, donated by the Corbett family

Flowers for the Holy Family Shrine:

In memory of Mariangela Milordo, donated by Tom R.



FREE THROW CONTEST

Knights of Columbus Free Throw Shooting Championship!

Boys and Girls - Ages 7 - 14
(based on age as of Jan 1, 2024)

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Sunday, February 4, 1:30pm - 4:00 pm
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**Saturday,
February 3, 2024**

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email us at womenscornerstone29@gmail.com



Ses Secret Garden Gala

It's time to buy your 50/50 Raffle Tickets!

Dear Friends, Alumni and Parishioners:

St. Elizabeth School is once again preparing for our largest fundraiser of the year- The Secret Garden Gala, held on April 13, 2024. This year we will be selling up to 650 raffle tickets, which will enable the winner to win up to \$32,500! You do not need to be present to win.

We would like to thank you for all your past support in helping us raise enough funds to keep our tuition down, enhance the children's academics and even provide more safety precautions to our entire school.

If you would like to purchase raffle tickets, we will be selling them at Church on the following dates: Jan. 28th, Feb. 4th, March 10th and March 28th. If you have any questions or would like to set up other purchasing arrangements, please reach out to Chassidy Bello at 646.874.004.

We greatly appreciate all that the St. Elizabeth Parish and Father Stephen do to support for making the Secret Garden Gala a success for our school and our children!

The Secret Garden Gala Committee





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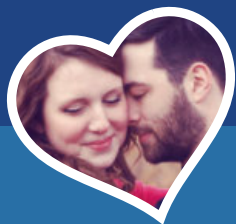
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