

ST. ELIZABETH CHURCH

Established 1912 / Present Church dedicated 1962

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The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

June 6, 2021

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Pandemic Liturgy Schedule

Sunday **9:30 am (in Church)**

Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat 8:00 am

Holy Day 8:00 am & 6:00 pm

Pandemic Confession Schedule

After the 8:00 am Daily Mass

Before the 9:30 am Sunday Mass

Baptism Preparation Classes Call the Parish Office for more information.

Sacrament of Marriage

Call the Parish Office at least six months before
the desired date.

Rosary after the 8:00 am Mass, Monday through Friday in the Church Chapel.

Benediction and Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena: Wednesdays after the 8:00 Mass.

The following are temporarily suspended due to Covid 19:

Legion of Mary Meeting 5:30 pm Monday in the Rectory.

Second Saturday after the 4:30 pm Mass: Sto Nino Prayer and Benediction
in Mary's Chapel.

Third Saturday after the 8 am Mass until 3:30 pm: A day of **Prayer**, (1000 Hail Mary's)

Adoration and Benediction in the Rectory.

Light of God Prayer meeting 7pm every 2nd and 4th Friday of the month at the Rectory.

From the Pastor's Desktop



A Message from Father Charles Puthota
June 06, 2021

Dear Parishioners of St. Elizabeth,

Feast of Corpus Christi: This Sunday is the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. For over twenty centuries the Church has been coming together to break bread and share the cup. This is my body, Jesus had said. This is my blood, Jesus had said. And he added, whenever you do this remember me. So we commemorate the sacred act of Jesus giving himself as food. The sacrament of the Eucharist is the sacrament of the sacraments. It is the source and summit of Christian life. It is in this sacrament, the church comes together again and again, drawing upon the new life Jesus gives us as we share his body and blood.

In the Eucharist, Jesus is truly, really, and substantially present. As we partake of the Eucharist, we become totally united with Christ. Jesus remains in us, we remain in Jesus. We together remain in the Father. We don't live any longer, Christ lives in us. That is why we call this sacrament "communion." Because we individually become united with Christ, we are all united with each other and in Christ. We all become the body of Christ because we share the Body of Christ. This is mystical indeed! This is a divine mystery! The vitality of Christian life is centered on the Eucharist. Our identity as Christians is tied up with the Eucharist. Faith is at the heart of our conviction that Jesus gives us his own body and blood in the Eucharist. Even like a mother giving her body and blood to her baby in her womb, Jesus gives us his body and blood in total self-gift and as a sign of his inseparable union with us.

Recently, we celebrated the First Communion of four of our Faith Formation children. If we could recover some of their excitement, faith, zeal, eagerness, devotion, desire, and their sense of awe about the Eucharist, it would indeed be a great blessing.

I'm Reaching Social Security Eligible Age: This June 11th I'll be reaching the traditionally Social-security eligible age of 65. Any birthday, especially this particular one at 65, would make us think about the before, the now, and the after. One cannot but get philosophical and theological about life. It's time, no doubt, to think about what lies ahead. At my age, it would be naive not to think about the possibilities and circumstances of retirement, when it happens, in the next few years. Also, there is a glance at the past, at all the time that has gone by, the years of search for meaning and purpose, the failures and achievements. There is also the focus on what is at present, my ministry at St. Elizabeth, with you all, as we journey together on this pilgrimage of life, sharing faith and fellowship.

As St. Paul would say which the song paraphrases well: "I thank my God each time I think of you and when I pray for you, I pray with joy." I think of my parents, siblings, and friends with deep gratitude. I thank you all for your collaboration and affirmation. Let's be friends in the Lord, as we make each other's lives as pleasant and easy as possible because of our love and forbearance for one another. While life is not forever in this world, we have love, faith, and service to offer one another now. Please in your charity do keep me in your prayers.

Archdiocesan Annual Appeal (AAA): Congratulations to St. Elizabeth Church, to all who donated, for having successfully completed this campaign. You are wonderful and impressive in reaching this goal of \$39,425 in just 11 weeks. We will not be putting the names of donors in the bulletin anymore. However, those of you who might like to continue giving to AAA, especially because of the second collection envelopes that you'll be receiving throughout the year from the envelope company, please do continue to donate. Whatever is surplus will get returned to our parish from the Archdiocese.

A Story to Ponder: Gossip: The disciple couldn't wait to tell the Master the rumor he had heard in the marketplace. "Wait a minute," said the Master. "What you plan to tell us, is it true?" "I don't think it is." "Is it useful?" "No, it isn't." "Is it funny?" "No." "Then why should we be hearing it?"

Quotes on Life: "The way I see it, if you want the rainbow, you gotta put up with the rain."---Dolly Parton. "The purpose of our lives is to be happy."---Dalai Lama. "Keep calm and carry on."---Winston Churchill. "Life is what happens when you are busy making other plans."---John Lennon. "Life is a lot like jazz. It's best when you improvise."---George Gershwin. "It's not length of life, but depth of life."---Ralph Waldo Emerson. "Nearly all the best things that came to me in life have been unexpected, unplanned by me."---Carl Sandburg. "My life is my message."---Mahatma Gandhi.

