

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
DECEMBER 23, 2012

THOUGHTS FROM OUR PASTOR



Dear Parishioner: Christmas songs so often cry out for peace. The birth of Christ brings reconciliation. The season proclaims that our waiting is at an end with the coming of the

Messiah. How much these truths speak to our world today. The Prince of Peace has much to say in a world of war, violence and terrorism. The Savior grants forgiveness freely and generously. The Messiah steps into our empty hearts with the fullness of salvation.

The Savior is born for us. He comes to be part of our humanity. Jesus comes among us to say we are forgiven, we need not fear and we are blessed with hope. Can there be a message more timely and profound than the birth of the Savior as one of us? Mary and Joseph took Jesus into their arms in the midst of their uncertainty with ready faith and solid devotion. Our hearts can embrace Jesus with the same love.

Our world can use a Savior now. Our own hearts as well need a Savior to bind the wounds of hurt and take away our sin. The Savior is born for us. We embrace Jesus not in spite of our humanity, but because of it. Let us find in Him our hope, our peace and our salvation.

May the love of this infant Savior live fully through us and bless our hearts. May all know the light of the world and the grace of the God's Kingdom:

- our parishioners and their loved ones;
- our young people home from college and our visiting friends;
- those who observe Christmas alone;
- our children full of promise, the sick burdened with pain;
- spouses blessed with support and love, and those hurt by separation;
- caregivers and devoted parents;
- those affected by violence and loss of loved ones;
- the hospitalized and the infirm;
- those in our armed services and our first responders;
- the lost, the frustrated and the abandoned;
- politicians, public servants and professionals;
- teenagers and young adults, seniors and grandparents;
- laborers and teachers, scientists and scholars;

May you and your loved ones be blessed with the joy and peace of Christ's birth.

*Merry Christmas,  
Fr. Harahan, Our Priests & Parish Staff*

*Joy to the World*



**Confessions**

**Saturday, 12:30 p.m., 4:15 p.m.,  
Sundays 11:30 a.m.**

**Monday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, Christmas Eve**

**Mass Schedule**

9:00 a.m. (Daily Mass)  
3:30 p.m. Mass (Church and Gym)  
5:00 p.m. Mass (Church and Gym)  
6:30 p.m. Christmas Pageant  
7:00 p.m. Family Mass  
8:30 p.m. Mass  
10:00 p.m. Caroling  
10:30 p.m. Mass

**Tuesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>, Christmas Day**

9:00 a.m.  
10:30 a.m.  
12 Noon

***There will not be a 7:30 a.m. Mass on Christmas Day.***

**Wednesday, December 26<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 a.m. Mass only

**Saturday, December 29<sup>th</sup> Vigil Feast of Holy Family**

5:00 p.m.

**Sunday, December 30<sup>th</sup> Feast of the Holy Family**

7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12 noon

**Monday, December 31<sup>st</sup> New Year's Eve**

9:00 a.m. (Daily Mass)

**Vigil of Mary, Mother of God**

5:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, January 1, 2013 New Year's Day**

Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

9:00 a.m.  
10:30 a.m.

**Saturday, January 5,**

**Vigil Solemnity of the Epiphany**

5:00p.m.

**Sunday, January 6, 2013**

**Solemnity of the Epiphany**

7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:00 noon

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



Archdiocese of Newark  
OFFICE OF THE ARCHBISHOP

December 7, 2012

Dear Monsignor Harahan:

Greetings in the Lord!

I write to inform you that I have appointed Reverend Paul Houlis, Parochial Vicar of the Parish of St. Elizabeth, effective January 16, 2013.

