

WELCOME TO ST. ELIZABETH

We Invite You To Join Us Often!

PRAYER FOR THE MONTH OF MAY:

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided.

Inspired with this confidence, I fly to thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee do I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

(The month of May is traditionally dedicated to the Blessed Mother.)

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 6, 2018

PARISH DIRECTORY

MAIN
877-3300

Dial the following extensions at any time during the message

	School	5	
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PARISH LEADERSHIP

Finance Council	Charlotte Charbonnier
School Board	Jaime Pamatot
Parent/Teacher Org	Natasha Reidl
Ladies Sodality	Tammi Mooshegian
Holy Name Men's Club	Rob Hutson
Men at Prayer	Tom Cholevik
Funeral Dinners	Pam Ames
Athletic Director	Michelle Travnicke
Maintenance Team	Bud Charbonnier

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, May 6 - Choir Practice at 6:30 p.m.
 Thurs., May 10 - PTO Meeting 6:00pm in Cafeteria
 Friday, May 11 - Kindergarten Graduation at 8:15 a.m. Mass
 Saturday, May 12 - Parish Appreciation Dinner
 Sunday, May 13 - Choir Practice at 6:30 p.m.

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Thanks to all our sponsors on the back cover of our bulletin. This week we thank Irwin Chapel, Granite City 931-8000, Glen Carbon 288-9500.

LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS

LITURGICAL ROLES

May 12 & 13

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

4:30 p.m.	J. Hutson, C. Kessler, R. Schaus, V. Schaus, M. Black, L. Black, V. Drennan
8:00 a.m.	M. Williams, S. Carr, R. Carr, T. Lyerla, P. Ames, P. Mills, J. Pamatot
10:30 a.m.	T. Mooshegian, S. Poiter, M. Poiter, T. Cholevik, S. Dombek, M. & K. Boschert

LECTORS:

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

SERVERS:

4:30 p.m.	B. Charbonnier, T. May, R. Curry
8:00 a.m.	M. Pamatot, M. Pamatot, A. Ghirardi
10:30 a.m.	I. Wilmsmeyer, E. Wilmsmeyer, A. Brewer, S. Strehl

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Monday, May 7

NO MASS

Tuesday, May 8

8:15 a.m. Sharon Rickert by Pat Vaught

Wednesday, May 9

8:15 a.m. John Hennrich by Sharon Hillmer

Thursday, May 10

8:15 a.m. Rose Marie Vizer by Premo and Kay Clay
ADORATION

Friday, May 11

8:15 a.m. Gene DeRuntz by James Ridenour
3:00 p.m. Chaplet, Rosary, Prayers for World Peace

Saturday, May 12 - THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

8:00 a.m. Communion Service
4:30 p.m. Parishioners of St. Elizabeth Parish Family

Sunday, May 13 - THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

8:00 a.m. Marlen Perkins by Jim and Pat Alsop
10:30 a.m. Miles Calvin Filer by St. Eliz Parish Family

Liturgical Schedule at Holy Family for May 7 - May 11 -

Wednesday & Thursday - 8:00 a.m. Mass & Friday - 8:30 a.m. Mass at the School

Liturgical Schedule at St. Mary/St. Mark for May 7 - May 11

Tuesday - 8:00 a.m. Mass

Greeter's Schedule for May 12 & 13

4:30 p.m.	Team 2
8:00 a.m.	Team 2
10:30 a.m.	Team 2

FATHER EDGAR'S CORNER

Dear Parish Family,

It's May, the time is flying by! Thanks to everyone who is helping prepare for our picnic June 8-10. We are especially looking for extra hands to sign up on **Monday, June 11 for tear-down**. This would be a great way to get any high schoolers you know service hours as well. As mentioned last weekend, we're excited to try a **dinner on Friday night** of the picnic as well – a pork steak dinner – help spread the word. Our quilters are making a fantastic **Cardinals logo quilt** as well, so make sure you get in on those raffle tickets for your favorite Redbirds fan. We will be **dedicating a memorial bench in Bob Mason's memory** on Sunday, June 10th at 1 p.m. with his family present. Bob, even though he was not a St. E's parishioner, embodied so well the spirit of generosity and volunteering that it takes to make such a big event as this possible. Please continue to sign up online for picnic shifts or through chairpersons directly. We need you! Also don't forget the "Weekend Wristband" Pre-sale is May 8, 12, 13, and 14. See the end of today's bulletin for more details!

