

February 18th, 2024

Last Sunday's Collections

Envelopes: \$1,715.00

Loose: \$164.00

E-Giving: \$1,757.00

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

Mass Intentions:

Dominic Romanello and

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

Next Sunday's Readings:

First Reading:

Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalm 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19.

Second Reading:

Romans 8:31b-34

Gospel:

Mark 9:2-10

www.usccb.org

E-giving:

Stelizcc.churchgiving.com/

On Sunday, and every other day too!

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Rosary:

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

Greetings,

FR. JIM'S JOTS

We are now in the special liturgical season of Lent. A time of prayer, fasting, and alms giving. I am challenging all to have this be a special time of Prayer.

I believe we are living in challenging times, times of division of a national and global nature. The Church in its wisdom, calls us to love one another and to be peacemakers. We are asked to do acts of penance, to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, and to abstain from meat on the Fridays of Lent.

I hope that you will consider attending the Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 6pm and enjoy a simple meal with us before the Stations at 5pm in the Parish Hall or attending one of our weekday Masses on Wednesdays or Fridays. On March 23rd we will have a Lenten Retreat led by Sr. Anns James with a communal Reconciliation service to follow. More details will be shared in the next coming weeks.

Spend some time before the Blessed Sacrament; we have Benediction after the 12pm Mass every first Friday of the month, the next Friday being March 1st.

Our country and world need our prayers. Please make this Lent a special journey to walk in the footsteps of Jesus the Prince of Peace.

Blessings to you and yours,

Fr. Jim, Pastor

BLACK HISTORY MONTH EVENTS

Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament - On February 25th at the 10am Mass the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament will speak on the work they do and their foundress St. Kathrine Drexel. Katharine Drexel (1858-1955) was a philanthropist, religious sister, and educator. In 1891, she founded the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, a religious order serving Black and Indigenous Americans.

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.

EUCCHARISTIC REFLECTIONS

As we continue our parish Eucharistic revival, we are invited to reflect on paragraph 9 from "The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church", a USCCB document:

Sin is an offense against God, a failure to love God and our neighbor that wounds our nature and injures human solidarity. The capabilities, talents, and gifts we have received from God are meant to be used for good—not the false and illusory good that we in our self-centered desire create for ourselves, but the true good that glorifies the Father of goodness and is directed for the good of others and, in the end, is also good for us. Without the grace of Christ received at Baptism, strengthened in Confirmation, and nourished by the Eucharist, this selfishness dominates us.



Christ, you who knew the lure of temptation, draw us by your love to true freedom as God's beloved daughters and sons.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR SICK & HOMEBOUND: Eva Chiles, Hannah Schooler, Petra Thompson, Sr. Beulah Martin SBS., Mary Ann Allen, Jennifer Soistman, Mike Anderson, Marie Masse, 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: religiously@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

LENT SCHEDULE



Stations of the Cross

Stations of Cross take place in the church and will be on every Friday of Lent (except Good Friday) from 5pm-6pm. Every week, stations will be led by a different Church ministry/group so Stations will be different every time. On Good Friday, Stations will be at 12pm.

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS



Breakfast with the AOH - Please join us after 10am Mass on February 18th in the Parish Hall for breakfast provided by the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

Coffee and Doughnuts - Please join us after both Masses on February 25th in the Parish Hall for coffee and doughnuts.



RISC's Issue Committee Night on Monday, February 19, is canceled. All members are instead urged to attend the Rally on February 27 at 7:00pm. Location to be announced soon.

At the rally, we will be discussing our "asks" of public leaders which will take place at our annual NEHEMIAH ACTION on TUESDAY, MARCH 19th, 6:30pm at St. Paul's Baptist Church, 4247 Creighton Rd. 23223.

2023 END OF YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

End of Year Statements for your taxes have been sent. If you give online, please check your email. We had a technological issue with the subject line of the email, so if it reads 2022 in the subject line, the contents will still be for 2023. If you give in any way other than E-Giving your statement has been mailed to you and you should receive it within the next week. If there is any issue with your statement, please email Eva, Office Manager, evabalkarli@stelizcc.org



St. Elizabeth members waiting for start of the Sanctuary Rd opera at the Carpenter Center on February 11th.



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

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Stelizabethcc.blogspot.com

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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