

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.)

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

May 13, 2018

PARISH DIRECTORY

MAIN
877-3300

Dial the following extensions at any time during the message

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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 13 - Choir Practice at 6:30 p.m.
 Monday, May 14 – 8th Grade Graduation at 7:00pm
 Tuesday, May 15 – Pre-School Graduation 6:30 p.m.
 Sunday, May 20 – Choir Practice at 6:30 p.m.
 Sunday, May 20 – Ladies Breakfast after 8am Mass

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LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS

LITURGICAL ROLES

May 19 & 20

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

4:30 p.m.	B. Schrenk, L Black, C. Charbonnier, J. Hutson, C. Kessler, R. Schaus, V. Schaus
8:00 a.m.	M. Loftus, B. Loftus, D. Wright, S. Carr, R. Carr, T. Lyerla, D. Fletcher
10:30 a.m.	T. Mooshegian, M. Poiter, D. Gensert, P. Heuer, F. Faulkner, E. & D. Mooshegian

LECTORS:

4:30 p.m.	C. Thompson
8:00 a.m.	J. Mills
10:30 a.m.	A. Bone

SERVERS:

4:30 p.m.	C. Folkerts, R. Willaredt, L. Wilmsmeyer
8:00 a.m.	A. Friedel, K. Friedel, S. Luna
10:30 a.m.	M. Adams, J. Callahan, M. Roseman, W. Yehling

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Monday, May 14

7:00 p.m. Special Intention

Tuesday, May 15

8:15 a.m. Mary Charney by Cheryl Humphreys
 10:00 a.m. Mass at Stearns Nursing & Rehab Center

Wednesday, May 16

8:15 a.m. Leo Scaturro by Mr. & Mrs. Terry Mangi

Thursday, May 17

8:15 a.m. Thelma Judy by Mary Reinhardt

ADORATION

Friday, May 18

8:15 a.m. Sharon Rickert by Sandra & Steve Crites
 3:00 p.m. Chaplet, Rosary, Prayers for World Peace

Saturday, May 19 – PENTECOST SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 4:30 p.m. Ronald Briggs, Jr. by Eric and Denise Mooshegian

Sunday, May 20 – PENTECOST SUNDAY

8:00 a.m. Deborah Saldin by Alice Newton
 10:30 a.m. Billy Adams by JoAnn, Michael & Makayla

Liturgical Schedule at Holy Family for May 14 – May 18 –

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 14 – May 18

Tuesday – 8:00 a.m. Mass

Greeter's Schedule for May 19 & 20

4:30 p.m.	Team 3
8:00 a.m.	Team 3
10:30 a.m.	Team 3

FATHER EDGAR'S CORNER

Dear Parish Family,

Today the Church celebrates Our Lord's Ascension into heaven. This day is all about "hope" – that because Jesus died, rose, and ascended for us, it is now possible for mankind to enter into heaven if we choose to let Jesus free us from sin and death. How grateful can we be to our God for saving our lives in this wonderful way?

We honor and remember our mothers this weekend. May Our Lady, Queen of families, unite all hearts more closely to the heart of her Son. We're happy to have some of our students sing with our adult choir again this Sunday, and we're looking to make this a more regular occurrence in the future. Thanks to Cathy Cassy and Amanda Davis for all they do to collaborate and get our students involved!

Today we welcome the Fr. McGivney student ambassadors to speak on their annual appeal prior to the Masses. We will also have a very special K of C presentation at the beginning of 10:30 Mass. Remember the "Weekend Wristband" Pre-sale for the Parish Picnic is today after Mass as well as Monday evening the 14th. See the end of today's bulletin for more details!

It's been a busy week here: This past Tuesday after the Knights of Columbus meeting, I presented our Council with a bench on behalf of our entire school family for all the KC's do for us. This bench was able to be produced from the recycled bottle caps you all have so faithfully collected, just like the bench here at the grade school in memory of Billy Adams. Thanks to everyone's chipping in, St. E's was able to honor the Knights with this gift!

