



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



At the center of the life of the Church is Jesus. He is the foundation. He is the heart and the soul and the reason for being. And because of this truth, it also means that one act of faith lies at the heart of who we are and that is the Eucharist.

The Eucharist has a central place in our faith lives and in the life of the Church. Because we believe that when we share this meal, we are receiving God. The meal that we receive from the altar is a God-moment of the highest order; one in which God comes to us as real food. Receiving the Eucharist is not simply time to think about God, but to experience intimacy with the Divine. You could call it 'a little Heaven on Earth.'

But this holy moment of receiving the Eucharist is not meant to be just an isolated moment between God and me or God and you. The entire faith community (not just here but all around the world) share in this

sacred meal because God calls us as a people, sustains us as a people, unites us as a people, saves us as a people and transforms us as a people. We are all in this together as St. Paul says, "Because the loaf of bread is one, we, though many, are one body, for we partake of the one bread."

The Body of Christ is not just something we receive from that altar. The Body of Christ is someone we become through the goodness of God, the sacrifice of His Son, and the power of the Holy Spirit.

May we never see this Holy Meal as just simply a private spiritual moment, but as a challenge to live the Gospel, not alone, but side by side.

God bless you. Fr. Stan.

OUR PRAYER INTENTIONS

Bob Kulhamer	Scott Geiger	Maureen Calder
William Santiago	Michael Schwentner	Donna Fogel
Debra M Cavauiolo	Annette Susko	Karen Wasielewski
McKayla Pavie	Marie Deichmesiter	Nicole Toth
Michael Maus		



*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 after the 10 am Mass.
Please join us.

REMINDER

Father's Day is Sunday June 18th.



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PRAYING...as Disciples

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MASSES / SERVICES

MONDAY	JUNE 12	9:00 AM	Claire Ries
TUESDAY	JUNE 13	9:00 AM	Phyllis Laky
WEDNESDAY	JUNE 14	9:00 AM	Josephine Hozza
THURSDAY	JUNE 15	7:00 PM	Noris Grisafi
FRIDAY	JUNE 16	9:00 AM	Anne Speicher
SATURDAY	JUNE 17	4:30 PM	Living & Deceased Fathers
SUNDAY	JUNE 18	8:00 AM	Living & Deceased Fathers People of the Parish
		10:00 AM	Living & Deceased Fathers

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

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



PARISH FESTIVAL PACK AND STORE

Do you have a few hours this 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

SENIOR ALTAR SERVER GRADUATION INFORMATION

Matthew Braun from Allentown Central Catholic, National Honor Society with honors.

Windry Tavares received Cum Laude honors, varsity cheerleader (3 yr.), captain and MVP of the cheerleading team, vice president of H.O.S.A. (Health Occupations Students of America), member of red cross, and ecology clubs to West Chester University studying Business.

Vincent Tran from Whitehall High School, National Honor Society with honors in Math, Science, English, and Spanish to De Sales University studying Computer Science.

Kaitlynn Wied from Whitehall High School to Penn State Hazelton, studying Physical Therapy.

God Bless Your Graduation



*With God All Things Are Possible
Matthew 19:26*

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LIVING...as Disciples

MINISTRY
COMMUNITY

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. Have a foursome or need a player? Contact Jason Kahr, jkahr2@gmail.com or the school office for more details 610-264-0143.

GOLF TOURNAMENT
SEPTEMBER 30TH | WHITETAIL GOLF COURSE
Fundraiser to benefit St. Elizabeth Regional School



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! Anyone 18 and older must have state clearance(s).

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

BASKET SOCIAL – ONLY FOUR MONTHS AWAY!

Are you finding great Spring-cleaning bargains? DON'T PASS THEM UP! You can start collecting items now for our 14th Annual Basket Social coming in October. The committee is looking for various basket and item donations to create "better than ever" baskets. You can drop off a bargain holiday, or any non-perishable item at the parish office. We will create wonderful baskets as our basket social draws near. Thanks for your support.



THANKS FOR FR. STAN

On June 15th Fr. Stan will be starting his third year with us. We are so grateful to have been assigned such a caring compassionate pastor. Please keep him in your prayers as we celebrate his anniversary.



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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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

St. Francis Movie Club is Back!

