

SAINT ELIZABETH

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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Rev. Norman Bolton, *In Residence*

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Mission Statement

Saint Elizabeth Catholic Community is committed to **prepare the way of the Lord** by welcoming with unconditional love, all who gather here to celebrate the signs of God's presence among us and is challenged to proclaim the good news of God's love to the world.



St. Elizabeth Parish

181 Hubbard Street
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SAINT ELIZABETH PARISH DIRECTORY

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Rev. Msgr. Homer P. Gosselin, Pastor	583-3467
Rev. Norman Bolton, In Residence	583-3467
Deacon Normand Grondin	734-0601
Deacon Thomas Rickson	783-5598
Deacon Keith Davies	967-9868

RECTORY STAFF

Gigi Kimball, Office Manager/Bookkeeper	583-3467 Ext. 103
Eileen Barone, Administrative Assistant	583-3467 Ext. 104

MASSES

Weekdays Monday through Friday	7:30 AM
Saturday	4:00 PM
Sunday	7:30 AM, 9:15 AM, 11:00 AM & 5:00 PM

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

Vigil	5:30 PM
Feast	8:30 AM & 7:00 PM

CONFESSIONS

Saturday	2:30 PM to 3:30 PM & by appointment
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FINANCE COUNCIL

Chairman: Guy Baillargeon	589-9002
Vice Chairman: Steve Rourke	583-6924

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Chairman: Richard Landry	209-0813
Vice Chair: Elizabeth Kania	583-4083
Scribe: Carolyne Pereira	233-8907
Communication Commission: Elizabeth Kania (chair)	583-4083
Sarah Greentree	860-904-8347
Liturgical Commission: Michele Witowski (chair)	552-7386
Social/Family Life Commission: Ruth Makowicz (chair)	610-0828
Mary Morcavage	547-8266
Social Justice/Evangelization Commission: Chris Smith (chair)	978-394-6036
Carolyne Pereira	233-8907
Spiritual Life Ministries: Sarah Greentree	860-904-8347

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

We extend a warm welcome to all new members. If you would like to become a member of our parish family, please visit or contact the Rectory (583-3467) office. Be advised that we require parish registration for a least a year in order that we might get to know you if you should need letters of recommendation, sponsor certificates or testimonial letters. A member in good standing is one who has registered with the parish, attends Mass regularly, uses parish envelopes to make regular contributions to the support of the Church and offers his/her time and talent in support of parish activities. We hope that you will become active members of our parish family. If you should move out of the parish, please notify the Rectory.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST SCHOOL

Principal: Shelly Rose	583-8550
Development Committee: Gary Bourbeau	589-0644
School Board: Deacon Keith Davies	967-9868

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 583-3467

Director: Michele Witowski	552-7386
Grades 1-4: Michele Witowski	552-7386
Grades 5-9: Lisa Saloio	459-7435
R.C.I.A.: Kathy Lawrence	636-2606

YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS

Altar Servers: Deacon Keith Davies	967-9868
Athletic Commission: Shelly Rose	583-8550
Scouts: Deacon Keith Davies	967-9868
Youth Ministry: Lisa & Ron Saloio	459-7435

SAFE ENVIRONMENT STANDARDS

Safe Environment Coordinator (Child Advocate): Eileen Barone, 583-3467 Ext. 104

All volunteers in any parish ministry who have the potential for interaction with children, youth, elderly or vulnerable individuals MUST complete a CORI Form and VIRTUS Training.

VIRTUS Training must be completed online or through an in-person training session. CORI Forms are available from the Parish Office. Contact Eileen Barone at 583-3467 or at ebarone@stelizabethludlow.org for more information or to register for the in-person training.

In conjunction with the CCD program, a prevention education component, Circle of Grace, is taught to Grades 1 - 9. This training must be also documented by the Child Advocate.

