

Saints Joachim and Anne Parish

Elizabeth, Glassport, South Allegheny Roman Catholic Community

Established January 4, 2021

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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." - Mt 28:18-19

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Church Buildings

Saint Eugene (StE))
3210 Liberty Way
McKeesport, PA 15133

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Saint Michael (StM)
101 McLay Drive
Elizabeth, PA 15037

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Queen of the Rosary (QoR)
530 Michigan Avenue
Glassport, PA 15045

May 30, 2021

Faith Formation

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Looking For A Faith Community?

Wherever you are on your faith journey, we welcome you to join our community.
You may register by calling the Administration Center.

Sacraments

Baptism of Infants & Children

Baptism is a joyous event in the life of the church. Baptism is celebrated any Sunday after Mass. **Parents are required to attend a Pre-Baptism Class.**

Previous arrangements are necessary.

Instruction in the Faith - R.C.I.A.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Program is offered for those interested in the Catholic Faith. For more information, please contact Fr. Wagner.

Reconciliation

St. Eugene Church, Liberty
Tuesday, 7 - 7:30 pm

St. Michael Church, Elizabeth
Saturday, 11-11:30 am

Queen of the Rosary Church, Glassport
Saturday, 1-1:30 pm

St. Michael Church, Elizabeth
Saturday, 3:15-3:45 pm

St. Eugene Church, Liberty
Saturday, 5:15-5:45 pm

Marriage

The prospective bride and groom are to make arrangements with the priest or deacon at least 6 months prior to the proposed date of the wedding. Diocesan regulations require all couples to attend an approved pre-marriage preparation program.

Anointing of the Sick

the Anointing of the Sick is celebrated communally on the Second Sunday of the Month.

Ministry to the Sick and Shut In

Homebound members of the Parish should call the Parish Office to make arrangements to receive Holy Communion at home.

Sponsorship Forms

Only registered, practicing, fully-initiated Catholics are eligible for sponsor certificates. Please call the Parish Office.

Bulletin Information Deadline

2 weeks in advance of publish date.
elizabethsalleghebulletin@gmail.com

Moving

Please call or email your new address to the Parish Office.

Child Abuse Hotline 1-888-808-1235

Mass Intentions For The Week

StE St. Eugene Church, Liberty StM St. Michael Church, Elizabeth

QoR Queen of the Rosary Church, Glassport

May 30 - June 6, 2021

Saturday, 29, Vigil, The Most Holy Trinity

StM 4:00 pm M Lorraine Babyak - Husband & Family

StE 6:00 pm T Jim & Pat Sivak - 57th Wedding Anniversary - Family

Sunday, 30, The Most Holy Trinity

StE 8:00 am Living & Deceased Members of the Parish Family

StM 9:00 am M Cindy Langford - Roy & Jean Vucinich

QoR 10:30 am T Antonio & Genoeffa Piccione – Son, Carl

StM 12 Noon M Joseph & Irene Rudick - Rudick Family

Living & Deceased Members of the Parish Family

Monday, 31, Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Memorial Day

QoR 8:30 am Virginia Panchak- Parish Family

Novena - Infant of Prague

StM 9:00 am Mel Harlan – Ellen Szabo

Tuesday, June 1, Justin, martyr - Ninth Week in Ordinal Time

StM 9:00 am Andy Kasicky - Audrey & Family

StE 6:30 pm Joseph Stipanovic - FriendsT

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions - 7:00 - 7:30 pm

Wednesday, 2, Weekday

QoR 8:30 am Dennis Gribschaw - Friends

StM 9:00 am Margaret Kubit—Dgh, Patti & David Stanton

Thursday, 3, Charles Lwanga & Companions, martyrs

StE 8:30 am Bryan Myers - Friends

StM 9:00 am Albert Ragan, Sr. - Frank & Raffaline Champ

Friday, 4, Weekday

QoR 8:30 am Gniazdowski & Wolotkiewicz Families - Family

StM 9:00 am Beth Wargo - Emil & Shirley Wargo

Saturday, 5, Vigil, The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

StM 4:00 pm T Louise & Dwayne Kennedy - Family

StE 6:00 pm M Audrey Serena - Friends

Sunday, 6, The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

StE 8:00 am M Archie Tortorice—Friends

StM 9:00 am T Graduation Mass

Bill, Irene & William Hunt - Paula & Maureen

QoR 10:30 am M Anna Pepe – Mary Spagnolal

StM 12 Noon T Living & Deceased of the Parish Family

Low Gluten Hosts available - please see Priest before Mass.

Altar Bread & Wine, Altar Flowers, Sanctuary Lamp
St. Eugene: Sanctuary Lamp burns for Blessings & Health
for Virginia Fry from the Ladies of Charity.

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 Deacon Stephen C. Pikula, Permanent Deacon
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Holy Trinity Sunday

May 30, 2021

Let God be who God is. This is often one of the hardest things to do.

Rather than allowing the mystery of being created in the image and likeness of God unfold and take root in our lives, we change the dynamic. We want to be the creators who want to make God into the image and likeness we need God to be. We have a hard-enough time letting the people in our lives be who they are. We struggle even more so with God. It is almost as if we want God to be our imaginary friend who is not only with us whenever we need but becomes the Being we need God to be. Who is it that we want God to be today? A protector, disciplinarian, champion for justice, healer, advocate for our cause, grantor of prayers, guardian of my life, or the avenger? Our prayers tell an interesting story. When you pray, what does God look like?

