



JULY 19, 2020



16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father." - Mt 13:43a

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.





Hopefully, you were able to meet our new associate pastor, Fr. Lukas Ouda, when he introduced himself after Communion at the Masses this weekend. He will write a bio about himself for next weekend's bulletin. Fr. Lukas is very kind and would probably love it if you introduced yourself when you see him. He has moved in physically, but let's make sure he feels right at home from the start!

The Archdiocese has announced the guidelines for the reopening of Catholic schools. Some of the Covid safety requirements for the children will be that all students and staff will wear masks throughout the day except when they eat lunch

in their classroom or are socially distanced outside. Dr. Kristine Hillmann has already been updating school families through the new school website: stelizabethtrinityschool.org and via email. The school also has a page in the bulletin so follow that as well. I know this will be hard to get used to, especially for younger students but the goal is everyone's safety as well as the kids getting back to school at the same time. We are hoping to set up the big party tents outside so that on nice days the kids can have some classes and lunches outside without masks. We will try to be creative but safe at the same time, all within the guidelines.

I am very pleased to present another new employee for a new role. Kathleen Driscoll will be the new Director of Children's Faith Formation. Kathleen is a certified teacher and will teach the $7^{th/} 8^{th}$ grade religion classes in the school (the confirmation years) and she will also run the Religious Ed. Program in the parish. The goal of this new role will be to unify the youth from RE and school in their confirmation years and after through even more service, social and faith-based activities which Mike Wuich will be helping with too. Kathleen also has a page in the bulletin going forward and has updates about registration and a FAQ. The Covid guidelines will be similar to those for the school's.

This new RE role was a bit ambitious and is also a fulltime job. The part-time DRE's of the merging parishes were not able to teach two religion classes every day on top of running the RE program along with their other commitments. Roy Hecker, Ron Mazzoni and Larry Cubalchini have been a blessing to their respective parishes and extremely helpful in this transition. In a special way I'd like to thank Larry Cubalchini for his eight years of dedicate service to St. Tarcissus Parish. Larry is hard-working, thoughtful and was always trying to find new ways to help our families get more engaged in the Faith. Please thank him for all of his Christ-centered care for your children and wish him well as he finishes his full-time studies at Loyola University.

This is quite a time of transition in the world and certainly in the parish as we attempt to unify temporally, socially, and most importantly spiritually in the Lord. This weekend we heard another powerful parable of the wheat and the "tares" when Jesus says that the Lord won't separate the evil weeds from the good wheat until the end of the world. So right now, the Kingdom of God on earth is a mixed bag, it isn't a perfect place whether in the Church or the world and Christ knows that. God didn't make this a fallen world, "an enemy has done this". The "tares" are weeds that look like wheat until the grains appear on the wheat but there are none on the tares because they are weeds and not wheat, they do not bear fruit. May we patiently endure the times we are in and build up the body of Christ.

Your brother in Christ,

Fr. Mike



WELCOME FR. LUKAS OUDA - ASSOCIATE PASTOR ST. ELIZABEH OF THE TRINITY PARISH

My name is Fr. Lukas Ouda, I was born in Kenya 41 years ago, I came to the USA ten years ago and joined Loyola University in 2010. A year later, I went to Mundelein Seminary for four years, got ordained in 2015, and assigned to Blessed Sacrament Parish Chicago as Associate Pastor for two years, and another two years as chaplain at the University of Chicago Medicine and Associate Pastor at St. Stanislaus Bishop and Martyr in Posen IL



I am the third born of a big family of ten, four sisters and five brothers, and I presume because of that, I am a people person who loves Christ and His church.

I am looking forward to share that love of Christ with the parishioners of St. Elizabeth of the Trinity. May God bless you all. Amen.

MASS SCHEDULE THROUGH MID AUGUSU

We will observe the following weekend Mass schedule during the month of July and through the middle of August at St. Tarcissus Church, which is part of St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish.

- the weekends of July 18/19, and 25/26 and August 1/2, 8/9 and 15/16 - Saturday Mass at 5:00 p.m. & Sunday Mass at 9:00 a.m.

All current protocols, such as the wearing of face masks and the need to pre-register, will remain in effect.

You may register online at:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BA8A923A0F58-weekend

If you do not have a computer you can call the rectory at 773 763-8228 to register.

• Weekday Masses are Monday through Friday at 8:30 a.m. Your name and phone number will be taken at the door.

