

CHURCH OF ST ELIZABETH

ST. PETER AND PAUL

JUNE 29, 2014

THOUGHTS FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Parishioners:

First I would like to thank each and every person who participated in or assisted in any way the celebration of my 40th Anniversary. Thanks to each and every one of you. To say it is an honor to be a priest does not begin to capture the meaning of this vocation. I am honored to be a priest, but I am humbled and challenged as well. To have had the experience of serving for 40 years is overwhelming. I thank God for this gift, and for what my priesthood has meant with you for the past 6 years.

I have so many things to be grateful for as I leave St. Elizabeth's: the dedication of parishioners in a variety of ministries and services, the spiritual growth evidenced in bible studies and discipleship programs, care for the poor and hungry, respect life efforts, CCD teachers and volunteers, the parish school, cornerstone, youth ministry and so much more. My plan was to further these and respond to new needs as they emerge. God's plan is different.

Diocesan priests enjoy a unique bond with parishioners. We do not belong to a religious community like the Franciscans or Dominicans, so our parishes become our community and family. It is never easy to move away from our parishes, but we as diocesan priests are bound to a larger mission. The Archbishop asked me to consider going to Seton Hall Prep. My response recalled a brief moment from my ordination in 1974. The Bishop took my hand and asked if I promised him and his successors obedience and respect. I said, "I do." And flooded with human emotion I recalled those as yet untested words from my ordination and told Archbishop Myers, "I do." A need larger than myself and service as yet unfamiliar to me is what the church asks. And so "I do" with a mix of human emotions, including profound gratitude and some trepidation, but I know the larger picture will become clearer in time and be the place where I was ordained to serve. On a lighter note I never thought I'd be called to serve as a "Pirate"!

St. Elizabeth's new pastor, Rev. James Weiner, will be a strong spiritual father to this family. I offer him my prayers and those of our parish as he says "I do" in coming here. I offer him my willing assistance at any time.

I am leaving a staff that has been generous and capable in service to the parish. They have supported me and our mission. Their continued efforts will be a blessing in the days ahead.

I'm sure I leave with much accomplished in these 6 years. I also leave with some work unaccomplished and some hopes unfulfilled. For my inadequacies and failures I ask your forgiveness and understanding. For the good that has been done I thank you for your faith, efforts and encouragement.

I look forward to my ministry at Seton Hall Prep. As a priest I hope to continue its long tradition of success and growth. I look forward to serving the Prep as a priest with a focus on spiritual growth, a deepening commitment to and understanding of the church, discerning vocations to the priesthood and religious life, and forming young men with a strong sense of Catholic teaching and apostolic service. What I bring to this is what I have received from you: lively faith, a spirit of gratitude and generosity of service.

I am so grateful as a priest to offer Mass and communicate Jesus to others. I am consoled that the challenge of change brings to the surface the bonds of respect and friendship. In this I have had the best of both worlds, human and spiritual. What more could I ask for!

Let's work and pray for those young people in St. Elizabeth's who are called to priesthood and religious life. Let us pray for and encourage them. Let us not be afraid to take on the challenge of bringing Christ into a forgetful and sometimes hostile world.

Thank you for welcoming me as priest and pastor. Let us pray for each other that we grow in faith, holiness and truth. The prayer from my 40th is now our prayer:

"And so I beseech you to give me an eye with which to see Jesus Christ; an ear that can understand His word; a heart moved by His heart, and teach my hand to place itself trustingly in His." (Romano Guardini)

With every good thought and prayer,

Fr. Harahan



June 6, 2014

Reverend Monsignor Robert E. Harahan
St. Elizabeth Parish
700 Wyckoff Ave
Wyckoff, NJ 07481

Dear Monsignor Harahan

I write to inform you that I have appointed Reverend James Weiner, Pastor of St. Elizabeth Church, effective July 1, 2014.

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,

John J. Myers

*Most Reverend John J. Myers
Archbishop of Newark

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



IN OBSERVANCE OF JULY 4th

On Friday, July 4th, One Mass only at 9am. The Parish Center will be closed July 4th & 5th. The Parish Center will reopen on Monday July 7th.



HOLY HOUR

Wednesday, July 2nd, 7:00pm – 8:00 pm

Please join us for an hour of Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. Our Precious Lord pours out His grace and mercy in a special way when we put aside our other commitments and devote an hour completely to Him. *Starting July 2nd WEEKLY Holy Hour will be moved to Wednesday's from 7:00pm until 8:00pm.*

OVERNIGHT ADORATION: There will be no Overnight Adoration during the summer. Overnight Adoration will resume in September and be held on all 2nd Fridays of the month. The first scheduled Overnight is Friday, September 12th at 7:00 pm concluding with Benediction on Saturday, September 13th just before the 9:00 am Mass.

