

From the Pastor's Desk



Sometimes when I talk about the Trinity, I get caught up struggling with all kinds of elaborate and complicated descriptions, explanations, and analogies. All of these, no matter how good, will always fall short in trying to understand the mystery of the Trinity. But if I had to say only one thing about the Trinity, one core idea about this mystery, one kernel of truth that might be helpful to us this day as we strive to live lives of faith, it is this: God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is essentially a communion of love. In fact, Scripture tells us precisely that very thing: that God is love and He that dwells in love, dwells in God and God in Him.

The very essence of God is love, and therefore no other word can say as much about Him. Love is at the very heart of who He is, a love which is not contained or confined within the divine relationship, but rather is poured out, generously, continuously, compassionately, and one might say relentlessly upon all of creation; and in particular upon men and women, creatures fashioned in God's very image and likeness.

'For God so loved the world that He gave us his only Son...'

For God so loves the world.

The question is, do we?

You see, to say that we believe in God, that we believe in the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, means that we believe in love; that we believe in the necessity of it, the power of it, the divine nature of it; put simply, that we believe in its ability to transform the world. The supreme evidence of a faithful life is not the things we say or the prayers we pray, but the love we share. There is no other measure that carries more weight or says more about the depth of our commitment and love for God, Father, Son, and Spirit. It starts and ends with love.

God bless you. Fr. Stan.

OUR PRAYER INTENTIONS

Bob Kulhamer Scott Geiger
William Santiago Michael Schwentner
Debra M Cavaiuolo Annette Susko
McKayla Pavie Rita Kline 5

Maureen Calder Donna Fogel Karen Wasielewski



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

RECONCILIATION / CONFESSION

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

EMERGENCY and need a priest? Please call 610-266-0695. After hours use ext. 310 the emergency voice mailbox.

CORPUS CHRISTI



Corpus Christi is on Sunday, June 11th.

St. Elizabeth will celebrate with a procession around the church and benediction. Please join us.



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PRAYING...as Disciples

LITURGY SACRAMENTS DEVOTIONS

| Masses / Services | | | |
|-------------------|---------|-----------------|----------------------|
| MONDAY | JUNE 5 | 9:00 AM | Betty Biss |
| TUESDAY | JUNE 6 | 9:00 AM | James R. Lynch |
| WEDNESDAY | June 7 | 9:00 AM | Doreen Adams Hughes |
| THURSDAY | JUNE 8 | 7 :00 PM | Harley Stewart |
| FRIDAY | JUNE 9 | 9:00 AM | Gregory Oswald, Sr. |
| SATURDAY | JUNE 10 | 4:30 PM | Thomas Signarovitz |
| | | | People of the Parish |
| SUNDAY | JUNE 11 | 8:00 AM | Helen Pramik |
| | | 10:00 AM | Bernard J. Robbins |

TO THOSE WITH HEALTH CONCERNS



We welcome you to Mass each weekend. If you wish to receive Holy Communion and find it difficult to join the Communion line, please 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 to let the celebrant know so the host can be prepared.

INTENTIONS

The Bells will ring this week for Larry and Lois Sobchack's 50th Wedding Anniversary requested by *Dave and Mary Spieker*.



PARISH FESTIVAL NEWS



Did someone mention adult games? How does a traditional "Basket of Cheer" sound? A "Money Wheel" and "Rip-off" tickets will be offered too! Look for our new "Corked!" game!

Reminder the Parish Festival is Friday, June 9th from 6:00 to 10:00 pm and Saturday, June 10th from 5:30 to 10:00 pm!

PARISH FESTIVAL PACK AND STORE

Do you have a few hours on Sunday, June 11?

We could use a few good hands to pack up and store the festival equipment in the garage.

Going from the Parish Hall to the garage in the rear of the parking lot on Pershing Blvd. Call Joan for more info 610-349-7791

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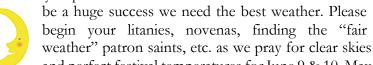


LIVING...as Disciples

MINISTRY COMMUNITY

FESTIVAL PRAYER PEOPLE

As we get all our wonderful volunteers in place, we now call on our extremely important PRAYER PEOPLE! For the festival to





and perfect festival temperatures for June 9 & 10. May our dear Lord smile on our efforts!

SAVE THE DATE - GOLF TOURNAMENT

Mark your calendars for the St. Elizabeth Regional School Annual Golf Tournament which will be held September 30th at 1:00 pm at the Whitetail Golf Course. Know a business who would like to sponsor this event? Levels of sponsorship are available. He



this event? Levels of sponsorship are available. Have a foursome or need a player? Contact Jason Kahr, jkahr2@gmail.com or the school office for more details 610-264-0143.

