

WELCOME TO ST. ELIZABETH

We Invite You To Join Us Often!

PRAYER FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY:

Almighty, eternal God, You Who have created and redeemed us, graciously look upon our needs, and agree to receive with kindness and favor the Sacrifice of the Saving Victim, which we offer in the sight of Your Divine majesty, in honor of the Name of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, that, with Your grace being poured out upon us, we too may have the joy of seeing our names written in heaven, under the glorious Name of Jesus, the sign of eternal predestination. Through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.

(January is traditionally dedicated to the Most Holy Name of Jesus.)

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

January 13, 2019

PARISH DIRECTORY

MAIN
877-3300

Dial the following extensions at any time during the message

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PARISH LEADERSHIP

Finance Council	Charlotte Charbonnier
School Board	Jaime Pamatot
Parent/Teacher Org	Natasha Reidl
Ladies Sodality	Tammi Mooshegian
Holy Name Men's Club	Rob Hutson
Men at Prayer	Tom Cholevik
Funeral Dinners	Pam Ames
Athletic Director	Dustin Brewer
Maintenance Team	Bud Charbonnier

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, January 13 - PSR Class at 9:00 a.m. at School; *and* 5th-8th Grade Youth Group from 11:30-1:00 p.m. in Harmony Room; *and* No Choir Practice
Thursday, January 17 - RCIA Class at 6:30pm in PLC
Sunday, January 20 - PSR Class at 9:00a.m. at School; *and* Choir Practice at 6:30 p.m.; *and* Men's Club Membership Drive at 1:30pm in the Cafeteria
Monday, January 21 - Parish Office Closed

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LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS

LITURGICAL ROLES

January 19 & 20

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

4:30 p.m.	J. Hutson, C. Kessler, V. Schaus, R. Schaus, M. Black, L. Black, V. Drennan
8:00 a.m.	E. & D. Mooshegian, D. Wright, J. Pamatot, M. Loftus, B. Loftus, M. Williams
10:30 a.m.	T. Mooshegian, S. Poiter, M. Poiter, T. Cholevik, S. Dombek, M. & K. Boschert

LECTORS:

4:30 p.m.	J. Mills
8:00 a.m.	M. Groboski
10:30 a.m.	M. Gensert

SERVERS:

4:30 p.m.	R. Curry, L. Curry, M. Borrer
8:00 a.m.	M. Pamatot, M. Pamatot, B. Babilliss
10:30 a.m.	G. Hale, B. Forister, C. Pyles

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Monday, January 14

NO MASS

Tuesday, January 15

8:15 a.m.	Mary Danheiser by Family
10:00 a.m.	Mass at Stearns Nursing & Rehab Center

Wednesday, January 16

8:15 a.m.	Belinda Holder by Richard & Janice Willaredt
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Thursday, January 17

8:15 a.m.	Mary Trunk by James Ridenour
ADORATION 9am-Noon & 3-9 pm	

Friday, January 18

8:15 a.m.	Janet Fineshriber by Jim & Helen Lorden
3:00 p.m.	Chaplet, Rosary, Prayers for World Peace

Saturday, January 19

8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
4:30 p.m.	Marlen Perkins

Sunday, January 20 - SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 a.m.	Jean Zotti by Carol & Claude Kessler
10:30 a.m.	Parishioners of St. Elizabeth Parish Family

Liturgical Schedule at Holy Family & St. Mary/St. Mark's

for January 14-18 - Monday - No Mass, Tuesday - 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mary's, Wednesday - 8:00 a.m. Mass, Thursday - No Mass and Friday - 8:30 a.m. Mass at School

Greeter's Schedule for January 19 & 20

4:30 p.m.	Team 3
8:00 a.m.	Team 3
10:30 a.m.	Team 3

FATHER EDGAR'S CORNER

Dear Parish Family,

Merry Christmas – one last time! Today, The Baptism of the Lord, the Church concludes the Liturgical Season of Christmas and goes back to Ordinary Time (green) on Monday. Some cultures continue to celebrate all the way to the 40th day – February 2nd – known as the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple or Candlemas. We will bless candles before the 1st Saturday Mass around 8:10 a.m. on Feb. 2 this year. Our Nativity scene and as many poinsettias as are still living will also remain in the Church the entire 40 days. The other Christmas decorations will come down this week. We've receive a lot of compliments from visitors and parishioners on our Church decorations. Again a big thanks to Gail Gargac and her crew for their beautiful work!