Recently, a young woman who was feeling invisible, overlooked, ignored, and misunderstood by her husband struggled to make her feelings known and get his attention. Finally, she screamed, **Listen to me!** Thus, birth was given to a renewed and healthier relationship. We spend so much time storming heaven with our agenda and trying to make God into a **god** of our desires that we do not hear God saying, **Listen to me!** God is desperately trying to get our attention. God is saying, I am here among you as not one but three, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Many people seldom notice God's presence because they are so caught up with other spiritual cares and concerns. And, when the **god** they fashion and create doesn't produce as they desire, they shake the dust from their feet and move on. **I tried,** they exclaim, **but God didn't listen.**

Healthy relationships aren't built on making someone be who we need them to be. Healthy relationships are built on encounters of persons and the development of an appreciation of someone solely for who they are. Deeper relationships can even be found with two people marveling at each other and almost experiencing a childlike joy and giddiness when they see the other coming. Do you ever have these feelings about God? Believe it or not, God does for you! There is a joyful laughter that gives rise to and connects all three members of the Holy Trinity. It is this laughter, flowing from the very depths of the Godhead that not only keeps the Trinity in joyful unity but spills over into the creation of all beings and things. It is an expression of Divine Delight! Have you ever taken time away from your agenda to experience the Divine Joyfulness of God?

We can reach a connection of Presence wherein even the smallest of creatures suddenly radiate the fullness of God: the wonderful creation of their being, the innocence and playfulness of their movements, and the sustaining life breath that flows through their veins. The same God who created the heavens and the earth is the same God who wants you to call him **Dad** and the same God who preserves your life and has all things in His care.

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We remember . . . In your charity,
 please remember all those who have died,
 especially: **Nicholas Vay, Madeline Katko,**
Mary Carulli, Donna Goretzka,
all who will die today,
and those who have no one to pray for them.
Resting in Paradise.
Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord.
May Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them.

June Rosary Intention

For those preparing for marriage
 with the support of a Christian community:
 may they grow in love,
 with generosity, faithfulness, and patience.

The Mystery of the Blessed Trinity

Today we celebrate the solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. The Church sets aside this Sunday to focus our attention on the mystery of the Blessed Trinity, God who is one, but three persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The first reading from Deuteronomy emphasizes both God's awesome greatness and amazing nearness. It might seem beyond belief, but the God of all creation speaks to us, protects us, and guides us. The second reading from Saint Paul's Letter to the Romans describes how we are to relate to the three persons who are one God. We are led by the Spirit to meet God the Father as adopted children. Our adoption is such that we are even heirs with our brother, Christ, the second person of the Trinity, in whose sufferings we must also share. In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus speaks with his authority as God and sends us to teach and baptize in the name of the Trinity. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

Everyday Stewardship - Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments God Doesn't Take a Break

An acquaintance who works in church ministry once told me a story about one of the students she had in Faith Formation. This student informed my friend that his family doesn't come to Mass in summer. **God takes a break in summer, and so do we**, he said.

There's a lot to unpack here. First, it's tragic to think of anyone voluntarily missing out on the Eucharist for so long. It's also a real problem in the church today that a lot of our folks don't understand the beauty of the Sunday obligation. But if I had to dissect this situation and pinpoint the thing I find most troubling, **it's the idea of God taking a break.**

I hope it's starting to look like summer where you are. We've still got a few weeks left before it's official, but the school year should be winding up for most kids, the birds should be chirping a little louder, and hopefully your lawn is starting to green up nicely. You're probably daydreaming about the annual cabin getaway weekend or waterskiing on the Fourth of July.

All in all, summer is going to be a nice break, even if — like typical Americans — our break is full of productive work.

Thank God — literally — that He doesn't take a break, even if we do. Can we try to remember that, even in the midst of our many wonderful distractions? Let's enjoy this summer. Let's live it to the full. But let's see it for the gift that it is — and remember the thanks we owe the Giver.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LP

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Astonishing is the term that Clement of Alexandria used in referring to the Holy Trinity. Today's scriptures tell the astonishing stories, from Moses in the Old Testament to the end of Matthew's Gospel, of how we mere humans are intended to be intimately associated with our loving God. We see in Deuteronomy that Moses reminds the new generation of Israelites of the **astonishing** fact that, even though the ancient world teemed with gods, their God was the only God, that **there is no other**. Saint Paul in the letter to the Romans writes about those who follow the Spirit as being **sons** of God, which of course would make us brothers and sisters of Christ, and, as he says, **joint heirs with Christ**. Another astonishing statement! Finally, Christ bestows the Holy Spirit on the world as his continuing presence and force of divine revelation. **How can we not be astonished?** Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

Feast of Faith: Liturgy and the Holy Trinity

The Trinity is the central mystery of our faith. We believe that God is one, yet three: total unity and rich diversity. God is not a monolith, but a dynamic community of persons, a perfect, loving harmony of three. And the liturgy is the work of the Trinity. We begin all our liturgical celebrations with the sign of the cross, a reminder of our Trinitarian baptism, and the simplest of all professions of our faith. We believe that God is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and we gather in the name of this triune God. Throughout the Mass, we address our prayers to God the Father, through Christ our Lord, in the Spirit's power. And the Father hears our prayer, transforming bread and wine into the Body and Blood of his Son by the Holy Spirit. The Church is **the sacrament of trinitarian communion (Sacramentum Caritatis, 16)**. It is the Trinity who holds us together as well. In the words of Saint Cyprian, we are **a people made one by the unity of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit (quoted in Sacramentum Caritatis, 16)**.