On Wednesday, the first grade assisted at the May Crowning of Our Blessed Mother, and those beautiful crowns of flowers they presented will remain on our image of Mary and the Infant Jesus through May 31. May it remind us that we are all striving to receive the crown of eternal life one day. We also had the 8th Grade Scavenger Hunt and lunch at *Sí Señor*. Please, even through the summer, utilize the SCRIP program with gift cards and gift certificates, it helps the school so much! For example, for every \$20 gift certificate I used to buy the 8th grade lunch on Wednesday, we made \$3 for the school because, thanks to the generosity of this business, we are able to buy them for \$17 and re-sell them here for \$20. Whether it's groceries, eating out, gasoline, retail... please consider buying these various gift cards through St. E's and help the school!

Kindergarten graduation took place on Friday morning, congrats to all the kids and families as they get ready for 1st grade! We are proud of you all!

Finally, the next 2 Sundays I'll be assisting at the First Masses of two friends who are getting ordained Priests. Next Sunday I'll be in Cincinnati and the following Sunday in Quincy. Next weekend we welcome Fr. Robert E. White who will celebrate all the Masses and will speak about a

ministry providing direct relief the poor throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. Father White will share his personal witness about *Food For The Poor's* mission to care for the destitute as a means of living out the Gospel mandate to love one another. Fr. White was ordained for the Diocese of San Diego in 1970. Please welcome Father White to St. Elizabeth's.

~ Father Edgar

RIGHT TO LIFE

"We can all help encourage our government and other institutions to support life. They must always aid and support mothers and children, and never offer to pay for the destruction of life as a 'solution' to the challenges women face. The call to uphold women's dignity and well-being, and that of their unborn children, is one and the same." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Poverty and Abortion: A Vicious Cycle," www.bit.ly/poverty-abortion.

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.

The Catechism, in paragraph 1816 begins, "The disciple of Christ must not only keep the faith and live on it, but also profess it, confidently bear witness to it, and spread it"

This is the message of the Ascension: "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature."

We can do this by both actions and words. This week I was happily discussing how proud I am of our students for how well they represent our parish and school in public.

We have a great staff that sets a good example, and these things are very obviously both taught and reinforced at home as well. So, be proud of our students! They represent us well!

Here are some pictures from this week's events:

PARISH NEWS



Reward Trip to Cardinals/Twins for upper grades.



Lunch after the 8th grade scavenger hunt

PRIDE OF OUR SCHOOL



State Music Contest: ALL St. Elizabeth School students received a First Superior Rating, which is the highest score possible. CONGRATULATIONS!!! (and thank you Mrs. Davis for teaching our students.)

Solos: Ethan McMann, Nolan Melton, Nate Wilmsmeyer, Autumn Hutson, Gracelyn Ratchford, Mayelin Rios, Karina Smith, Ella Wilmsmeyer

Ensembles: Ethan McMann/Karina Smith, Gracelyn Ratchford/Jasmine Davis, Taylor Bolden/Siena Strehl/Mayelin Rios, Gage Asbeck/Aiden Morton/Cameron Smith/Wyatt Yehling, CeCe Corbett/Morgan Hayes/Ryan Mangiaracino/Lily Meyenburg/Liliana Strehl

Alumni News: Congratulations to Alisa Schreckenber, graduating from GCHS this month (attending SWIC) and to Katlynn Schreckenber graduating from Saint Louis University Summa Cum Laude with a bachelors degree in economics.

DIVINE MERCY MINUTES FROM THE DIARY OF ST. FAUSTINA – “I have been living under the virginal cloak of the Mother of God. She has been guarding me and instructing me. I am quite at peace, close to Her Immaculate Heart. Because I am so weak and inexperienced, I nestle like a little child close to Her heart.” (Diary, 1097).

OUR SYMPATHY - to the families of Barbara Litzelman and Bernie Daugherty, husband of Jean, who passed away recently. May they rest in peace and rise in glory!

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 also like the names of those Catholic young people who are members of our parish & 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 2 volunteer substitutes for our TWIGS lunch program for when our regular volunteers can't make it. TWIGS provide lunches for children who might be doing without. Call Tom at 789-0337 for info.

