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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
Ludlow, MA 01056

WE ARE A RESURRECTION PEOPLE WHO FOLLOW THE RISEN CHRIST

The empty tomb is a sign of hope. Death does not have the final word. If our life with Christ can overcome even the seeming finality of death, God's mercy can also overcome all pain and sorrow. If we bind ourselves to Christ, earthly suffering will be vanquished. We can rejoice and be glad with hearts full of peace.

**April 6, - 2026 - Monday**

7:30 AM † Rene T. Bousquet – Diane & Jesse Moreno
† Antonio Goncalves - Rosa Goncalves

April 7, - 2026 – Tuesday

7:30 AM † Zbigniew, Michael & Jadwiga Jastrzebski - Maria

April 8, - Wednesday

7:30 AM † Eunice Warriner (4th Ann) – Her Family

April 9, - Thursday

7:30 AM † Joaquim Mateus – Carolina Palatino

April 10, - Friday

7:30 AM † Lionel Teles (B-Day Rem) – His Wife
† Veronica & John Gaudreau – Gaudreau Family

April 11, - Saturday

4:00 PM † Marion Meyette – The Family
† Ronald Pasquini – The Family

April 12, - Easter Sunday

7:30 AM † Deacon Tom Rickson – His wife, Donna
9:15 AM † Edna, Stanley, & Kay Misiaszek – Carol Misiaszek
† Will & Stephen Rivers – Marialyse Rivers
11:00 AM † Paul, Evelyn, & Mike Mondry and Eugene Baldyga
– Doreen & Family
5:00 PM † Richard Dumont – Kim & Peter
† Americo Palatino – His wife



Christ has Risen!

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH****Monday, April 6, 2026**

7:30 am - Daily Mass (C)
6:00 pm - Faith Formation (JR)
6:00 pm - Women Bible Study (ER)

Tuesday, April 7, 2026

7:30 am - Daily Mass (C)
3:30 pm - Middle School Youth Ministry (JR)
4:00 pm - St. Rita Choir (C)
6:00 pm - Faith Formation Adult Confirmation (JR)
6:30 pm - Bereavement Support Group (ER)
6:30 pm - Parish Eucharistic Revival Committee (FLBH)

Wednesday, April 8, 2026

7:30 am - Daily Mass (C)
8:00 am - Adoration (C)
4:30 pm - Holy Mother Choir Rehearsal (C)
6:30 pm - Bible Study (JR)
6:00 pm - Cub Scouts (FLBH)

Thursday, April 9, 2026

7:30 am - Daily Mass (C)

Friday, April 10, 2026

07:30 am - Daily Mass (C)

Saturday, April 11, 2026

10:00 am - Dust & Pray Brigade (C)
2:30 pm - Confessions (C)
4:00 pm - Saturday Vigil Mass (C)

Sunday, April 12, 2026

7:30 am - Sunday Mass (C)
8:00 am - Confirmation Class (JR)
9:15 am - Sunday Mass (C)
10:15 am - Faith Formation (FLBH/ST)
11:00 am - Sunday Mass (C)
5:00 pm - Sunday Mass (C)
6:00 pm - Lifeteen (JR)

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

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday April 8th - 8:00AM to 3:00PM
Thursday April 30th - 6:30 PM to 7:30PM

“Gaze upon Him, Consider Him, Contemplate Him, as you desire to imitate Him”

St. Clare of Assisi

THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE



MARRIAGE MATTERS

Don't correct your spouse in front of your kids.

TEAMS OF OUR LADY...for a Better Marriage

"Jesus' first miracle was at a wedding. This miracle tells us that when we invite Jesus into our marriage as He was in Cana, He takes what is already good (water) and makes it better (wine). Teams of Our Lady takes good marriages and makes them better. Contact: **Gary & Gloria at 589-0644**

Easter Sunday April 5, 2026
"He is not here: for He has risen"
(Matthew 28:6)

Christ's resurrection opens the way to life and hope for all who follow Him. Through priesthood and consecrated life, men and women share in this victory over sin and death, bringing the joy of the Risen Lord to others through prayer and service. Could God be calling you to proclaim the hope of Easter in your life and vocation? Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation office at (413) 452-0816 or via email: vocations@diospringfield.org

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

April 5, 2026

First Reading: Acts 10:34a, 37-43

In this passage, Peter testifies that he and his followers saw the miracles performed by Christ, witnessed His death, and believe in His resurrection. Now they will proclaim to all that Christ is the Son of God.

