

March 10th, 2024

Last Sunday's Collections

Envelopes: \$2,220
Loose: \$769
E-Giving: \$3,545
Thank you for contributing to the well-being of our parish!

Mass Intentions:
Darren Burnett and Phyllis Booth. *If you would like a Mass intention for your loved one, contact the parish office.*

Next Sunday's Readings:

First Reading:
Jeremiah 31:31-34
Responsorial Psalm:
Psalm 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15
Second Reading:
Hebrews 5:7-9
Gospel:
John 12:20-33
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 Sunday we will have a second collection for Catholic Relief Services. For the past two years we have applied for a grant from CRS Rice Bowl and have received the grant money from them. more information and a link to give online can be found underneath my jot. Please consider supporting this second collection.

We only have 3 Station of the Cross sessions left this Lent. Next week our Stations will be led by our Justice Ministry with a focus on care of creation. Reflecting on the sufferings of Jesus at each station, we raise the Cross of Christ to remind us that the Earth belongs to God, and we ask for strength and unity to care for God's creation. Please join us for this powerful experience of prayer and meditation.

On Saturday, March 16th from 10am-12pm. Please join us to help clean up the church in preparation of Holy Week and Easter. All hands on-deck are needed!!

On March 23rd, we will have a Lenten Retreat led by Sr. Anns James and a communal Reconciliation service to follow at 12pm. There are more details about this retreat on the third page of this bulletin. At the Reconciliation Service, 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.

I would like to thank everyone who has contributed to our 2024 Annual Appeal through your generous donations and prayers. Details on how we are currently doing for the Appeal are on the second page of this bulletin. We have made 81% of our 2024 goal. 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.

Blessings to you and yours,
Fr. Jim, Pastor



This week we take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection to reveal Christ's love to our brothers and sisters in need. This collection makes grants to six Catholic agencies that provide relief and support for struggling communities and work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters, both here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

EUCCHARISTIC REFLECTIONS

As we continue the year of parish Eucharistic revival, let us reflect on paragraph 28 from The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church, a USCCB document: 'St. John Paul II, writing of Sunday as "a day which is at the very heart of the Christian life," asserts, "Time given to Christ is never time lost, but is rather time gained, so that our relationships and indeed our whole life may become more profoundly human." To worship God on Sundays, then, is not the mere observance of a rule but the fulfillment of our identity, of who we are as members of the Body of Christ. Participation in the Mass is an act of love.'



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



Palm Sunday Masses will be Sunday, March 24th at 8:30am and 10:00am.



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 8:30am* and 10am

*There will be no music at the 8:30am Easter Sunday Mass, the choir will be present for the 10am Mass.

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

Church Clean-Up - Saturday, March 16th from 10am-12pm. Please join us to help clean up the church in preparation of Holy Week and Easter. You do not need to stay for all 2 hours, any help is appreciated. Please bring any cleaning supplies with you, if you are able.

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).



Chrism Mass. - As we approach Holy Week, please see the see the information below regarding the celebration of the Chrism Mass that will take place on **Monday, March 25, 2024, at 6:00 PM at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart.**

This is a unique opportunity to gather with Bishop Knestout and the priests of the diocese as they renew their priestly promises, expressing their union and communion in Christ with all the faithful in the life of the Church. In addition, at this Mass, the Holy Oils are blessed and consecrated for use in the celebration of the sacraments and sacramentals of the Church (the Oil of Catechumens, the Oil of the Sick, the Sacred Chrism). If you would like to attend, please take a parking pass that can be found in the back of church for free parking downtown. Or you can contact our Office Manager, Eva (evabalkarli@stelizcc.org) for a digital copy.

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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804-329-4599

Parish Website:

www.stelizcc.org

Parish Blog:

Stelizabetchcc.blogspot.com

Check Us Out on Facebook:

Like us on: facebook.com/stelizabetchcatholicchurch

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