We still need adorers to sign up for a specific overnight hours on the second Fridays of the month. Many graces await you! Please contact Pat K. to sign up or for more information 201-891-3262 ext.226.

FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops have designated June 21 – July 4 as the third annual Fortnight For Freedom. Catholic dioceses and parishes across the United States are once again encouraged to raise awareness for domestic and international religious freedom concerns during this time. The two-week celebration will focus on the theme, "Freedom to Serve", emphasizing the link between religious liberty and service to the poor and vulnerable.

Archbishop William E. Lori of Baltimore, chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee for Religious Liberty of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), said "During the Fortnight, our liturgical calendar celebrates great martyrs who remained faithful in the face of persecution by political power—St. John Fisher and St. Thomas More, John the Baptist, Peter and Paul and the first martyrs of the Church of Rome". "This is a time when Catholics can unite themselves in prayer to the men and women throughout history who spread the Gospel and lived out Jesus' call to serve the 'least of these' in even the direst of circumstances."

In response to this call to help raise awareness of the Catholic Church's and our concerns about religious freedom, we invite you to participate in the following events:

Holy Hour for the Nation and Families

- **Date:** Sunday, June 29th
- **Time:** 3 PM
- **Place:** St. Elizabeth's church

**John H. Garvey, Esq., President,
Catholic University of America,**

Domestic Religious Freedom (*a video presentation*)

- **Date:** Tuesday July 1, 2014
- **Time:** 7:30 PM
- **Place:** Knights of Columbus Hall
7 Court House Pl., Oakland, NJ

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

Ecclesiastes 3:11

"A time to be healed..."

Please pray for: Rosemary Nelson, Dr. Robert C. Decker, Mary Laytham, Betty Smith, Fr. Carl Hinrichsen, Patrick O'Hagan Jr.

"A time to mourn..."

Recently Deceased: Nancy Sangiorgi, Dominic Petronzio, Patrick Huvane

"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, 2nd LT. Nolan Dunn, James Tully. **Amen.**



Father, I pray that you will deliver our soldiers from every danger, that no weapon forged against them will prosper. I pray that the power of your presence will come and rest over our soldiers and over the battlefield and all our military bases. I pray that our troops will seek the Lord. Speak to their hearts. Open their eyes that they may see your hand at work as a faithful God. I pray for peace because of your faithfulness. Bring our soldiers home in safety and blessing. ~ Amen.



Our Parish Book of Remembrance is

located by the Holy Family Shrine. You are welcome to inscribe names of loved ones, living and deceased, as well as special intentions for inclusion in parish Masses and prayers.

MAINTENANCE & REPAIRS



During the month of August all facilities except the church, will be closed for repairs and maintenance. This will enable us to be ready for September when all of our activities resume. Thank you so much for your patience and cooperation.

BEREAVMENT NIGHT Wednesday, July 2nd

We encourage individuals who have experienced a loss to come to Bereavement Night, held on the 1st Wednesday of every month from 7:30-9pm in the Amadeus Room at the Parish Center. Our Bereavement Ministry team will be there for support during this difficult time.



MEN'S SHARING

Join with other men of the parish on Saturday, July 5, 7-9am in the Elizabeth Room to informally share our Catholic Christian Faith.

OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

"God doesn't call the equipped, He equips the called."
Help Needed for Fall 2014!!!

Through our baptism, each and every one of us has been called to serve the Church, our faith family, in some way. As we plan for the next year of religious education, **WE ARE IN NEED OF CATECHISTS, CO-CATECHISTS, AIDS, ACTIVITY COORDINATORS, and BABYSITTERS** on Sunday from 9:00-10:15 AM and Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays during the hours of 4:00-5:15 PM for Grades K-6. We also are looking for those that would like to work with the Middle School program for Grades 7-8 on Monday nights from 7:00-8:30 PM during the fall, winter and spring.

Religious Education is a great opportunity to share your love of Christ, the stories of faith that have influenced you and inspire the next generation of Catholics. Please prayerfully consider this ministry; if interested in serving please contact Sue Foy (Grades K-6) at 201-891-3262 ext. 227. Any questions, comments, concerns or ideas for our Religious Education Program, please call Jonathan Camiolo at ext. 225.

ST. ELIZABETH'S ONLINE GIVING



Online Giving is a simple yet powerful way for our parishioners to support Saint Elizabeth Church and completely manage contributions online. Anyone with a bank account or credit card (Visa, MasterCard, Discover or American Express) can take advantage of this convenient and secure system. "I gave online" cards will be available in the narthex for the offertory collection during Mass. Please visit our website at www.saintelizabeths.org for more information. If you have questions, please contact Marlene Nardone at 201-891-1122, Ext. 202 or e-mail her at marlene@saintelizabeths.org.