I pray that God may continue to bless you, and all the members of St. Elizabeth Parish.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely in the Lord,

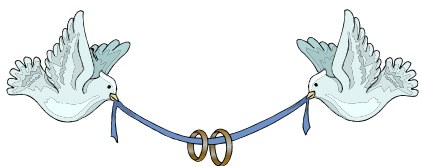
Most Reverend John J. Myers  
Archbishop of Newark

**Please Note: There Will Be No Holy Hour On Monday, December 24<sup>th</sup> or 31<sup>st</sup>.**

**OVERNIGHT EXTENDED ADORATION  
1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each Month**

**NEW!!!** For the Year of Faith, St. Elizabeth's will have extended Eucharistic Adoration every 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month. Join us on Monday, January 7<sup>th</sup>. It will begin at the normal time of 5:30 pm, but will extend overnight concluding with Benediction at 6:45 am before the 7:00am Mass on Tuesday. We are looking for parishioners to commit to a once a month time slot for a Holy Hour. You can commit for the same time slot each month or simply for a month at a time. Commit with a friend, a spouse, or a child to come and pray. Prayer groups, parish ministries and families are encouraged to commit some time to this invitation. Please call Pat Khanjian at 201-891-3262 ext. 227 or email [jcamiolo@saintelizabeths.org](mailto:jcamiolo@saintelizabeths.org) to sign up for a time slot.

**Please consider some quiet time in prayer.**



*We offer our best wishes and congratulations to Jonathan Camiolo, our Religious Education Director, and Ellen Kilroy on the occasion of their marriage, December 29, 2012. We pray for their happiness as they begin their new life together. Our parish has benefitted greatly from Jonathan's presence, and we acknowledge his ministry and the generous gift of his time to our families and young people. May you, Jonathan and Ellen, be blessed many times over in the years ahead.*



**"To everything there is a Season and a time for every Purpose under heaven."**

**Ecclesiastes 3:11**

**"A time to be healed..."**

**Prayers for those ill:** will be included in the weekly bulletin with a name listing. Please call the Parish Center by Monday of each week to be included. All names will remain on this list for 3 weeks unless we are notified.

**Please pray for:** Gloria Cron, Jim Tully, Eileen Cobb

**"A time to for joy..."**

**Recently Baptized:** Giulia Scaffani

**"A time to mourn..."**

**Recently Deceased:** Charles Franchavilla,  
Manolita Tarongoy

**"A time for war and a time for peace..."**

**For national and world leaders and for those in the Armed Services:** Jessica DeRosa, Major Christopher Crotty, Miguel Tully, John Paul Phillips, Jennifer Smolinski, Michael Zahorniak, LT. Brendan McGovern, Captain Colin McNulty, Captain Luke Walsh, Major Raymond G. Tierney, Capt. Brian Donlon, USMC, Major Brian Ferguson, US Marines P.F.C. Martin E. Koerner Jr. Major Mark Wimmer, 2<sup>nd</sup> LT. Nolan Dunn, Taylor Mosera, 2<sup>nd</sup> LT. Amen.

**MASS BOOK FOR 2014**



To accommodate those who work during the week, the Mass Book for 2014 will be opened on Saturday, January 12, in the St. Francis Room at the Parish Center after the 9:00am Mass for those who wish to arrange Mass intentions for next year. A limit of 3 Masses will be taken at this time.



**CALENDARS FOR 2013**

Calendars for the upcoming year will be available in the Narthex this weekend. Please pick one up.

**Year of Faith Prayer**



Starting on the weekend of December 1 & 2, 2012 and continuing through November 24, 2013, we will say the *Prayer for the Year of Faith* before each liturgy. The prayer can be found inside the Missal cover. May we all grow in faith together.

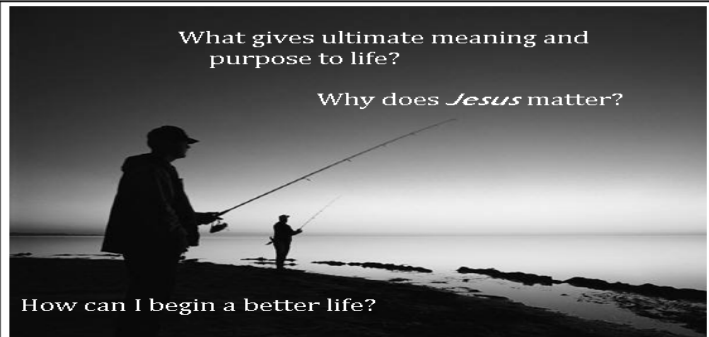
**ADVENT GIVING TREE**



Thank you for your participation in the Advent Giving Tree 2012. We have received over one thousand presents. One thousand families were given a smile and a sense of care and love from our parish community. Many thanks to Laurie and Dan Kocher and all our wonderful people who made our program a great success.

