



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



What exactly are we being invited to this day? We are being invited on a journey, a walk, on which our immediate destination is known (a lonely hill), and our eternal destination is hoped for. Faith is what invites us to not simply admire the story from afar, but to actually embrace it, actually live it. And we do that by walking this same journey with Jesus. There are no shortcuts. There isn't a plane ride on which we can simply leapfrog everything in-between. This is not a train ride in which we can curl up and close our eyes until we get there. And this isn't a journey for which we can simply pay someone else to take us there. No - this is a walk - not over smooth, straight, safe, easy ground, but over a path that can be winding, up/down, painful and difficult. And yet, there is no journey that is more important, no journey that is more valuable or worthwhile or necessary. For the destination of this particular journey is nothing short of an incredible life in, with, and for God for all eternity. And we get there by walking - not alone - but with Jesus, as companions, side-by-side. This Holy Week provides

us with an opportunity to more fully participate in the walk of a lifetime. When we walk with Jesus, we come to realize how He is walking with us every minute of every day. When we take His hand, we come to realize that He has held us in the palm of His hand since the moment we were conceived. When we place our feet in His footprints, we come to realize that His way is always the best way, His path the only path to where we need to be. And when we trudge up the hill with Him we come to realize and experience God's profound love for us, a love which has power over every disappointment, every sorrow, every heartache, every cross - a power over even death itself. All we need to do is walk - not simply in awe, and certainly not in fear or begrudgingly - but in faith. Faith is the difference-maker. Faith is the gift. Faith is our invitation to walk with Jesus each and every day, especially this week - trusting that Our Lord will make sure we arrive precisely where we need to be. That is the incredible God we have! May this week be truly holy and life-giving for each of us. - God bless you. Fr. Stan.

OUR PRAYER INTENTIONS

Rose Brosious	Bob Hartzell	Karen Wasielewski
Jim Susko	Joe Samanka	Carol Crugnale
Scott Fogel	Ronnie Bair	Phyllis Laky
Michael Malz	Erin Schoepflin	Anna Buhrmann
Marc Finucane	Karen Axt	Donna Fogel



*NOTE: If admitted to the hospital or ER, please call the parish if you want a priest to visit.

UPCOMING LENTEN SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITIES

Living Stations

Tuesday, April 4 at 6:30 pm
Wednesday, April 5 at 9:00 am

Liturgy of the Lord's Supper

Holy Thursday, April 6 at 7:00 pm
Adoration until 10:00 pm



Good Friday

Confession 1:00 – 2:30 pm
Lord's Passion April 7 at 3:00 pm
Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm

Blessing of Easter Baskets

Holy Saturday, April 8 at noon

Easter Masses

Saturday Easter Vigil at 8:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am and 10:00 am



PRAYING...as Disciples

LITURGY
SACRAMENTS
DEVOTIONS

MASSES / SERVICES

MONDAY	APRIL 3	9:00 AM	Msgr. Nicholas Bonetsky
TUESDAY	APRIL 4	9:00 AM	Dorothy Folajtar
WEDNESDAY	APRIL 5	9:00 AM	NO Mass – Living Stations
THURSDAY	APRIL 6	7:00 PM	Liturgy of the Lord's Supper
FRIDAY	APRIL 7	1:00 PM	Confession
		3:00 PM	Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
		7:00 PM	Stations
SATURDAY	APRIL 8	12:00 PM	Blessing of Food Baskets
		8:00 PM	Easter Vigil
SUNDAY	APRIL 9	8:00 AM	Easter
		10:00 AM	Easter

RECONCILIATION / CONFESSION

During Holy Week the sacrament of Reconciliation will be available on Good Friday, April 7th from 1:00 – 2:30 pm.

RCIA

All are welcome to attend the Rite of Christian Initiation classes held on Tuesdays each week at 7 pm. Call for details 610-266-0695 ext. 208. The topic for **April 4th** will be *Prepare for Holy Week – The Way of the Cross*.