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 confidentiality. If you would like to join our prayer chain or have someone who has special intentions or need for healing and would like to have them prayed for, please contact Annette 201-445-5363 or email ablues@optonline.net. With prayer, all things are possible.

R.C.I.A.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

RCIA is designed to welcome adults into our Catholic faith. Preparation is a year-long ongoing process culminating at the Easter Vigil Mass and Easter Season. The goal is to receive the Sacraments of Baptism (for non-Christians), Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.

IS RCIA FOR YOU or SOMEONE YOU KNOW?

Do you know someone or are you someone who is interested in becoming Catholic or is a Catholic but has yet to receive all of the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist)? The RCIA is a process of prayer, reflection, and learning that allows for the continual discernment of God's will in our lives. Candidates include:

- Non-baptized adults who wish to enter the Catholic Church
- Baptized adult Christians of another denomination (i.e. Lutheran, Anglican, Presbyterian) who wish to continue their Christian faith in the Catholic Church.
- Adult baptized Catholics who have not completed the Sacraments of Initiation (Holy Communion and/or Confirmation) and wish to do so.

Now is a great time to get information and find out more! For more information, please contact Jonathan Camiolo, 201-891-3262 x 225 or jcamiolo@saintelizabeths.org.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

If you are interested in inquiring about RCIA, please contact Jonathan Camiolo at 201-891-3262 ext. 225 or submit the form below.

Name _____ Phone _____
Address _____

- I am interested in becoming a Roman Catholic.
- I am a Roman Catholic, but haven't received Confirmation.
- I would like more information.
- I am a parish member and would like to join the RCIA team.

Please detach and return to the Parish Center.

ask.
seek.
knock.

discovering
CHRIST

a seven-week experience

Coming to
St. Elizabeth's
Thursday evenings this Fall

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"You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." - Mt

16:18-19

READING FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Acts 12:1-11/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19
 Monday: Am 2:6-10, 13-16/Mt 8:18-22
 Tuesday: Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12/Mt 8:23-27
 Wednesday: Am 5:14-15, 21-24/Mt 8:28-34
 Thursday: Eph 2:19-22/Jn 20:24-29
 Friday: Am 8:4-6, 9-12/Mt 9:9-13
 Saturday: Am 9:11-15/Mt 9:14-17
 Next Sunday: Zec 9:9-10/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

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



"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." 2 Timothy 4:7

Stewardship is not an easy life style. No one promised that it would be. It is counter-cultural to most things in the world today. However, putting God first in all things, living a life of gratitude and being generous with our time, talent, and treasure brings tremendous joy to those who are disciplined. Fight the good fight and keep the faith!

The gift of treasure for last week was \$20,571 of which \$5,659 was from online giving. Year to date collections amounted to \$1,114,626 vs. our year to date budget of \$1,169,979.



"Bag of Beans & a Buck"
Food Collection
This Weekend



Confirmation Candidates, as one of their Deeds of Mercy, will be collecting bags of dried beans, bags of rice, powdered milk, Parmalat milk and any monetary donations that will benefit the needy and hungry families of St. Anthony of Padua Parish in Elizabeth, NJ. If you would like to find out more or help in any other way, please call Jonathan Camiolo at 201-891-3262.

Please be as generous as possible.



Mass Intentions

Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

Sat.	June 28	5:00 PM	Pat & Al Jenski, 45 th Wedding Anniversary
Sun.	June 29	7:30 AM	Jacques LeMaire
		9:00 AM	Colgan & Meighan Families Living and Deceased
		10:30 AM	People of the Parish
		12:00 PM	Joseph & Emily Shadiack
Mon.	June 30	The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church	
		7:00 AM	James Lowry, Frank Leskauskas
		9:00 AM	Ellen & Vincent LaIacona
Tue.	July 1	7:00 AM	Pat McLaughlin
		9:00 AM	D'Ura & Gringeri Families Living & Deceased
Wed.	July 2	7:00 AM	George Romano
		9:00 AM	Richard Kretz
		7:00 PM	Holy Hour
Thu.	July 3	St. Thomas	
		7:00 AM	Abundia Felicisima & Sisters Enrinque Melencio
		9:00 AM	Louise Capalbo, Thomas Verga
Fri.	July 4	9:00 AM	Cahill & Sharpe Families
Sat.	July 5	9:00 AM	Memorial Mass
		Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
		5:00 PM	Teresa & Frank Anello
Sun.	July 6	7:30 AM	Salvatore & Taormina & Carmela Sature
		9:00 AM	Michael O'Shea
		10:30 AM	Nettie & Peter Razzo
		12:00 PM	People of the Parish

MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK OF
June 29, 2014

*Altar Bread & Wine: In Memory of Marilyn Landau,
Given by: Marianne Franchavilla.*



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