- Confessions at the St. Tarcissus location are on Saturday afternoon between 3:30 and 4:30.
- The church is also open for private prayer on Tuesday between 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

Masses are still being offered at St. Cornelius, 5430 West Foster through August 16 on Sundays at 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. in English and 1:00 p.m. in Spanish. You can make reservations for these Masses by calling 773 283-5222

The final Masses at St. Thecla will be on August 15 at 4:00 p.m. and August 16 at 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.



ST. ELIZABETH of the Trinity

6040 West Ardmore Avenue Chicago, IL 60646 (773) 763-7080 K.Collins@StElizabethTrinitySchool.Org



"My God, Trinity whom I adore ... "



"Believe that He loves you. He wants to help you Himself in the struggles which you must undergo. Believe in His Love, His exceeding Love."

~St Elizabeth of the Trinity

Father Mike Answers Your Questions!

What is going on with our new Parish? Our new Pastor, Father Mike Grisolano, and Kathy Collins, Operations Director, with the help of the Unification Committee, have been working nonstop getting everything ready. As members of our new parish, you are the cornerstone upon which we will build a vibrant new community of worshippers and ministers of the Lord's work. Here are a few question and answers to help you understand more about what is happing.

Q. It is difficult to accept that my parish is closing. How will the legacies and identities of the three founding Parishes be incorporated at St Elizabeth of the Trinity?

A. It is important to note that all three parishes are closing. While the former St. Tarcissus site is where the new Parish will be located. St. Tarcissus Parish has also closed. The most important thing to remember is that we are one in Christ as Catholics. The people are the Church more than the buildings. That being said, we will include images/statues of all three founding patrons and other memorable or historical items from each parish. Fr. Dan and Fr. Greg may still visit and be available for weddings and funerals as needed and we expect the deacons from all three parishes to help in the transition. The buildings may change but we can include the best of all three parishes so that by God's grace,

St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish will be strong in the Lord.

Q. When will my current church close? What will happen to it? Will the new parish continue to use any of the facilities at the other locations?

A. The last regularly scheduled Masses for both St. Cornelius and St. Thecla are on the weekend of August 15th and 16th. The plan is to lease and/or sell the properties and gradually move all ministries and groups to the St. Elizabeth of the Trinity central campus. It is not impossible though that some restricted use of these other campuses could continue until the lease/sale. We will update you as soon as we know more.

Q. Will I be able to volunteer the way I did at my current parish?

A. Yes, we need and welcome all volunteers and want St. Elizabeth of the Trinity to be a vibrant parish with all involved. May we all be open to making new friends and working together to (continued...)

make our parish successful. More information to follow!

Q. I am currently a liturgical minister at my parish. How will this ministry be blended at the new parish?

A. We will be blending all liturgical ministers at St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish. There will be a Unification subcommittee in charge of liturgical ministers that will be guided by Jim Madura, Pastoral Minister. We welcome all parishioners to discern where the Lord is calling them to give back their gifts. Please contact the Parish if you would like to become a liturgical minister.

Q. I haven't heard anything about what the Religious Education program will look like.

A. The new Director of Children's Faith Formation, Kathleen O'Driscoll, will be sending out information about the religious education program soon. The goal is to have RE families attend the 9:00 a.m. family Mass on Sundays, followed by a more "traditional" classroom instructional setting shortly after mass. However, depending on the Covid 19 restrictions some amount of remote learning may happen this year. The Archdiocese will offer guidelines as needed.

Q. I have physical mobility challenges and am concerned about the accessibility. What parking options will exist and what stairs need to be traversed to get into the church and other buildings?

A. Directly behind the Church, off of Moody Ave., you will find handicap parking along with other spaces for your use. From there, you will find a handicap accessible ramp that leads into the Church. The convent across the street, on Ardmore Ave., will be converted into a parking lot, which will have two more handicap spaces with curb cut outs, for ease of access. The school, gym, and rectory have anywhere from two to eight steps to enter, but we are considering plans to have ramp access to the first floor of the school which has the much-used Auditorium and main school office.

Q. I really like the new logo for St. Elizabeth of the Trinity. Can you tell me more about the design?



A. Thanks to creativity and hard work of Colleen Stieve we have our parish logo! I had a small part to play with some of the symbols used and would like to describe their meaning. The goal was to have something dignified that would represent the parish and school well into the future. There was a rationale that went into each color and symbol.

The fluer-de-lis was chosen as a spacer on the sides of the crest for two reasons. Firstly, St. Elizabeth of the Trinity was born and raised in Dijon, France and the fluer-de-lis is emblematic of France, it historically being a Catholic country. Secondly, the fluer-de-lis is usually portrayed with three Lilly flowers bound together which is also used itself as a symbol for the Holy Trinity. So, this symbol seemed a natural fit for our new logo.