The Picnic helps us fund our grade school, and Mrs. Jakich and I are excited to announce the good news that we have a need for **two 2nd grade classrooms next year** and are happy to announce that Mrs. Valerie Kohl will be moving up to 2nd grade alongside Mrs. Yeager! They will do an outstanding job preparing our 2nd graders for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. I want to emphasize that for several years these two Sacraments **will remain** in 2nd grade. The Diocesan plan from the 2017 Synod is to *gradually* lower the age of Confirmation to 3rd grade and combine Confirmation and First Communion into the same Mass with the Bishop. This is **several years away** from reality, but we will begin lowering the Confirmation age here by preparing our **5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th** grade PSR and grade school students for **Confirmation in 2018-19**. Again first communion is not effected by this gradual lowering of the Confirmation age yet.

In conjunction with this, several have asked about doing more for our junior high students – and I couldn't agree more. In conjunction with Confirmation prep **we will start a 5th-8th grade youth group in the Fall**. It will meet 2x a month (roughly) after the 10:30 Sunday Mass til 1 p.m. Youth Group is not just for confirmation kids, any of their friends in the same age group are also welcome. If you are interested in being a volunteer 2 Sundays a month, please let me know. I 100% guarantee I would not be priest today if it weren't for the support I had from my friends and youth minister in junior high at my home parish in Vandalia. They were an amazing support system at a very critical time in my life. I feel obligated to provide something for our junior high students that is both fun and about the faith and this upcoming school year seems like the perfect time to start.

Mother's Day weekend at Mass we welcome the Fr. McGivney student ambassadors to speak on their annual appeal. We will also have a very special K of C presentation at the beginning of 10:30 Mass. Then all mothers will receive a special blessing at the conclusion of Mass. The 10:30 choir will again include St E grade school!

~ Father Edgar

RIGHT TO LIFE

"Sometimes our actions speak for themselves; other times, words are needed. Whatever the situation, Jesus knows how to speak to each person's heart; we simply need to follow where he leads."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities,

"How to Build a Culture of Life," www.usccb.org/culture-of-life

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 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.

I've received several questions surrounding permission for the Sacraments recently. Today, I'd like to discuss how priests are able to bring the Sacraments to the people: Everything we do derives from our Bishop who is a successor of the Apostles. A Bishop receives the fullness of Jesus' Priesthood at his consecration and it is his job to bring the Sacraments to his flock. Since he cannot be in all places at once, he ordains the men that God calls to the Priesthood to be his "co-workers in the Lord's vineyard."

When a priest is ordained, the bishop gives him his "faculties" this is the necessary permission the priest needs to say Mass publicly, hear Confessions, preach, perform baptisms and marriages, etc. It is beautiful that a priest with faculties has the ability to hear confessions and anoint the sick **anywhere in the world**. A true illustration of how broad Jesus' Mercy is. For the sacraments of Baptism and Marriage that responsibility is tied to a **pastor** and his people, and by extension, to First Holy Communion as well. This means the people of a parish can and should receive Baptism, First Communion, and Marriage from the pastor of their home parish where they are registered. Other priests may substitute, but the pastor has to give his permission. The faithful may also go to other Catholic Churches besides their home parish for these sacraments, but their pastor of their parish must give them permission to do so, and give the priest who will be doing these

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Sacraments in his place his permission also. The “community” of each parish is important and so things are “normally” set up for parishioners to receive these sacraments at their parish from their pastor, unless a true need arises. So, if I leave our parish to say Mass in another diocese, Bishop Paprocki has to first send a letter of good-standing to the place I’m traveling to so that I may be granted the permission to offer Mass there, or to do a wedding, baptism, first Communion, outside of my assigned parish. (Since at the place I’m traveling to it is already someone else’s responsibility to see that the sacraments are offered there, so for me to substitute, I need permission. This is all part of our ordination promise of “respect and obedience to the Bishop and his successor’s.”) It’s been a great blessing so far here to work with pastors far and wide (as far away as Ireland!) to get permission to do baptisms, weddings, and first communions for those who have asked me under special circumstances.