PARISH COMMITTEES

Bereavement Ministry: Jackie Gobeille	589-7871
Bereavement Support Group: Pat Flaherty	589-9203
Maria Serrazina	589-7660
Blue Army: Maria Fillion	589-0389
Communion to the Sick: Deacon Tom Rickson	783-5598
Evangelization: Deacon Keith Davies	967-9868
Forerunners: Mark Narreau	583-8541
Friends of St. Elizabeth: Jim Wainwright	547-8686
Holy Mother Choir: Claire Wales	246-2643
Ludlow Knights of Columbus Council #3535: Jim Meehan	547-8822
Marriage Ministry: Dick & DuAnne Pasquini	610-0509
Men's Ministry: Deacon Keith Davies	967-9868
Ministry Schedules: Genny Santos	283-5228
Pro-Life: Tina Ziencina	589-9097
Saint Martha Funeral Choir: Jackie Gobeille	589-7871
Saint Rita Choir: Lori Chmiel	547-8829
Scripture Reflection: Deacon Normand Grondin	734-0601
Social Family Life: John Dryjowicz	547-8971
Take & Eat Program: Barbara & Bob White	583-5705
Beverly Gentile Vocation Cross Program: Diane Dryjowicz	547-8971

BAPTISMS

Last Sunday of each month. To have your child baptized, parents must be active, registered for at least three months and practicing members of our Church. We require that all parents and godparents attend a preparation class prior to the baptism. Baptism classes are offered via zoom at the convenience of the family. Please contact the Rectory at 583-3467.

GODPARENTS

Godparents should be chosen by parents primarily to be good religious examples to their child and not because they want to bestow a family/social honor. Godparents will be asked to assist parents in teaching the child about the Christian faith and are required to provide an example of the Christian life. As representatives of the Christian community, godparents give witness to the Good News of Jesus Christ, in word and example.

The parish is responsible to make parents aware of the requirements concerning godparents: (A) Only one male godfather and one female godmother should be chosen. (B) At least one godparent must be a practicing Catholic (which means that he/she must have been baptized, received their Confirmation and First Communion and must be actively practicing their Catholic religion). (C) The birth mother or the father of a child are not permitted to serve as a godparent. (D) Parents may choose one godparent (Christian Witness) that is of another CHRISTIAN religion whom they determine will be a good example of Christian living for their child. (Canon Laws 872-874)

WEDDINGS

Please make arrangements for your wedding date one year in advance, and then be sure to make an appointment with Msgr. Gosselin at least six months before the wedding. You will be required to have a *Baptismal Certificate* dated within 6 months of the proposed marriage date. Those baptized in foreign countries should arrange to obtain a copy within this period of time. *Baptized non-Catholics are required to present some proof of their Christian Baptism.*



Welcome to NEW parishioners! We want to know and serve you. If you are not registered with our parish, please fill out this form and bring it to the Rectory or place it in the collection basket and we will send you a census form to join our parish.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

JESUS, THE WORD OF GOD, CAME FOR THE WHOLE WORLD

Jesus came not just for those He encountered in person but for the salvation of the whole world. As His earthly ministry touched the lives of many people, so does the Word spread to all the earth. He brings healing to those in despair by offering the hope of the Kingdom of God.

**February 5, Monday**

7:30 AM † Dot & Tom Ahearn – A Friend

February 6, Tuesday

7:30 AM † Richard Coache – A Friend

February 7, Wednesday

7:30 AM † Antoinette Turcotte – The Peabody Family

♥ Healing for Rosa Santos Baruk – The
Fernandes Family

February 8, Thursday

7:30 AM † Ana & Manuel Martins – Their Daughters

February 9, Friday

7:30 AM † Raymond Lavoie – A Friend

February 10, Saturday

4:00 PM † Alphena Lyndon – The Family

† Marion Myette (7th Anniversary) – The Family

February 11, Sunday

7:30 AM † Ann & Mario Arcobello – A Friend

9:15 AM † Roland & Bertha Paul – The Family

11:00 AM † Sue Smith (Birthday Remembrance) - Friends

† Gloria Souza & Jose Carvalho – The Family

5:00 PM † Richard Dumont (Birthday Remembrance) –
Maria Abvantes

Sanctuary Candle Burns in Memory of Marion Myette – From
Her Family

Altar Flowers are in Loving Memory of Richard Gendreau, Sr. -
From His Family

******If you would like to have the altar flowers in
memory of a loved one – please call the rectory
and we will happily assist you. Thank you.*