This weekend we resume youth group for our 5th-8th grade students after 10:30 Mass. The remaining dates are Jan. 13 & 27, Feb. 10, March 10 & 24, April 14 & 28. Confirmation with Bishop Paprocki on May 13th will be here before you know it! Even though confirmation will shift to lower grades next year, we will still have a 5th-8th youth group and will continue to build closer ties with GC Rock, our High School group. One of the great ways those bonds are already forming was some of our 8th graders participating in their recent lock-in. I'll post a picture below of the group of St. E & Holy Family kids who took part. Thanks to Rita, Woody, Dawn, and all the parents who make it possible and supported this time of fun and fellowship. I can't stress enough that I wouldn't be a priest today if it weren't for my youth group at Mother of Dolors in Vandalia that I joined in 6th grade. Having that group of friends had a huge impact on my faith and on those 7 critical years of "growing up." It is extremely important to me that we provide that opportunity for our PSR and grade school students here starting with 5th grade, regardless of when or how sacramental preparation is taking place.

One of my best youth group memories were my first 2 trips to Washington, DC in January of 2000 and 2001 as a high school freshman and Sophomore. Being with over 6,000 people at Mass the night before the March at Our Lady's Shrine and being with over 500,000 people of all faiths to march down Constitution Ave. to give a voice to the voiceless had a deep impact on me. (A side memory from 2000 was waiting for Mass in the National Basilica on Jan. 21 and learning that the Rams had beat Tampa Bay 11-5 in the NFC Title game to go to the Super Bowl!)

Please pray for all our young people headed to DC – there are 6 buses just from the southern part of our diocese alone! May Life be Victorious! They leave this Wednesday. We will have a special Mass at St. E's to mark the Roe vs. Wade anniversary at 6:30 p.m. on

Tuesday, January 22nd. That will be our only Mass that day – none in the morning. This will be the same penitential Mass that Bishop Paprocki will celebrate at St. Peter's on Capitol Hill will all our diocesan pilgrims on the 18th before the March.

Do also keep in prayer our wonderful Men's Club during this month of January – the Month of the Holy Name of Jesus. Their membership drive (and the annual watching of the NFC and AFC Championship games in the St. E cafeteria begins at 1:30 on Sunday the 20th).

Have a blessed week!

~ Father Edgar



GC Rock was "Locked-In" for a night of great fellowship, loads of fun, and their own homemade pizza! 8th Graders were invited to spend the first 3 hours of the evening. Thank you all for supporting our youth!

RIGHT TO LIFE

"When we encounter Christ, experience his love, and deepen our relationship with him, we become more aware of our own worth and that of others. His love for each person is cause for great joy, and growing understanding of this priceless treasure motivates us to share his love with others."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "How to Build a Culture of Life," www.usccb.org/culture-of-life

PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY

Antonio Chacon-Mendoza, IL; Lee Brown, Fort Hood, TX; Raymond Chant, Jr., Afghanistan; Arron Gray, Colorado; Pvt. Damien Mendoza, Ft. Benning, GA, James Schillinger, San Diego; Britney Stieglitz, Oujonbou, South Korea, Brandon Weidner, Kittery, ME; Dylan Niles, Lackland AFB, TX, Nolan Yehling, New Mexico, Justin Niles, Keesler AFB, MS

CATECHISM CORNER

This section is meant to serve as a "Did You Know" or "Frequently Asked Questions" blurb about the faith.

Today's question is: *Why do we stand for the Gospel?*

For most prayers during the Mass, Catholics stand. Standing has been the proper posture for prayer since before the time of Christ. By standing, we carry on this tradition, and highlight the importance of our prayers. Something is happening that is worth our attention.

We stand, likewise, to show reverence and respect to Jesus, who is present in the person of the priest, and to whom we pray. This is the same reason why we stand in the presence of dignitaries and important people. Who, after all, is more important than our God and King?

When the priest or deacon reads from the Gospels, he reads the *very words of God*. So, we stand, rising from our *base position* of worship to mark the importance of this event. To acknowledge that, seriously folks, this is what *God said*. And that's fairly profound.

During this encounter with the Word of God we also make a small cross with our thumb on our forehead, lips, and over our hearts to ask God to help His Word dwell in our minds, on our lips, and in our heart.

In the Old Testament Book of Nehemiah (8:5) we see that when Ezra was going to read publicly from the scroll of the Law, all the people stood! "*And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people; (for he was up above all the people;) and when he opened it, all the people rose.*"

Once the priest finishes the Gospel reading he'll kiss the Gospel, again to show reverence and respect for the very Words of God, and then begin his homily. Like the first two readings during Mass, we sit during the homily, listen and learn. We synthesize what we heard from the first two readings with what we heard in the Gospel proclamation and what the priest or deacon is now expounding upon.

Following the priest or deacon's homily we rise again, this time to recite our Profession of Faith which takes the form of the ancient Christian creeds—usually the Nicene Creed. During the Creed we make a profound bow to acknowledge the Incarnation of Christ in our human flesh.

