MASS INTENTIONS

DAILY MASSES CAN BE SEEN AT SERCC.ORG

March 21

11:30 AM **†** Barry Lagler

by Freddie Wesolowski

March 28

11:30 AM **†**Tadeusz Gjondla

by Agata & Zdzislaw Dwornicki

READINGS FOR 5TH SUNDAY IN LENT

First Reading: Jeremiah 31: 31 – 34

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 51

Second Reading: Hebrews 5: 7 – 9 Gospel: John 12: 20 – 33

LENT & EASTER SERVICES

ALL SERVICES ARE IN ENGLISH UNLESS SPECIFIED

Holy Week Schedule 2021*

* Note: some services will be held at St Elizabeth

Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Elizabeth* Tuesday, March 23rd 6:30 – 7:30 pm

Palm Sunday Mass March 28th 11:30 am Sunday

Holy Thursday April 1st at St. Elizabeth* Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00 pm (Adoration until 11:00 pm)

Good Friday, April 2nd Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 5:30 pm

Holy Saturday, April 3rd Blessing of the Easter Food Baskets at 12:00 noon

Easter Sunday Mass April 4th 11:30 am Sunday

Stations of the Cross

7:00 pm all Fridays in Lent led by parishioners

A volunteer may open and close the church

All Masses and services are subject to change, please read the bulletin and website for updates.

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PARISH INFORMATION

Administrator: Rev. John Pendzick Rev. Joji Adagatla

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Polish American Citizens Society

Mr. Jòzef Janik, *Director* Polish American Citizens Society 446 N Front St. Allentown, PA 18102 610,435.5030

St. Elizabeth Regional School

433 Pershing Blvd • Whitehall, PA 18052 610.264.0143 | school@sercc.org

St. Elizabeth Church

618 Fullerton Ave • Whitehall, PA 18052 610.266.0695 | info@sercc.org Office Hours: Monday through Friday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

St. Elizabeth P.R.E.P.

Registering children for religious education? Contact Mrs. Spieker at 610.266.0695 ext 208

SACRAMENTS Registration is required for parish membership and sacraments Church Administrator Rev Pendzick 610.266.1548

Baptisms:

The sacrament of baptism is celebrated after Sunday Mass.

Marriages:

The sacrament of marriage is celebrated by contacting the church Administrator.

Anointing of the Sick:

The sacrament of anointing may be performed for those in need by calling the church Administrator.

Confession/Reconciliation

The sacrament of reconciliation will take place 15 minutes prior to Mass on Sunday or by appointment. Call the church Administrator.

Lost & Found Items

Anyone who misplaces or leaves an item at church after Mass may come a few minutes early the next week to check for their lost item.

Questions / Concerns

If you have questions or concerns about SS. Peter & Paul services, sacraments, procedures, Mass, liturgy, candles, intentions etc. please call the parish office for answers. Volunteers should not be tasked with relaying messages. It delays response time and may require follow up questions on our part. Calling directly is more efficient.

PASTOR'S CORNER

To boost your self-confidence

When I was in school a friend of mine borrowed my notebook to catch up with some of the classes he had missed. Without my knowledge, he copied one of the essays which I had written and he used it for an essay competition, which he ended up winning! When I got to know I was cheated, I was very upset and felt that this was stealing.

Another time a Ph.D. student told me that a professor took her research paper and published it in his name. People working in the corporate world have told me they found reports they had written had been stolen by their colleagues. These authors have complained of plagiarism as well. We should deal with people who have such a corrupt, distorted mindset and have no guilt in copying from others.

A bird once asked a honey bee, "You work so hard. You toil so much and you put so much effort and energy into making and storing honey. Then, a man comes and steals the honey. Don't you feel sad?" The honeybee gave a fantastic answer. "Yes, I do feel sad at that moment but then, I remind myself the only thing a man can steal from me is my honey; he can never steal the art of making honey that I possess."

We certainly need to deal with such cheating in a practical way. We also need to be aware that **people can copy our creation not our creativity.** They can steal our technique but not our talent. They can imitate what we do but cannot take away our ability to inspire. During this season of Lent, let us cultivate the art of positivity and boost our self-confidence in our unique creativity and talent which God has blessed us with.

Fr. Joji



OUR COMMUNITY

Drive Thru Lenten Fish Dinner

St Elizabeth fish dinner orders due by March 22nd. Breaded Fish, Roasted Potatoes, Vegetable Coleslaw & Roll for \$13. Mac/Cheese is available for \$3 per container. Pick - up at the St Elizabeth parish hall Friday March 26th from 4 - 6 pm. For more information, contact Joanny 610-349-7791.

Spring Flower Certificates

St Elizabeth is offering certificates from Garden City for plants. Vegetables, bedding flowers, hanging baskets or perennials. Cost is \$15 each, good all year. Call Joanny 610-349-7791.

Easter Dessert Sale

St. Mary's Church, 122 Union St., Catasauqua is holding a Pellman's Easter Dessert Sale. All desserts will arrive frozen in time for Easter with delivery being on Wednesday, March 31st from 4:00 - 5:30 pm in St. Mary's Parish Center. Apple Crumb Cake \$12; Peanut Butter Pie, or Pecan Pie \$16; Carrot Cake, Banana Cake or Coconut Cake \$18; Peanut Butter Triple Chocolate Cake, Plain Cheese Cake or Strawberry & Cream Cheesecake \$20; Cheese Cake Sampler or Raspberry Cheese Cake \$22. For a copy of the order form, kim.stmarys122@gmail.com Orders and payment are due by March 21st. Please call 610-264-0332 with any questions.



Easter Candy Fundraiser

St. Elizabeth Youth Ministry Easter candy pick-up will be after the Mass on Palm Sunday, March 28th at *St. Elizabeth parish hall.*