—Corinna Laughlin, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Marriage Moments by Susan Vogt

Memorial Day—What does it mean to remember - to remember people who have died, to remember special events in our life together, etc. Perhaps pull out some old photos to remember the story of you life together so far.

Parenting Pointers by Susan Vogt

Does your family have too many toys or too few? Most middle class families have too many? If so, invite everyone to choose one toy to give to someone who has less. This includes parents too—although your **toy** may be more expensive.

Mary Garden Beautification Project



The **Mary Garden Beautification Project** is being inspired by our parish Youth Group. The **Mary Garden Project** is being planned for the right side of Saint Michael Church (Bell Tower Side).

Currently there are a few different options, (a new Virgin Mary statue, stone & concrete work, water feature, various plants & flowers) and your thoughts and ideas about what should be done within that space are valuable and important.

Also anyone with landscape design experience and is willing to assist with the planning and preparation of the layout of the garden would be greatly appreciated. This will be an extensive facelift to the church grounds.

All support, time, talent, and treasure, for the **Mary Garden Project** will be greatly appreciated.

If you have any ideas or suggestions or would like to volunteer your time, talent, and treasure to this **Mary Garden Project**,

**please email the Faith Formation office at
213FaithForm@gmail.com
or call 412-754-0886.**

**Please keep the Mary Garden Project
in your prayers.**

Thank you for your support and prayers.



May God Bless Our Service Personnel

We pray for and remember our Service Men and Women who are serving on active duty in the Armed Services, especially: **Cpl. Peter A. Barrante, USMC; Maj. Damian Baskerville, USAF; Col. Richard Collage, PA NG; Staff Sgt. Nicholas DeLuca, Army; Ens. David DeMaio, USCG; Capt. Craig Dolhi, Army; Capt. Anthony Formica, Army; Jacob Formica, E-4, Army; 2nd Lt. John Formica, Army; SPC Samuel Formica, Army National Guard; Capt. Markus Gibson, USMC; 2ndLt. Miles Gibson, USMC; PO2. Mason Gibson, USN; T/Sgt. Michael Goodman, USAF; Lt. Col. James Hock, Army; E5 Sgt. Brian Imundo, Army; Sgt. Russ Langley, Marines; Staff Sgt. Raymond Massung, Jr., USAF; Sgt. First Class William Nellis, Army; Staff Sgt. Timothy Oeler, USAF; LTJG. Timothy Ragan, USN; Amn. Stephanie A. Reichenbach, USAF; PFC David R. Saunders, Army National Guard; Sgt. Brandon R. Smith, USAF Pararescueman; Amn. Adam Stitt, USAF; Capt. Andrew Tkac, Army.**

Thank you for your service!

May We Never Forget . . . Freedom is Never Free!

**May God Bless Our Health Care Workers
and All First Responders.**

The Mystery Is The Masterpiece

The Most Holy Trinity is the central truth and, **indeed, mystery of our lives as believers in God.** Even so, few seem to be able talk about it. Must we be satisfied to take this truth as an inscrutable object of faith that we can easily ignore? Not at all!

We are immersed in Trinitarian reality in many ways.

Please consider these clues to God as more than just Person of the Father. Remember the words of God in scripture when the world and all its wonders were coming to be. The formulas for each stage in creation begin with **Let us . . .** (Genesis 1:26). This is not merely the **Royal We.** This is God as a plurality of Being. In Isaiah, the seraphim cry out **Holy, holy, holy . . .** (Isaiah 6:3). Ancient Middle Eastern superlatives come in threes, but why not consider it a sign of God's three-ness? And these Old Testament foreshadowings are nothing compared to our well-known baptismal formula, **I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.** Notice that **name** is singular, and yet refers to three persons. Finally, as Christ tells the Apostles in today's Gospel, they are to go out and teach in that same singular triple name.

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Shall We Dance?

The famous icon by the equally famous fourteenth-century iconographer Andrej Rublev is a depiction of the Trinity densely packed with symbolic content. The three **angels** sitting at a table are actually meant to be the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. They relate to each other in loving gesture, each one to the other, often described as **dance-like.** And yet this triangular circle seems incomplete. Indeed it is, because we must become one with this circle of life-giving love. As in a dance, we are drawn into the divine life in the Trinitarian embrace of abundant glory and harmony. Then we complete the movement by taking that love incarnated out to the world, revealing the mystery to our sisters and brothers through our own lives.

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A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar

In today's gospel Jesus commands, **Teach them to carry out everything I have commanded you.** This command is meant for every Christian. In light of this command, parenting is not only the most difficult task a person can take on, it is also one of the most apostolic and missionary tasks. Jesus commands all parents to teach their children **all that I have commanded you.**

Blessed the people

the Lord has chosen to be his own. —Psalm 33



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Living Stones of God's House
1 Peter 2:4-5

Rainforest Explorers Vacation Bible School Jesus Leads the Way

Every Monday in June (7,14, 21, 28)
6:30 - 8:30 pm at Saint Michael Church
Open to Pre-School (age 3 - Grade 6)
Parents/Guardians/Grandparents are invited to stay
and learn with us! Make it a family night!
Questions, or to Register your child/ren or family,
call 412-754-0886 or email 213K6ff@gmail.com
Registration Form is in this Bulletin, page 11.

