ST. ELIZABETH CHURCH RICHMOND, VA Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 21st, 2024

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Last Sunday's Collections Envelopes: \$1,615.00 Loose: \$1,018.00 E-Giving: \$1,397.00

Thank you for contributing to the well-being of our parish!

Mass Intentions: Diana May Balducci and Rosemarie O'Keefe

If you would like a Mass intention for your loved one, contact the parish office.

Next Sunday's Readings:

First Reading:
Deuteronomy 18:15-20
Responsorial Psalm:
Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9
Second Reading:
1 Corinthians 7:32-35
Gospel:
Mark 1:21-28
www.usccb.org

E-giving:

Stelizcc.churchgiving.com/ On Sunday, and every other day too!

SCAN THE QR CODE TO GIVE ONLINE:

Just point your camera at the code and click the link that pops up. It's that easy!



Rosary:

The Rosary will be prayed every evening at 7pm over Zoom and led by Janet Stern.

FR. JIM'S JOTS

Greetings,

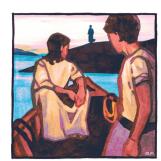
In about two weeks marks the beginning of February and the beginning of Black History Month. As usual, we will have many events and activities to celebrate and remember black history. On Sunday February 11th, I will be attending the opera, *Sanctuary Road*, by the Virginia Opera. This opera is based on the writings of William Still, an abolitionist, historian, and conductor of the Underground Railroad. If you are interested in attending, call 866-673-7282 and mention that you are coming with St. Elizabeth Catholic Church to get the discounted group rate.

This week marked four weeks until the start of Lent. How the time has gone by. Christmas is still a recent memory for many and yet here we are preparing for our next liturgical season. Let us spend these next few weeks thinking on what we will do to have a fruitful Lenten journey this year.

Ash Wednesday Masses will be at 12pm and 6pm on February 14th and during Lent we will have Stations of the Cross every Friday in the church. I encourage you to come to one or several of our Stations as each week will be something different. Every week, the Stations will be led by a different group or ministry of our church.

If you are a young adult or adult who has not received any or all of the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation) but you are interested in doing so, please reach out to Chris Metzger (metzger.christopher@gmail.com) to join our OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults). Members of OCIA usually receive their sacraments at Easter Vigil Mass, so it is not too late to join.

Blessings to you and yours, Fr. Jim, Pastor



Mark 1:14-20

CONTACT INFO UPDATE

If your contact info (phone, email, or address) has changed in the past year, please send the Parish Office an email so that your information can be up to date in our systems. Please email Eva, evabalkarli@stelizcc.org, with any information.

ST. ELIZABETH MINISTRIES

Are you interested in becoming more active in the church either during or outside of Sunday Mass? If you would like to join one of our ministries please visit www.stelizcc.org/parish-ministries-2022/ to learn more and to find out how to contact our ministry leaders.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR SICK & HOMEBOUND: Eva Chiles, Hannah Schooler, Petra Thompson, Sr. Beulah Martin SBS., Mary Ann Allen, Jennifer Soistman, Shelton Jones, Mike Anderson, and Burton Robinson. Names are kept on the list for 4 weeks unless otherwise noted. Please contact Office Manager, Eva (evabalkarli@stelizcc.org), to add or remove names.

SACRAMENTS

If your child needs baptism, First Communion, or Confirmation please contact the Parish Office. For more info on First Communion or Confirmation, contact Liz Wiznerowicz: religioused@stelizcc.org.

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Do you attend Mass but wanting to become more involved? Do you want a deeper relationship with God? If you have been baptized, or if you were baptized in another tradition, God may be calling you to a deeper relationship through the Catholic Faith. For information, contact Christopher Metzger: metzger.christopher@gmail.com



First Communion Classes will be on January 21st and 28th after the 10am Mass in the Rectory.

LENT SCHEDULE



Ash Wednesday Mass Times

• 12pm - February 14th, 2024

• 6pm - February 14th, 2024

Please return your palms from last year. Palms will be burned on February 4th. There will be a bin for palm collection in the back of the church.

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

Please join Church of the Redeemer on January 30th at 7pm to hear guest speaker, Stephen Colecchi (Former United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Director of the Office of International Justice & Peace) on the Hamas-Israel War. Topics include: What has the local Church in the Holy Land said about the conflict? How might peace and human rights be restored for both peoples? Visit www.churchredeemer.org to sign up for in person or online attendance.



African Americans on the Road to Sainthood - Please join us after 10am Mass on February 4th in the Parish Hall for a viewing of <u>A Place at the Table</u>, a documentary highlighting the lives of the African American men and women who are currently on the road to canonization. Refreshments will be provided.

EUCHARISTIC REFLECTIONS

The Eucharistic Revival is a three-year journey that began on June 9, 2022 and will end on June 17, 2025. The movement aims to help us to renew our worship of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist and to foster Eucharistic devotion at the diocesan, parish and individual levels.

From Pope Francis' address to the leaders of the US National Eucharistic Congress: "Receiving the Eucharist is meant to introduce a principle of radical change within a person, giving each of us the capacity, because of our communion with Jesus, for unmeasured self-giving love. And such love heals and renews, not only persons, but cultures too."

GENTLE REMINDERS:

Face coverings are optional and silence your cell phones before entering the church.

Parents: As a reminder, you are required to escort any child, 12 years and under, downstairs to the restrooms and remain with them until their return

PARISH LINKS:

All Saints Catholic School

Allsaintsric.com 3418 Noble Avenue Richmond, VA 23222

804-329-7524

This school is part of our parish, as we contribute every year for children to pursue their education

PARISH OFFICE:

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Check Us Out on Facebook:

Like us on: facebook.com/ stelizabethcatholicchurch

Jazz Festival Website:

https://stejazzfestival.com/

St. Elizabeth is a busy parish.

Don't miss out. Every week, you can receive an email with the announcements you hear at church and read in the bulletin. Get the latest news delivered to your inbox. To sign up, go online to bit.ly/STECC_Bulletin