ST. ELIZABETH VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



June 26 - 30, 2023! Join us at: "Stellar" this June where we will "SHINE JESUS' LIGHT!" Daily adventures start at 8:45 AM and end at 12:00 PM noon each day. **Registration forms are available at the parish & school offices or on our parish**

website or call 610-266-0695 ext. 208. The 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.

SENIOR ALTAR SERVERS

Thank You and Best Wishes to our Senior Altar Servers.

We thank our four senior altar servers as they graduate from high school, we are grateful for their many years of service to the parish. They will be honored at the 10:00 am Mass on June 4th. We are very proud of you. May our dear Lord, Jesus Christ bless and protect you always as you move on in your life and faith journey. Matthew Braun, Windry Taveras, Vincent Tran, Kaitlynn Wied.

OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

During the summer the parish office will be open from 9 am to 3 pm Monday through Thursday. We will be closed Friday starting Friday, June 16th.

The school office will be open this summer from 9 am to 12 noon Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday or by appointment starting Tuesday June 13th. Mrs. Kocher can be reached any time at principal@sercc.org

SACRAMENTS

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

INFANT BAPTISM:

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 PENANCE / EUCHARIST:

Normally received in 2nd grade. Parish member's enrollment in St. Elizabeth Regional School or Parish Religious Education Program (P.R.E.P) is required for two years before reception.

CONFIRMATION

Normally received in 8th 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 reception.

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 our parish office for the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick prior to surgery or during serious illness. Holy Communion is brought to the homebound monthly.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS: (R.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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FELLOWSHIP...as Disciples

Upcoming Community Events

Because We Are Catholic Annual Appeal

As of today, St. Elizabeth parishioners have contributed \$21,476 to the 2023 Because We are Catholic Annual Appeal. This represents 10 % of our total number of registered families. With 100% participation, we can make a major impact on the lives of friends, families, and neighbors in need. If you have not made your pledge of support, you may return your pledge



form to the parish office or make your gift online. Remember, every gift counts, no gift is too small. Every dollar helps those in need. If you have any questions or would like to make a gift, visit the Appeal website at BecauseWeAreCatholic.org. Thank you for your support!

What is the St. Monica Ministry?

The St. Monica Ministry is both a dedicated community and a prayer network offering hope and support to the families and friends of fallen-away Catholics. The ministry sponsors a Holy Hour of Petition and Hope on the second Wednesday of each month. Holy Hours are held at St. Theresa's in Hellertown, beginning at 6 pm. Fr. Bernard Ezaki will be presiding on June 14. For more information, please email Celeste at StMonicaMinistry27@gmail.com

Helpers of God's Precious Infants

Saturday June 10th, please join us at a Prayer Pilgrimage for the unborn and all those involved in abortion. The pilgrimage begins with Mass at 8 am at Notre Dame Church, 1861 Catasauqua Rd., Bethlehem and continues with The Rosary at the Allentown Women's Center located at 31 S. Commerce Way, Bethlehem Industrial Park. The Mission is that through prayer, peaceful presence, and fasting we may be God's instruments in the salvation of souls, so that innocent lives will be saved. Be part of the call to bring God's everlasting, unconditional love to those involved in abortion so that their hearts may be converted and receive God's gift of life with joy.

Pennsylvanians for Human Life sends their heartfelt appreciation to the Pastor, the Volunteers, and the Parishioners for your generous response to our flower fundraiser on Mother's Day. Your donations expand our Educational Mission to save unborn lives in the Diocese. Thank You.







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Congratulations Graduates!

ST. ELIZABETH REGIONAL SCHOOL

Levana Antonios

Nicole Bachour

Maya Crilley

Bryce Eckert

Julia Gloc

Reina Haddad

Kayla Huynh

Hayat Ibrihim

Angeline Johns

Dominic Johns

Ethan Leclerc



With God All Things Are Possible Matthew 19 v 26

Brooke Meeden
Elyas Naddour
Khoi Nguyen
Chase Reightler
Morgan Robbins
Lana Salloum
Ashton Schwoyer
Luca Sciortino
Mason Thomas
Carter Vassa

Royce Wininger

HIGH SCHOOL

James Evans from Allentown Central Catholic High School with honors to Lehigh County Community College.

Daniel Fisher from Whitehall High School, National Honor Society to De Sales University.

Megan Hamilton from Northampton High School with high honors to Kutztown University studying Business Administration/Photography

Timothy Kline from Catasauqua High School with honors to Lehigh County Community College studying Film/TV.