Confirmation is reserved to the bishop with a few exceptions. (like Easter Vigil) Ordinations are always reserved to the bishop. As members of Christ’s flock, each bishop is responsible for seeing that the sacramental needs of his people are being met and so he ordains priests and deacons to be extensions of himself to teach, govern, and sanctify the faithful – the 3-fold gifts of his office. ...and that’s a little FYI on Sacramental permissions.

PRIDE OF OUR SCHOOL

+2018-2019 Registration - For information regarding St. Elizabeth School registration call (618) 877-3300 ext. 5. The main school office will remain open through Thursday, May 31st.

+Last Day of School –Our last school Mass will be held on Friday, May 18th at 8:15am. Awards and dismissal follow Mass. We say *bon voyage* to our dear friend Mrs. Kathy Lickenbrock. She is retiring at the end of May. Mrs. Loretta Joyce has accepted a full-time position, serving as St. Elizabeth School secretary for 2018-2019.

+Alumni News – Congratulations Dillon Birdsong! Dillon has committed to St. Louis College of Pharmacy, where he will follow his dream of playing collegiate soccer. St. Elizabeth School is proud of your success, Dillon!



SAVE THE DATE!! The Annual St. Elizabeth Parish Dinner and Get Together will be held on Saturday, May 12, 2018 in the school cafeteria. This event is sponsored by the Men’s Club for all members of the parish. Choose between a ribeye steak dinner or a chicken breast dinner. The cost is \$12.00 per person. Contact Rob Hutson at 973-5459, Andy Yurko at 931-4669, Chad Roseman at 250-9178, or Tammi Mooshegian at 876-4819 for tickets, or stop by the Parish Office. Tickets will be sold in the Gathering Space every weekend prior to the event. Dinner will begin at 6:00 p.m. and the entertainment will follow the dinner.

DIVINE MERCY MINUTES FROM THE DIARY OF ST. FAUSTINA – “The moment I left the confessional, God’s presence enveloped me as before. I understood that God’s grace must be received just as God sends it, in the way He wants, and one must receive it in that form under which God sends it to us.” (Diary, 715).

THANK YOU – The family of Mary Mennerick would like to extend a sincere “Thank You” to Father Edgar for his ever present support and prayers during our mom’s illness and her passing. We would also love to thank the St. Elizabeth choir for the beautiful music at her Mass, and to the funeral luncheon ladies who did a remarkable job of feeding our family after the service. Please continue to pray for us as we mourn our loss and miss our mom tremendously. Thank you so very much from the Mennerick, Halbbrook, and Ahlvers families.

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 Jim Gray by JoAnn & Mary.

CATHOLIC TIMES is planning to congratulate all 2018 Catholic high school students who are graduating. Therefore, they would like the names of those Catholic young people graduating from public high schools. The deadline for names is Thursday, May 24, as they will be printed in the June 10 issue of *Catholic Times*. Additionally, a coupon in regards to graduating Catholic high school students will be placed in one issue of *Catholic Times*, May 13. You can either send the information to the following address or email me at cfurkin@dio.org. If you have any questions, please contact me at (217) 698-8500, ext. 117. Diocese of Springfield in Illinois, Catholic Times, Graduates Issue, 1615 West Washington Street, Springfield, IL 62702-4757.

TWIGS - We are in need of 3 volunteer substitutes for our TWIGS lunch program for when our regular volunteers cannot make it. TWIGS provide lunches for children who might be doing without. Call Tom at 789-0337 for more info.

