

**WELCOME TO ST. ELIZABETH**  
*We Invite You To Join Us Often!*

**PRAYER FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL:**

O my God, I firmly believe that You are really and corporally present in the Blessed Sacrament of the altar. I adore You, here present, from the very depths of my heart, and I worship Your Sacred Presence with all possible humility. O my soul, what joy to have Jesus Christ always with us, and to be able to speak to Him, heart to heart, with all confidence. Grant, O Lord, that I, having adored Your divine Majesty here on earth in this wonderful Sacrament, may be able to adore You eternally in Heaven. Amen.  
*(The month of April is traditionally dedicated to Jesus in the Eucharist.)*

**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**April 15, 2018**

**PARISH DIRECTORY**

**MAIN**  
**877-3300**

*Dial the following extensions at any time during the message*

	School	5
Mass/Confession Times	3	Pre-School 6
Parish Office	4	Location Directory 7

**PARISH LEADERSHIP**

<b>Finance Council</b>	<b>Charlotte Charbonnier</b>
<b>School Board</b>	<b>Jennifer Wilmsmeyer</b>
<b>Parent/Teacher Org</b>	<b>Jessica Brewer</b>
<b>Ladies Sodality</b>	<b>Tammi Mooshegian</b>
<b>Holy Name Men's Club</b>	<b>Rob Hutson</b>
<b>Men at Prayer</b>	<b>Tom Cholevik</b>
<b>Funeral Dinners</b>	<b>Pam Ames</b>
<b>Athletic Director</b>	<b>Michelle Travnicek</b>
<b>Maintenance Team</b>	<b>Bud Charbonnier</b>

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Sunday, April 15 – Choir Practice at 6:30 p.m.  
 Thursday, April 19 – RCIA Class at 6:30 p.m. in PLC  
 Sunday, April 22 – No Choir Practice  
 Sun., April 22 – Men's Breakfast after 8:00am Mass

**PLEASE PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS!!**

Thanks to all our sponsors on the back cover of our bulletin. This week we thank St. Elizabeth School, Excellence in Faith Formation and Education. Serving Preschool - 8th Grade ~ Before and after care available. 618-877-3300 Ext. 5  
[steroyals@hotmail.com](mailto:steroyals@hotmail.com)

**LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS**

**LITURGICAL ROLES**  
**April 21 & 22**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:**

4:30 p.m.	D. Fletcher, L. Black, C. Charbonnier, V. Drennan, B. Schrenk, K. Haas, J. Hutson
8:00 a.m.	P. Ames, P. Mills, J. Pamatot, M. Loftus, B. Loftus, D. Wright, M. Williams
10:30 a.m.	T. Cholevik, S. Dombek, M. & K. Boschert, P. Heuer, T. Mooshegian, D. Gensert

**LECTORS:**

4:30 p.m.	L. Black
8:00 a.m.	R. Loftus
10:30 a.m.	M. A. Gensert

**SERVERS:**

4:30 p.m.	B. Charbonnier, R. Curry, T. May
8:00 a.m.	W. Loftus, S. Luna, B. Babilliss
10:30 a.m.	M. Adams, R. Knobeloch, J. Williams, W. Yehling

**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE**

**Monday, April 16**

NO MASS

**Tuesday, April 17**

8:15 a.m.	Hedy Barth by Jo Gipson
10:00 a.m.	Mass at Stearns Nursing & Rehab Center

**Wednesday, April 18**

8:15 a.m.	Miles C. Filer by Debby Themig
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**Thursday, April 19**

8:15 a.m.	Thelma Judy by Premo and Kay Clay
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**ADORATION**

**Friday, April 20**

8:15 a.m.	Gene Robertson by Janet & Frank Cowley
3:00 p.m.	Chaplet, Rosary, Prayers for World Peace

**Saturday, April 21 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
4:30 p.m.	Marlen Perkins by Jim and Pat Alsop

**Sunday, April 22 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

8:00 a.m.	Parishioners of St. Elizabeth Parish Family
10:30 a.m.	Billy Adams by JoAnn, Michael & Makayla

**Liturgical Schedule at Holy Family for April 16 – 20 No Mass**

**Liturgical Schedule at St. Mary/St. Mark for April 16 – 20 No Mass**

**Greeter's Schedule for April 21 & 22**

<b>4:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Team 3</b>
<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Team 3</b>
<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Team 3</b>

## FATHER EDGAR'S CORNER

**THANK YOU** to everyone who came together to pray with us Sunday afternoon for Divine Mercy Sunday and for the Ladies Sodality providing a reception. What a beautiful day with many graces. I do believe it makes a difference to offer confession outside of the regular times (like periodically between the Sunday Masses) and these opportunities will continue to be available.

