



**ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY  
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**



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**Administration**

**Pastor Rev. Joseph Kweder ♦ *In Residence* Rev. Robert Potts**

Deacon Michael Meder ♦ DRE Mary Spieker ♦ Principal Kim Kocher

**Mass Schedule**

**Weekend Masses:** Saturday 4:30 pm ♦ Sunday 8:00 am and 10:00 am

**Weekday Masses:** Monday – Wednesday & Friday 9:00 am, Thursday 7:00 pm, 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of month 8:30 am

**Holy Day Masses:** *consult the bulletin and website: sercc.org*

**St. Elizabeth Regional School**

433 Pershing Blvd.  
Whitehall, PA 18052  
610-264-0143

**Diocese of Allentown**

Post Office Box F  
Allentown, PA 18105  
610-437-0755

**Mission Statement**

*St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish is a Roman Catholic community celebrating a living faith in the living God. We believe the Eucharist is the source and summit of our vibrant, prayerful worship. Driven by a belief in the dignity of the human person, we reach out to serve all, to educate in the truths of sacred scripture and the Magisterium of the Church, and to foster the sacramental life of the faithful. Inspired by our patroness, we strive to live the greatest of all virtues - Charity. We care for the poor, children and the elderly, those cast as exiles and those who mourn. With open doors and open hearts, we invite everyone to join us on a faith-filled journey toward salvation.*

Call **Catholic Bishop Abuse reporting** service at 800-276-1562 for an allegation against a bishop.  
Victim Coordinator Wendy Krisak, MS, NCC, LPC 800-791-9209  
Secretary for Youth Protection Pam Russo 610-871-5200 ext. 2204 at the diocesan address above.



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# WELCOME - WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE



## Masses / Services for the Week

<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 23</b>	9:00 AM	Michael Rebarchak
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 24</b>	9:00 AM	Ria E. Wolfe
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 25</b>	9:00 AM	Dolores Oswald
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 26</b>	7:00 PM	Marie Shober
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 27</b>	9:00 AM	John J. Egan People of the Parish
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>February 28</b>	4:30 PM	Fred Stankavish
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>MARCH 1</b>	8:00 AM	Ignatz, Al and Mary Keglovits
		10:00 AM	Carl Podlesny



## Pray for The Sick



If admitted to the hospital, please call the parish if you want an Anointing.

R. Moser	R. Kulhamer				
C. Mayernik	M. Boccardi	D. Benner		K Dugan	A Buchman
R. King	G. Edelman	A. Baran		D Willgruber	Rev. Domin
R. Bausch	M. Kropf	B. Hartzell	J Flax	C Mack	A Rosado
M. Santiago	R. Kromer	E. Irons	J Potylycki	H Ainchayba	C Wilber
N. Svitana	A. Stahley	J. Gnall	W Shepard	D Emery	J Greczyn

\* Please note that those suffering from life-threatening illness listed above will remain; others are on the list for three months, you may call to be re-added as necessary

### WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS

While Holy Communion may be received by prepared Catholics, our non-Catholic friends are encouraged to receive a blessing during communion. Join the line, cross your arms over your chest as you approach the altar, and the celebrant or EOM will give you a blessing. Welcome and God Bless You.



### MASS ATTENDANCE ON FEB 14 – FEB 15



Saturday 4:30 pm – 171  
 Sunday 8:00 am – 149  
 Sunday 10:00 am – 268

### EMERGENCY?



Please call the hospital or nursing facility Chaplain if you or your loved one is a resident or patient and needs immediate attention. For an Anointing, please call and leave a message at the parish office for the next business day.

### TO THOSE WITH HEALTH CONCERNS AND SAFETY INFO



We welcome you to Mass each weekend. If you wish to receive Holy Communion and find it difficult to join the Communion line, let the Usher know and an Extraordinary Minister will bring communion to you. Low gluten hosts are available. Prior to Mass go to the sacristy and speak with the celebrant so the host can be prepared.

*At Church:* AED and First Aid kits are available in the School and Parish Hall; the Sacristy also has some supplies. **Exterior doors are locked after Mass begins however they are push to open.**

**Assisted Living Residents** – please note that each parish is assigned a local area facility. While we would like to visit all our parishioners, if you are not at our assigned facility, Whitehall Manor, another parish may be coming to see you.



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# PRAYING...AS DISCIPLES

SACRAMENTS  
DEVOTIONS

## PRAYER, ADORATION AND ROSARY

Adoration is held one hour before every weekday Mass. We also say the rosary half an hour before Mass begins. Please join us. The main church is open daily from 10 am to 2 pm for private prayer. This month we are devoting adoration to Priestly Vocations. Please pray for the Holy Spirit to inspire more men to join the priesthood.



