

ST. ELIZABETH - ST. BRIGID PARISH

April 1, 2018 – April 8, 2018

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

(†) Deceased (L) Living

Monday, April 2

8:30 AM (St. Elizabeth) Rosary for Vocations

9:00 AM (St. Elizabeth) Mass: Mary Smith †

Tuesday, April 3

8:45 AM (St. Brigid) Morning Prayer

9:00 AM (St. Brigid) Mass: For expectant mothers L

Wednesday, April 4

8:45 AM (St. Elizabeth) Novena

9:00 AM (St. Elizabeth) Mass: Patrick N. McCrory †

Thursday, April 5

8:45 AM (St. Brigid) Morning Prayer

9:00 AM (St. Brigid) Mass: Louis & Fannie DiPerna †

Friday, April 6

8:45 AM (St. Brigid) Rosary for Vocations

9:00 AM (St. Brigid) Mass: For the souls in purgatory †

Saturday, April 7

5:00 PM (St. Brigid) Mass: Albert Kalafsky †

6:30 PM (St. Elizabeth) Mass: Rose Lynn †

Sunday, April 8 ~ Divine Mercy Sunday

7:30 AM (St. Brigid) Mass: August Ventura †

8:30 AM (St. Elizabeth) Mass: Carmine DeTrotlio †

9:30 AM (St. Brigid) Mass: Thomas West †

10:30 AM (St. Elizabeth) Mass: For the parishioners

11:30 AM (St. Brigid) Mass: Patricia Finocchiaro †

WELCOME TO THE CHURCH....



Congratulations to Amy Nuzzo who was received into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. May her life be filled with the graces received through these sacraments and may she and her family always be active members of the Church.

PRAY FOR POPE FRANCIS AND HIS INTENTIONS



For those who have responsibility in economic matters: That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, April 7, 2018

St. Brigid ----- 5:00 PM

(E) Gloria LaGrassa (R) Christina Ross
(A) John Ryan

St. Elizabeth ----- 6:30 PM

(E) Jim Zachman (R) Vera Zachman
(A) Assistance Needed

Sunday, April 8, 2018

St. Brigid ----- 7:30 AM

(E) Assistance Needed (R) Assistance Needed
(A) Assistance Needed

St. Elizabeth ----- 8:30 AM

(E) Kathy Spinda (R) Joanne Howe
(A) Assistance Needed

St. Brigid ----- 9:30 AM

(E) Sean Welsh (R) Assistance Needed
(A) Camille & Paul Leduc

St. Elizabeth ----- 10:30 AM

(E) Frances Howard (R) Laura Howard
(A) Assistance Needed

St. Brigid ----- 11:30 AM

(E) Assistance Needed (R) Amanda Bowman
(A) Luke & William Mahala

Please Pray for the Sick of the Parish

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

A time to heal... Please pray for the sick of our parish including: Ruth Stahl, Maria Nucci, Ann Buttacavoli, Victoria Gass, Barbara Giarretta, Phyllis Munstis, Mike Tocci, Kathryn Zacharias, Mary Hanlon, Richard LaPointe, Philipa Reist, Brigitta Reist, Charlie Blake, Barbara Ryan, Collin Perrone, Larry Gaffney, Kieran Flynn, Louise Pickel, Mary Christensen, Paul Erwin, and Joanna Jasontek.

A time to die... Please pray for those who have recently passed away.

FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 1- 8, 2018



Altar Bread and Wine at
St. Brigid Church are being offered
In loving memory of
Rev. Msgr. Sean Cunneen
as requested by
The Daughters of Mary

EASTER SUNDAY

First Reading: **Acts 10:34a, 37-43** Peter discusses Jesus' life of preaching and healing. Jesus was crucified, then he rose up and was seen by his chosen witnesses. Peter also mentions the importance of all the disciples bearing witness to what they saw, so that many people would believe in Jesus, and have their sins forgiven through him.

Second Reading: **Colossians 3:1-4** Paul asserts that we must pay attention to higher realms rather than earthly concerns. Our life is not yet completely known to us, until Christ appears and we are raised to glory in him.