May God bless our 2<sup>nd</sup> graders making their First Holy Communion. Seeing young hearts excited to receive the gift of Jesus' Divine Life into their souls is hard to adequately describe.

You should be very proud of this class too for another reason, they raised the most money for Kenya during Lent with our Cross Catholic Outreach project! (Over \$300 of the \$1,094.83 the grade school donated) They are excited to send over letters to Kenya as well. It is great to see the global Church come together like this – but we are always together at the altar at each Mass no matter how many miles apart we are, as we all receive the same Risen Jesus. Our parish total was \$3,438.88! That will help 57 kids receive nutrition and schooling at these missions for a whole year!

Finally thanks to everybody who listened to 92.7 FM and 1080 AM for the Covenant Network Spring Radiothon this past week. The Gospel reaches thousands of lives every day through the 41 different stations they have in the Midwest. You can also listen online at [ourcatholicradio.org](http://ourcatholicradio.org) or download the app!

~ Father Edgar

## RIGHT TO LIFE

“A model of care has been developed specifically for families whose infant is likely to die before or after birth. Often called ‘perinatal hospice,’ it’s a way of caring for both the baby and the baby’s family before, as well as after, birth.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, “Supporting Families Who Receive a Prenatal Diagnosis”

[www.usccb.org/prenatal-diagnosis](http://www.usccb.org/prenatal-diagnosis)

## PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY

Antonio Chacon-Mendoza, IL; Lee Brown, Fort Hood, TX; Raymond Chant, Jr., Afghanistan; Arron Gray, Colorado; Pvt. Damien Mendoza, Ft. Benning, GA, James Schillinger, San Diego; Britney Stieglitz, Oujonbou, South Korea, Brandon Weidner, Juneau, AK, Dylan and Shea Niles, Lackland AFB, TX, Nolan Yehling, New Mexico

## CATECHISM CORNER

*This section is meant to serve as a “Did You Know” or “Frequently Asked Questions” blurb about the faith.*

A couple of questions came up after Easter services regarding symbols, so I will share that info here: Underneath the priest's chasuble, he wears a long white garment called an alb. “*Albis*” is the Latin word for white. Everyone gets a “white garment” at baptism (even our adults at the Vigil) and this reminds us of the purity and grace that Jesus pours into our hearts at Baptism (Romans 5:5). He puts His life in us, and if we keep that life free from serious sin, the Father will see the Son alive in us when it is our turn to be called out of this world.

On my alb that I wear during Christmas and Easter seasons is the monogram “IHS” which is an abbreviation of Jesus' Name in Greek: ΙΗΣΟΥΣ – in the early Church there were all kinds of abbreviations and symbols that were used in the catacombs when Mass was held in secret during the Roman persecutions. IHS, for the Holy Name of Jesus, is one of those symbols that is still with us today.

## PRIDE OF OUR SCHOOL

- Congratulations Lauren Jones! Lauren recently placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Fr. McGivney Regional Spelling Bee. She competed against 7<sup>th</sup> graders from area Catholic Schools. We are proud of your hard work Lauren!



- For information on 2018-2019 school registration please call (618) 877-3300 ext. 5. We will be happy to schedule a spend-a-day for your child or a school tour for the family.
- Alumni News – Congratulations Brayden Allen! Brayden was recently inducted into the National Honor Society. Brayden is a senior at Granite City High School.
- School families registered for 2018-2019 work 12 hours at the Parish Picnic. Lots of chairmen are currently filling shifts. Many booths including funnel cakes, I Dood It, Dime Pitch and cleanup crew, just to name a few, need workers. Please call the school if you need assistance finding a spot to work.

## PARISH NEWS

**MEN'S BREAKFAST, APRIL 22<sup>ND</sup>** after 8:00 am mass. ALL MEN OF THE PARISH AND THEIR KIDS, please sign up in the gathering space after mass. Deadline to sign up is April 18<sup>th</sup>. Any questions, call Rob 973-5459.