LADIES SODALITY ~ Thank you for the great meeting we had on May 1st & for the wonderful donations to the Layette Program for Church Women United. Our next meeting will be held May 22nd. This is the last meeting before our summer break and is our annual potluck. **NOTE EARLY START 6:30pm.** Please bring a dish to share. We will have fried chicken, coffee, and tea. Please join us in the Harmony Room. Dinner 6:30-7:30 Meeting 7:30-8:45pm.

SAVE THE DATE!! Sunday, May 20th 9:00 a.m. Ladies Sodality Breakfast. All ladies and daughters are welcome! Tickets are \$2.00 and can be purchased after Mass and through the parish office by the 15th. Men's Club will be serving the breakfast. Hope to see you there!

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN SESSION

I will be offering a Protecting God's Children Session on Monday, May 21st from 6:30 – 8:30 pm in the Parish Life Center. Anyone who participates or would like to participate in any of the ministries of the church including fish fry, taco sales and picnic or if you want to volunteer at the school would be required by the Diocese to attend a session. To register, please contact Laura Black at 877-3300 ext. 223. Due to the materials being sent to me from Springfield, registration deadline will be Wednesday, May 16th.

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 Six Flags/JellyStone Fun! Please come and join us and bring a friend!

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!

Saturday, May 26 – Sell KRISPY KREME DONUTS after Mass. Please help!

Sunday, May 27 – NO Gathering/Memorial Day weekend, but we ARE selling **KRISPY KREME DONUTS** at all Masses. 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

PICNIC SET-UP will begin **Tuesday, June 5th at 8:30a.m.** We will also be constructing the fried food booth on **Saturday, June 2nd at 7:00 a.m.** Your help is greatly appreciated.

Please avoid parking in the spaces reserved for the pre-school drop off area during the set-up week and on Monday after the picnic. It is very busy in the mornings, and they need to be able to drop the children off. Also, **please avoid the main parking lot starting Monday, June 4th.** The large tents will be setting up that day.

PICNIC TEAR-DOWN MONDAY AFTER THE PICNIC: Everyone please consider coming out and helping with tear down and getting everything back into the shed. If you can, consider taking a vacation day to help with tear down. It will be greatly appreciated. **We will start at 7:00 a.m.** Lunch will be furnished. Thank you!!!
Dennis Riggs

*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.

* 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 having our pre-sale 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). On Tuesday, May 15th they will be on sale at the parish office for \$65.00. On the Friday of the picnic, they will be for sale from 9:00 a.m. – Noon out of the picnic office window. 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.

EVENTS IN THE AREA

YOUNG AT HEART will meet on Monday, May 21st at 2:00 p.m. in the Friendship Room at Holy Family Church. Come join us!

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

	May 6	Goal	Over/ (Short)
	<u>Actual</u>		
Week 45 Regular Income	\$ 8,713.00		
199 Envelopes (Average Gift \$43.78)			
Loose	415.00		
Give Central	625.00		
TOTAL	\$ 9,753.00	\$ 8,681.00	(\$1,072.00)
YTD			
Total YTD	\$150,079.81	\$164,939.00	(\$14,859.19)

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	768.00
Annual Fund/Bingo Profit	10,000.00
Bldg. Repair/Maintenance	913.00
Easter Offering (included w/weekly)	1.00
Funeral Stipend	100.00
Special Projects	68.00
Candles	84.00
Catholic Communications	60.00
Catholic Home Missions	11.00
Holy Land/Good Friday	10.00
Seminarians	121.00
Retired Priests	90.00

SCRIP PROGRESS

Week ending 5/06/18

Shop n Save	Walmart	National
\$ 750.00	\$1,725.00	\$2,855.00
	Total Sales: \$5,330.00	
Year to Date:		
Shop n Save	Walmart	National
\$26,075.00	\$34,625.00	\$43,850.00
	TOTAL: \$104,550.00	
APPROX. GROSS PROFIT TO DATE:		\$4,922.00
APPROX. CREDIT CARD FEES		(\$366.00)
APPROX. NET PROFIT TO DATE		\$4,556.00

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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