Pre-Baptism Class

Are you expecting? Is this your first child?
Pre-Baptism Class is for expectant parents and
Godparents or anyone who is seeking a Catholic
Baptism for their child.

Pre-Baptism Class - Deacon John Ragan
Thursday, June 10, 2021 at 7:00 pm
St. Michael Meeting Room

Grandparents are also welcome at these classes.
Please register by calling the Faith Formation -
Religious Education office, 412-754-0886 or
emailing 213FaithForm@gmail.com.

Prior to scheduling a Baptism, parents need to
attend the Pre-Baptismal Seminar.

Bereavement Ministry

This group, led by Deacon Dale DiSanto, is for people
who have lost a loved one and are experiencing grief.

This is a Support Group, not counseling.

Thursday Afternoon

Saint Michael, Meeting Room - 1:00-2:30 pm

Please RSVP to Jan, 412-751-0663

so that we may prepare materials.

If you need assistance in moving through your grief,
this is an ongoing way to be supported during this difficult
time. The weekly session begins with suggested topics,
open discussion and ends with prayer.



Family Fun Night & Car Cruise

Sponsored by Faith Formation & Youth Ministry
St. Michael Church

Friday, June 18, 2021 - 5:30 - 9:30 pm
Car Cruise, Entertainment, Games, Food Trucks
Pie Baking Contest

All pie bakers are invited to enter your favorite
homemade dessert pie on Family Fun Night.
All pies are to be brought the Archangel Hall
on June 18 between 10:30 am - 5:30 pm.
You must include your name, phone number,
and a copy of the recipe (or a list of ingredients).

Volunteers Needed for Family Fun Night
from 5:00 and 10:30

If you are able to help, please email
Sue Formica, 213Youth@gmail.com
All volunteers must have clearances.

Car Registration or more information,
please email Sue, 213Youth@gmail.com
Hope to see you there!

Faith Formation - Religious Education
Registration Forms 2021-2022
Kindergarten, Grade 1 - Grade 8
For all new and returning Families
Can be found on page 10 of this Bulletin.

Faith, Fellowship and Food Summer Series

Join us in a lively and practical series in which we further
discover our Life in Christ. The Summer topics are:

Life in Christ - Who is Jesus?, Salvation History,
Holy Spirit, Beatitudes, and today's challenges.

Tuesday Evening 6:45-9:00 pm
Saint Michael Archangel Hall
June 22, July 20, August 17

The evening will include prayer & song, presentation,
facilitator led discussion. Sessions are conducted in a
spirit of community; all are welcome.

For information or to register, please email
213Youth@gmail.com or call Sue, 412-754-0886
All Covid Protocol Will Be Followed.



Sunday, May 30; Holy Trinity Sunday
Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40; Rom 8:14-17;
Matthew 28:16-20

For you are my God—There's a difference between prayer and theology. Most of us don't think of ourselves as doing theology when we pray—and yet we are. How we pray involves a preconception of the God with whom we are engaging. Is God a loving parent to us, or a merciless accountant? Is God an ATM we visit to supply our daily needs; a companion on the journey; the source of every good thing; or the one who best loves and understands us? When you pray, take a moment to orient yourself toward the God you really believe in. **Know, and fix in your heart, that the LORD is God . . . and that there is no other.**

Monday, May 31; Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Zephaniah 3:14-18a or Romans 12:9-16; Luke 1:39-56

Believe the impossible—National holidays frequently take precedence over our daily routines, and this **Memorial Day** is no exception as the country honors those who gave their lives in service. In the midst of your holiday activities, however, take a moment to ponder today's **Feast of the Visitation**. It's a wonder-filled account of God's power to transform human life, as two holy women—cousins Mary and Elizabeth—embrace their unusual and graced pregnancies. Their joy trumps any worry as they glorify the Lord who lifts up the lowly and fills the hungry with good things. Mary's words have echoed through centuries of faith, calling all believers to see the presence of God in the unexpected. Ask for the grace to see the Holy today. **My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God, my savior.**

Tuesday, Jun 01; Justin, martyr, Tobit 2:9-14; Mark 12:13-17

Wise up!—Justin sought a universal truth in the Greek philosophies of his day—among Stoics, Platonists, and Pythagoreans—but it was an old man he met, walking along the sea one day in 135, who finally enlightened him. The man simply recounted the story of the Hebrew prophets and Christianity. Justin was hooked. He donned philosopher's robes to speak of faith and reason, writing persuasively about Christianity. Justin's writings are most famous for providing a vivid snapshot of the early church—describing in detail how the Eucharist and Baptisms were celebrated, also the practice of reading aloud from the gospels. Seek the truths of the faith in your own way. **Do not regard a person's status but teach the way of God in accordance with the truth.**