## OUR LADY OF KNOTS NOVENA

A small group of dedicated people stay after daily Mass on Tuesdays to pray a novena to Our Lady of Knots. Bring a rosary and join us.



## RECONCILIATION / CONFESSION

Reconciliation is available before weekend Masses. Saturday 3:30 – 4:15, Sunday 7:15 – 7:45 am, 9:15 – 9:45 am and by appointment during weekdays.

## OCIA TOPIC OF THE WEEK

for Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> 7 pm – **Moral Issues #2**. Call 610-266-0695 ext. 208 for more information.

## OUR LENTEN OBLIGATION

Every Friday of Lent is considered penitential days. Penance is a part of our faith. When we do penance, we imitate Jesus' example of prayer and fasting. Lenten obligations require that fasting be observed on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and abstinence all the Fridays of Lent.

**Who should fast?** Catholics, between the ages of 18 and 59 should fast.

**Who must abstain?** Catholics 14 years and older

**What does fasting mean?** Catholics should take one full meal on the day of fast; two light meals may be taken for health reasons.

**What does abstinence mean?** Abstinence forbids eating meat or poultry and refraining from lawful pleasures in the spirit of penance.

**Can anyone be excused from fast and abstinence?** Individuals with just cause may ask dispensation of their Pastor for serious illness or a similar reason.

**Are there other obligations to fulfill during Lent?** Catholics should fulfill their "Easter Duty" by receiving communion and confession.

*Catholics are encouraged to make Lent a time of more intense prayer, to practice almsgiving and other works of charity.*

## DEACON WRITING

In the garden, all of creation was in the condition of original bliss. Man and woman were in harmony with all creatures. Food was abundant in the garden which the LORD had planted. God had directed that they were not to eat the fruit of the tree of knowledge of good and evil. "When you eat from it you shall die." That is a pretty specific warning.

The serpent encountered the woman and asked, "Did God really tell you not to eat from any of the trees in the garden?" She answered, "...it is only about the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden that God said, 'you shall not eat it or even touch it, lest you die'."

How much do we actively seek greater knowledge of good and evil? Are we not more perfectly served in searching for good?

## SACRAMENTS

*New to the parish? – Register as a new member to receive Sacraments.*

### BAPTISM: (Infant to Age 6)

Baptisms are currently being celebrated on the first Sunday of the month. Registered parish members may contact the parish office as soon as they learn that a child is on the way but should contact the parish office at least two months prior to the Baptism to register for the Baptism Class.

### FIRST EUCHARIST/ PENANCE:

Normally received in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. Parish member's enrollment in St. Elizabeth Regional School or Parish Religious Education Program (P.R.E.P) is required for at least two years before sacrament is received.

### CONFIRMATION:

Normally received in 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Parish member's enrollment in St. Elizabeth Regional School or Parish Religious Education Program (P.R.E.P) is required for at least two years before sacrament is received.

### MARRIAGE:

At least six months before your anticipated wedding. Contact the pastor for a meeting to go over information regarding scheduling and the preparation process.

### PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK:

**Contact the Pastor at the parish office for the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick;** this is the preferred contact method, please do not pass messages through others.

### FUNERAL:

For the passing of a Loved one please contact the funeral home of your choice. The funeral Director will contact the church to arrange a date and time for the service. Funerals are held on weekdays.

### ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS: (O.C.I.A.)

Is Jesus inviting you to join His Church? Do you want to become Catholic? Contact the parish office to learn more about this process. We look forward to journeying in Faith with you.



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# LIVING...as Disciples

MINISTRY  
COMMUNITY

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### SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE ASST:

Kathi Connors x 400  
school@sercc.org

## CLOTHING AND USED HOUSEHOLD ITEM COLLECTION

Do you have clothing you haven't worn in ages? Have your kids outgrown their clothes? Do you plan on changing the design in your bathroom or kitchen and want to get rid of the old sheets or towels? Please save all your used donations for a grand collection on March 14<sup>th</sup>.



## OPERATION RICE BOWL – CHILDREN'S DONATION BOXES

The children of St. Elizabeth Parish are being asked to collect donations for Operation Rice Bowl again this year. Our children in Pre-K through 8<sup>th</sup> grade were given a small donation box, one per family. Please return all boxes by March 30. All donations will be sent directly to Catholic Relief Services to help fund their efforts of bringing food and drink to our hungry world. We thank you for supporting this important ministry.