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Paul tells the Colossians that they will appear with Christ in glory. They should be mindful of things above rather than things on earth.

Gospel: John 20:1-9

In vivid detail, John tells us that when Mary Magdalene visited Christ's tomb, the tomb was empty. She told the apostles, who ran to the tomb, and saw the "wrappings" on the ground. The disciple who entered first "saw and believed."

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 12, 2026

First Reading: Acts 2:42-47

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Gospel: John 20:19-31

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SPRING IS COMING
Here's what to keep 'messy' until May.

"You are called to care for creation not only as responsible citizens but also as followers of Christ! Respect for the environment means more than simply using cleaner products or recycling what we use. These are important aspects, but not enough. We need to see, with the eyes of faith, the beauty of God's saving plan, the link between the natural environment and the dignity of the human person."

Pope Francis, Meeting with Young People, Santo Tomás University, Manila, Jan. 18, 2015

Visit the Diocesan Care for Creation Committee's webpage for more info on programs and events.

LEAVE THESE ALONE:

- LEAF LITTER — Luna moths, queen bees dormant
- DEAD STALKS — Native bee larvae inside
- BRUSH PILES — Rabbits nesting, birds scouting
- FLOWER HEADS — Still feeding finches
- ROCK PILES — Salamanders waking, snakes sleeping

THE RULE: If it looks dead but could shelter life — WAIT.

SAFE CLEANUP LATE MAY
 WHEN NIGHTTIME TEMPERATURES STAY ABOVE 50°F FOR A WEEK
 Until then, let the "mess" be.

† PRAYER REQUESTS †



Saylor Eady, Thaddeus Witowski, Ruth Makowicz, Victor Bonventre, Celeste Chenier, Jim Chenier, Gus Colson, Roz Sousa, Michael Gendreau, Amy Jo Wales Robertson, William Beebe, Jim Martin, Albano C. Magalhaes, Diane Paquette, Stephanie Naglack, Peter Fenton, Andrew Sakowski, Leslie Groux, Isabel & Thomas Dumas, Alicia Phoenix, Laura Chapin, Anoldo Fraga, Nornan Strader

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 Trump 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.

- Sgt. Alexander Lawrence Church, US Air Force
Dale Petrolati, US Army Reserves
1st Lt. Gregory Babin, US Army
MSgt. Megan Lafleur, US Air Force
MSgt. Samantha Armstrong, US Air Force
Major Anthony Lafleur, US Army
Sgt. Michael Tuck, Jr., US Army
Caleb Flechsig, US Marines
SSgt. Esther Leanne Bell, US Air Force
Cpl. Joshua Saloio, US Marines
Sgt. Sean Egan, National Guard
Airman Justin Davis, US Air Force
E-5 Cameron Dryjowicz, US Navy
SSgt Brian Abert, US Air National Guard
PO 2/ AT2 Kaleb M. Valadares, US Navy
PO-1 Toree Tuck Boyle, US Navy

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

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Offertory (3/29/2026)..... \$
SJBS (3/29/2026)..... \$
Online Giving (3/29/2026) \$
Totals not available at press time

Counting Team 1- Monday, April 6, 2026
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.



MAY MARRIAGE WORKSHOP

May 1 - May 3, 2026
Windsor, CT



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SHOWERING THE COMMUNITY WITH



In April, a small act can have a big impact on our community. For every \$11.99 Bloomin' 4 Good Bouquet sold at our selected Stop & Shop, we receive a \$1 donation. Let's make this month memorable!



Benefiting Organization: St Elizabeth Take and Eat Program

At This Location: 1600 Boston Road, Springfield MA



**Celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday
April 12, 2026 at the National Shrine of
The Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, MA**

Join fellow pilgrims as we come together to celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. Enjoy the featured speakers, worship music, and celebrate a most special Mass followed by the Divine Mercy Chaplet. There is also opportunity for Adoration and Confession throughout the day. Explore the beautiful Eden Hill grounds with its magnificent Stations of the Cross sculptures, shrines and gift store. Limited space is available on a deluxe motor coach outfitted with comfort seating, Wi-Fi, and restroom.