Wednesday, Jun 02; Weekday, Tb 3:1-11, 16-17; Mk 12:18-27

On we go—By the time of Jesus, the possibility of life after death had been in the theological discussion for at least a century. In response to the Book of Job, which questioned why bad things happen to good people, the Book of Wisdom, written in the first century before Christ, declared that the "souls of the just are in the hands of God" and that God's justice was at work even after death. The Sadducees in today's gospel contest the idea, while Jesus supports it. Our faith in God's eternal

presence helps us to endure the injustices of life and bear wrongs patiently. Remember today that we believe in life everlasting. **When they rise from the dead . . . they are like the angels in heaven.**

Thursday, Jun 03; Charles Lwanga & Companions, martyrs

Tobit 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a; Mark 12:28-34

Faith rises from the ashes—Twenty-two men and boys, many of them pages in King Mwanga's court in Uganda, were murdered between 1885 and 1887 for refusing to denounce their Catholic faith. Most were burned to death at Namugondo after a two-day death march from the palace. Within several decades, a church was erected near the site of the gruesome executions to honor the martyrs. Now a basilica stands on this holy ground in thanksgiving for the canonization of the Ugandan martyrs in 1964. **A martyr is a witness**, Pope Francis said during a 2015 visit to Uganda. **Past glories were a beginning, but you are called to create future glories. This is what the church asks of you.** This is what the church asks of all of us. How will you witness the glory of the gospel today? **You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart.**

Friday, Jun 04; Weekday, Tobit 11:5-17; Mark 12:35-37

What a blessed day this be—As the northern hemisphere revels in the glories of spring, it's a fitting time to say a few **Glory Be's** and **Blessed Be's** in thanksgiving. The **Glory Be**, is a short hymn of praise and affirmation of faith: **Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.** The **Blessed Be's**, also known as the **Divine Praises**, are a litany honoring the Trinity, the Blessed Mother, and the angels and saints: **Blessed be God. Blessed be His Holy Name. Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true Man. . . .** It is typically recited during **Benediction and Eucharistic Adoration**. But anytime, particularly a sunny day, is the right time to acknowledge how blessed we are to be loved by God. **Blessed be God, and praised be his great name.**

Saturday, Jun 05; Boniface, bishop & martyr

Tobit 12:1, 5-15, 20; Mark 12:38-44

Animate your life story Boniface (673-754), born in Devonshire, England, entered the Benedictine Monastery at Exeter and was ordained a priest at 30. Despite his happy life as a monk, he decided to travel to Holland and then Germany as a missionary. He's now known as the **Apostle to Germany** and is credited with unifying the church in Europe. Boniface's chief concern throughout his life was purity of faith. He saw his mission as ensuring that men and women—lay, clerics, and religious—live holy lives. He exhorted the faithful: **Let all your actions be animated with charity, and according to the gospel, you will possess your souls in patience.** May you experience the peace that comes with a life motivated by love. **Do good, and evil will not find its way to you.**

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Annual Community Festival Ticket

Benefits Saints Joachim and Anne Parish

We need your help . . .

Try a chance at winning a total of \$9,000 during the Community Festival. Thursday \$2,000 & Friday \$2,000 Saturday \$5,000

\$50 Early Bird drawing July 12, 19, 26 & August 2

Each family is asked to either sell or purchase 12 tickets (2 books of 6) for \$50. Tickets are \$5 each. Purchase 12 and get 2 tickets free.

Tickets are available before and after Sunday Mass or at the Parish Office.

Thank You for your support!

Monthly Envelope

Please use the Monthly Envelope for Capital Improvement, Upkeep, Utility/Energy or Fuel, and not Regular Offertory. Thank you for your sacrificial giving!

A suggested offering for each Family is \$20 to the Monthly Envelope. These monies will be used to assist in the upkeep of parish property and help cover the cost of energy and utilities.

Faith Formation Envelope

In your offertory packet, there is a special envelope for Faith Formation.

Thank You For Your Support!

Time, Talent, and Treasure — May 23, 2021

Weekly Offering	\$ 14,688
Monthly Offering	\$ 410
Religious Education	\$ 113
Children's Offering	\$ 4
2021 Parish Share	\$ 235
2021 Parish Share to Date	\$98,485
2021 Parish Share Goal	\$137,788

2021 Fish Fry

Income \$53,935 Expenses \$31,883.29
Profit \$22,051.71

Thank You For Your Sacrificial Giving!

Please make all checks payable to Saints Joachim and Anne Parish

Mass Attendance

4:00 pm	139	6:00 pm	65
8:00 am	73	9:00 am	159
10:30 am	107	12 Noon	101
Families	1,855	Souls	4,588

Spring Pre-Cana Program

If you are planning planning weddings, especially Summer, Fall & Winter 2021.

St. Michael - Archangel Hall, McLay Drive, Elizabeth

Saturday, June 5, 2021, 9:00 am-3:30 pm

Registration \$50.00 per couple (includes materials & lunch)

Pre-Registration is necessary. Please call Julie

In the Faith Formation Office, 412-754-0886

or email 213FaithForm@gmail.com.

Mary of Nazareth Catholic School



Is Enrolling

Students for

Preschool — Grade 8.

Call 412.672.2360

to Speak to Someone about Enrollment.

Upcoming Events

Knights of Columbus will meet on **Monday, June 7, 2021 at 7:30 pm** in the St. Michael - Meeting Room.

Catholic Men's Fellowship will meet on **Saturday, June 12, 2021 at 7:00 am** In the St. Michael Church - Meeting Room.

