

# SAINT ELIZABETH

## CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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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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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: Carlyne Pereira .....	233-8907
Communication Commission: Elizabeth Kania (chair) .....	583-4083
Sarah Greentree .....	860-904-8347
Liturgical Commission: Carol Pickens (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: Clovia Enos .....	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
Blue Army: Maria Fillion .....	589-0389
Communion to the Sick: Deacon Tom Rickson .....	783-5598
Evangelization: Deacon Keith Davies .....	967-9868
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
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: \_\_\_\_\_



**REMAIN IN JESUS AS THE FATHER TENDS AND CARES FOR US**

When we remain in Jesus, His Word remains in us, and we bear the fruit of love for one another. The Father prunes us, knowing what we need and do not need to grow and flourish.  
No other vine is as life giving as that of Jesus.



**April 29, Monday**

7:30 AM † Victor Bissonette – A Friend  
♥ Class of 1945, St. Aloysius School – Barbara Hebert

**April 30, Tuesday**

7:30 AM † Deceased Members of the Barroso Family – Julia Barroso  
† Carl Tiberio - Lisa

**May 1, Wednesday**

7:30 AM † Emily Fedorko – Paul & Cathy Gatesman  
† Healing for Rosa Baruk – Fernandes Family  
6:00 PM † Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation – Maryann Stasiowski & Deceased Members of the Szlosek Family – Genny & Victor

**May 2, Thursday**

7:30 AM † Felicidade Mateus & Joaquim Mateus - Family

**May 3, Friday**

7:30 AM † In Gratitude For Jesus Love – Fernanda LaPina  
† Richard Coache (Birthday Remembrance) – Baillargeon Family  
8:30 AM † Esther and Octave Gosselin – Their Son

**May 4, Saturday**

4:00 PM † In Celebration of Jim and Celeste Chenier's 45<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary  
† Louis & Vera Ruggeri – Robert & Laura Sloat

**May 5, Sunday**

7:30 AM † Ann & Walter Sagan - Family  
9:15 AM † Lena Barroso – The Family  
† Antonio & Isabel Moura – Daughter Isabel  
11:00 AM † Domingos & Ana Rua – Mrs. Periera  
† Jeffrey & Maria Freitas - The Family  
5:00 PM † Kathleen Talbot – Her Family  
† Linda Metayer – Pat Flaherty

**Sanctuary Candle for May is in memory of Marion Myette**

**Pro Life Reflection**

From today's Gospel, John 15: **If you remain in Me and My words in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you.**

Respect for the gift of life in all its stages is a necessary principal for a just society.

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

**Monday, April 29, 2024**

6:00 pm Bible Study (ER)

**Tuesday, April 30, 2024**

2:30 pm St. Rita Choir (C)  
6:30 pm Bereavement Support (ZR)

**Wednesday, May 1, 2024**

3:30 pm Youth Group (JR)  
5:15 pm Holy Mother Choir (C)  
7:00 pm Confirmation Reception (FLBH)  
7:00 pm Scouts (JR)

**Thursday, May 2, 2024**

6:00 pm Knights of Columbus (JR)

**Friday, May 3, 2024**

**Saturday, May 4, 2024**

6:30 pm Prayer & Share Group

**Sunday, May 5, 2024**

~ 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

**VOCATIONS AWARENESS**



***Fifth Sunday of Easter***

***Religious Brothers Day – May 1st***

**“He had spoken out boldly in the name of Jesus.”**

Pray for those whom God is boldly calling forth to serve Him and His people as religious brothers. If you are considering this joy-filled vocation, talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 413-248-7034 or via email:

[vocations@diospringfield.org](mailto:vocations@diospringfield.org).

**“I have been trying to attend monthly Adoration hours in an effort to become closer to Jesus and strengthen my faith. I am finding the experience to be very peaceful, giving me quiet time to reflect and pray.”**

**Monica Lacroix**

## Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday,  
May 30, 2024  
6:30 pm in Church

Additional Times:

Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> 8:15 am - 3:00 pm



## SPAGHETTI DINNER May 14th

The next St. Elizabeth Parish monthly Spaghetti Supper will be held on Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> 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.



## Parish Survey

As we begin to organize the questions from our survey, we will periodically share some statements, questions, and responses.

**“I have no questions, I believe in the Holy Eucharist totally and adore, love, and need Him in my life, all of our lives- I Pray all will love the word “Eucharist” as I do.”**

Thank you for sharing that!

## ♥ MARRIAGE MATTERS ♥

### Open and Honest Communication

Effective communication is key to resolving conflicts and building understanding in any marriage. It is crucial to have open and honest conversations about your beliefs and how they may impact your life together. Share your concerns, questions, and feelings without judgment.

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

### FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

#### First Reading: Acts 9:26-31

Paul the Apostle came to Jerusalem, where the other disciples were afraid of Him. Then they learned that the Lord had spoken to Paul and he had preached openly in Damascus. When they learned that someone wanted to kill him, they protected him because they fully believed he had converted.

#### Second Reading: 1 John 3:18-24

John clearly states that we must love one another. All people who believe in Jesus Christ can show their faith only through their actions. If people believe in Jesus and love one another as He commanded us, they prove that they are true believers in Christ.

#### Gospel: John 15:1-8

Jesus compares Himself to a vine, and compares His Father to the vine-grower. He explains how God prunes the barren branches so that the rest might yield more fruit. He reminds them that apart from Himself, His followers could not bear fruit.

### SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

#### First Reading: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

#### Second Reading: 1 John 4:7-10

#### Gospel: John 15:9-17

### ST. PADRE PIO RELICS AT THE BASILICA OF ST. STANISLAUS

On MAY 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>  
(First Friday and First Saturday)

The Basilica will host five relics of St. Padre Pio for public veneration.

Friday: 12:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Saturday 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.



The first- and second-class authentic relics of Saint Pio of Pietrelcina, which are available for public veneration, are the following:

- Saint Pio's crusts of his wounds
- Cotton gauze with Saint Pio's blood stains
- A lock of Saint Pio's hair
- Saint Pio's handkerchief used during the mass to wipe his tears
- A piece of Saint Pio's mantle (habit)

The relics are brought to us courtesy of the St. Pio Foundation, Tuckahoe, NY.

([www.saintpiofoundation.org/relics-tour-media](http://www.saintpiofoundation.org/relics-tour-media))

† PRAYER REQUESTS †

Alicia Moreau, Alicia Phoenix, Amie Moreau, Ann Gallant, Anne Martin, Barbara Turcotte, Brynn McCauley, Camden DiLuzio, Celeste Chenier, Chris Sotiropoulos, Claire Belanger, Claire Wales, Debra Norris, Alicia Phoenix, Elizabeth S., Emily Bernard, Erin Gendreau, Fierra Twing, Holly Dennis, Isabel Dumais, Jackie Zima, Jason White, Jim Chenier, Jim Egela, Jeanette Voily, Jessica Carroll, Kanika Fuentes, Karen Ortona, Laura Chapin, Leana Gendreau, Lincoln Bernatchez, Linda B., Lu Ortona, Marisa Zulch, Mary Rodowicz, Melony Bernatchez, Michael Kelly, Michael Murnise, Michele Witowski, Molly, Molly McDonald, KD., Muriel Moore, Norman Strader, Pat, Patrick S., Paula Rickson, Ray/Lynn Casimiro, Richard Fijal, Rob S., Rosa Santos Baruk, Rick Motta, Ruth Makowicz, Sandy Dionne, 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](mailto:info@stelizabethludlow.org). Thank you and God Bless.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

OFFERTORY (4/21/24).....\$5,809.76  
 SJBS.....\$235.00  
 ONLINE GIVING.....\$686.84  
 SURVIVAL CENTER.....\$2,019.00

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Counting Team 5 – Monday, April 29, 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.

**VEHICLE HELP NEEDED!**

*We are making a float for the Memorial Day Parade but we are in need of a vehicle to pull it!*

The vehicle must have a **Reese Hitch** and a power pack to run a small electric pump.

If you can help us out please call Kathy or Walt Lawrence SOON at 413-636-2606.

**Thank you!**

**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.

Tristan Tucker, U.S. Army  
 Sargeant Alexander Lawrence Church, USAF  
 Dale Petrolati, U.S. Army Reserves

If you would like a loved one, currently serving in the military, to be remembered here, please call the rectory, or submit by email at [info@stelizabethludlow.org](mailto:info@stelizabethludlow.org)

**St. Elizabeth  
 MOTHER'S  
 DAY**



**ROSE SALE**

AFTER ALL MASSES  
 MAY 11<sup>TH</sup> & 12<sup>TH</sup>

ROSES WILL BE ONLY \$2.00 EACH.  
 PROCEEDS WILL GO TO SUPPORT THE  
 EFFORTS OF BETHLEHEM HOUSE

**spring's prayer**

Dear God, Thank you for the change of seasons. As I leave behind a winter that wore out its welcome, I step into spring with a fresh heart, ready for nature to take its course. May this season bring joy and light, peace and prosperity, and a spirit in full bloom.





**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST SCHOOL NEWS****REGISTRATION:**

St. John the Baptist School is now accepting applications for students wishing to enroll in the fall of 2024 in Grades K to 8.

Children must be 5 years old by September 1st to register for Kindergarten.

If you are interested in a Principal's tour of the school or would like more information, please call us at 583-8550 or go to our website: [ww.sjbludlow.org](http://ww.sjbludlow.org) and click on our "Admissions" tab.

We can make an SJBS education happen for your family.  
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**St. Elizabeth Youth Ministry Corner**

**Middle School Youth and Parents!**

Ask Lisa Saloio about an amazing

**Middle School Mission**

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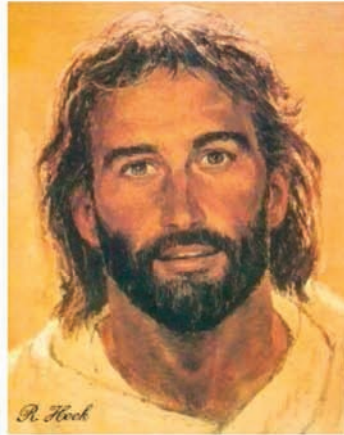
**Happening here this summer!**

[lsaloiostelizabethludlow.org](http://lsaloiostelizabethludlow.org)

# St. Elizabeth Parish Eucharistic Retreat

Saturday, June 1, 2024 — SJB Pastoral Center

9:00 am — 3:45 pm



*"Take; this is my body" Mark 14:22*

***"Come and See"***

***Let your heart be touched by Jesus, Our Eucharistic Lord***

Retreat Features:

Personal witnessing of Lay Catholics

Reflection Questions and Personal Reflection Time

Eucharistic Procession and 4:00 PM parish Mass on Saturday

The Retreat is free of charge—morning coffee & Danish, and light lunch included.

Everyone is invited to attend!

Registration forms are in St. Elizabeth Church vestibules. Sign up today!

(Last day to register is Sunday, May 26th.)

For more information or to register by phone call Jim Meehan at 547-8822.

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