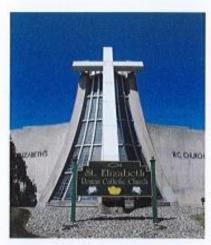
# Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Roman Catholic Church

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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# FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Today we once again hear Jesus talking to his disciples in parables, and at the heart of this passage is the Parable of the Weeds and the Wheat. These are tough words from the mouth of Jesus. He doesn't paint a rosy picture - describing angels harvesting the weeds and tossing them into a fire. And yet, even though that statement is dramatic and attention-getting, it really isn't the main point he seems to be making. You see, at the heart of the story is the idea that men and women, you, and I, need to refrain from what we so often do - judging. In the gospel, Jesus describes the Master telling his servants who want to do the weeding, 'No, if you pull the weeds, you might uproot the wheat along with them.'

Not judging others is a tough thing to do. And make no mistakes about it - at some level we must make some judgments about behavior. It's part and parcel of trying our best to live peacefully and justly with others. But what Jesus seems to be cautioning us against is the temptation to presume that we can see what God sees or know what God knows.

There is only one situation in which we must attempt to distinguish the weeds from the wheat, must try to know the good and the bad, what should be and what must not be. Of course, I'm talking about each of our own individual hearts. The reality is that people aren't simply one thing or another. Life is more complicated than that. Motives are more mixed than that. Human freedom and culpability are not black and white. They involve many factors. And that means that each of us have weeds and wheat growing side by side within each of us. And knowing the difference is not just something that we can know (to some extent) but is something that we must know if we truly want to live a good life, a holy life, a life that makes a difference in this world, a life in, with and for God.

And so today we are invited to pray for deeper self-knowledge and self-awareness, a better understanding of the weeds growing up alongside the wheat deep within us. The first step in becoming the person God created each of us to be is knowing what needs to change within us. The good news is that we don't have to do the weeding ourselves. Our loving God died so that those weeds (our sins) can be uprooted and tossed into the fire. We just need to know what they are, be sorry we let them grow there in the first place and ask God to take them away (all this wonderful transformation can take place in the sacrament of reconciliation). When we do this, let God uproot those weeds in our lives, some incredible and beautiful things can grow in their place.

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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Rev. Anthony Boothali will be here to share his mission experience on July 29 & 30. Whatever financial support you can give will be greatly appreciated.





# PRAYING...as Disciples

LITURGY SACRAMENTS DEVOTIONS

Masses / Services			
MONDAY	JULY 24	9:00 AM	Pia Bondi
TUESDAY	JULY 25	9:00 AM	James P. "Ace" Gallagher
WEDNESDAY	JULY 26	9:00 AM	Mike Weber
THURSDAY	July 27	<b>7</b> :00 PM	Phyllis Laky
FRIDAY	JULY 28	9:00 AM	Eva Wolfer
SATURDAY	July 29	4:30 PM	Margaret Martin
SUNDAY	JULY 30	8:00 AM	Julius Harms
		10:00 AM	John Krempasky

#### 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 Fridays until the week of September 5<sup>th</sup>.

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

#### DIOCESE OF ALLENTOWN NEWS

The Latest News from the Diocese of Allentown, Gospel Reflections | Sunday Mass can be found at https://ad-today.com/live2/

#### **INTENTIONS**

The Sanctuary Candle burns this week for **Al Keglovits** requested by the *Keglovits Family*,



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JULY 23, 2023



# LIVING...as Disciples

MINISTRY COMMUNITY

#### BASKET SOCIAL – IS LESS THAN THREE MONTHS AWAY!



It's time to find your favorite basket and begin filling it with your clever theme basket idea! Mark your calendar for our 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Basket Social during Columbus Day Weekend, October 6-7-8! Bargains are EVERYWHERE! Start collecting your items now. Each basket needs to be worth at least \$35. Feel free to drop off

any non-perishable items from 9 am to 3 pm at the parish office for our spectacular committee to make up a basket for you. Please be sure to have your name on your donations. Thanks for your continuous support!

### R.C.I.A. CLASS

Are You Someone or Do You Know Someone Who...