## OPEN POSITION

This position is for the religious education and safety of our parish and schoolchildren. Training will be provided. Candidates must be in good standing with the church. Hours are flexible and are based on the program requirements. Interested candidates should contact Fr. Joe at the parish office. 610-266-0695 x100 or pastor@sercc.org



## PARISH CENSUS

It is hard to believe, but our last parish census was in 2017, almost ten years ago. We sent letters by postal mail with a cover letter from Fr. Joe and a copy of your current registration forms on file at the parish office. All data that is collected during this census is kept confidential and is not used for marketing purposes. You can make corrections on the registration form and return it to the parish office by **March 31<sup>st</sup>**.



The registration forms **updated or accepted as printed** can be returned by placing them in the collection basket, postal mailing them to the parish office (618 Fullerton Ave, Whitehall 18052) or scanning and e-mail to info@sercc.org.

## LENTEN FISH DINNER

Our annual Lenten Fish Dinner is March 13<sup>th</sup>! Order forms are available on-line at the parish web site or at the parish office. Return forms and payment to St. Elizabeth Parish office by March 9. The menu will include Breaded Fish or Crab Cakes, Roasted Potatoes, Vegetable, Coleslaw & Roll. Macaroni & Cheese is available for \$3 per container. Cost is \$13.50 per meal for fish and \$21.00 per meal for 2 crab cakes. Dinners are served between 4:00 pm & 6:30 pm. Take out is available for an additional \$2.00 per container. For more information, contact Joanny at jglover@ptd.net or 610-349-7791. *Sponsors for the fish dinner are greatly appreciated!*



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## USEFUL INFORMATION

### CATHOLIC EDUCATION ELEMENTARY/MIDDLE

St. Elizabeth Regional School  
433 Pershing Blvd.  
Whitehall, PA 18052  
610-264-0143

### HIGH SCHOOL

Allentown Central Catholic  
301 N. 4<sup>th</sup> St.  
Allentown, PA 18102  
610-437-4601  
www.acchs.info

### COLLEGE

Alvernia University  
400 St. Bernardine St.  
Reading, PA 19607  
888 - 258 - 3764  
www.alvernia.edu

### HOSPITAL CHAPLAINS

**Sacred Heart, Allentown**  
Fr. Remy Cole 610 - 776 - 4513

**Lehigh Valley, Cedar Crest**  
Fr. Joseph Ganser 610-402-8465

**Lehigh Valley, 17<sup>th</sup> St. and  
St. Luke's, Allentown**  
Cathedral 610 - 433 - 6461

**Good Shepherd, Allentown**  
Fr. Venantius Karobo  
610 - 797 - 9733

**St. Luke's, Bethlehem**  
Fr. Jerome Tauber 610 - 867 - 5039

**Lehigh Valley, Muhlenberg**  
Fr. Venantius Karobo  
610 - 797 - 9733

### CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

**Resurrection Cemetery**  
547 Krocks Rd  
Allentown, PA 18106  
610 - 395 - 3819

**Holy Saviour Cemetery**  
2575 Linden St  
Bethlehem, PA 18017  
610-866-2372

### RETRouvaille

www.HelpOurMarriage.org  
800-470-2230

### SURVIVING DIVORCE

Jane at 505-688-8663

### GRIEF SUPPORT

Marilyn at 610-216-9315

### PAPA SARGE'S PIEROGI SALE

Perfect timing for comfort food!

We will be selling homemade pierogis made right here in the Lehigh Valley with the freshest ingredients...perfect for a meatless meal during the Lenten Season! They will be sold by the dozen fresh (not frozen) potato and cheese pierogis. **Each bag of 12 costs \$9.00.**

Orders are due by Sun., Feb. 28. Order forms are in the vestibule of the church, parish office and on Facebook. **Pick-up is on Sat., March 7 between 9:30 - 11 am OR Sunday, March 8 at the breakfast, 8:30 - 11:15 am** in the parish hall. Proceeds benefit our Youth Ministry. Thank you for your support!



### ST. ELIZABETH MUSIC MINISTRY NUTROLL

The choir is once again selling Nutroll for Easter! You can buy as much as you'd like, because they freeze well. The order form is in this bulletin, and it is due by **March 11<sup>th</sup>**; pickup is Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, in the Parish Hall. The cost is \$18 each, and all flavors are available: Apricot, Lekvar, Nut, Poppysed, and Seedless Raspberry. As always, thank you for your support.