Depart (9:00 a.m.) and return (5:00 p.m.) from Christ the King Church, Ludlow MA

Cost: \$40 – includes driver gratuity

For more information call or text Do-Han at (413) 250-8576 or email: dohanallen@gmail.com

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

The Disciples of Mary invite you to a Life in the Spirit Seminar, led by Paul Laflamme and his team. The seminar will be held on Mondays, April 20-June 1, 2026 at the St. Stanislaus School, 534 Front St., Chicopee, MA. Come and learn how to have a more personal relationship with Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit. The seminar includes: encountering Christ, personal mentoring, and praise and worship. As the earth renews itself this springtime, come renew yourself in the Spirit. All are welcome, St. Stanislaus School is handicap accessible. For more information call 413-452-0511 or email: disciplesofmary@diospringfield.org. To register please send your information and a check for \$20 to Disciples of Mary, 537 Northampton St., Holyoke, MA 01040. We look forward to seeing you there.

TRUTH ABOUT CHOICE

A Special Project of Massachusetts Citizens for Life

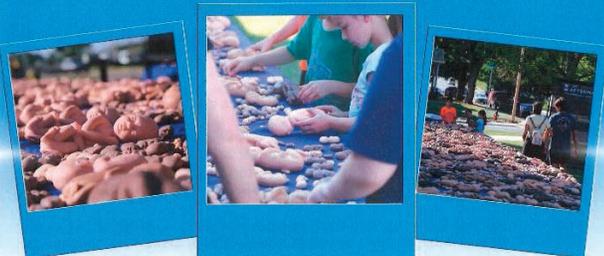


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What is it?

Truth About Choice is a memorial to the 26,000 in Massachusetts who lost their lives to abortion – within a single year. The event will honor every person impacted by their loss. The project is the state's first-ever display of lifelike pre-born babies lost annually to abortion.

Through interactive educational content and a fetal model display representing each life ended in the violence of elective abortion, Massachusetts Citizens for Life shines light on the uncomfortable truths about "choice."

What's the purpose?

Featuring life-affirming resources, post-abortive support services, faith-based partners, and opportunities for pro-life advocacy, our event is designed to comfort, inform, convert and mobilize. We believe it will move visitors to action, inspire change in the hearts of those who can no longer look away and, ultimately, result in justice for our most vulnerable women and children.

University of Massachusetts Amherst
Sunday, April 12, 2026 12:00-5:00 PM
Sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council 1619

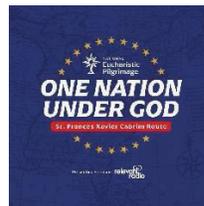
Boston Common Parkman Bandstand
Saturday, May 2, 2026
10:00 AM-5:00 PM

The Community Survival Center

Thanks the wonderful people of St. Elizabeth Parish for their very generous donation of \$3,382.52. This contribution will help pay some operating costs like keeping the fridges and freezers running. We cannot run our Pantry without them

**Diocese of Springfield selected as a
National Eucharistic Pilgrimage site**

**Exciting News for the WMass
community!!**



*Events planned across western
Massachusetts to mark the
historic three-day visit*

SPRINGFIELD- The Diocese of
Springfield has been selected as

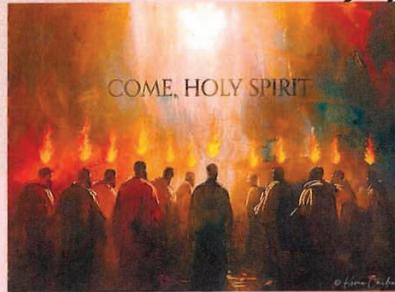
one of only 18 dioceses to host the **2026 National Eucharistic Pilgrimage: One Nation Under God**, a historic spiritual journey taking place from Pentecost Sunday through Independence Day weekend as the nation marks its 250th anniversary.

The route is being named in honor of St. Frances Cabrini, also known as Mother Cabrini, who was a prominent Italian-American woman religious. The first American saint, she established 67 schools, orphanages and social service institutions across the United States and abroad. The pilgrimage is a continuation of the National Eucharistic Revival and landmark Congress held in 2024.

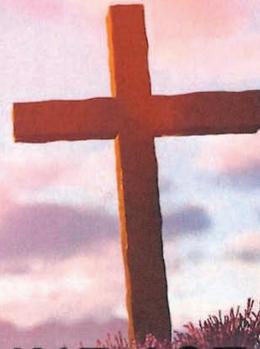
read more at lobserve.org

DISCIPLES OF MARY PRESENT:

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR



Come and learn how to have a more personal relationship with Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit.



MONDAYS, APRIL 20 - JUNE 1ST, 2026
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM
AT ST. STANISLAUS SCHOOL
534 Front Street, Chicopee, MA 01013

REGISTRATION FORM:

To register, please send this registration form with a \$20 check to:
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