**VOCATIONS AWARENESS**

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Jesus went away to a secluded place and prayed.” If you are seeking greater simplicity of life and a closer following of the Lord in prayer and action, consider that He may be calling you to the priesthood or consecrated life. Talk to your priest or contact the Vocation Office at 413-248-7034 or via email: vocations@diospringfield.org.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**Monday, February 5, 2024**

1:00 pm Ladies Auxiliary of the K of C (ZR)

6:00 pm Faith Formation (JR/ER)

6:00 pm Bible Study (ZR)

Tuesday, February 6, 2024

6:30 pm Bereavement Support Group (ZR)

6:30 pm St. Rita Choir (C)

6:30 pm Eucharistic Revival (JR)

Wednesday, February 7, 2024

3:30 pm Youth Group (JR)

5:15 pm Holy Mother Choir (C)

5:30 pm Confirmation Class (ER)

6:00 pm FSA (JR)

6:00 pm Scouts (FLBH)

7:00 pm Scouts (JR)

Thursday, February 8, 2024**Friday, February 9, 2024****Saturday, February 10, 2024**

8:00 am Youth Ministry (K)

11:00 am First Reconciliation (All Rooms)

12:00 pm Teams of Our Lady (FLBH & K)

12:00 pm Youth Ministry (JR)

2:30 pm Confessions (C)

Sunday, February 11, 2024

8:00 am Confirmation Class (JR)

10:15 am Faith Formation (All Rooms)

~ Key code ~

(C) = Church (R) = Rectory (S) = School (H) = School Hall

(ER) = Elizabeth Room (ZR) = Zechariah Room,

(JR) = Jordan Room (FLBH) = Fr.

Larry Boucher Hall

**“The Eucharist is the ultimate
superfood for the soul.”**

Matthew Kelly

PRO LIFE REFLECTION

From today's 1st letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 1:9: **“If I preach the gospel, there is no reason for me to boast, for an obligation has been imposed on me...”** To be "Pro Life" is to become a slave to all so as to save some; to become all things to all and to share in the Gospel.

Glory to Jesus Christ!

Please join us Thursday afternoons at 4:30p.m. to
Pray the Rosary for Peace in Ukraine at Sts. Peter
and Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church
45 Newbury Street, Ludlow, Massachusetts

What is a Team of Our Lady?



It is a way: For married couples to grow in love a little more each day.

To be aided by the mutual support of other couples that gather monthly to share a meal, pray, and study. To better follow the One who assured us that, *"I am the way, the truth, and the life."* (John 14:6)

For more information about Teams, please call Gary & Gloria at 589-0644. We are looking for a few couples to start a new Team.

Welcome To our newly baptized!

Zyan Bourdeau Acosta
Caroliz Cruz
Madison Charlotte Legere
Carter Dean Rodriguez

SCRIPTURE READINGS

First Reading: Job 7:1-4, 6-7

In this passage, Job laments the drudgery and pain all people sometimes experience in life. He talks of troubled days and restless nights. But he does mention that the days move along swiftly, which can remind us that our time here on earth is quite limited and should be well spent.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23

Paul explains to the Corinthians that he has no choice but must preach the gospel. He tells of making himself all things to all people, in order to save some of them. He reminds them that he does this willingly, in the hope of sharing in the blessings of the gospel.

Gospel: Mark 1:29-39

Jesus cured Simon's mother-in-law of a fever, then others with illnesses or demons came to see Him. He cured those who were ill and cast out the demons of the others. Then He went off and prayed alone until His followers sought Him out. Jesus and His disciples then moved on to other villages to proclaim the Good News.

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:31—11:1

Gospel: Mark 1:40-45

Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday,
February 22, 2024
6:30 pm
in Church



Additional Times:

Saturday, March 2 nd	2:00 pm - 3:30 pm
Wednesday, Feb. 7 th	8:15 am - 3:00 pm

PACK 180

CUB SCOUTING
Girls and Boys: K thru 5th grade

Become a part of St Elizabeth's Scouting!!
Our Scouts meet most Wednesday evenings in the Pastoral Center
E-mail: info@scouts180.org for times and come visit us!