Read more at:

<https://www.patheos.com/blogs/albertlittle/why-catholics-sit-stand-and-kneel-at-mass/>

PRIDE OF OUR SCHOOL

Wow! Amazing! Uplifting! Funny! Fantastic! Energetic! Dynamic! Fredbird and retired Cardinals player, Brad Thompson, visited the school on Monday for an assembly on Teamwork. It was an awesome way to get the 2nd semester started. Fredbird commented that our school

looked amazing, our staff was welcoming and our students were very well behaved. We thank the Police department, the Advantage, and our families for coming and enjoying the program with us.

Honor Roll – Congratulations to the following students for achieving honor roll for 2nd quarter: Evan Brewer, Toby Clements, Cecilia Corbett, Lauren Hand, Morgan Hayes, Caden Kohl, Emily Lievens, Lily Meyenburg, Mason Roseman, Max Woolen, Kalei Cline, Gracelyn Ratchford, John Williams, Meaghan Pamatot, Siena Strehl, Gwyn Hale, Katie Hand, Lauren Jones, Nolan Melton and Isa Wilmsmeyer.

PARISH NEWS

OUR SYMPATHY - to the family and friends of Gayle Carr who was buried from our parish on Saturday, January 12, and of Jean Williams whose funeral Mass will be at 2 p.m. on Thursday, January 17 with one hour of visitation preceding. May they rest in peace and rise in glory!

MEN'S CLUB MEMBERSHIP DRIVE – Watch the AFC & NFC Championship Game on Sunday, January 20 in the school cafeteria. Doors open at 1:30 p.m. Chili Cook-off. Bring a pot of chili. Other food and drink will be provided. If you are bringing a pot of chili to enter into the chili cook-off, please call Rob Hutson at 973-5459.

MEN'S CLUB BREAKFAST – All You Can Eat Breakfast (Pancakes, biscuits and gravy, scrambled eggs, sausage links, hash brown patties, coffee, milk and orange drink on Sunday, January 27th from 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Proceeds will go to GC Rock Youth Group.

GC ROCK NEWS

CALLING ALL HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH! GC Rock is for YOU!

ALL high school youth are welcome!

Sunday, January 13 – Gathering St Elizabeth 6:30-8pm. MOSAIC Baby Bottle Campaign begins in all churches.

Wednesday, Jan. 16 – Meet for March for Life Pilgrimage after school!

March for Life, Friday, Jan. 18. Return home Sunday morning, January 20. No Gathering

Sunday, January 27 – GC ROCK PANCAKE BREAKFAST at St. Elizabeth Cafeteria 8:30-12:30. All hands needed to serve. No Gathering.

Sunday, Feb. 3 – Gathering at Holy Family 6:30-8pm. Prepare Valentines for the area nursing homes.

Saturday, Feb 9 – Krispy Kreme Donut Sale at both Holy Family & St. Elizabeth.

Sunday, Feb 10 – Krispy Kreme Donut Sale! Then meet to hand out Valentines to residents at area nursing homes and out for lunch! NO Gathering.

Sunday, Feb 17 – Gathering at Holy Family 6:30-8pm
MOSAIC BABY BOTTLES FOR LIFE –To honor the Sanctity of Human Life Month in January, GC Rock will be helping Mosaic Pregnancy & Health Center with their baby bottle campaign. You may pick up a baby bottle in the back of church beginning Sunday, January 13th. Fill your bottle with change, bills, or a check to Mosaic and return the bottle to the container in the back of church. Thank you for participating in the Baby Bottle Campaign with us to celebrate the Sanctity of Human Life!

GC ROCK’S PILGRIMAGE TO THE MARCH FOR LIFE – GC Rock Youth Group and chaperones will be heading to Washington, DC this week for the 46th Annual March for Life. We will be the voice for all those who cannot speak, and unborn. If you are not journeying with us, please pray for the safety of all those travelling to the March for Life. Thank you!

WHAT IS EUCHARISTIC ADORATION?

Thursdays 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

First Friday/Saturday

9:00 am Friday through 8:00 am Saturday

We have come to do Him homage

These words, spoken by the Magi from the East as they searched for the Infant King, Jesus, resounds through the centuries to be echoed in the heart of every person who makes a visit to the Blessed Sacrament.

The presence of our Lord in the Eucharist is as real today as the Infant Jesus was to the Wise Men who sought Him following a star rising in the East.

As St. Pope Paul the II affirms in his encyclical on the relationship of the Eucharist to the Church “...the gaze of the Church is constantly turned to her Lord present in the Sacrament of the altar, in which she discovers the full manifestation of her boundless love.”

We are so privileged to have exposition for 12 hours each Thursday and 24 hours once a month where we can adore and praise our Eucharistic Lord. May your personal devotion to Jesus in this Sacrament of His Love bring you joy, peace, and continued growth in holiness.