## Lent and Easter 2026

### Stations of the Cross

Fridays at 2 pm (*with school*)

Fridays at 7 pm

Feb 27, Mar 6, 13, 20, 27, Apr 3

### Reconciliation\*

3:30 - 4:15 every Saturday

7:15 - 7:45 and 9:15 - 9:45 every Sunday

\*Tuesday, Mar 24 from 6:30 - 7:30 pm

\*Multiple confessors will be available

### Living Stations

Tuesday, Mar 31 at 6:30 pm

### Lord's Supper Liturgy

**Holy Thursday**, April 2 at 7:00 pm

Adoration until 10:00 pm

### Good Friday

Lord's Passion April 3 at 3:00 pm

### Easter Baskets Blessing

Holy Saturday, April 4 at noon

### Easter Masses

Saturday Easter Vigil at 8:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am and 10:00 am

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR THE HOMEBOUND

For our homebound parishioners who would like to do the Stations of the Cross.  
<https://www.simplycatholic.com/stations-of-the-cross-for-the-elderly/>



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# FELLOWSHIP...AS DISCIPLES!

Community  
Events

## Cay Galgon Life House Lenten Giving Tree

Thank you for your faithfulness in helping to support the Cay Galgon Life House. Again this year, donations can be made directly from the Amazon link [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/lis/3TUKCUKASZH3U?ref_=abls_nvfly_yl) and shipped directly to:

([https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/lis/3TUKCUKASZH3U?ref\\_=abls\\_nvfly\\_yl](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/lis/3TUKCUKASZH3U?ref_=abls_nvfly_yl))

**Life House at 714 W. Broad St, Bethlehem, PA 18018.**

For those who wish to donate another way, we will have a Lenten Giving Tree up in the St E church foyer for you to choose a tag and drop off donations by Monday, March 30. We greatly appreciate your support!

## Bus Trip to Sights & Sounds "JOSHUA"

Sponsored by St. John the Baptist Church Auxiliary, 924 N. Front St Allentown on Wednesday May 6<sup>th</sup>. Bus leaves church parking lot at 8:15 am. Show is at 11 am followed by lunch at Hershey Farms.

Total cost \$160 and is due by FEBRUARY 23. To reserve your seat please call Pat Noga at 484-951-5041 or 610-434-0034.

## Sacred Heart Prime Time Club Bus Trip

When: **May 12, 2026** - Where: **Li Greci's, Staten Island, NY** - Cost: **\$135**

Trip includes lunch 2 adult beverages, Fresh Garden Salad, Caterer's choice of Pasta or Soup. Sirloin of Beef, Chicken Parmesan or Salmon with Dill Sauce. Dessert, Coffee or Tea, Wine and Soda. RSVP no later than March 13. Contact person: JoAnn Crosson – Text or call 610-703-6918. Make checks payable to **\*\*SH Prime Time Club \*\***

## Lenten Fish Dinners

Sacred Heart of Jesus Bath, Pa. and Knights of Columbus 14464 will be sponsoring Lenten Fish Dinners on February 20, 27 and March 27. The menu includes Baked fish, Battered white fish, mac and cheese, stewed tomatoes, tater tot barrels, coleslaw, applesauce, veggies, rolls and butter and beverages. Eat-in or take out. Adults \$14, children 6-12 \$6, under 6 free. Church Auditorium 117 Washington St. Bath, serving 4:30 to 7 p.m.



Contact Margaret Valinsky at 570-277-6163  
valinskym@pa.metrocast.net for more information

**NEW DATE & TIME!**

Welcome!

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CENTRAL  
CATHOLIC  
HIGH SCHOOL

**OPEN  
HOUSE**

**THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2026 / 6-7:30PM**

- > Tour Our Historic School Campus
- > Meet Our Principal & Faculty
- > Talk With Current Students
- > Learn About Our Clubs & Activities

SCAN HERE TO PRE-REGISTER  
FOR OUR MARCH OPEN HOUSE  
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is selling**

Apricot, Lekvar, Nut, Poppyseed,  
& Seedless Raspberry Rolls from

*Country Cottage Bake Shop*  
Tamaqua, PA

**Easter Nut Roll Sale**

**Cost: \$18 each**

All freeze very well!

**Orders due: Wednesday, March 11**

Payment must accompany your order.  
checks payable to "St. Elizabeth Music Ministry"

Just clip the entire order form on the right side of  
this sheet, put it in an envelope with your payment,  
and place it in the collection basket at church  
(Please mark the envelope "Nutroll Order")  
You can also turn the orders in at the Parish Office  
or mail them to:

**St. Elizabeth Music Ministry**  
Attn: J Glover  
618 Fullerton Avenue  
Whitehall PA 18052

Keep this side as a reminder of your  
pick-up date and time.

