

March 3rd, 2024

Last Sunday's Collections

Envelopes: \$1,315
E-Giving: \$1,958
Thank you for contributing to the well-being of our parish!

Mass Intentions:
Shelton Jones, Msgr. Daniel J. Trapp, and Darren Burnette *If you would like a Mass intention for your loved one, contact the parish office.*

Next Sunday's Readings:

First Reading:
Exodus 17:3-7
Responsorial Psalm:
Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9
Second Reading:
Romans 5:1-2, 5-8
Gospel:
John 4:5-42
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, I am returning from my retreat. I expect to be back to in Richmond on Monday. In my absence, I thank Msgr. Walter Barrett for being here to celebrate Masses this Sunday,

Next Sunday we will have a second collection for Catholic Relief Services. For the past two years we have applied to a grant from CRS Rice Bowl and have received the grant money from them. Please consider supporting this second collection.

On every Friday at 6pm we have Stations of the Cross in the Church. If you haven't attended Stations yet, I encourage you to try to attend one over the next three weeks. Please join us for this powerful experience of prayer and meditation.

On March 23rd, we will have a Lenten Retreat led by Sr. Anns James and a communal Reconciliation service to follow at 12p. There are more details about this retreat in the E-Bulletin this weekend. 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. 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.

Blessings to you and yours,
Fr. Jim, Pastor

EUCCHARISTIC REFLECTIONS

As we continue the year of parish Eucharistic revival, let us reflect on paragraphs 21 and 22 from "The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church", a USCCB document:

"The reality that, in the Eucharist, bread and wine become the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Christ without ceasing to appear as bread and wine to our five senses is one of the central mysteries of the Catholic faith. When the Eucharist is distributed and the minister says, "the Body of Christ," we are to look not simply at what is before our eyes, but at what it has become by the words of Christ and the gift of the Holy Spirit—the Body of Christ. Our response of "Amen" is a profession of faith in the Real Presence of Christ and reflects the intimate personal encounter with him, with his gift of self, that comes through reception of Holy Communion."

The best way to economize time is to 'lose' half an hour each day attending Holy Mass - Blessed Frédéric Ozanam, founder, Society of St. Vincent de Paul



CULTURAL AWARENESS

Discussing Culture through the lens of the Synodal Principles with the Office for Black Catholics at the Diocese of Richmond. The evening will commence with a brief reflection and followed by group discussions on how the synodal principles of communion, participation, and mission helps us manage the challenges of diversity. At the Pastoral Center (7800 Carousel Ln. Richmond, VA 23294, March 15th, 6pm-8pm.

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.

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

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).

Youth Photography Workshop - If youth (ages 14-19) and any young adults are interested in attending a photography workshop, please email office@stelizcc.org. Please bring your own phone with a camera or your own camera. March 9th, 10:30-12:30 in the Parish Hall. We have 5 spots available. This event is in collaboration with the youth group at Holy Rosary Catholic Church.



Our RISC Nehemiah Action, is on March 19th (6:30 PM, St. Paul's Baptist Church, 4247 Creighton Rd, Richmond VA 23223).

This is the most important RISC gathering of the year! This is when we hold specific local officials accountable for their specific actions in serving justice in our communities.

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
Office@stelizcc.org
804-329-4599

Parish Website:

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