INTENTIONS

The Sanctuary Candle burned this week for **the parishioners of St. Elizabeth** requested by *Fr. Stan, Fr. Potts and Deacon Mike*.

MASS INTENTIONS

Please pray for those who have died, especially **Joan Marks**, who passed away this week. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



FESTIVAL NEWS



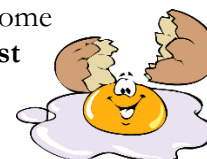
Tasty delights are on the festival menu! Come one and come all for our famous Halupki special!

Save the date – Festival Friday June 9th from 6:00 to 10:00 pm and Saturday June 10th from 5:00 to 10:00 pm.

SCRUMPTIOUS PARISH BREAKFAST!

We will serve our monthly and final Breakfast Buffet on Sunday, April 2 from 8:30 – 11:30 am. Come and fill-up on all your favorites of bacon, sausage, scrambled eggs, cheesy tater tots, **French toast sticks**, pancakes, Danish, juice and coffee – all for only \$10.00/adult and \$5.00/child, children 3 years and under are free. The item special this month will be **rice pudding** donated by the Spieker grandkids. We are most grateful to our April breakfast sponsors: **Carly, Janine, Pat & Bob**.

(Breakfasts will resume in November 2023 – stay tuned!)





LIVING...as Disciples

MINISTRY
COMMUNITY

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN RETURN



Thank you so very much for participating in our parish's Baby Bottle Campaign. Please remember, once your bottle is filled, return them to the vestibule of the church or the parish office. Our parish campaign will run through to April 3. Thank you for your kind generosity.

LIVING STATIONS

Our 8th graders will present The Living Stations twice during this Lenten Season. Please join us in St. Elizabeth main church on Tuesday, April 4 at 6:30 pm and Wednesday, April 5 at 9:00 am. Come and join us as we walk the path to salvation.



ST. ELIZABETH VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



June 26 - 30, 2023! Join us at: "Stellar" this June where we will "SHINE JESUS' LIGHT!" Welcome to the event that helps kids discover what it means to shine Jesus' light in everyday life. Stellar points kids' eyes up to a loving, powerful God who is bigger than...well, ANYTHING!

Daily adventures start at 8:45 AM and end at 12:00 PM Noon each day.

Registration forms will be available in April at the parish & school offices or on our parish website or call 610-266-0695 ext. 208.

Cost is \$20 per child or \$35 for a family. Early registration is recommended as we have limited supplies. Volunteers welcome! 18 and older must have clearances.



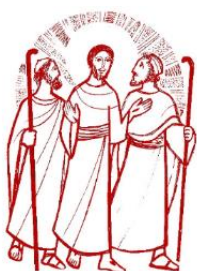
CHURCH HOPPING – ALL ARE INVITED!



Consider bringing your family and friends along for our annual "Church Hopping" after the 7 p.m. Mass on Holy Thursday. It is a quiet time when Catholics are asked to stay awake and wait with Jesus just as the apostles were asked on that night in the Garden of Gethsemane. We will travel to four other parishes and pray a decade of the Sorrowful Mysteries at each church. We will return to St. Elizabeth's at approximately 9:45 to pray (our fifth stop). All you need is a rosary and a prayerful heart! We will meet after Mass in front of the gym doors for all who are interested. Please contact Mary Spieker for more information. 610-266-0695 ext. 208.