**Saturday, March 28**  
**9 - 11:00 am in the Parish Hall**

436 Pershing Boulevard \* Whitehall, PA 18052

If you have any questions,  
please call 610-349-7791

Thank you!

*Saint Elizabeth Music Ministry*



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**Easter Nut Roll Sale  
Order Form**



**\$18 each**

**Orders due: March 11**

Pick-up Date:  
**Saturday, March 28**  
from 9 - 11:00 am - Parish Hall

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Flavor</u>	<u>How Many</u>	<u>Total</u>
Apricot	_____ x \$18 =	_____
Lekvar (Prune)	_____ x \$18 =	_____
Nut	_____ x \$18 =	_____
Poppyseed	_____ x \$18 =	_____
Seedless Raspberry	_____ x \$18 =	_____
<b>Total # of Rolls</b>	_____ x \$18	_____

Payment must accompany your order.  
Checks made payable to  
**St. Elizabeth Music Ministry**

**Thank You!**



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**Friday, March 13, 2026**

**Two Choices and Must Pre-order:**

**One Breaded Fish Dinner at \$13.50**

**OR Two Crab Cakes Dinner at \$21.00**

**Includes: Roasted Potatoes, Vegetable, Coleslaw, Roll  
Macaroni & Cheese available for \$3 per container**

**Dinner served between 4:00 and 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall  
435 Pershing Blvd. ✧ Whitehall, PA**

**TAKE OUT IS AVAILABLE FOR AN ADDITIONAL \$2.00 PER DINNER.**

*Please fill out the information below and return to the parish office,  
collection basket or mail along with your payment to:*

**Saint Elizabeth Church \* 618 Fullerton Avenue \* Whitehall, PA 18052  
Mark the envelope "Fish Dinner"**

*Orders due March 9<sup>th</sup>. For more information, please call 610-349-7791 or email [jglover@ptd.net](mailto:jglover@ptd.net)*

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**Lenten Fish Dinner - Return by March 9<sup>th</sup>**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I'd like \_\_\_\_\_ Crab Dinner @ \$21.00 each ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Fish Dinner @ \$13.50 each..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Mac & Cheese @ \$3.00 each..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Take out @ \$2.00 per dinner..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**SORRY - NO  
LATE ORDERS  
OR WALK-INS  
ACCEPTED.**

**I'd like to  
help with  
costs. Here's  
an additional  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_**

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Dear Parishioners,



There have been many occasions throughout the course of this year where many of you have communicated your prayers and support for me as your pastor. I am constantly humbled by your expressions of love and gratitude. Thank you! It is now my turn to once again offer my support to you and your families. As your pastor, I am available to celebrate the Sacraments, rejoice with you in happy times, and cry with you during the most difficult of times. I can offer resources to help you grow in your spiritual life and developing a deeper relationship with Christ and His Church.

One issue that is becoming more difficult for individuals, marriages, children, and families is the struggle with pornography. Regrettably, pornography can impact both children and adults spiritually, emotionally, physically and relationally.

As you work hard to protect your families, the diocese wants to equip you with the appropriate tools to form, protect and guide your families on this specific issue. On Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup> and Sunday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, the first weekend of Lent, we will offer the second annual Safe Haven Sunday with the theme “Equipping the Family: Having Critical Conversations.”

Safe Haven Sunday finds its inspiration in the U.S. Bishops document *Create in Me a Clean Heart*, wherein they state, “The use of pornography by anyone in the home deprives the home of its role as a safe haven and has negative effects throughout a family’s life and across generations.”

When a parent discovers his or her child has been looking at pornography, it can be alarming, hurtful, and even frightening. In the confusion of the moment, it is important for parents to understand that these are not uncharted waters. In the back of the church, the diocese has provided you with a step-by-step guide for Catholic parents on how to navigate this situation.

Once again, this awareness weekend is meant to draw our attention as a parish community to the seriousness of the issues of pornography and to recommit to taking steps to ensure our homes are safe havens for all. You may join the *Safe Digital Family Challenge* to receive seven days of free digital tips to help create a safer digital environment for your family. To sign up, please simply text the word SECURE to 66866.

Through the intercession of the Holy Family of Nazareth, intercessors of the home, and Saint Michael, I am, Yours in Christ.

Fr. Joseph Kweder  
Pastor

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Our Diocese/ParishesX@covenanteyes  
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