**FREE CATHOLIC DAILY DEVOTIONAL** – Need a reminder each morning to stop for a few minutes and pray before you get too busy? Sign up for the “Morning Offering” email at **Morningoffering.com** and even if you immediately jump into technology first thing in the morning, this “Urgent” message will be there waiting for you! Sign up and spend a few minutes at the start of the day using the various prayers that they provide. You choose to dive into as much or as little as you want. This is a **totally free service with incredible resources** and all you have to do is sign up at **Morningoffering.com** and it will be in your inbox every day!

**FREE CATHOLIC CONTENT ONLINE FOR YOU: “FORMED”** – Take advantage of our parish subscription to FORMED, which is an online on-demand resource for solid Catholic content. There is no individual cost (movies, programs, talks, ebooks, etc.) Just enter our Parish Code VCR7ZM and your email address when you click on Register at formed.org - please check out this great resource!

**THE 14-DAY CANDLE** by the tabernacle will be burning in memory of Billy Adams by JoAnn, Michael & Makayla.

**LADIES SODALITY SCHOLARSHIP** – High school seniors: Please apply for the Ladies Sodality Scholarship of \$1,000.00. To be eligible, you must be a graduate of St. Elizabeth School, a practicing member of the church, and plan to attend a university or trade school. The applications are due to the parish office by **Monday, April 30, 2018**.

**DIVINE MERCY MINUTES FROM THE DIARY OF ST. FAUSTINA** – “I am offering people a vessel with which they are to keep coming for graces to the fountain of mercy. That vessel is this image with the signature: “Jesus, I trust in You.” (Diary, 327).

**REMINDER:** The Men’s Club will have a pulled pork dinner on Friday, May 4<sup>th</sup>. More information to follow.

**THANK YOU** – The family of Louise Rees wishes to thank Father Edgar for the beautiful funeral mass and spiritual support. Thanks also to Howard and Harry, to Cathy, Kay and the choir, and to Ladies Sodality for making our mothers funeral a celebration of life.

**THANK YOU!** We would like to thank Father Zachary Edgar for the funeral Mass in honor of our mother, Joyce Jenness. Much appreciation to the organist, Dan Vizer, for sharing his time and talents during the service. A special thank you to the funeral lunch volunteers for the delicious meal, service and hospitality. We extend our heartfelt gratitude. *Respectfully, The Jenness Family*

**LADIES SODALITY QUILT RAFFLE** – Thank you to all who have purchased chances for the 2018 Ladies Sodality Quilt Raffle!! And it is not too late to get your name in the drawing! Next weekend you will have the opportunity to see the first two quilts being raffled this year; they will be on display in the Gathering Space after all masses. Do not forget there is a total of SIX handmade quilts included in this raffle being held throughout the year. As always, your support is greatly appreciated.

## GC ROCK NEWS

### **CALLING ALL HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH!** **GC Rock is for YOU!**

Watch our FB page for more dates and times...  
*8<sup>th</sup> Graders are welcome to attend our Gatherings!*  
*Participate now in our events and our fundraisers so that you can take part in our summer conference and fun!*  
*Please come and join us and bring a friend!*

**Sunday, April 15** – Gathering at Holy Family 6:30-8pm. Bring a friend or 2.

We are planning our May and summer activities. Please attend our Gatherings for YOUR input on these!

**A ROCK “SOCK CHALLENGE”** - What if every family in our 3 parishes in Granite City would give JUST ONE PAIR of socks each month! GC Rock could give Socks-a-Lots Ministry over 500 pair of new men’s crew socks to the homeless in our area each month! As we fill each bag of rolled socks, we donate them to the local Socks-a-Lot ministry so our homeless brothers and sisters may have fresh socks. Look for the “sock bin” in the back of church! Thank you for your generosity in this important local ministry!

## WHAT IS EUCHARISTIC ADORATION?

**Thursdays 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.**

**First Friday/Saturday**

**9:00 am Friday through 8:00 am Saturday**

All of us by reason of our baptism are called to be sinless; pure of heart. God said to Moses, “Speak to the

whole assembly of Israel and tell them to be Holy for I the Lord your God am Holy.” Leviticus 19:1-2.