BOY TROOP 180
GIRL TROOP 180

SCOUTS BSA
Girls and Boys ages 11 to 17

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† PRAYER REQUESTS †

Alicia Moreau, Amie Moreau, Ann Gallant, Anne Martin, Beverly Barry, Brynn McCauley, Camden DiLuzio, Celeste Chenier, Chris Sotiropoulos, Claire Belanger, Claire Wales, David Wells, Debra Norris, Elizabeth S., Emily Bernard, Erin Gendreau, Fierra Twing, Holly Dennis, Jackie Zima, Jason White, Jim Chenier, Jim Egela, Jeanette Voily, Kanika Fuentes, Leana Gendreau, Linda B., Marisa Zulch, Michael Kelly, Michael Murnise, Michele Witowski, Millie Dinnie, Molly, Molly McDonald, KD., Murial Moore, Norman Strader, Pat, Rob S., Rosa Santos Baruk, Rick Motta, Ruth Makowicz, Sean Egan, Tad, Tom Gibeau

If you have prayer requests you would like listed here in the bulletin, please call the rectory at 583-3467 or email at info@stelizabethludlow.org. Thank you and God Bless.

PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS

Please pray for the men and women in our armed services, for the military commanders who lead them, and for President Biden and his advisors.

Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need and bring them home safely. May their sacrifices bring about a lasting and just peace in all lands. I ask this in the name of Jesus, Our Lord and Savior. Amen.

OFFERTORY (1/28/24).....	\$6,027.00
ONLINE GIVING.....	\$646.29
SJBS.....	\$420.00
FUEL.....	\$57.00

Counting Team 1 - Monday, February 5, 2024

Thank you for your Support!

If you cannot attend Mass here at St. Elizabeth Church, please make the donations that you would normally make when you do attend Mass here.

Memorial Donations

We gratefully acknowledge the following gift:

In loving memory of

Giovanna Macaneiro - \$23.00

Richard Coache - \$50.00

We thank you for your generosity!

♥ MARRIAGE MATTERS ♥



Sharing your feelings helps both you and your spouse to know your heart.



SPAGHETTI DINNER Date Correction! February 13th

The next St. Elizabeth Parish monthly Spaghetti Supper will be held on Tuesday,

February 13th from 4:30-6:30 pm at the Pastoral Center. Adults - \$7.00 each; children (under 10) are \$4.00 each; with a cap for the immediate family of \$20. A gift card for 12 spaghetti supper meals may be purchased for \$77.00.

Meat Pies Available!

At the rectory Mon. - Fri. from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm.
While supplies last!!!



We are invited into this moment through Jesus, “*Through Him: Through Jesus’* mediation, we have access to God... *With Him:* We are children of God, through the adoption Christ merited for us... *In Him:* There is one and the same life in Him and in us... *In the unity of the Holy Spirit:*

The Church is a unity brought together by the Holy Spirit. He joins us together as believers and gives us the life of grace by which we become children of God. He dwells in us, enabling us to offer the sacrifice of praise to God, together with the entire Church” (*Understanding the Mass*, p. 162).

This moment of the Mass brings us to the great culmination of the Eucharistic Prayer and the one perfect sacrifice of Jesus. As some saints have reminded us, in a very real way we are joined with the angels and saints in the heavenly liturgy. As Jesus is offered to the Father through the Holy Spirit, it seems that all of creation should burst forth together in praise and joy. ***How can we hold back in the midst of such a wonderful gift?*** We all have a response at this moment that praises God:

The Great Amen!

For Reflection:

1. When you pray the “Glory Be,” imagine the elevation of the paten and chalice during the Eucharistic Prayer, and unite your prayer with the offering of Christ.
2. As you make decisions about what you give and what you receive today, consider how these acts of offering do or do not glorify God. At moments when you receive or give human praise, direct your heart to give glory to God.

St. Elizabeth Youth Ministry Corner

St. Elizabeth Youth Tackle Hunger

Service Blitz February 10-17



In 1990, a simple prayer: "Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those who are without a bowl of soup to eat" was delivered to a small youth group.