We are starting up our faith-based movies again after a hiatus since 2020. On June 11th, in Heritage Hall, 1046 W. Cedar St, Allentown – at 3:30 p.m. the film will begin at 4:00 p.m. Once again, there will be popcorn, snacks, and soda needs. We will have door prizes. All are welcome and everything is FREE. No charge whatsoever. We gather to enjoy faith-based films, friendship, and fun. Call for more information 610-433-6102.

Bake Sale Cash Raffle Basket Raffle Bingo in the Gym	QUEENSHIP OF MARY TREASURED RECIPES Our parish cookbook will be on sale, \$20 cash only!	The Gin Mill & Grill Wings! **NEW** Waffle Ice Cream Sandwiches
QUEENSHIP OF MARY Parish Festival SUNDAY, JUNE 11TH 1324 Newport Avenue Northampton, PA 18067		11:30am to 8:00pm
Kids Area is Back! Bigger and Better!	Dave Betz Polka Band 11:30am - 3:00pm	
	Flirtin' With The Mob 4:00pm - 7:45pm	
Beer Wine & Slushees <small>21 and older</small>	Kandi's Karicatures 2 - 6 pm Balloons by Robin	MARIO'S PIZZA HOMEMADE PIEROGIES CABBAGE AND NOODLES FUNNEL CAKE FRIES EGG ROLLS LONGOSH MAC & CHEESE AND MUCH MORE
<small>Donations and Info Please Call 610-262-2227</small>		

**St. Mary's
BLOCK PARTY**
Second & Union Sts., Catasauqua
610-264-0332 annunciationbym.net

Thursday, June 22
Games for Adults & Kids

Friday, June 23
Delicious Homemade Food

Saturday, June 24
6:00 - 10:00 PM
Music all three nights by:
D.H. PRODUCTIONS
610-867-8349
P.O. Box 22062
Lehigh Valley PA, 18002-2062
<http://www.dhpro.com>
Disc Jockey Entertainment
They had a fantastic time... so will you!
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I Am Thankful – Poem of Thanksgiving

I am thankful:

For the wife
Who says it's hot dogs tonight
Because she is home with me
And not out with someone else.

For the husband
Who is on the sofa
Being a couch potato
Because he is home with me
And not out at the bars.

For the teenager
Who is complaining about doing dishes
Because it means she is at home,
Not on the streets.

For the taxes I pay
Because it means
I am employed.

For the mess to clean after a party
Because it means I have
Been surrounded by friends.

For the clothes that fit a little too snug
Because it means
I have enough to eat.

For my shadow that watches me work
Because it means
I am out in the sunshine.

For a lawn that needs mowing,
Windows that need cleaning,
And gutters that need fixing
Because it means that I have a home.

For all the complaining
I hear about the government
Because it means
We have freedom of speech.

For the parking spot
I find at the far end of the parking lot
Because it means
I am capable of walking,
And I have been blessed with
transportation.

For my huge heating bill
Because it means
I am warm.

For the lady behind me in church
Who sings off key
Because it means I can hear.

For the pile of laundry and ironing
Because it means
I have clothes to wear.

For weariness and aching muscles
At the end of the day
Because it means I have been
Capable of working.

For the alarm that goes off
In the early morning hours
Because it means
I am alive.

*I've
So much to be*
THANKFUL
For



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St. Elizabeth Vacation Bible School June 26-30, 2023

**Help feed and supply our hungry crews during
“STELLAR”!**

We greatly appreciate any donations of the following items to help defray the cost for our VBS. Donations can be left in the back of church in the “VBS box” after the weekend Masses or dropped off at the parish office.

Supplies are needed by June 21.

Any extra supplies will be used for other parish events or taken to the Allentown Diocese Chew Street Soup Kitchen.

Many thanks for all your kind donations!

Graham Crackers
Big Bags of Popcorn
Corn Chex
6 oz. Drinking Cups
Blue Painter Tape
Gallon Zip Lock bags
Wet Wipes
Dish Detergent

Animal Crackers
Pretzel Rings
Oreo Cookies
Bowls paper/foam
Duct Tape
Box of Band Aids
Plastic Spoons/Forks

Fruit Snacks
Red Licorice
Goldfish Crackers
Small Paper Plates
Hand Sanitizer

Raisins
Rice Chex
Plain M & M candy
Napkins
Sandwich Baggies

Gift cards to food stores for refrigerated snack supplies:
watermelon, grapes, clementine oranges



Monetary donations are gratefully accepted.

Checks can be made out to: St. Elizabeth – please note VBS donation.



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