In Roman 6:3 St. Paul tells us, “We are all called to moral perfection.” And Jesus told us He would not leave us orphans but would send the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit often inspires us to grow in holiness. But so often we respond with “Later, I don’t have time now.” We justify ourselves with all we already do like regular attendance at Sunday Mass, singing in the choir, helping with various fundraisers, the fish fries, the bake sales, the parish picnic, contributing to the support of the parish...Isn’t that enough?

St. Augustine tells us that the interior life, like love, is destined to grow. If you say enough you are already dead. It is a lifelong job to grow in holiness. We can never do enough.

Becoming a saint is between God and us. No excuses needed, He knows our inmost thoughts. Most of the time we just have to adjust our schedules to make time for our spiritual growth.

Growing in holiness is a matter of priorities. Is it easy? No.

**Eucharistic Adoration** is a means at our disposal that we can use to grow in holiness.

We are still in need of at least one more person to commit to the early morning hours on the Saturday following First Friday. Thanks to those who committed to the 3-4 hour and to all those who have committed to praying before the Blessed Sacrament for one hour each Thursday and First Friday. Norma 618-931-1537.

## PICNIC NEWS

\*The fried food booth chairpersons are retiring after this year. They are in need of someone to shadow them this year and then take over in 2019. This booth has fried fish, bloomin’ onions, French fries, and fried green tomatoes.

This is a very important booth that contributes a lot of profit dollars to the bottom line of the picnic. Please call Dennis Riggs if interested in shadowing! We need you!

\* The funnel cake booth is in need of workers. Please call Zach and Sara White and sign-up or go on line and sign-up for a time slot.

\* We need everyone’s help getting picnic packets delivered to parish parishioners. Please go through packets and take out your family, friends, neighbors and anyone else you may see you know and deliver for us. Only 1/3 of the packets have been picked up so far.

\* Anyone interested in changing out trash liners in the trash receptacles during the day at the picnic and placing the full bags in the dumpsters please call Dennis Riggs at 792-0711. 7-10:30PM on Friday evening, 2:30-10:30PM on Saturday, and 2:30-9:30PM on Sunday. **School families can earn 1.5 hours credit for every hour worked towards their requirement for the picnic for this job.**

\* We are looking for just a minimal number of people to work in the parking lot this year. Please call Paul Hellrich if interested at 618-407-3011.

\* Looking to work at the picnic but do not know where you want to work. Go to [www.volunteersignup.com/TLJLT](http://www.volunteersignup.com/TLJLT) to see openings for all booths that have positions open at the picnic and the time slots they have open. You can sign up at this site directly on line. Please sign-up ASAP so our booth chairpersons know who they have for workers. Refer to the picnic chairpersons list in your packet to call a specific chairperson for questions.

\* The quilter’s have a new raffle item they will be introducing at this year’s picnic. It is a queen size **St. Louis Cardinals quilt**. Be sure to go by their booth and purchase raffle tickets for this one-of-a-kind item!

\* The 5K Run needs workers for the run. Note: **the run is the week before the picnic on June 2<sup>nd</sup>** so if you are a participant, we will *not be competing against* the Race for the Cure or the Route 66 run on our Picnic weekend.

\* **The SILENT AUCTION** for the St. E Picnic is looking for sponsors and donors. If you have any new items, gift cards, pre-assembled baskets, or unique items that you would like to donate, please call Julie or Dennis Wilmsmeyer at (618) 225-9401 or 225-9400. Also, please let us know if you work at a location that would be interested in sponsoring the auction booth or the overall parish picnic. Thank you!

**PICNIC RAFFLES** – Just a reminder! You may turn in raffle entries before the picnic by using the collection basket at Mass or by visiting the church office. Otherwise, please visit our booths during the picnic June 8-10!