This gave birth to an idea. Why not harness the energy and enthusiasm of Super Bowl weekend. Individuals and groups could collect dollars in soup pots and canned food for those in need and send every dollar and food donation DIRECTLY to a local charity of THEIR choice.

That was 1990. Since then, Tackle Hunger, with its signature Souper Bowl of Caring event has become a national, grass-roots, youth-inspired movement where ordinary people are doing extraordinary good. Over \$193 MILLION in dollars and food has been generated while benefiting thousands of soup kitchens, food banks, meal programs and other hunger-relief charities in local communities.

CIA - 2/10

Middle School youth will prepare 150 bagged lunches for Kates Kitchen.

Donations needed: Individually wrapped chips and snacks; items for blessing bags (candy, toiletries, gloves, granola bars, etc).

Souper bowl of Caring 2/10-2/11

Students will collect monetary donations after all the Masses this weekend to benefit the Take and Eat program.

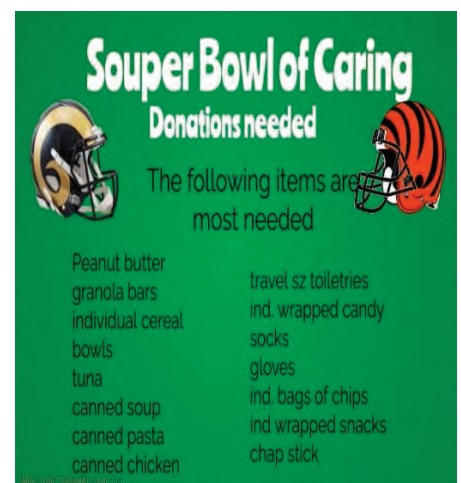
Also collecting non-perishable food items for the survival center.

Serving lunch at Loaves and Fish 2/17

High School students are invited to help prepare lunch for the Loaves and Fish soup kitchen, and then go downtown to serve the meal.



February 10 and 11 after all Masses.
All funds collected will go to the St. Elizabeth Take & Eat Program.
Non-perishable food will go to the Survival Center.





Diocese of Springfield
Office of the Bishop

January 22, 2024

Dear Friends in Christ,

On the weekend of February 10-11, 2024, we will take up a combined collection across the Diocese of Springfield for four causes that serve our Church and people here in the United States.

Thanks to your support and engagement, the **Catholic Home Missions Appeal** can support and sustain the faith on college campuses, in youth ministries and in family formation programs by meeting your people where they are. Your assistance engages young Catholics at this significant state of life, inspires them and brings them closer to our Lord. Your continued support increases the ability to reach even more young people and help them for supportive communities of believers as they transition into adulthood.

The **Black and Indian Missions** continue to award grants annually for the evangelization efforts by parishes and schools among African American, Native American, Inuit and Aleut Catholics, so that they might be instrumental in building their Catholic communities and sharing the joy of knowing Christ and His Sacraments. Your support has helped educate African American and Native American seminarians for priestly service. It has also helped begin a new religious community for service to Native Americans in Arizona. Your financial commitment opens the door of faith to these Americans.

I also ask you to consider a generous gift in support of the **Catholic University of America (CUA)** located in the heart of our nation's capital. Founded by pontifical charter in 1887 as the research university of the Catholic Church in the United States, CUA continues to serve the Church and Nation through its 12 schools, 32 research facilities and more than 250 academic programs. The CUA community works tirelessly on behalf of its 5,700 undergraduate and graduate students to help educate and form them as the Catholic leaders of tomorrow.

Finally, your support for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)** helps bring relief to those living in poverty, with special consideration for the disabled. Persons with disabilities are among the most vulnerable members of society. Due to the challenges they face in all aspects of life – from employment to housing, transportation to health care – persons with disabilities have a poverty rate of over 22%. In addition to making an impact nationally, your contribution to the CCHD helps those here in our own diocese who are living in poverty with the 25% of the collection that remains here.

Please prayerfully consider a generous contribution to these four worthy causes that serve the people of our Church here in our country.

With every good wish, I am

Your friend in Christ,

Most Reverend William D. Byrne
Bishop of Springfield

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