Gospel: **John 20:1-9** When Mary Magdalene discovered Jesus' tomb was open, she told Simon Peter and another disciple. They ran to the tomb and Peter went inside. He found the burial wrappings on the ground, with the head covering separate from the rest. The other disciple came in and they believed what they saw, although until then they had not understood the Scripture's message of Jesus' resurrection.

SAINT ELIZABETH-ST. BRIGID PARISH CONTACT LIST

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Or please call the Parish Office at 908-234-1265

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Easter is much more than the cheap chocolate bunnies that stores sell for 50% off their retail price the day after Easter Sunday. Easter is the celebration of the Resurrection of Christ from the dead. Although we celebrate Easter Sunday with special solemnity, we continue our celebration of the Season of Easter for 50 days! More than that, we consider every Sunday a "little Easter", even during Lent, since we celebrate Christ's resurrection every Sunday when we celebrate the Mass.

Why do we place such importance on Easter? Because Christ rose from the dead on that first Easter morning and therefore, like every other aspect of Christ's life that we imitate, we look forward to rising from the dead as well.

Recall from the Gospel, "when the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary, the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go and anoint him. Very early when the sun had risen, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb. They were saying to one another, "Who will roll back the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back; it was very large" (Mark 16:1-4).

Who will roll away the stone from our tombs? We believe, as all Christians have down through the ages, that Christ will roll away the stone from our tombs so that we may rise with him. As the Liturgy reminds us, "where he has gone, we hope to follow."

Before that, we might ask, who will roll away the stone of discouragement in our lives? Who will roll away the stone of doubt? Who will roll away the stone of hate? Who will roll away the stone of fear? Who will roll away the stone of hopelessness? It is Christ who will roll away all these stones and more ... if we let Him!

It was early that first Easter morning when the women discovered the stone rolled away from the tomb of Christ. The sun crept slowly over the landscape spilling its light over the desert of Palestine. But for the small band of women making their way to the tomb of Jesus, hope was in short supply. The situation is quite different for us who know the rest of the story. We live in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior and that same hope exists as we consider our own mortality and the great reward of Resurrection that Christ has in mind for those who love him.

May this Easter Sunday be one of great blessing for you and your family. May all 50 days of this Easter season be one of blessed abundance for our parish family as well.

In Christ Jesus Our Lord,
Reverend Monsignor Edward C. Puleo



YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS



Bridge's Run
Fri, 4/6
5-10pm

Come and join us for a night of service in NYC! We will be personally delivering fresh lunches to the homeless in NYC!



Cradle Catholics!
Fri, 4/13
7-8:30pm



At our next BOLD Middle event we'll be making care packages for moms and babies in need through Catholic Charities! Sign up at boldym.com/SESB/signup

Please register now for service opportunities!



Our big summer service trip for high schoolers will be Catholic Heart Work Camp in Plattsburgh, NY the week of 6/24-29.

Register now at boldym.com/chwc

And for middle schoolers we'll be doing our uServe Camp, the week of 7/31-8/3.

Register now at boldym.com/sebs/
userve

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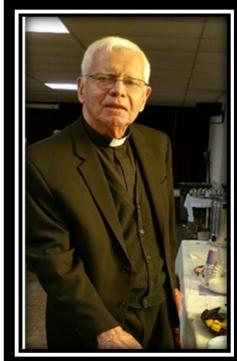
Vacation Bible School in partnership with Our Lady of Perpetual Help for children in kindergarten through fifth grade. This year's theme is all about finding your inner super powers. We will explore our scripture and traditions, have fun in arts and science, play games, exercise and enjoy great snacks. Registration forms coming soon! For more information contact Denise O'Callaghan at 908-234-1524.

2018 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL



Thank you to all who have given so generously to the 2018 Bishop's Annual Appeal. If you have not made a pledge, there is still time to participate. Mail your gift to: Diocese of Metuchen, Bishop's Annual Appeal, PO Box 4000, Metuchen, NJ 08840-4000 or give online at www.diometuchen.org/BAA

To date, the Development Office has received pledges totaling \$252,962.95 and payments totaling \$228,415.84 from 225 parishioners. This represents 79.1% of our \$320,000 goal. Thank you for your continued support.



