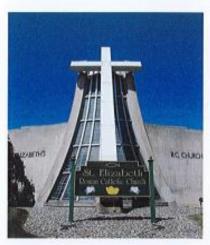
Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Roman Catholic Church

618 Fullerton Ave, Whitehall, PA 18052



Rev. Stanley M. Moczydlowski Pastor

Parish Registration

Roman Catholics living in the parish boundaries should be registered with St. Elizabeth of Hungary. Registration and regular participation at Mass are required for the administration of the Sacraments, Certificate of Eligibility, and attendance in C.Y.O. and P.R.E.P. Please register at the parish office, Registration packets are also located in the church foyer and on the church website.

Sacraments

Reconciliation (Confession) - Saturday 3:30 - 4:15 PM and by appointment.

Baptism - First Sunday of the month. Please contact the parish office early in the pregnancy to begin arrangements. Family must be registered with the parish. Preparation class for parents is held monthly.

Marriage - Engaged couples should contact the parish office at least six months in advance of their proposed wedding in order to set a date with the priest. Either the groom or bride should be a registered parishioner and practicing at St. Elizabeth of Hungary.

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. Would you like to learn more about the Catholic faith or become Catholic? Please contact the parish office for information and scheduling.

Anointing of the Sick - Hospitals are visited on a regular basis. Please call the parish office to report emergencies.

Godparents & Confirmation Sponsors – You must be registered with the parish, be at least 16 years of age, have received the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation, must attend Mass regularly and, if married, the marriage must be recognized by the church. All requests for 'Certificate of Eligibility' are to be made well in advance to the parish office.

Mass Schedule

Sunday: 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM Weekdays: 9:00 AM (Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri)

Thursday: 7:00 PM

Saturday: 8:30 AM (1st Saturday Only)

Saturday: 4:30 PM

Holy Days: Consult Bulletin and Website

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If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service by calling 800-276-1562.

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Please consider designating Saint Elizabeth Catholic Parish in your last will and testament so that the blessings the Lord has given you can be extended to future generations.



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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



During his life, Jeremiah experienced terrible hardships, including arrest, imprisonment, disgrace, and exile. He had reason to lose hope, but he kept his faith in God. 'The Lord is with me, like a mighty champion', he says. 'Sing to the Lord, praise the Lord, for he has rescued the life of the poor from the power of the wicked!'

Consider this prayer in the light of Jesus' words to the twelve Apostles: 'Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in Gehenna.'

Jeremiah would have understood exactly what Jesus meant. Though he experienced fear and inner turmoil, he did not let these overpower his faith and trust in God. He knew that the Lord was with him and would always win in the end. Jeremiah knew the Lord would save the faithful.

Every moment of our lives is an opportunity to acknowledge, or deny, Christ before others. In his book *Mere Christianity*, C.S. Lewis writes, "Every time you make a choice you are turning the central part of you,

the part of you that chooses, into something a little different than it was before. And taking your life as a whole, with your innumerable choices, all your life long you are slowly turning this central thing into a heavenly creature or a hellish creature".

Each choice we make will be made known at the end of time. Our Heavenly Father already knows our every thought and deed. Each choice can lead us closer to heaven or closer to hell. This should change how we view our daily lives. Some days we will face hardships. But we can choose to keep faith in God and sing His praises along with Jeremiah: *The Lord is with me.* Truly, the Lord is with us even now in the Eucharist.

Lord, help us to realize that our Father who loves us will grant us the graces we need. Holy Spirit, help guide us. Give us the long view of eternity, knowing that our choices today will affect our souls for eternity. Lord, lead us to everlasting life with you.

God bless you. Fr. Stan.

OUR PRAYER INTENTIONS* If admitted to the hospital or ER, please call the parish if you want a priest to visit.

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St. John the Baptist



St. John the Baptist was the first to recognize the coming of the Messiah. When Jesus came to him to be baptized, John, placing himself at the service of his cousin, exclaimed, "I need to be baptized by you, and you come to me?" So great was Our Lord's love for John that He would one day weep openly at the news that John had died at the command of Herod.

The Church celebrates only three birthdays: that of Our Lord (December 25), that of Our Lady (September 8), and that of St. John the Baptist. Why does the Church celebrate the birthday of John the Baptist? The answer is clear. "John surpasses all the prophets, of whom he is the last." (CCC 523). Not only his message, but his life itself proclaims the coming of Christ. God gave John the Baptist existence to be the one who could point to the Incarnate

Word and cry out: "Behold the Lamb of God!" John the Baptist's mission in life was to prepare the way of the Lord. And John's joyful leap in his mother's womb reveals what God desires for all of us: to be transformed by the presence of Jesus and Mary.

The Nativity of St. John the Baptist, came to be celebrated, six months before the Lord's birth. St. Augustine found June 24, near the summer solstice, appropriate, for after the birth of John, daylight begins to decrease, whereas after Jesus' birth, it begins to increase. The evening of June 23, the eve of John's feast, is traditionally celebrated with the lighting of fires, and is sometimes called "summer Christmas". John's light anticipates Christ, the Light of the world; his summer light anticipates the light that will conquer dark winter.

Incidentally, the Slovak and Czech peoples have traditionally referred to the firefly as the "St. John's fly," since the activity of this insect peaks about the time of today's feast.



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LITURGY SACRAMENTS DEVOTIONS

Masses / Services			
MONDAY	JUNE 26	9:00 AM	Theresa & Michael DeNoia Wedding Anniversary
TUESDAY	JUNE 27	9:00 AM	Folajtar Family
WEDNESDAY	JUNE 28	9:00 AM	Phyllis Laky
THURSDAY	JUNE 29	7 :00 PM	Harley Stewart
FRIDAY	JUNE 30	9:00 AM	Gregory Oswald, Jr.
SATURDAY	July 1	8:30 AM	Ann Schlaffer
		4:30 PM	Catherine Sinkovits
SUNDAY	July 2	8:00 AM	Rosa Hernandez
		10:00 AM	Warren & Janet Berger 40th Wedding Anniversary

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.

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.

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

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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.

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

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.





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.

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

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 \$25,277 to the 2023 Because We are Catholic Annual Appeal. This represents 13 % 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!



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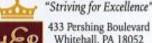
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