Glassport Sons of Italy Spaghetti Dinner **Sunday, June 27, 2021 - 12 Noon to 6:00 pm**
Homemade Gnocchi or Cheese Ravioli with Meatballs, Salad & Dessert
Take-Out Only 412-673-3915

Saint Joachim and Anne Parish

Faith Formation - Youth Group T-Shirt - Order Form
T-Shirts are available for Adults & Youth — \$10



Complete the Order Form and place in the mail or collection basket. Please make checks payable to Saints Joachim and Anne Parish.

Faith Formation - Youth Group T-Shirt - Order Form

Please Print

Name _____

Phone _____

Adult: Small ___ Medium ___ Large ___ X Large ___ 2XLarge ___

Youth: Small ___ Medium ___ Large ___

_____ (Number of T-Shirts) X \$10 (per T-Shirt) = _____

Please place Order Form in an envelope marked Youth Group T-Shirt with your Payment and deposit in the collection. Thank You!

**Stuffed Cabbage for Our Festival
Volunteers Needed and Appreciated!**
We are making Stuffed Cabbage
Tuesday, June 22 at 9:00 am

Queen of the Rosary Social Hall. Lunch provided.
Please consider offering your time and talent to help our Parish. We also need assistance washing dishes and cleaning up. **Lots of fun! Good times! Laughs! Smiles! Hugs! Friends! Hope to see you there.**

Filled Propane Tanks Needed for Festival

We are requesting filled, **20 lb. propane tanks**, to be donated for our festival. Tanks should be **marked with your name** and be dropped off at St. Eugene Church on or before **July 15, 2021**. Tanks will be available for pickup after the festival. If you can help, please contact Cathy at 412-980-2918 **by June 30, 2021**.

Community Festival Flea Market

Flea Market is in need of gently used, but loved items, that you may find in your spring cleaning and would like to donate to the flea market. All donations must be in good working condition. These following items will not be accepted: clothing, draperies, tires, computers or broken electronics and unclean items.

Drop-off Dates will be July 19-23 from 6-8 pm.
Treasures will not be accepted prior to Drop-off Dates!
Thank you for your generosity and kindness!

**Be a BOOTH SPONSOR
for our COMMUNITY FESTIVAL**

For a **\$50.00 donation**, your name or business name will appear on one of our booths for all three nights of the Festival. A complete list of Booth Sponsors will be listed in the bulletin prior to the Festival. **Return by July 9, 2021.**

Please detach and return with your check (\$50) to the **Parish Office 101 McLay Dr. Elizabeth PA 15037..**
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!

**Saint Joachim and Anne Community Festival
Booth Sponsor - \$50 Donation**

Please Print

Name _____

Address _____

Zip Code _____ Phone _____

Name to read as _____

Please detach and return to Parish Office marked **Booth Sponsor**,
Checks should be written to Saints Joachim & Anne Parish
101 McLay Drive Elizabeth, PA 15037 by Friday July 9, 2021.

**Saints Joachim and Anne Parish
Annual Community Festival 2021
August 5, 6, 7, 2021**

Community Festival Specialty Baskets

A huge **Thank You** to all our generous parishioners who continue to donate items weekly to fill our **Festival Specialty Baskets**. We are continuing to accept new items (never been used) to fill the lovely baskets for our **Community Festival**. Items can be placed in the labeled baskets at each church

Here are some of the items still needed:

- **Car Wash Supplies**
- **Pet supplies (toys, food, bedding etc.)**
- **Items for grilling**
- **Items used to tinker in the garden**
- **Patriotic items**

Please remember we can't do it without your help!

And as always, **Thank You** for your generosity in helping us to create **70+ baskets** for each night of our festival in addition to our **craft baskets** and **3-night baskets**.

Please note all basket donations need to be received by **Sunday, July 25, 2021** to allow for preparation and sign-making. All items received after that date will be held and used for future events. **Thank You for your generosity!**

Attention All Crafters - It's festival time!

We need You and Your Skills and Talents for making afghans, floral arrangements, wreaths, pillows, fleece blankets, wood working, sports blankets/pillows and any other craft items that you can share for the craft baskets. We also need blankets and pillows to be made. Fiberfill is available for your use. For drop-off information, call Cathy, 412-980-2918. **Crafts can also be donated during Flea Market drop-off times, July 19-23 from 6-8 pm.**

Community Festival Wheelbarrows of Cheer
(Themes - USA, Day at the Beach and Backyard BBQ)

One Wheelbarrow of Cheer will be raffled each night of our **Community Festival**. Donations are greatly appreciated. Sports, beach & summer, (coolers, beach chairs), all kinds of alcohol, wine, wine coolers, beer, soda, mixers, snack & party food items are all needed.

Donation drop-off information: Mari Ann, 412-667-0297, or Cathy Esack Hair Styling Center, 412-672-8666, (during business hours). Please do not leave items if the shop is closed. **Thank you for your generous support!**

More information or interested in being involved with the **Parish Community Festival**, Cathy, 412-980-2918.