Jokes: 1. A pastor always used the phrase, "It might be worse," when some calamity would come his way. One day a friend said to him, "I've something to tell you, and you won't be able to use your favorite phrase. I dreamt last night that I died and went to hell." "It might be worse," said the preacher. The friend came unglued: "Man alive, how could it be worse?" To which the pastor replied: "It might be true." 2. A Sunday School teacher asked her class why Joseph and Mary took Jesus with them to Jerusalem. A small child replied: "They couldn't get a babysitter."

Wishing you and your families God's continued blessings every day, every moment of your lives,

Your Friend and Pastor,

Fr. Charles Puthota

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ June 6, 2021

The cup of salvation I will take up,
and I will call upon
the name of the LORD.
— *Psalm 116:13*



SACRIFICE

Today the Church focuses on the Eucharist. Today's readings remind us how connected to ancient blood sacrifices we are when offering our unbloody sacrifice. The reading from Exodus describes a solemn ritual designed so the Israelites would never forget their covenant with God.

The reading from the Letter to the Hebrews turns us from those ancient animal sacrifices, the first efforts to worship the living God. Our sacrifice is the body and blood of the Son of God. Because of Christ we have a new covenant.

The Gospel from Mark retells the establishment of that covenant, the familiar story of the Last Supper. Juxtaposed with the story of animal sacrifice as it is here, we are challenged to listen with new attention, to remember the great price paid for our salvation. Jesus gave his body and every drop of his blood for us.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — This is the blood of the covenant that the Lord has made with you (Exodus 24:3-8).

Psalm — I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord (Psalm 116).

Second Reading — Christ is the mediator of a new covenant (Hebrews 9:11-15).

Gospel — This is my body. This is my blood (Mark 14:12-16, 22-26).

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Please note: All Mass times including Mass intentions were scheduled pre-Covid 19. Currently the only Mass will be Sunday at 9:30 am in Church. Weekday Masses are celebrated in the Church.

MASS INTENTIONS

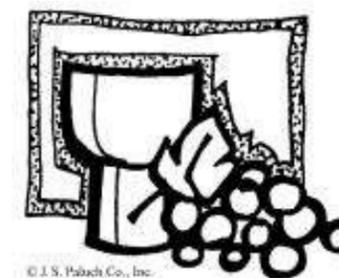
Monday 8:00 am	June 7 † Manuel Martinez
Tuesday 8:00 am	June 8 † Adolph Vannucchi
Wednesday 8:00 am	June 9 † Vittorio Rossi † Loretta Rodrigo
Thursday 8:00 am	June 10 † Ponchito Aguiliz
Friday 8:00 am	June 11 † Rosario Deano
Saturday 8:00 am 4:30 pm	June 12 Herminia de los Reyes (L) † Ronald Vannucchi
Sunday 7:30 am 9:30 am 11:30 am	June 13 People of the Parish † Ayana Kasia Guardado † Francis Cairns

†Denotes deceased – (L) Living

Sunday Collection May 31, 2021

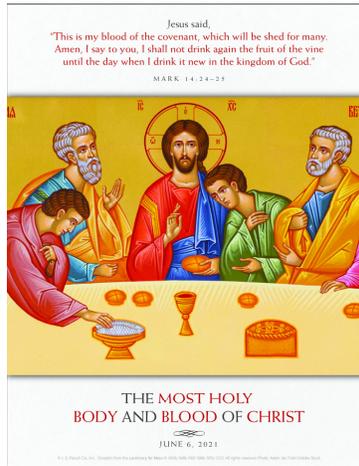
Weekly Need:	\$ 5,000.00
Sunday Collection	\$ 2,083.00
Over/Under	\$ 2,917.00
Church Project Fund	\$ 385.00

If you make your offertory donation by check, without using parishioner envelopes, it would be most helpful if you placed your parishioner/envelope # in the "memo" section of the check. This helps us input your donation to the offertory data system. **We will not be responsible for donations not credited due to missing envelope numbers (or not having a Sunday collection envelope.)**



Drink from
the cup of
salvation

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Faith Formation

(Formerly known as Religious Education)

Registration for 2021-2022 will be coming soon.
Registration forms will be available shortly online and in the parish office.
If you are interested in teaching Faith Formation, please contact the parish office.

2021 MASS INTENTIONS AVAILABLE

Please submit your 2021 Mass Intentions .Due to the volume of requests, **Masses cannot be reserved by phone or in person**. Requests must be submitted in writing and mailed to 449 Holyoke Street or by email: stelizabethchurchsf@gmail.com

You will receive a confirmation letter once your Masses are scheduled. The monetary gift that has been suggested by our Archdiocese is \$10.00 per Mass

WELCOME TO ST. ELIZABETH'S PARISH COMMUNITY **Please Print Clearly**

We extend our hands and hearts in Christian fellowship to you here celebrating with us, whether long-time or newly arrived in our parish. If you are not registered or need to update your registration, please fill in the form and submit it to the office at the above address.

Name: _____ Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

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