SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 18, 2015

THOUGHTS FROM OUR PASTOR

This coming Thursday January 22, 2015 we will



My dear friends in Christ,

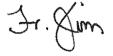
mark the 42nd anniversary of the legalization of abortion in our country. Let us pray in a special way for the members of our parish, who once again this year will join the "March for life" in Washington D.C. I would like to thank the St. Elizabeth's Knights of Columbus and the St. Elizabeth's Respect Life Ministry for all of their efforts and hard work in providing this opportunity for our parishioners to participate in the March for Life.

Pray also for those faced with life choices and that they will always see the Church as a place to turn for love and support. Pray for the leaders of our nation that they may do all within their power to protect life from conception to its natural end.

After a recent meeting with our Respect Life ministry we all agree there is much that needs to be done in our society to create a deeper respect for life at all stages and that we are committed to doing our part to help our parishioners to have a deeper understanding of all the life issues that cause concern today, including and not limited to abortion, suicide, drug abuse, human trafficking and euthanasia. There is much to be done and we ask the Holy Spirit to help us to do all we can to raise awareness of these life issues and to find effective ways to address them here in our own community.

In the Gospel there is a dialogue that takes place between Jesus and those who followed him: What are you looking for? They answered him with: Where are you staying? He answered: Come and you will see. Perhaps good questions for us to ask at the beginning of the New Year – What are you looking for? Where is Jesus in your life and perhaps the answers lie in his invitation to come and see? Follow him closely and be open to where he leads you this year – who knows, you may just find what you are looking for!

Peace and all good things,



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



In Observance of Martin Luther King Day Monday, January 19th there will be one Mass only at 9am. The Parish Center will be closed. The office will reopen on

Tuesday, Jan. 20th.

THIS WEEKEND SPECIAL COLLECTION SEVERAL SOURCES

Several Sources Shelters, prolife shelters for mothers who seek to give God's blessed gift of life to their children, rather than sacrifice them through abortion, will ask parishioners for their assistance this weekend. A representative from Several Sources will speak at the Masses. Your assistance can help to save the life of a child. Jesus said of children, "Their angels do behold the Face of God in heaven daily." Can you be a child's earthly Guardian Angel? Please assist with their work.

HOLY HOUR Please join us for Holy Hour on. Wednesday, January 21st, 7:00pm-8:00pm



OVERNIGHT EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Friday, February 13th

The next Overnight Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on Friday, February 13th. We are currently looking to expand the period of Adoration for both Wednesday and for the Friday Overnight. This will require even more people to sign up to spend time with the Lord. You will be hearing more about this in the coming weeks. Won't you come and spend some time with the Lord...I am sure He would love to see you!

SENIORS

The seniors will be meeting on Monday, January 19th at 12 noon in the Elizabeth Room. All St. E's seniors are invited!

MARCH FOR LIFE IN WASHINGTON, DC THURSDAY, JAN. 22nd All Are Invited

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. Breakfast will be served in the morning and a boxed lunch will be provided on the bus.

For more information, Call Teri Colby (201) 485-8242.

RENEW YOUR MAGNIFICAT

Our subscription to the *Magnificat* expires at the end of January 2015. 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 as 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 27.**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

VAN MINISTRY NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Our two person teams meet on scheduled day (Mondays To Fridays) 8:30 to 11:30 AM,

picking up bakery products from local stores for delivery to Paterson, food pantries, feeding the needy poor in our area. You can volunteer monthly, seasonally or temporarily to suit your availability. Retired, semi-retired, part time employed & unemployed men & women are all welcome. The benefits are heavenly! Please contact Joe Meighan @ 201-891-4909 or Ernie Buonocore @ 201-891-4882. Thank you for your consideration.



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 the Parish Center at 201-891-1122. With prayer, all things are possible.



ST. MARTIN'S SOUP KITCHEN

On Saturday, January 24, we will be serving chicken legs and thighs (Original Shake and Bake), mixed vegetables. If you can donate food, contact Len

Giuliano <u>len.giuliano@gmail.com</u> or it would be very helpful for planning if you could call by Tuesday, January 20.



SEEKING CHOIR MEMBERS

Calling all those who love to sing – COME JOIN US!!

Music has been a signature element of our celebrations at St. Elizabeth's over the years. We are actively engaged in preparing music of all genres to enrich our liturgies and the musical life of the parish. If you love to sing, you will enjoy being part of our choir. Women, men and young adults – please come. Ability to read music is helpful, but not required. We rehearse on Tuesday evenings at 7:45 PM in the music room. Come speak to Carl after Mass or email him at music@saintelizabeths.org. Remember, the one who sings, prays twice!

"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: Father Peter Funesti, Mary Brown, Stephanie Kirchner, Baby Owen Damsack, Kim Shafer, Joanne Calendrillo, Bob Hiner

"A time for joy..."