GC ROCK NEWS

CALLING ALL HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH!

GC Rock is for YOU!

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

Sunday, May 6 - Gathering at St. Elizabeth 6:30-8pm. Bring a friend! 8th graders are welcome!
Sunday, May 13 – Blessed Mother’s Day to our moms! NO Gathering.
Sunday, May 20 – Gathering at St. Elizabeth 6:30-8pm. Bring a friend!
Sunday, May 27 – NO Gathering/Memorial Day weekend.
Friday, June 1 – KC Movie Night/Rocks will serve the movie snacks. Please help!!!
Sunday, June 3 – Meet’n Greet for ALL graduated 8th graders and honor our Seniors 6:30-8pm.
Sunday, June 10 – St. Elizabeth Picnic/NO Gathering.
Sunday, June 17 – Blessed Father’s Day to our dads! NO Gathering.

Put CALLED AND SENT ON YOUR Calendars!! July 8-13 at the Villa Maria Center in Springfield, IL. We are planning our Summer activities. Please attend our Gatherings for YOUR input!

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

The purpose of Eucharistic Adoration is to **high-light the presence of Our Lord in the Eucharist.**

Eucharistic Adoration **on our part is the appreciation** for the total gift of **Christ’s presence among us.** And it expresses to Him that He is truly welcomed and loved by us.

How deep is our faith? How much value do we place on the Incarnate Word of God dwelling among us with an enduring love.

The scheduled adorers are guardians of the exposed Blessed Sacrament and their presence is important and necessary.

Please seriously consider making a firm commitment to one of the 12 hours ONCE A WEEK on THURSDAY or to one of the twenty four hours ONCE A MONTH on FIRST FRIDAY/SATURDAY. Come let us visit our God in the Holy Eucharist with ACTS ---Adoration, Contrition, Thanksgiving and Supplication.

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 all who have committed to praying before the Blessed Sacrament for one hour each Thursday and First Friday.

The list of those who have made a commitment is posted on the bulletin board. Call Norma @ 618-931-1537 if you want to be added to the list. Thanks.

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.
* 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. 7:00-10:30PM 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.org/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! They are still in need of volunteers for the quilt booth. Please contact Kathy Swift at 980-5216.

* The 5K Run needs workers for the run. Note: **the run is the week before the picnic on June 2nd** 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!

CARNIVAL "WEEKEND WRISTBAND" INFORMATION

– We will be at the school Tuesday, May 8, 2018 for pre-sale and then after all masses May 12 & 13. 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 14th 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.

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

	Actual	Goal	Over/ (Short)
Week 44 Regular Income	\$ 6,255.00		
167 Envelopes (Average Gift \$37.46)			
Loose	650.00		
Give Central	715.00		
TOTAL	\$ 7,620.00	\$ 8,681.00	(\$1,061.00)
YTD			
Total YTD	\$140,326.81	\$156,258.00	(\$15,931.19)

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	286.00
Annual School Fund	40.00
Bldg. Repair/Maintenance	15.00
Funeral Stipend	200.00
Special Projects	50.00
Candles	132.00
Catholic Home Missions	150.00
Seminarians	163.00
Retired Priests	70.00

SCRIP PROGRESS

Week ending 4/30/18

Shop n Save	Walmart	National
\$1,425.00	\$1,800.00	\$3,190.00

Total Sales: \$6,415.00

Year to Date:		
Shop n Save	Walmart	National
\$25,325.00	\$32,900.00	\$40,995.00

TOTAL: \$99,220.00

APPROX. GROSS PROFIT TO DATE:	\$4,662.00
APPROX. CREDIT CARD FEES	(\$348.00)
APPROX. NET PROFIT TO DATE	\$4,314.00

ACSA 2017

Goal	\$55,973.00
Pledged	\$45,325.00
Pledge Payments	\$43,365.00
Summer Donations	
Balance Owed	<u>\$12,608.00</u>

134 of 874 Families Pledged
Average Pledge - \$338.25

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