We Are Remembered 32nd Easter Mass to be celebrated on Wednesday, April 12

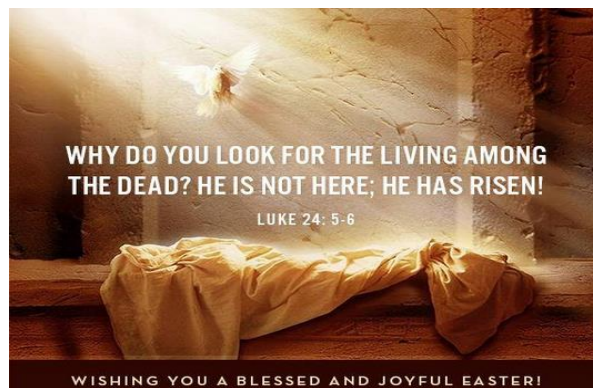
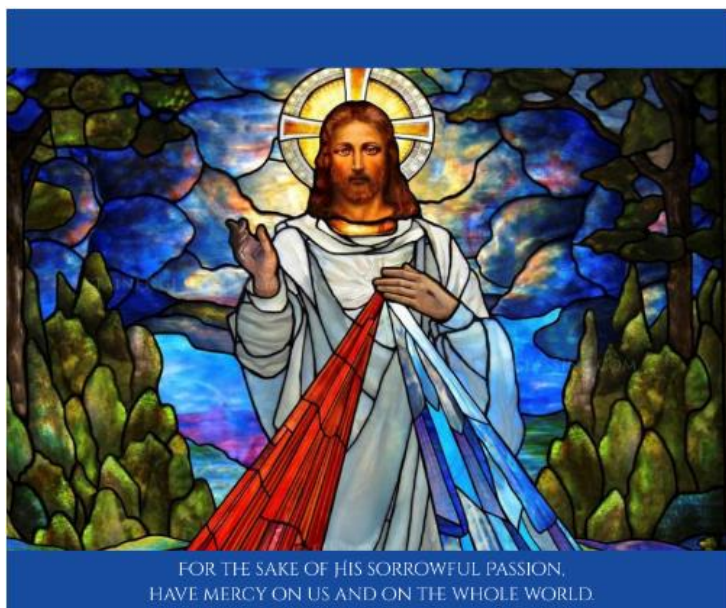
The 32nd Annual Easter Mass sponsored by the Diocesan "We Are Remembered" Ministry will be celebrated on Wednesday, April 12 at 7 p.m. at Saint Elizabeth Church. "We minister and welcome all who mourn the death and passing of a loved one," says the ministry. Monday, April 3 is the deadline to have the names of loved ones enrolled to ensure their inclusion in the Book of the Remembered and the enrollment list that will be printed afterward in the AD Today Newspaper. We Are Remembered requests a \$5 donation for each name enrolled to cover expenses. Every name submitted will be enrolled regardless of donation. "The work of the ministry is sustained by your generosity and prayerful support." To register, send the following information and checks to We Are Remembered Ministry, St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish, 618 Fullerton Avenue, Whitehall, PA 18052. Include: Sponsor(s) name, Donation amount, Address, Phone number, Email and Name(s) of the deceased. Rev Stanley Moczydlowski will be the celebrant and Rev. Patrick Lamb will be the Homilist.





FELLOWSHIP...as Disciples

Upcoming
Community
Events



DIVINE MERCY CONCERT

All are invited to join us on
the Feast of Divine Mercy
for a beautiful hour of
song, prayer, and mercy!

APRIL 16, 2023 / 2:00PM

CATHEDRAL OF SAINT CATHARINE OF SIENA
18th & TURNER STREETS, ALLENTOWN

2:00PM | Angelorum Choir with Reflections from Diary of Saint Faustina

3:00PM | Divine Mercy Chaplet

ALSO! 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM | Confessions

All ages are welcome to attend this free event.

Questions?
Contact Bev McDewitt1@gmail.com

ENROLL TODAY FOR 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR!

**A faith-filled community with
outstanding academic opportunities!**

Scan the QR code to take a virtual tour of our campus!
Love what you see? Call or email to schedule an in-person visit!
Contact Cara Meskill, Director of Admissions at 610-437-4601 x148
or cmeskill@acchs.info. Financial aid and scholarships are available.

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Bonanza Bingo!!!

