

**February 25th, 2024**

**Last Sunday's Collections**

E-Giving: \$1,770  
Thank you for contributing to the well-being of our parish!

**Mass Intentions:**

**Helen O'Connor and Anna Adams** *If you would like a Mass intention for your loved one, contact the parish office.*

**Next Sunday's Readings:**

First Reading:  
Exodus 20:1-17  
Responsorial Psalm:  
Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11  
Second Reading:  
1 Corinthians 1:22-25  
Gospel:  
John 2:13-25  
[www.usccb.org](http://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,

This Friday, March 1st, we will have Mass at 12pm and an hour of Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. In this special season of Lent, I invite all of you to attend this special hour of prayer and meditation with Our Lord. It is important that we challenge ourselves to acts of prayer and kindness during these days leading up to Easter as we navigate such a tumultuous world.

On every Friday at 6pm we have Stations of the Cross in the Church. This Friday's Stations are led by our Haiti Ministry with a special meal beforehand.

On March 23rd, we will have a Lenten Retreat led by Sr. Anns James and a communal Reconciliation service to follow at 12p. We will have 5 priests, including myself, from around the diocese to hear confessions. As Catholics, one of our wonderful gifts from God, Our Father, is the Sacrament of Reconciliation. I encourage you to attend both the retreat and the Reconciliation Service that weekend leading up to Palm Sunday and Holy Week. There is a flyer in this bulletin and more details will be shared in next week's bulletin.

I would like to thank everyone who has contributed to our 2024 Annual Appeal through your generous donations and prayers. If you have yet to make your contribution to our appeal goal, please scan the QR code in this bulletin or the link in our E-Bulletin to give online. Extra envelopes for the appeal can be gotten from an usher after any Mass on weekends or throughout the week or by visiting the Parish Office.

I would like to say a special thank you to the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament who are attending our 10am Mass to speak about their foundress, St. Katherine Drexel and the work of their order.

**Blessings to you and yours,**  
Fr. Jim, Pastor

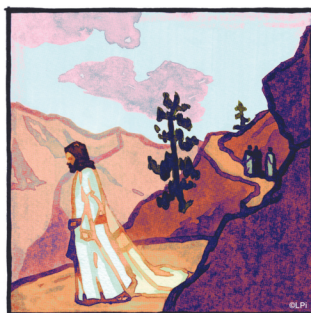
**EUCCHARISTIC REFLECTIONS**

As we continue our parish Eucharistic revival, let us reflect on paragraphs 13 and 14 from "The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church", a USCCB document:

"In the words and gestures of the Last Supper, Jesus makes it clear that out of love for us he is freely offering his life for the forgiveness of our sins. In doing so, he is both the priest offering a sacrifice and the victim being offered. [...] As a memorial the Eucharist is the way by which we are drawn into Jesus' perfect offering of love, so that his sacrifice becomes the sacrifice of the Church."



*Lord Jesus, moved by your self-offering, may we give of ourselves without reserve for the healing of every division among us.*



Mark 9:2-10

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

**Holy Week Schedule**

Holy Thursday, March 28th at 7pm - Good Friday, March 29th at 7pm -  
Easter Vigil, March 30th at 7pm - Easter Sunday, March 31st at 8:30pm and 10am.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS**

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



**Liturgical Ministers Retreat** - Saturday, March 16th from 1pm to 3pm. Deacon Chris Barrett and Anne Gibbons will lead a liturgical ministers retreat for Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. All lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, and anyone interested in serving in these ministries are invited to attend. This retreat will be held in the church (not the parish hall).

**JAZZ FEST** Our 14th Annual Jazz & Food Festival will be on Saturday June 22nd, 2024



RISC's members are urged to attend the Rally on February 27 at 7:00pm at Second Baptist Church, Branches Shopping Center, 3300 Broad Rock Blvd, Richmond, VA 23224

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.

Richmonders Involved to Strengthen Our Communities is an organization made up of congregations throughout Richmond, Henrico and Chesterfield. Founded in 2002, we use the power of large numbers of organized people to solve critical community problems. We are not a direct service provider, we are grass roots, direct action, multi-issue organization.

**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:**

Hours: Tues-Fri, 1-4pm  
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**Parish Website:**

[www.stelizcc.org](http://www.stelizcc.org)

**Parish Blog:**

[Stelizabethcc.blogspot.com](http://Stelizabethcc.blogspot.com)

**Check Us Out on Facebook:**

Like us on: [facebook.com/stelizabethcatholicchurch](https://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](https://bit.ly/STECC_Bulletin)