

March 24th, 2024

Last Sunday's Collections

Envelopes: \$2,052
Loose: \$2,291

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

Mass Intentions:

James M. Arsenault Sr. and Ethel Cooley. *If you would like a Mass intention for your loved one, contact the parish office.*

Next Sunday's Readings:

Acts of the Apostles 10:34a, 37-43
Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23
Colossian 3:1-4
John 20:1-9

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/032424.cfm>

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,

Jesus' entry into Jerusalem manifested the coming of the kingdom that the King-Messiah was going to accomplish by the Passover of his Death and Resurrection. It is with the celebration of that entry on Palm Sunday that the Church's liturgy solemnly opens Holy Week. Holy Week, particularly Christ's Passion and Death, is a great reminder of God's Love for humanity. The period beginning with the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday evening to our Easter celebrations is referred to as the Sacred Triduum. Please join us for the following schedule as we celebrate this most Holy of Weeks.

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday, March 28th

Mass at 7pm

Good Friday, March 29th

Stations of the Cross at 12pm

Service at 7pm

Easter Vigil, March 30th

Confessions from 11am -12pm

Vigil Mass at 7pm

Easter Sunday, March 31st

Masses at 8:30am* and 10am

**There will be instrumental only music to accompany the 8:30am Mass.*

Prayer for Preparing Ourselves for Holy Week:

Lord, my Shepherd, my Stronghold, and my Refuge. Take me under your wing, O Lord, and let me know that you do not reject me as long as I keep asking you to forgive me. Perhaps my doubt in your forgiveness is a greater sin than the sins I consider too great to be forgiven. Perhaps I make myself too important, too great when I think that I cannot be embraced by you anymore. Lord, look at me, accept my prayer as you accepted Peter's prayer, and let me not run away from you in the night as Judas did. Bless me Lord, in this Holy Week, and give me the grace to know your loving presence more intimately. Amen.

Blessings,

Fr. Jim, Pastor

Information on Holy Week derived ewtn.com

EUCCHARISTIC REFLECTIONS

In the year of parish Eucharistic revival, and as we begin Holy Week, let us reflect on the words of the saintly bishop and 'martyr for justice', Oscar Romero:

"May this Body immolated and this Blood sacrificed for humankind nourish us also, that we may give our body and our blood over to suffering and pain, like Christ — not for self, but to give harvests of peace and justice to our People." (Words of St. Oscar Romero, archbishop of San Salvador, seconds before a gunshot pierced his heart as he prepared to consecrate the Eucharist, on March 24, 1980.)



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, Heng Rui Wang, Gabriela Morales-Wang, 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

LENT SCHEDULE


Stations of the Cross

On Good Friday, Stations will be at 12pm.

Confessions

On Holy Saturday, we will have confessions in the church from 11am-12pm.

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Good Friday, March 29th at 7pm
Easter Vigil, March 30th at 7pm
Easter Sunday, March 31st at 8:30am* and 10am
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 **Chrism Mass.** – As we approach Holy Week, please 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.

Save the Date
Update: 2024 Jazz Festival
We will be returning to our usual date for the Jazz Festival as there was a schedule conflict with another Richmond festival on the same day. This event was announced shortly after we made the change to the Jazz Fest date. **The 2024 Jazz Festival will be on August 3rd, 2024.** For questions, please contact the office.

You're Invited!
On May 12th, after the 10am Mass, save the date for the celebration of Sr. Mary Mwangi's 30th Anniversary of her profession of religious vows to the Sisterhood. More details will be shared soon!



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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www.stelizcc.org

Parish Blog:

Stelizabethcc.blogspot.com

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