MEMORIAL MASS FOR MONSIGNOR SEAN CUNNEEN

As you know we are planning a Memorial Mass for Monsignor Sean Cunneen with the date and time to soon be announced.

Please consider sharing your favorite anecdotes, memories, homilies or comments on Monsignor Sean. They may be sent to ParishLife@SaintEB.org or dropped in the collection basket.



The Parish of St. Elizabeth & St. Brigid invite you to:
"Here I Am Lord"
Women's 2nd Cornerstone Retreat

Saturday, April 21, 2018

8:30 a.m. arrival - Concluding after 6:30 p.m. Mass.
Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner provided
\$60.00 Registration fee*

- †A retreat for women who want to renew and strengthen their faith and grow in their experience of Christian community.
- †A retreat from your daily routine to reflect upon family, people, and things that matter most to you.
- †A retreat for you to quietly and deeply examine and strengthen your relationship with God.
- †A retreat of ordinary women sharing stories and life experiences in a welcoming, non-judgmental sacred place
- †A retreat where ALL women are welcome.
- †A retreat facilitated by women who have previously experienced a Cornerstone Retreat.

There are still a few openings. If you are interested or would like more information please call the Parish Office or e-mail Lectio@sainteb.org

2017 Financial Contribution Statements for St. Elizabeth and St. Brigid are now available. Please call the Parish Office at 908-234-1265 to request your statement or return this slip in the collection basket at Mass.

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____



COMMUNION BREAKFAST

WISH LIST

In planning for the Annual Communion Breakfast and Tricky Tray the Daughters of Mary are asking the parish community for their assistance to make this event a success. They are looking for donations to include in the baskets for the Tricky Tray including:

Donations of a professional service, Gift certificates and gift cards, Tickets to a sporting event, concert, show or play, New and unused merchandise you may have at home, Collectibles (with letter of authenticity) or Art work.

They are also looking for baskets in all shapes and sizes. If you have any at home taking up space, please consider donating them. Bring the baskets in good condition to the Parish Center or leave in the back of the Church. Thank you for your help in making this a great success. For any questions, please contact Gen Virgilio at 908-781-8891.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"Think of what is above, not of what is on earth." – COLOSSIANS 3:2 On this day we thank God for His Son, Jesus, who died and rose for us. We celebrate and sing "Alleluia." Let's try to keep the joy of this Easter season in our hearts throughout the year! Pray daily and listen for how He is calling each of us to joyfully use our gifts to fulfill His salvation plan.



VOCATIONS HOLY HOUR

A Holy Hour of Prayer on Good Shepherd Sunday and World Day of Prayer for Vocations, co-sponsored by the Office for Religious and

the Office of Vocations, will be held on April 22, 3 P.M. at St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, Piscataway. Fellowship and refreshments will follow the service. For information, call (732) 562-1990.

FOR YOUR MARRIAGE

An initiative of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops

Check out <http://www.foryourmarriage.org/> to help you live out a happy and holy marriage!

EASTER MORNING PRAYER

O Lord Jesus Christ, Who upon this day did conquer death and rise from the dead, and Who is alive for ever more,
help us never to forget
Your Risen Presence forever with us.
Help us to remember,



That You are with us in every time of perplexity to guide and to direct;
That You are with us in every time of sorrow to comfort and console;
That You are with us in every time of temptation to strengthen and to inspire;
That You are with us in every time of loneliness to cheer and befriend;
That You are with us even in death to bring us to the glory of Your side.
Make us to be certain that there is nothing in time or in eternity which can separate us from You, so that in Your presence we may meet life with gallantry and death without fear.
You turn our darkness into light,
in Your light we shall see light.
Lord in Your mercy, hear our prayer.
Christ the Lord is Risen Today! **ALLELUIA!**

HOLY FAMILY PARISH PRESENTS AN EVENING WITH WORLD-CLASS TENOR DANIEL RODRIGUEZ



DINNER AND SHOW - \$50 PER PERSON

FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 2018
7 PM - 10 PM

STS. PETER AND PAUL CHURCH
285 HAMILTON ST, SOMERSET, NJ 08873

Proceeds benefit the Archdiocese of San Juan de Puerto Rico. Thank you for your support. Please make your checks payable to Holy Family Parish & write Archdiocese of San Juan, PR on the memo line.