RENEW YOUR MAGNIFICAT

Our subscription to the Magnificat expires at the end of January 2013. As you may know, Magnificat is a monthly prayer book that contains the prayers and readings for daily Mass, brief introductions on the feast or a short biographical sketch of the saint of the day, meditations on the liturgy well as the Liturgy of the Hours (abbreviated.) In addition to these, the Magnificat has spiritual reflections and beautiful reproductions of religious art along with a commentary on it. Regular subscription is \$44.95; but because we will be ordering in bulk, the cost is much less. If you are interested in renewing your subscription or ordering a new subscription, please bring \$30.00 to the Parish Office and put your name on the list on or before January 25.



What gives ultimate meaning and purpose to life?  
Why does Jesus matter?

How can I begin a better life?

Discovering Christ - an exciting new 7-week series where we gather to share a meal, listen to a dynamic teaching and explore answers to some of the most important questions worth asking about God and finding ultimate purpose in life. Thursday evenings, January 31 - March 21st, 6:45PM-9:15PM. Retreat day Sunday, March 10th, 9:00AM-4:00PM.

Discovering Christ Enrollment Form

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Ph #: (home) \_\_\_\_\_  
(cell) \_\_\_\_\_

If signing up with another family member, would you like to be in the same group?  Yes  No

Please return form to the parish office.

Questions? Email [jean.qaviglio@me.com](mailto:jean.qaviglio@me.com).

SAVE THE DATE



March Of Life, Washington, DC

Friday, January 25, 2013

Round Trip Bus Price: \$40.00 per person.

Seating is limited, so please sign up early.

(Remember to bring \$5.00 for the subway)

Make all checks payable to

St. Elizabeth's Knights of Columbus

Departing from St. Elizabeth's Church

after 6:00 AM Mass, Returning to St. Elizabeth's Church

parking lot. Bagels and coffee will be served in the

morning. A boxed lunch will be provided on the bus.

For more information,

Call Teri Colby (201) 485-8242.

VAN DRIVERS & HELPERS NEEDED

Please consider donating some of your time to St. E's "Van Ministry." We are looking for men and women willing to join the group of dedicated parishioners who visit pre-selected local food stores and receive food donations and then drive it to Eva's Kitchen & Oasis. If not picked up the food items would have been discarded and thanks to our ministry they benefit families and individuals in need. The group works on Wednesdays and Friday and Tuesday & Thursday. Would you like to make a time commitment of about 3 hours on a monthly or weekly basis as a driver or helper? Please contact Fr. Maciej, or call Parish Office at 201-891-1122.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR CORNERSTONE 2013

Women's Cornerstone

Men's Cornerstone

February 1-2, 2013

March 1-2, 2013

Jeannine Mosco 201-891-8559 Laura Giovacco 917-589-0795

Craig Urciuoli 212-906-1141 Mark Sullivan 201-580-1897



Elvis

One Night with You

Deacon Anthony Liguori as Elvis

Sat., Jan 12, 2013 at 7:30 pm \$25 per person BYOB!

Tickets

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to reserve \_\_\_\_\_

Seat/Seats at \$25 per person.

Make checks payable to St. Elizabeth's Church.

Checks maybe dropped off at the Parish Center.

Or mailed to "Elvis" C/O Parish Office St. Elizabeth's Church,  
700 Wyckoff Ave., Wyckoff, NJ 07481.

INVITING COLLEGE AGE STUDENTS TO ATTEND AN INTERVIEW SKILLS WORKSHOP

College students who want to improve or strengthen their interviewing skills for summer internships and first "real" jobs are invited to a workshop on Wednesday, January 9, 2013 from 7:00-8:00 PM in the Youth Ministry Room. Michele Meussner, founder of Red Cup Career Services LLC., will share her expertise as a former HR Director who managed corporate college recruiting programs. Michele will provide insight into what businesses look for in collegiate candidates and how to be best prepared. An overview of the different types of interviewing techniques as well as interactive, short, mock interviews will take place. Please bring a copy of your resume. For questions call Jonathan 201-891-3262.

BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS GIFTS

The St. Elizabeth Respect Life Ministry will have Christmas items available for purchase at the Parish Center during normal office hours. High quality at reasonable prices. All proceeds benefit the ministries pro-life work. Jewelry, medals, crosses, ornaments, nativities and much more.

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*"And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled." - Lk 1:43-45*

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45  
 Monday: Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Lk 1:67-79  
 Tuesday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25  
 Night: Is 9:1-6/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14  
 Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20  
 Day: Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14  
 Wednesday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Mt 10:17-22  
 Thursday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Jn 20:1a, 2-8  
 Friday: 1 Jn 1:5--2:2/Mt 2:13-18  
 Saturday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Lk 2:22-35  
 Next Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52

**OTHER PRAYER EXPERIENCES**

**Miraculous Medal Novena** – Thurs. after 9 am Mass  
**Novena to the Divine Mercy** – Fri. after 9 am Mass  
**Men's Sharing** – Elizabeth Rm. Sat. 7 am  
**Morning Prayer** – Mon.-Sat. 8:40 am  
**Rosary** - Each day after 7:00 & 9:00 am Mass

**SUPPORT FOR OUR PASTORAL ACTIVITIES**



*"You, Bethlehem-Ephrathah, too small to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me who is to be ruler in Israel." Micah 5:1*

We may think that the gifts we have to offer may be too small or too inconsequential to give to God. Today we are reminded that God brought forth His greatest gift to mankind, His own Son, through the humble town of Bethlehem. He can also accomplish great things through us if we generously offer our gifts to Him.

The gift of treasure for last week was \$25,702 (of which \$3,400 was from online giving). Year to date collections amounted to \$558,833 vs. our year to date budget of \$605,875.

**PARISH CENTER HOLIDAY HOURS**

**Monday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, 9-12 noon**  
**Tuesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>, Closed**  
**Monday, December 31<sup>st</sup> 9-12 noon**  
**Tuesday, January 1<sup>st</sup> Closed**



**Fourth Sunday of Advent**

Sat.	Dec. 22	5:00 PM	Alfred Cipolletti
Sun.	Dec. 23	7:30 AM	Dorothy & Patrick Driscoll
		9:00 AM	McCormack Family
		10:30 AM	People of the Parish
		12:00 PM	Paul Mangin

Mon. Dec. 24 **Vigil of Christmas**

Tue. Dec. 25 **The Nativity of the Lord, Christmas Day**

**CHRISTMAS EVE/VIGIL OF CHRISTMAS**

*All the Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Masses will be offered for the intentions of our parishioners Living & Deceased.*

*Please refer to page one for Mass times.*

Wed. Dec. 26 **St. Stephen**

9:00 AM John MacQuaide

Thu. Dec. 27 **St. John**

7:00 AM Peter Razzo, Jr.

9:00 AM Conrad W. Hurtz,

John & Antoinette McGarvie

Fri. Dec. 28 **The Holy Innocents**

7:00 AM Grace Gentilucci, 1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.

9:00 AM Catherine Healy

Sat. Dec. 29 9:00 AM Memorial Mass

**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph**

5:00 PM Patricia Fetzner

Sun. Dec. 30 7:30 AM Teresa & Frank Anello

9:00 AM Ruth Michaelian

10:30 AM James Brown

12:00 PM People the Parish



**Altar Bread & Wine:**

*In Memory of Pierce McManus, 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary,  
 Given by: Brian & Francis McManus.*

**Candles on the Altar:** *In Memory of Louise & Sal Capalbo,  
 Given by: Sally & Mark Calandra.*

**Sanctuary Lights:** *In Memory of John MacQuaide,  
 Vincent & May Shannon, Given by: Rosemary MacQuaide.*

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