**CALLING ALL FRIENDS & FAMILY!** Do you like to have fun? Do you like to laugh? Can you count to 4? Do you like to help others? If you answered yes to any or all of these questions, then I DOOD IT is the booth for you this Picnic season! There are still plenty of open shifts, so sign up for yours today by calling or texting Megan Dittman at 618-830-7644. Not only is I DOOD IT still looking for workers, but we are actively seeking donations to be used as prizes. Our booth is unique in that we are **100%** supported by the generous church and school families here at St. Elizabeth. With **100%** of our prizes donated and absolutely no overhead costs – we are **100%** profit to our church and school! So join us in making this year’s I DOOD IT success one for the books! We accept new prizes of all shapes and sizes! Thank you in advance for your generosity! We can’t DOOD IT without you!  
~ Jocelyn Alegre and Megan Dittman

### CARNIVAL “WEEKEND WRISTBAND”

**INFORMATION** – We will be at the school Tuesday, May 8, 2018 for pre-sale and then after all masses May 11 & 12. This is the one time offer to purchase the “weekend band” for \$50.00. (Good all three days) This is a true

value with rides costing \$4.00-\$5.00 ea. Please note this offer is not just for parishioners. Help your parish out and tell your family, friends, & neighbors. ALSO: Monday, May 14<sup>th</sup> we will sell the \$50.00 band out of the "Picnic Office Room Window" from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. (that window is behind where the lemonade stand is located at picnic time and we will have a sign hanging). We will also have four Matinees. One on Saturday afternoon from 12-4PM, one Saturday evening from 6-10PM, one Sunday afternoon from 12-4PM and one Sunday evening from 6-10PM. Matinee cost is \$30.00 each.

Easter Flowers	20.00
Easter (included with weekly)	351.00
Special Projects	115.00
Lenten/Easter Booklets	10.00
Candles	93.25
Catholic Relief Services	5.00
Catholic Home Missions	60.00
Holy Land/Good Friday	20.00
Seminarians	60.50
Cross Catholic Outreach	197.89

## EVENTS IN THE AREA

**YOUNG AT HEART** will meet on Monday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. in the friendship room at Holy Family Church. Come join us!

**FATHER MCGIVNEY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**— Father McGivney will be seeking to hire a full-time math/physics teacher for the 2018-2019 school year. Experience teaching in the content area, including Calculus would be preferred. Please send resumes via email to [jlombardi@mcgivneygriffins.com](mailto:jlombardi@mcgivneygriffins.com) or by mail by Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup>.

**SUMMER CAMPS AT FATHER MCGIVNEY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL** – FMCHS will host several camps this summer for grade school students including an art camp, soccer, volleyball, basketball, and running camps for boys and girls. For more information, please call Jeff Oller at [joller@mcgivneygriffins.com](mailto:joller@mcgivneygriffins.com).

## OUR GIFTS TO GOD

April 9		Over/ (Short)
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Goal</u>
Week 41 Regular Income	\$ 6,298.00	
175 Envelopes (Average Gift \$35.99)		
Loose	516.46	
Give Central	975.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>\$ 7,789.46</u>	<u>\$ 8,681.00 (\$ 891.54)</u>
<b>YTD</b>		
<b>Total YTD</b>	<u>\$119,503.58</u>	<u>\$130,215.00 (\$10,711.42)</u>

Weekly and YTD Goals were calculated based on our annual fiscal year budget submitted to the Diocese and is what is required to break even.

### OTHER GIFTS

Tuition Assistance	530.00
Bldg. Repair/Maintenance	1,186.00

## SCRIP PROGRESS

Week ending 4/09/18

<b>Shop n Save</b>	<b>Walmart</b>	<b>National</b>
\$2,050.00	\$1,725.00	\$2,840.00

**Total Sales: \$6,615.00**

<b>Year to Date:</b>		
<b>Shop n Save</b>	<b>Walmart</b>	<b>National</b>
\$21,950.00	\$27,825.00	\$33,685.00

**TOTAL: \$83,460.00**

<b>APPROX. GROSS PROFIT TO DATE:</b>	\$3,908.00
<b>APPROX. CREDIT CARD FEES</b>	(\$293.00)
<b>APPROX. NET PROFIT TO DATE</b>	\$3,615.00

## ACSA 2017

<b>Goal</b>	\$55,973.00
<b>Pledged</b>	\$45,265.00
<b>Pledge Payments</b>	\$42,915.00
<b>Summer Donations</b>	
<b>Balance Owed</b>	<u>\$13,058.00</u>

134 of 877 Families Pledged  
Average Pledge - \$337.80

## NEW PARISHIONER

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ MOBILE \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

**Place in the collection basket**

## REQUEST VISIT

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

PLACE \_\_\_\_\_

PERSON REQUESTING \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

**Place in the collection Basket**