

ST. ELIZABETH CHURCH

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March 2, 2025 Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

March 5, 2025 Ash Wednesday



Mission Statement of St. Elizabeth Church

“The joys and hopes, the griefs and anxieties of the people of our time, especially of those who are poor or in any way afflicted, are the joys and hopes, the griefs and anxieties of the followers of Christ as well. Indeed, nothing genuinely human fails to raise an echo in their hearts. For theirs is a community of people united in Christ and guided by the Holy Spirit in their pilgrimage towards the Kingdom of their Father, bearers of a message of salvation for all of humanity. That is why they cherish a conviction of deep solidarity with the human race and its history.”

(From the Preface of *The Church in the Modern World*---Gaudium Et Spes---of Vatican II)

Rev. Charles Puth

Parish Office

449 Holyoke Street
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Parish Office Hours

Monday through Thursday
8:30 am to 12:00 pm

Closed Fridays

Parish Staff

Patti Spiteri	Administrative Assistant / Pastoral Coordinator
Sandy Mehrwein	Secretary
Fred Spence	Maintenance
Laurie Digneo	Faith Formation Coordinator

Mass Schedule

Saturday **4:30 pm**
Sunday **8:30 am and 10:30 am**

Monday through Saturday

Divine office: 8:00 am
Mass: 8:30 am
Holy Day: 8:30 am & 6:00 pm

Confession Schedule

4:00 pm before the 4:30 pm Mass
10:00 am before the 10:30 am Sunday Mass

Baptism Preparation Classes Call the
Parish Office for more information.

Sacrament of Marriage

Call the Parish Office six months

Benediction and Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena: Wednesdays after the 8:30 Mass.

Legion of Mary Meetings: 5:00 pm Monday in the Church

1000 Hail Mary's: Third Saturday after the 8:30 am Mass until 3:30 pm.

Over 50 Group: Thursdays at 12 pm in Cantwell Hall.

A Prayer for Pope Francis During His Grave Illness



Loving God:

As Francis, our beloved pope, suffers from grave illnesses, we come before you in prayer. We ask you to look with mercy on your servant Francis, who has served you devotedly and tirelessly as a Jesuit, a priest, an archbishop, a cardinal and as pope.

Most of all, he has served you as a faithful Christian, sharing the love, mercy and compassion that your Son showed to all he encountered in his public ministry, especially those who were poor or in any way struggling.

During his papacy, Francis has striven to imitate your Son by reaching out to all who were feeling abandoned, ignored or neglected, making it his special task to care for those who were in any way sick.

As Francis himself now faces serious and complex illnesses, help the doctors, nurses and medical team who care for him, help him bear any pain with grace and help him to heal quickly.

Send your Holy Spirit, your own breath, into his weakened lungs to heal him, inspire him and raise him up again so that he may live out his vocation as the Vicar of Christ.

But if it is your will, loving God, to take him to yourself, let his passing into new life be painless and peaceful. We ask all this in your Holy Name.

Amen.

(By Father James Martin, S.J., From **America** Jesuit Magazine)

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time March 2, 2025

Every tree is known by its own fruit. For people do not pick figs from thornbushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles.
— Luke 6:44



THE INSIDE SHOWS

In this third Sunday of our reading from the Sermon on the Plain, Jesus speaks of the inner soul and its outer expression. He uses images as he teaches. He addresses all of us.

Jesus sees a plumb line connecting the soul with the soul's expression-words and actions. He uses exaggeration to drive home his point. We are urged to clear out the debris that blinds us. He knows that we have an uncanny ability to be blind to our own weaknesses, though they be as big as a board. He knows, too, how willingly we seem to ferret out others' smallest speck-like flaws.

And this, too, is for our general consumption; solid old goodness and solid old badness will show eventually. The old Latin saying, which echoes Jesus' images, is true: "What is bred in the bone will out in the flesh." By and by, the inside will show through.
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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — One's speech shows the bent of one's mind. Praise no one before he or she speaks (Sirach 27:4-7).

Psalm — Lord, it is good to give thanks to you (Psalm 92).

Second Reading — We are given victory over death through Jesus. In the Lord our labor is not in vain (1 Corinthians 15:54-58).

Gospel — A good person produces good, an evil person produces evil. The mouth speaks from the goodness of the heart (Luke 6:39-45).

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Saturday/Sunday Collection February 22 - 23

Weekly Need:	\$ 5,000.00
First Collection	\$ 1,628.00
Parish Ministries	\$ 593.00
Over/Under	\$ 2,779.00

Mass Intentions † Denotes deceased – (L) Living

Monday 8:30 am	March 3 † Giuseppe Mazzaferro
Tuesday 8:30 am	March 4 Limon Family (L)
Wednesday 8:30 am 6:00 pm	March 5 Ash Wednesday Ash Wednesday
Thursday 8:30 am	March 6 † Hermie G. Icban
Friday 8:30 am	March 7 † Paul Galea
Saturday 8:30 am 4:30 pm	March 8 † Aurora T. Mallari † Gianco Vacchire John Louis Sant (L)
Sunday 8:30 am 10:30 am	March 9 People of the Parish † Leon and † Maureen Winant

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, 3/3	Sir 17:20-24; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 10:17-27
Tuesday, 3/4	Sir 35:1-12; Ps 50:5-8, 14, 23; Mk 10:28-31
Wednesday, 3/5	Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday, 3/6	Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25
Friday, 3/7	Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15
Saturday, 3/8	Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32
Sunday, 3/9	Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91:1-2, 10-15; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday, 3/2	8 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday, 3/3	St. Katharine Drexel
Tuesday, 3/4	St. Casimir
Wednesday, 3/5	Ash Wednesday
Friday, 3/7	Ss. Perpetua and Felicity
Saturday, 3/8	St. John of God

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS SUNDAY,
MARCH 9TH Spring forward an hour.**

On The Horizon at St. Elizabeth

●Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, March 5th.

Masses are at 8:30 am and 6:00 pm.

●St. Elizabeth Maltese Champagne Bingo

Sunday, March 16th . For more info contact Jeanette Santos 415-225-5315

●Lenten Retreat

Saturday, March 22

Registration forms available

2025 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal Campaign launched on February 15/16

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If contributing by check directly to St. Elizabeth please make your check payable to the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal.

Amount Assessed: 36,292.00

Amount Collected: 10,675.00

Balance: **25,617.00**

LENTEN REMINDERS AND REGULATIONS:

The following regulations are in place for abstaining and fasting during Lent:

During Lent, every Friday the 8:30 am Mass will be followed by the Stations of the Cross.

Abstinence : Everyone fourteen years of age and older is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday.

Fast: Everyone eighteen years of age and older but under the age of sixty is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

On these two days, the law of fast allows one full meal a day, but does not prohibit taking some food during the day, so long as this does not constitute another full meal. Drinking liquids during the day is permitted. When health or the ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. In doubt concerning fast or abstinence, a priest assigned to pastoral ministry or confessor should be consulted. In the spirit of penance, the faithful should not lightly excuse themselves from this obligation.



We congratulate Matthew Ezekiel Tracy Hall-Fiame, who was baptized at our Rectory Chapel on February 22, 2025.