

CHURCH OF ST ELIZABETH

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
AUGUST 3, 2014

THOUGHTS FROM OUR PASTOR



My dear friends in Christ,

I hope the summer days have been a time of blessing and have given you an opportunity to be refreshed and renewed. It has been wonderful getting to know all of you these last few weeks. Please continue to remind me of your names so that I have an opportunity to commit them to memory. I have also enjoyed getting to know Fr. Frank O'Connor, I have heard about him through mutual friends for years and, now that I have spent time with him it is easy to see why he is so loved by the good people of St. Elizabeth's. We have been blessed over these past 30 years to have Fr. Frank among us. We pray that he will continue to be blessed in his ministry and look forward to his return in the summer of 2015! We are reminded In the Gospel this week that we all have a responsibility to feed others not only physically but also spiritually. May we take seriously our responsibility to share our faith and help others to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. One way we do this is through our generosity to the work of the Propagation of the Faith. I thank you for supporting the missionary work of the Church by contributing to that collection last week. Thank you for taking the opportunity to make a difference in the lives of our sisters and brothers who are truly in need. May God bless you for all of the good things you do.

Peace and all good things,

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION

Bags are being distributed this weekend for our monthly food collection. Food bank supplies are low at this time of year, so please help by returning a bag of groceries next weekend. A Food Bag Donation basket will be displayed in the Narthex for cash, checks & VISA gift card donations. OASIS is unable to use any other gift.



COFFEE AND...

Join us today after all Masses in the gallery for refreshments in honor of Fr. Frank O'Connor's 30 years of Summer Service here at St. Elizabeth's.

MAGNIFICAT FOR SALE

If you would like a Magnificat, we have a few for sale each month at the Parish Center. The price is \$5 each. Stop in the Parish Center during normal business hours and pick one up!



Sunday, September 14th
Rev. James Weiner
Installation Mass at 12noon as the
20th Pastor of St. Elizabeth Church
More details to follow!



HOLY HOUR

Wednesday, Aug. 6th, 7:00pm – 8:00pm

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.

WEEKLY Holy Hour has been 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 9:00am 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 201-891-3262 ext. 226.



BEREAVEMENT NIGHT

Wednesday, August 6th

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

COMMUNITY THRIFT SHOP MIDLAND PARK



St. Elizabeth Parish generously donated items to the Community Thrift Shop in Midland Park that were sold and the sales generated for April, May & June amounted to \$585.15. Thank you to anyone who donated to the CTS for our parish.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Mass Schedule - Holy Day of Obligation
Vigil Mass – Thursday, August 14th, 7:00pm
Masses Friday, August 15th
7:00am, 9:00am & 12 noon

ANGEL FUND

As of July 27, \$44,000 has been received for the benefit of Sacred Heart School in Jersey City. Thank you to these generous donors and to those who pray for our success. Please consider joining them in helping this inner-city school.



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.



ST. ELIZABETH SHRINE

Have you noticed the lovely statue of our Patroness Saint Elizabeth in the Narthex? We are now memorializing flowers for Saint Elizabeth's Shrine. Every week new roses will be placed next to her statue and you will have a chance to be a part of this tribute. Maybe your flowers will be in memory of a loved one, for an anniversary, or as a thank you for answered prayers. Whatever your reasons consider a flower memorial to St. Elizabeth. For a 20 dollar donation you will receive a card and notice in the weekly bulletin. Contact the parish office, 201-891-1122 for more information.



ST. MARTIN'S SOUP KITCHEN

On Saturday, August 23, we will be serving hot dogs (all beef, please) with potato salad and macaroni salad. If you can donate hot dogs and rolls, bananas and apples, and/or would like to help serve, contact Peter Ingrassi at 201-493-0870. It would be very helpful for planning if you could call by Tuesday, August 19.



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 upcoming year of religious education, we are in specific need of Catechists for the following days and grades:

For **Sunday** we need **one teacher for 3rd grade** and **one teacher for 6th grade**. For **Monday** we need **one teacher for 1st grade** and **two teachers for 5th grade**. For **Tuesday** we need **one teacher for 4th grade**, **two teachers for 5th grade** and **one teacher for 6th grade**. For **Wednesday** we need **one teacher for 4th grade**, **one teacher for 5th grade** and **one teacher for 6th grade**. The time of class for Sunday is 9:00 -10:15am and for Monday - Wednesday the time is 4:00 -5:15pm.

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 at suef@saintelizabeths.org. or at 201-891-3262 ext. 227. Any questions, comments, concerns or ideas for our Religious Education Program, please call Jonathan Camiolo at ext. 225.

**"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: Alfred Camara & Julia Starace**

**"A time to mourn..."
Recently Deceased: William Zajieck,
Kathleen Fitzpatrick**

**"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, 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.**

Calling all family members. *If you have a loved one serving in the forces, we would like to include them in our weekly bulletin so we can keep them close in prayer. The names will remain on our list for three months. If you would like their name to remain longer, please call Lisa at 201-891-1122 ext.203.*



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.

GOD BLESS OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN MILITARY SERVICE ~

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.