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Has a child age seven or older who has not been baptized?
- Was baptized Catholic, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. For information, please call Mary Spieker at the parish office – 610-266-0695 ext. 208 or e-mail dirreled@sercc.org.













Please pray for the following military members currently serving.

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# **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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.





# FELLOWSHIP...as Disciples

Upcoming Community Events

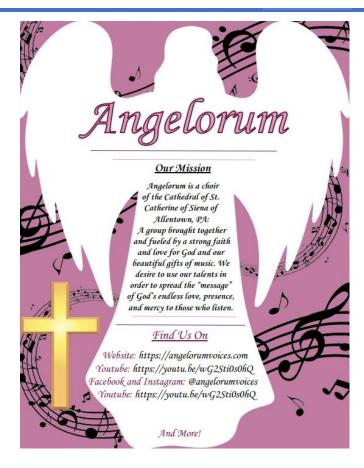


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#### Natural Family Planning

The Catholic Church celebrates human sexuality and science as a gift from God. Natural Family Planning (NFP) is a term used to describe a variety of different scientific, natural, and moral methods of fertility awareness. Married couples are called to make responsible decisions about parenthood while remaining open to life and God's plan. Together, married couples choose a method of fertility awareness that works best for them. They learn to observe and chart the signs and symptoms of their combined fertility. They then use this information to continuously evaluate and discern God's plan for their marriage and family. All methods of NFP are between 98-99% effective in assisting couples in avoiding pregnancy if needed. Unlike contraception, NFP respects and protects both the love-giving (unitive) and life giving (procreative) nature of the conjugal act. Couples can honor their wedding vows and express their free, total, faithful, and fruitful love for one another in and through every conjugal act. These methods naturally allow for married couples to regularly and prayerfully discern whether God is calling them to have more children. In this way, married couples consciously and intentionally invite God and His blessings into their marriage and family. NFP also fosters the virtues needed for a strong, healthy marriage relationship, such as trust in God and one another, increased communication, and self-control. We invite you to learn more about the beautiful teachings that support the use of NFP in marriage by visiting the following websites.

www.usccb.org/nfp

https://www.allentowndiocese.org/nfp

https://www.allentowndiocese.org/marriageresources

www.usccb.org/topics/natural-family-planning/nfp-distance-learning.

www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/marriage-and-family/natural-familyplanning/catholic-

teaching/upload/Married-Love-and-the-Gift-of-Life-English





#### To Whom It May Concern,

Our 5th Annual Saint Elizabeth Regional School Golf Outing is scheduled for September 30, 2023 at Whitetail Golf Club. Shotgun start is at 1:00 pm. Last year we hosted 100 golfers and raised over \$7,000. The money raised last year went towards a new sound system in our parish hall for both church and school use. Similarly to last year, the golf outing is a very important fundraiser for the school.

St. Elizabeth Regional School continues to have successful graduates each year and educates around 190 students from all over the Lehigh Valley. The dedication and commitment of our teachers, staff, students and entire community are unparalleded and we are grateful to have each and every one of them. We have set a goal to build on our success and breach \$10,000 raised for our event this year. We need your help.

We will direct the money raised from the school board events this year to the maintenance and repairs of some of the aging infrastructure of the school and parish hall. We ask that you consider sponsoring this year's event. Please send checks directly to Saint Elizabeth Regional School. If your sponsorship level includes golf please include the names and emails of the players.

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- Silver Sponsor \$500 Twosome of golf included, your advertisement at check in
- Bronze Sponsor \$250 Your advertisement at check in
- Beverage Sponsor \$150 Your advertisement at beverage station
- Practice Green or Range Sponsor \$125 Custom lawn sign at practice green or range tee
- Hole Sponsor \$75 Lawn sign at a tee box
- Monetary donations also accepted for raffle and prizes

St. Elizabeth Regional School Golf Outing 433 Pershing Blvd Whitehall, PA 18052

Thank you and God Bless, Mrs. Kimberly Kocher, Principal

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Contact Jason Kahr with sponsorship inquiries or questions at JKahr2@gmail.com or 267-246-8660. Golfers that do not provide a foursome may be paired with other golfers.

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