Gavin Kneller from Whitehall High School with a Merit Scholarship and high honors.to St. Joseph University studying Business Finance/Accounting

COLLEGE / UNIVERSITY

Cara Bonshak from Lehigh University, Master of Engineering

Gretchen Johnson from University of Delaware, Master of Marine Biological Science to Georgia Institute of Technology

Emily Kiefer from Penn State, Magna Cum Laude; Member of Tau Beta Pi and Phi Kappa Phi

Devon Joseph Fogel from Messiah University, Doctorate in Physical Therapy

Franco Perinotti from Bucknell University, Bachelor of Science, Computer Science and Engineering.





St. Elizabeth Parish Festival June 9 – 6 – 10 pm June 10 – 5 – 10 pm



FESTIVAL MEETING

There will be a short meeting for Volunteers and Festival Stand Captains on Sunday, June 4 at 11 am in the Parish Hall. It should only last about ½ hour and we'll go over what will be expected of you while working at the Festival. Afterward, we'll need help moving items from the garage to the Parish Hall.

Festival Set-Up Help

We will need lots of help moving and setting things up for the Festival. If you can help on any of the following days, please join us at the appointed time.

- Sunday June 4th at 11:30 am. Move festival items from the garage over to the parish hall.
- Wednesday June 7th at 5:30 pm. Set up tents and stands; move items to appropriate places. Food prep.
- Thursday June 8th at 5:30 pm. Festival preparation & Halupki prep.
- Friday June 9th at 9 am. Final set-up and food prep; set-up stands if needed.
- Sunday June 11th at 9 am. Extra festival food sale in Parish Hall. We will need help cleaning up the kitchen too.
- Sunday June 11th 11 am–3 pm. Extra help is needed to tear down, pack, and move items to garage and cleanup of kitchen, hall, and festival grounds.

Food Preparation

Can you spare a few hours helping us prep food or make halupki for the Festival? Join us on Wednesday, June 7th beginning at 6:30 pm, when we'll be prepping food for the festival (i.e. chopping or slicing vegetables for the different food stands). Just stop by with your aprons,



cutting boards & knives, ready to work.

On Thursday, June 8th again at 6:30 pm, we'll need help to stuff and roll cabbage for our halupki dinners. Come on out, meet new people and join in the fun!

Festival Bake Sale

Our Parish Festival Bake Sale is always a big hit! Please bring your baked goods to the Parish Hall if your last name begins with A-M on Friday (June 9) or Saturday (June 10) if your last name begins with



N-Z by 2 pm, so our volunteers can get them ready for the sale. Thanks in advance for donating your time and talent to the festival.

> Food, Games, and Fun for Everyone! Come out and join us!!!

STAND CAPTAINS

Adult Games Jerry Padden Bake Sale Irene Snyder Beer Stand Jeff Jurasits Cabbage & Noodles, Potato Pancakes Cindy Keglovits Funnel Cakes Mary Jean Potylycki Hamburgers/Cheeseburgers Ken & Linda Snyder Hot Dogs Bob & Patti Sheehan Tracy Kneller Kids Games Nancy Hendrickson Kitchen Help & Prep Deb Schuster Perogies & French Fries Joan Glover Sausage Sandwiches & Steak Sandwiches Joanne Buckfeller Snow Cones Vicky Robbins Waffles & Ice Cream Trina Johns

Volunteers

Would you like to help at the Festival? Please call the Parish Office at 610-266-0695 and leave your name & number. Someone will get back to you about availability.

- Many volunteers are needed for the kids' activities! It's a great way for students to get community hours.
- We especially need help on Sunday, June 11 for cleanup of the Parish grounds.

Games and Entertainment = Fun for Everyone

- Kids Games include a Bounce House, Obstacle Course, basketball & football toss, candy wheel, Spin Art, duck pond, and face painting, to name a few.
- Adult Games are a big hit! Featured are the Money Wheel, a 50/50 drawing each evening, a Basket of Cheer & tear-off tickets. Must be 21 to play!
- The Balloon Guy and Strolling Magician will be with us on both evenings.
- Bands: Common Bond will play on Friday evening and Flirtin' With the Mob on Saturday evening.

Basket of Cheer Raffle

We're in need of unopened bottles of wine or liquor for our raffle. Please drop them off at the parish office.



Raffle Tickets and Festival Friends

Please continue to send in your raffle tickets and Festival Friends donations. If you own a business and would like to be a Festival Sponsor, please call Joan Glover at 610-349-7791 for sponsor levels and amounts. Festival Friends and Sponsor names will be on display that weekend.



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