10 Elizabeth, Glassport, South Allegheny Roman Catholic Community

**Saints Joachim and Anne Parish
Office of Faith Formation - 101 McLay Drive, Elizabeth, PA 15037 - 412-754-0886
2021-2022 FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION FORM**

REGISTRATION FEE: 1 Child \$35/ 2 Children \$60/ 3+ Children \$75 FAMILY CATECHESIS (Homeschool) \$60 per Family

Please make checks payable to **Saints Joachim and Anne Parish**
If you need tuition assistance or scholarships, please contact the Office of Faith Formation.

ALL INFORMATION IS KEPT CONFIDENTIAL.

Please Print

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Mother's Maiden Name: _____ Primary Telephone: _____
(Imperative for Church Records)

Address (where the child primarily resides): _____

Email: _____ Secondary Email: _____

Mother's Cellphone: _____ Father's Cellphone: _____

Church of Registration: _____

1st Child Name: _____ Birthdate: _____

Age: _____ Grade: _____ Church of Baptism: _____

Known Allergies/Medications/Conditions: _____

2nd Child Name: _____ Birthdate: _____

Age: _____ Grade: _____ Church of Baptism: _____

Known Allergies/Medications/Conditions: _____

3rd Child Name: _____ Birthdate: _____

Age: _____ Grade: _____ Church of Baptism: _____

Known Allergies/Medications/Conditions: _____

Please choose your session preference for when your child(ren) will be going to Faith Formation.

_____ **Saint Michael- Sundays; 10:15 am to 11:45 am**
101 McLay Dr., Elizabeth (2 times per month)

_____ **Saint Michael- Mondays; 5:45 pm to 7:15 pm**
101 McLay Dr. Elizabeth (2 times per month)

_____ **Family Catechesis (Homeschool)**
(1 parent/ 1 community meeting per month)

**Please list up to 3 individuals that have permission to pick up your child(ren).
Please also list the relationship to the child(ren) as well. Please attach a separate sheet if necessary.**

Name _____ Relationship: _____

Name _____ Relationship: _____

Name _____ Relationship: _____

Special Information to Impart to the Office of Faith Formation:

Social Media/Webpage

There will be activities and events where your child will be photographed and/or videotaped.

These might be used on our social media, our webpage or in house for advertising.

If you do not wish for your child's image to be used, please ask for the social media waiver.

Are you ready to follow as **Jesus Leads the Way?**
Saints Joachim and Anne Parish is proud to present our
2021 Vacation Bible School program: Rainforest Explorers!
Saints Joachim and Anne Parish presents:

Every Monday in June!

June 7th
June 14th
June 21st
June 28th



Monday Evening
6:30pm-8:30pm

St. Michael Church
101 McLay Drive
Elizabeth, PA 15037

Vacation Bible School 2021

Every Monday in June (7th, 14th, 21st, 28th)
6:30 to 8:30 PM at Saint Michael Church

Open to Pre-School (age 3) through 6th grade
Registration fee is \$20 per child and includes a take-home kit!
Adults are encouraged to stay and learn with us! Make it a family night!

Questions? Please call **412-754-0886** or email **213K6ff@gmail.com**

Registration (Please Print):

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____

Address: _____

Cell Number: _____ Home Number: _____

Child's Name _____ Grade (in Fall 2021): _____ Birth Date: _____

Child's Name _____ Grade (in Fall 2021): _____ Birth Date: _____

Child's Name _____ Grade (in Fall 2021): _____ Birth Date: _____

Child's Name _____ Grade (in Fall 2021): _____ Birth Date: _____

*Alternate Emergency Contact (not parent/guardian): _____

Relationship to Child(ren): _____ Phone Number: _____

*Alternate contact must be available during the hours of 6:30 pm-8:30 pm if there is an emergency.

**Registration is open to grades Pre-K – 6. Children must be FULLY potty trained to attend Vacation Bible School.
Children not yet potty trained may register and attend ONLY IF parent/guardian attends entire session with them.

Please list any Food Allergies/Medical Conditions:

Please enclose payment with registration form and return to the
Faith Formation Office, 101 McLay Drive, Elizabeth, PA 15037
REGISTRATION FEE IS \$20 PER CHILD and includes take-home kit after final session!

Parents/Guardians can attend at no additional cost! Make it a fun family night!
If you need financial assistance for VBS, please contact Julie Fleckenstein 412-754-0886

Please make checks payable to Saints Joachim and Anne Parish.

Office use only: Date Received: _____ Amount: _____ Cash/Check#: _____

The Most Holy Trinity Sunday

Prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil; may God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all the other evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Gathering Hymn: Sing Praise to Our Creator



1. Sing praise to our Cre - a - tor, Re - deemed of Ad - am's race;
2. To Je - sus Christ give glo - ry, God's co - e - ter - nal Son;
3. Now praise the Ho - ly Spir - it Poured forth up - on the earth,



1. God's chil - dren by a - dop - tion, Bap - tized in liv - ing grace.
2. As mem - bers of his Bod - y We are in Christ made one.
3. Who sanc - ti - fies and guides us, Con - firmed in our re - birth.



Praise the ho - ly Trin - i - ty, Un - di - vid - ed U - ni - ty;



Ho - ly God, might - y God, God im - mor - tal, be a - dored.

Omer Westendorf, 1916-1997
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Glory to God

Mass of Christ the Savior
Dan Schutte



Glo - ry to God. Glo - ry to God. Glo - ry to God in the high -



est, and on earth, peace on earth, peace to peo - ple of good



will. will. A - men. A - men.