Recently Baptized: Kara Barabas, Riley Broderick, Pippa Christopher, Sophia Mammolitti, Sydney Ugras, Marco Sclafani

"A time for sorrow..."

Recently Deceased: Christopher Morris, Norma Carr

"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, Capt. Michael Scott Sidman, U.S. Army. Amen.

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.



Our Parish Book of Remembrance is

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

as well as special intentions for inclusion in parish Masses and prayers.



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

St. Elizabeth School A National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence

Accredited by Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools Come and experience our dynamic Catholic identity integrated with a tradition of academic excellence and a commitment to social justice issues.

Open House Sunday, January 25th 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM Wednesday, January 28th 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM

Pre-K 3 & Pre-K 4 Programs
Flexible options available (call the school for information)
Grades K - 8

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- Academic rigor aligned with core curriculum standards that elevates written & oral communication, builds mathematical & scientific skills & prepares students for success in high school.
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Greenwood Avenue, Wyckoff, NJ 201-891-1481 <u>www.sainte-school.org</u>.



Please join us for Cornerstone 2015

Women's Cornerstone February 6-7, 2015 Men's Cornerstone March 6-7, 2015

Your resolution for 2015 is to eat right, exercise, and experience.....Cornerstone. You can't afford not to.

Cornerstone is a gift you can give yourself. Imagine spending 24 hours connecting with yourself and your fellow parishioners. Especially after the holidays, you deserve some quality time away from the duties of everyday life. The environment is relaxed and informal. Some people come to Cornerstone to listen and reflect, others are more outgoing enjoy entering into discussions. Please know that all are welcome!

Treat yourself to the experience of Cornerstone! How can you afford not to?

For more information call: Betsy Lahue: 201-788-8538 Enza Sardella: 201-694-6670 Jenny Feliciano: 914-462-8978 Peter Rizkalla: 646-627-3338 Kevin Purvin: 201- 410-5082



COME AND BE REFRESHED

DISCOVERING CHRIST

Wednesdays 7:15 PM Jan. 28 to March 11

Start the New Year with a renewed, personal relationship with Christ. ... Enjoy a free dinner, listen to a dynamic teaching and engage in fellowship. Just 7 Wednesdays and a life-changing retreat on Sunday, March 1.To Register or for more information: StElizabethDC@gmail.com or 201-891-3262.

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.

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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									
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____I am interested in becoming a Roman Catholic.
___I am a Roman Catholic, but have 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.

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John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. - In 1:35-37

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



"Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, 'what are you looking for?' John 1:38

What are you looking for? Are you wasting your time looking for the material comforts of the world? Or, is your heart longing for something deeper that can only be

found by spending time with God? Take time, each day, in silence and ask the Lord what is that He wants you to do.

The gift of treasure for last week was \$23,288 (of which \$3,403 was from online giving.) Year to date collections amounted to \$592,815 our year to date budget of \$656,780.

ONLINE GIVING



Start giving your weekly offering online. It's easy to set up, our website has a link, or you can call Marlene at the Parish Center for help or

questions 201-891-1122 ext. 202.

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.



Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat.	Jan. 17	5:00 PM	Alfred Cipolletti, 5 th Anniv.
Sun.	Jan. 18	7:30 AM	Aleida Gozalez
		9:00 AM	People of the Parish
		10:30 AM	Josephine Palladino
		12:00 PM	Julia McNamara

Mon. Jan. 19

9:00 AM Tony Beahan

Tue. Jan. 20 St. Fabian, St. Sebastian

7:00 AM Gerald Brennan9:00 AM Gloria Cron

Wed. Jan. 21 St. Agnes

7:00 AM Ruth Doherty

9:00 AM Alice & Charles Cote

Thu. Jan. 22 7:00 AM Thomas Hunt

9:00 AM Ruth Doherty

Fri. Jan. 23 St. Vincent, St. Marianne Cope

7:00 AM Virginia Bennett

9:00 AM Barbara Daly

Sat. Jan. 24 St. Francis de Sales

9:00 AM Memorial Mass

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

		5:00 PM	John Cannizzo
Sun.	Jan. 25	7:30 AM	Joseph Kutrucz
		9:00 AM	William Ladrigan
		10:30 AM	People of the Parish
		12:00 PM	Antoinette & John McGarvie

MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 18

Altar Bread & Wine: In Memory of Victor Hugo Carrera, Given by: Bessie Scripps.

Candles on the Altar: In Memory of Joseph L. Rigoli, Given by: The Rigoli Family.

Sanctuary Lights: In Memory of Eleanor Kilgallen Snaper, Given by: Terry Varda.

Flowers For St. Elizabeth's Shrine: Juliana Carpentieri, Given by: The Carpentieri Family.