7-8 p.m. Berta Milianis 12-1 a.m. JohnWaller

11-12 p.m. Norma Lesko 3-4 a.m. Turner Brooks

Each of the above hours could use another committed prayer partner. Consider forming a habit of prayerful adoration of our Eucharistic Lord on the first Friday of each month; just one hour a month in silent prayer. You will find a peace that you have not had before and your life will never be the same.

The scheduled adorers are guardians of the exposed Blessed Sacrament and their presence is important and

necessary. Please seriously consider making a firm commitment to one of the 12 hours **ONCE A WEEK on THURSDAY** or to one of the twenty four hours **ONCE A MONTH on FIRST FRIDAY/SATURDAY**. Come visit our God in the Holy Eucharist.

Thanks to all who have committed to praying before the Blessed Sacrament for one hour each Thursday and/or First Friday.

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

December 27

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Over/ (Short)</u>
Week 26 Regular Income	\$ 6,676.00		
163 Envelopes (Average Gift \$40.96)			
Loose	506.00		
Give Central	230.00		
TOTAL	\$ 7,412.00	\$ 8,592.00	(\$1,180.00)
YTD			
Total YTD	\$195,918.75	\$223,392.00	(\$27,473.25)

Weekly and YTD Goals were calculated based on our annual fiscal year budget submitted to the Diocese and is what is required to break even.

OTHER GIFTS

Tuition Assistance	60.00
Bldg. Repair/Maintenance	262.00
Christmas Offering	6,732.00
Christmas Flowers	70.00
Solemnity of Mary	25.00
Immaculate Conception	20.00
Special Projects	10.00
Candles	78.00
Catholic Children’s Home	1,400.00
Retired Religious	55.00

January 2

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Over/ (Short)</u>
Week 27 Regular Income	\$ 5,602.12		
162 Envelopes (Average Gift \$34.58)			
Loose	106.00		
Give Central	555.00		
TOTAL	\$ 6,263.12	\$ 8,592.00	(\$2,328.88)
YTD			
Total YTD	\$202,181.87	\$231,984.00	(\$29,802.13)

Weekly and YTD Goals were calculated based on our annual fiscal year budget submitted to the Diocese and is what is required to break even.

OTHER GIFTS

Tuition Assistance	550.00
Bldg. Repair/Maintenance	70.00
Christmas Offering	615.00
Solemnity of Mary	1,343.17
1 st Offering	370.00
Special Projects	35.00
Candles	287.01
Catholic Times	90.00
Catholic Children’s Home	137.00
Retired Religious	20.00
Church in Latin America	70.00

January 7

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Over/ (Short)</u>
Week 28 Regular Income	\$ 8,215.00		
181 Envelopes (Average Gift \$45.39)			
Loose	260.10		
Give Central	830.00		

TOTAL \$ 9,305.10 \$ 8,592.00 (\$ 713.10)

YTD

Total YTD \$211,486.87 \$240,576.00 (\$29,089.13)

Weekly and YTD Goals were calculated based on our annual fiscal year budget submitted to the Diocese and is what is required to break even.

OTHER GIFTS

Tuition Assistance	657.00
Annual Fund/Bingo Profit	11,000.00
Bldg. Repair/Maintenance	751.00
Christmas Offering	51.00
Christmas Flowers	21.00
Solemnity of Mary	253.00
Immaculate Conception	41.00
1 st Offering	705.00
Special Projects	26.00
Candles	152.00
Catholic Times	430.00
Catholic Children's Home	31.00
Retired Religious	11.00
Church in Latin America	35.00

SCRIP PROGRESS

Week ending 12/27/18

Shop n Save	Walmart	National
\$ 0.00	\$6,025.00	\$11,495.00

Total Sales: \$17,520.00

Year to Date:

Shop n Save	Walmart	National
\$49,625.00	\$119,350.00	\$150,480.00

TOTAL: \$319,455.00

APPROX. GROSS PROFIT TO DATE:	\$14,911.00
APPROX. CREDIT CARD FEES	(\$1,120.00)
APPROX. NET PROFIT TO DATE	\$13,791.00

Week ending 1/7/19

Walmart	National	Total Sales:
\$1,425.00	\$1,435.00	\$2,860.00

Year to Date:

Walmart	National	Total Sales to Date
\$1,425.00	\$1,435.00	\$2,860.00

APPROX. GROSS PROFIT TO DATE:	\$126.00
APPROX. CREDIT CARD FEES	(\$10.00)
APPROX. NET PROFIT TO DATE	\$116.00

ACSA 2018-19

Goal	\$50,340.00
Pledged	28,826.00
Pledge Payments	<u>20,666.00</u>
Balance Owed	\$29,674.00

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