- | | |
|--|---|
| 1. We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heav'nly King,
O God, almighty Father. | receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand,
the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us. |
| 2. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, | 3. For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. |

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The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 33



R. Bless - ed the peo - ple the Lord has [cho - sen,] cho - sen to be his own.

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Second Reading Romans 8:14-17



Gospel Acclamation

Celtic Mass
Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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Offertory Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God Almighty

1. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God Al -
2. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! all the saints a -
3. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! though the dark - ness
4. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God Al -

might - y! Ear - ly in the morn - ing our
dore thee, Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a -
hide thee, Though the eye made blind by sin thy
might - y! All thy works shall praise thy Name in

song shall rise to thee: Ho - ly, Ho - ly,
round the glass - y sea; Cher - u - bim and
glo - ry may not see, On - ly thou art
earth, and sky, and sea; Ho - ly, Ho - ly,

Ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y,
ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
Ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y,

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.
God ev - er - last - ing through e - ter - ni - ty.
Per - fect in power, in love, and pu - ri - ty.
God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

Text: Reginald Heber, 1783-1826, alt.
Tune: NICAEA, 11 12 12 10; John Bacchus Dykes, 1823-1876

Gospel

Matthew 28:16-20

Homily: Reflection of the Word

Apostle's Creed is known as the Baptismal Creed and is often used during the season of Lent and Easter.

Apostle's Creed

I believe in GOD, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
(All Bow) *who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,*
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God,
the Father almighty; from there he will come
to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Prayer for On Mission for the Church Alive!

Father of Mercy, as we journey
On Mission for the Church Alive! endow us with
your gifts of collaboration, courage and compassion.
Help us to fulfill the mission of Jesus and His Church
through vibrant parishes and effective ministries.
Raise up selfless, energetic leaders
to serve the Church in fidelity and with care.
May we the Church of Pittsburgh in Allegheny, Beaver,
Butler, Greene, Lawrence, and Washington counties,
be sustained and strengthened, by your grace.
Help us to learn Jesus, to love Jesus and to live Jesus.
Hear this prayer and grant it through Jesus Christ
our Lord, with help of our dear Blessed Mother,
under the mantle of her love. Amen.

**Holy
Mystery of Faith**

**We proclaim you Death, O Lord and profess
your Resurrection until you come again.**

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the
 world, have mer-cy on us. world, grant us peace.

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Communion Hymn: How Great Thou Art

1. O Lord my God, when I in awe - some
 2. When thru the woods and for - est glades I
 3. And when I think that God, His Son not
 4. When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla -

won - der Con - sid - er all the worlds Thy hands have
 wan - der And hear the birds sing sweet - ly in the
 spar - ing, Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it
 ma - tion And take me home, what joy shall fill my

made, I see the stars, I hear the roll - ing
 trees, When I look down from loft - y moun - tain
 in That on the cross, my bur - den glad - ly
 heart! Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -

thun - der, Thy pow'r thru - out the un - i - verse dis - played!
 gran - deur And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze.
 bear - ing, He bled and died to take a - way my sin!
 ra - tion And there pro-claim, my God, how great Thou art!

Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to Thee; How great Thou

art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to

Thee; How great Thou art, How great Thou art!

Going Forth Hymn: Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

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1. Ho - ly God, we praise thy name; Lord of all, we
2. Hark! the loud ce - les - tial hymn An - gel choirs a -
3. Lo! the ap - os - tol - ic train Join, the sa - cred
4. Ho - ly Fa - ther, Ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,

1. bow be - fore thee! All on earth thy scep - tre claim,
2. bove are rais - ing; Cher - u - bim and Ser - a - phim,
3. Name to hal - low; Proph - ets swell the loud re - frain,
4. Three we name thee; While in es - sence on - ly One,

1. All in heav'n a - bove a - dore thee; In - fi -
2. In un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing; Fill the
3. And the white - robed mar - tyrs fol - low; And from
4. Un - di - vid - ed God we claim thee; And a -

1. nite, thy vast do - main, Ev - er - last - ing
2. heav'ns with sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly,
3. morn to set of sun, Through the Church the
4. dor - ing, bend the knee, While we own the

1. is thy reign. In - fi - nite, thy vast do -
2. ho - ly Lord!" Fill the heav'ns with sweet ac -
3. song goes on. And from morn to set of
4. mys - ter - y. And a - dor - ing, bend the

1. main, Ev - er - last - ing is thy reign.
2. cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!"
3. sun, Through the Church the song goes on.
4. knee, While we own the mys - ter - y.

Text: 78 78 77 with repeat; *Te Deum laudamus*; attr. to St. Nicetas, ca. 335-414;
 Grosser Gott, *wir loben dich*; tr. ascr. to Ignaz Franz, 1719-1790; tr. by Clarence A. Walworth, 1820-1900.
 Music: *Allgemeines Katholisches Gesangbuch*, Vienna, ca. 1774.



**Patriotic Rosary
 Monday Evening**

June 14, 2021 - 7:00 pm
 Saint Michael Church, Elizabeth, PA

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
 Rosary, Patriotic Hymns and Benediction**

There will be **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** with **Benediction** to conclude the recitation of the Rosary.

The **Patriotic Rosary** will be prayed on the Second Monday of the Month. **All are invited and most assuredly welcome!**

Mary, Queen of the Rosary, pray for us.