The Knights of Columbus thank everyone who participated in the Ham Round Up. We collected 23 hams (20 fresh and 3 frozen), 7 frozen turkeys, and 1 bag of groceries and \$202 were collected today and delivered to the Somerset County Food Bank. **A Happy and Blessed Easter to you and your families.** Our next food drive will be on April 7th and 8th.

St. Elizabeth - St Brigid Mass Guild
The following names have been enrolled in the
Mass Guild of St. Elizabeth-St. Brigid Parish in March



Kim Sgroi

Joan Mc Carthy

Anne Gaeta

Msgr. Sean Cunneen



**THE DAUGHTERS OF MARY
COMMUNION BREAKFAST
JUNE 3, 2018**

Guest Speaker: Rev. Tim Christy
*Diocese of Metuchen Vicar for
Evangelization and Communications*

Location: Hamilton Farms Golf Club
1040 Pottersville Road
Gladstone, NJ 07934

Men and women are invited to attend.
More information to come.

DAUGHTERS OF MARY

The next meeting of the Daughters of Mary will be held on Wednesday, April 11, 2018 at St. Patrick Hall in St. Brigid. At this meeting, we will have a Guest Speaker. Our social will consist of desserts provided by the members. All women of the parish are invited to attend.



Your chance to rejuvenate and go back to your jobs, families and faith with renewed vigor.

Men's Cornerstone is a 27 hour overnight retreat offered to the men of our parish by the Men's Cornerstone Team at St. Lawrence the Martyr Church in Chester, NJ. This is a retreat prepared and presented by guys for guys—ordinary lay parishioners like yourselves. It's an opportunity for rest and contemplation, prayer ad renewal. This is your chance to remember who you really are, grow closer to God and reflect on the things that really matter. Interested? Please e-mail Jerry Tutak at Lectio_M@sainteb.org.



**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY,
APRIL 8**

In St. Faustina's Diary, Jesus requested the Feast of the Divine Mercy be preceded by a Novena. The Novena began on Good Friday, and will end on the Feast of the Divine Mercy Sunday, April 8th. The different souls prayed for on each day of the novena are:

- DAY 3 ~ Easter Sunday** - All devout and faithful souls.
- DAY 4 ~ Easter Monday** - Those who do not believe in Jesus and those who do not yet know Him.
- DAY 5 ~ Easter Tuesday** - The souls of separated brethren.
- DAY 6 ~ Easter Wednesday** - The meek and humble souls and the souls of children.
- DAY 7 ~ Easter Thursday** - The souls who especially venerate and glorify Jesus' mercy.
- DAY 8 ~ Easter Friday** - The souls who are detained in purgatory.
- DAY 9 ~ Easter Saturday** - The souls who have become lukewarm.

Have you suffered an abortion?

Experience God's love and mercy and begin the journey of healing. Call the Sisters of Life: 866-575-0075 or email hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org.

For men, call 877-586-4621

DAUGHTERS OF MARY FUNDRAISER

**Pizza with
a purpose**



Bring in this flyer, present it to your server and we'll donate 20% of your check to the organization listed below. Purchases include dine-in, takeout, catering and all beverages.

Fundraiser in support of:

Daughters of Mary St. Elizabeth / St. Brigid Parish

Thursday, April 12th, 2018

All Day Valid for Take-out or Dine-in

**Valid at the following location:
California Pizza Kitchen
400 Commons Way
Bridgewater, NJ 08808
(908) 566-1225
cpk0307@cpk.com**

Join the **Pizza Dough® Rewards** program and receive a free Small Plate on your next visit after registering. Register today at cpk.com or download our new app today!

Fundraiser offer valid only on the date(s) and at the CPK locations identified on this flyer. Only 501c organizations and non-profit schools are eligible to participate in the fundraiser. CPK will donate 20% of every purchase made during the fundraiser to the organization. Tax, gratuity, gift card and retail sales are excluded from the donation. Offer valid for dine-in, takeout, online, catering, curbside or delivery orders placed directly with CPK. Not valid for third-party delivery. Offer void if flyer is distributed in or near restaurant. For more information about the 501c organization participating in the fundraiser, please contact the organization directly.