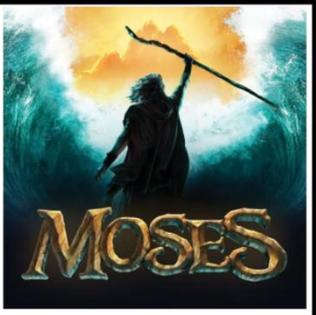
PARISH CENTER SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

JULY 1- SEPTMEBER 2

**Monday -Thursday 9am-5pm
Friday 9am-4pm
Saturday 9am-12noon
Sunday Closed**

All are invited to come see the Broadway caliber production of "Moses" at the Sight & Sound Theatre in Lancaster, PA

Saturday, Nov. 29
9am - 8:30pm



9am: Bus departs
12pm: Lunch at Miller's Smorgasbord
2:45pm: Show
5:30pm: Bus ride home w/ boxed dinner
8:30pm: Arrive at Church

\$70 youth (3 to 12)
\$100 teen (13 to 19)
\$140 adult (20+)

for more information, contact Lynn Albanese
lralbanese@optonline.net
Forms are available on the website and in the Parish Center.
Space is limited. Please sign up ASAP!

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.



From Food Service to Yurt:

BOLD's Week at Camp Sunshine

by Colleen Hafers

A few weeks ago on Lake Sebago in Casco, Maine, members of BOLD youth ministry experienced both reflection and joy on our mission trip to Camp Sunshine. This camp does amazing work for children suffering from life-threatening illnesses and their families by making them feel like normal kids, and over the course of the week we spent there we were all able to realize how blessed we are. We served on a week for families with children dealing with illnesses in Hematology/Oncology.



We left St. Elizabeth's on Saturday morning, July 5, after a blessing by Fr. Jim that encouraged us to spread God's love to everyone we met. We spent the van ride to Maine

wondering what we would experience at camp. Once we arrived, checked in and started to meet everyone, every anxiety flew away. Despite the obstacles that these families were faced with, they were filled with so much enthusiasm for life and camp. We worked as camp counselors, from infants rooms to the teen group, and food service volunteers (shout out to Elle), and learned how lucky we are to have the opportunity to take advantage of every day.

We've all left camp with memories and new friendships to last a lifetime. The families and volunteers we met in Maine changed us all for the better, and made us realize



that our health, faith, and each other are truly the most important things. My grandfather used to tell me that every day he woke up was a good day, and after a week at Camp Sunshine I've taken that advice to heart. We all have the responsibility to use every day to spread God's love and make the world better than we found it, while we still have the health to do so. My time at Camp Sunshine was some of the best days of my life, and from sleeping in a yurt, to jumping off a kayak into a lake and nights spent with amazing new friends; it's a time that I'll never forget. Bye to all my "Felicias". God bless Camp Sunshine!

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But they said to him, "Five loaves and two fish are all we have here." Then he said, "Bring them to me," and he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds. - Mt 14:17-19

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 55:1-3/Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21
 Monday: Jer 28:1-17/Mt 14:22-36
 Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Mt 14:22-36
 Wednesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9
 Thursday: Jer 31:31-34/Mt 16:13-23
 Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Mt 16:24-28
 Saturday: Hb 1:12--2:4/Mt 17:14-20

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



"Why spend your money for what is not bread; your wages for what fails to satisfy?" Isaiah 55:2

If all the ways we are asked to be generous, giving our money can be the most challenging. God understands this. Remember though that we are called to be generous with all our gifts, including our money. We are called to give from our "first fruits" and not from what is "leftover."

The gift of treasure for last week was \$18,601 of which \$2,915 was from online giving. Year to date collections amounted to \$63,099 vs. our year to date budget of \$96,940.

The total amount collected for the Special Collection last weekend amounted to \$6,320. Thank you to all who have donated to this special mission appeal.

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.



The commandments are a gift, not a curse. Sin is less about breaking the rules and more about breaking the Father's heart.



Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Eusebius of Vercelli, St. Peter Julian Eymard

Sat.	Aug. 2	5:00 PM	Dr. John L. Doyle
Sun.	Aug. 3	7:30 AM	Helen & Peter Dahlinger
		9:00 AM	Margaret Gagin
		10:30 AM	People of the Parish
		12:00 PM	Patricia Arthur

Mon. Aug. 4 **St. John Vianney**

7:00 AM	Frank Leskauskas, Donald Brooks
9:00 AM	Emilio & Estrella Horrilleno

Tue. Aug. 5 **The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major**

7:00 AM	Frank Leskasukas
9:00 AM	D'Ura & Gringeri Families Living & Deceased

Wed. Aug. 6 **The Transfiguration of the Lord**

7:00 AM	Elizabeth "Betty" Mras
9:00 AM	Steven Claps
7:00 PM	Holy Hour

Thu. Aug. 7 **St. Sixtus II & Companions, St. Cajetan**

7:00 AM	Michael Guido
9:00 AM	Bonnie Oberle, Josephine Petrella

Fri. Aug. 8 **St. Dominic**

7:00 AM	Joan Costello
9:00 AM	Ralph Hroncich, Happy-bday

Sat. Aug. 9 **St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross**

9:00 AM	Memorial Mass
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Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

		5:00 PM	Patrick Greaney
Sun.	Aug. 10	7:30 AM	James Hammond
		9:00 AM	Margaret & Harold Bell & Bonnie Bell Gerli
		10:30 AM	Patricia Madigan
		12:00 PM	People of the Parish

**MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK OF
August 3, 2014**

Altar Bread & Wine: *In Memory of Eleanor Capomaggi,
Given by: Annette & Dominic Sblendorio.*

Flowers For St. Elizabeth's Shrine: *In Memory of
Vera & Henrietta Kroth, Kathryn Vitrone, Nancy Cavallero and
for the good health of Jim Rigoli,
Given by: Joe Kroth.*

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