We really hope to see you this month at St. John the Baptist Social Hall at 924 N. Front St Allentown on Sunday April 16th. *Regular bingo and all the specials will be CASH prizes.* \$15.00 for 20 Games, 6 Specials and Lucky 7!
Doors and Kitchen Open at NOON. Bingo begins at 1:00 PM. First come – first serve seating. Bring your daubers – NO HARDBOARDS. Questions? Call Bill Drost 610-432-3505

St. Monica Ministry – St. Theresa Parish

Are you heartbroken because members of your family have left the Church? Join the St. Monica Ministry in petitioning Our Lord to draw back into the fold our loved ones who have strayed, and to give strength and wisdom to those who await their return.

Together we will offer our prayers at a Holy hour taking place at St. Theresa Parish, Hellertown on Wednesday, April 12 at 6:00 pm. Displayed for prayer and veneration will be a new icon of St. Monica, created especially for the ministry by Msgr. Robert Kozel. All are warmly invited to join us as we come together in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, asking Our Lord's mercy and invoking the powerful intercession of St. Monica for our fallen-away loved ones. Fellowship in the Parish Center will follow the Holy hour. Registration is not required.



Get ready for St. Elizabeth's...

Where: St. Elizabeth's Parish Hall

435 Pershing Blvd, Whitehall

When: Saturday, April 15, 2023

Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

Races begin at 6:30 p.m.



Cost: Only \$20.00 per person (\$25 @ the Door)

**Includes: Pork BBQ, Mac & Cheese, snacks, chips, soft drinks & beer.
(Other beverages are BYOB)**

Order forms may be dropped off at the school or church offices.

Tickets will be on sale April 1st after Masses and at Parish Breakfast.

Only 120 Horses available, so get your names in early!!!

- Two ways to win:** 1) Buy a horse for \$10, name it, and if it wins the race it's placed in, you get \$50!
2) Each game (there are 10 games) you check out the horses by name/position and place a bet on the horse you think will be win. Watch the race, cheer on your horse, and you might win big!!

After each race, horse owner and race winner are paid out.

All this while enjoying your time with friends, family, good food, and drinks!

It's a great night out to have a little fun and maybe win BIG...you feeling lucky??

Name: _____ Phone #: _____

of tickets: _____ Name/# of people in your Party: _____

Your horse names at \$10.00 each:

1. _____

3. _____

2. _____

4. _____

(More on reverse)

Total at \$10.00 for each horse: _____

Total # of tickets at \$20.00 each: _____

Extra donation for refreshments & paper products \$ _____

Final total enclosed: \$ _____

If you have any questions, please reach out to Trina Johns @ 610-509-0703 or trinajohns322@yahoo.com

*St. Elizabeth Music Ministry***SPRING FLOWER COUPON SALE**Now thru May 1, 2023

Redeemable at
 Garden City Greenhouse
 1422 4th Street, North Catasauqua

Coupons sell for \$15.00 each and
can be used any time throughout the year



When coupon is presented to Garden City Greenhouse Inc., the coupon holder will be able to pick from any combination of plant material for a total of \$15.00. (Examples are vegetables, bedding plants, hanging baskets, perennials). There are many different varieties and colors of flowers to choose from. If purchase is over the \$15.00 coupon value, the holder is responsible to pay the difference. Sorry, refunds cannot be given if coupon is lost or not used.

If you have any questions, please contact Joan Glover:
 610 – 349 - 7791 or email her at jglover@ptd.net

Please fill in the coupon below and return it along with your payment by May 1st

Mark the envelope "Spring Flower Coupons" and mail your order to the Parish Office or drop it in the collection basket. You will be notified when your coupons are available.

*St. Elizabeth Music Ministry
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Return by May 1st.

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Phone: _____

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I would like _____ Coupon(s) @ \$15.00 each

Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

Please make checks payable to St. Elizabeth Music Ministry