The shield was chosen to be in the background for two reasons. Firstly, St. Paul tells us, "**Take up the shield of faith**, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one" (Eph. 6:16). Faith is the theological virtue by which we believe everything that the Lord has revealed to us. Also, St. Elizabeth was nicknamed "little captain' as a child because of her strong will and personality, so the military imagery of the shield has a slight personal connection with our patroness as well.

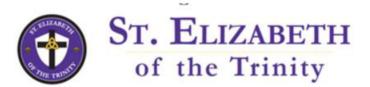
The cross is in the middle of the shield of faith because we are meant to have faith in Jesus Christ. At the heart of the cross is the main Trinitarian image, the "Trinity Knot". This symbol was chosen not so much for its Celtic origins but because it is so widely understood by its design and name as being a symbol for the Holy Trinity. The trinity symbol laid over the cross reminds us that we wouldn't know about the central mystery of faith - - that there is one God in three Persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit - - if Jesus Christ, the Son of God, hadn't come in the flesh and revealed it. Notice too that the only gold color used in the logo is reserved for the trinitarian images of the fluer-de-lis and especially the Trinity Knot in the center.

Why was the color purple chosen? I went through the school and asked students what color they would want for uniforms and jerseys and why. The majority of the children voted for purple and some explained a touching reason. They said that the former school colors of St. Cornelius (red) and St. Thecla (blue) make purple. And a child shall lead them! The kids are showing us how to be open hearted in this parish and school merger. Purple is also a liturgical color and one that is fairly unique for parishes and schools. Purple and gold are both traditionally connected with royalty and so are fitting for the Lord.

Hopefully, you like the new parish and school logo. As you can see, some thought went into its design. We tried to get as much feedback from people on it but due to time constraints with uniforms we couldn't do more extensive polling. The circle design of the logo allows for it to fit nicely on uniforms and the gym floor too.

My God bless us in this unification process.

Your brother in Christ, Fr. Mike





From the Principal

July 2020

As many of you are aware, St. Elizabeth and all Archdiocesan elementary schools WILL be opening in August! The staff and I are very excited to not only be welcoming your students back, but welcoming them to our new school – St. Elizabeth of the Trinity!

The Archdiocese released their Re-Opening guidelines last week to all principals, as well as a summary sheet to parents. I want to ensure you that we are going to do everything in our power to ensure that students are returning to a safe environment. I will be working diligently with staff and parents to accomplish our goals of reopening with the safety of staff and students in mind. I am also aware of the challenges posed with the re-opening guidelines, such as the wearing of masks. I do encourage you to practice with your students wearing them for an extended period of time, even if you have to start out small and gradually increase the time. I know that this will be difficult for our staff and students, so please rest assured that as a staff we are developing ways to help students wear their masks that will not inhibit their learning, such as a "mask break" for our younger students, outside six feet apart. In no way will this be an easy task, but we are committed to our students, their health, safety and education!

When the details of the St. Elizabeth plan have been finalized, I will be sharing them with you through School Messenger. I will also send bi-weekly updates once St. Elizabeth's School Messenger account is set up and we can access it. In the mean-time, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to me at :

<u>k.hillmann@stelizabethtrinityschool.org</u> (Don't forget the dot, nor the 2nd N in Hillmann!)

I cannot wait to meet all the students and families of St. Elizabeth and I wish you a wonderful rest of the summer!

Kristine Hillmann, Ed.D. Principal

> 6040 W. Ardmore Avenue Chicago, IL 60646 Phone : (773) 763-7080 Fax: (773) 775-3893

ST. ELIZABETH OF THE TRINITY PARISH 2020-21 RELIGIOUS ED PROGRAM



Dear Families of St. Elizabeth of the Trinity,

Welcome to the Religious Ed Program!

I would like to introduce myself as the Director of Children's Faith Formation here at St. Elizabeth of the Trinity. In addition to coordinating the religious ed program, I will be teaching the 7^{th} and 8^{th} grade religion classes in our school.

Having been in Catholic education for over twenty years, both as a teacher and administrator in schools and as a religious education program assistant director of a parish, I am excited to partner with you as you raise your children in the Catholic faith. Our Faith is so beautiful and profound that it should light up our whole life, giving us guidance, help, strength, spiritual joy, and protection. A Catholic is never alone for Christ walks with us each day of our lives! We want our children—your children—to have that security in their lives.

As we plan for the 2020-21 religious ed program year, I want you to know that St. Elizabeth of the Trinity is working closely with the Archdiocese of Chicago to safely reopen the religious ed program. Below you will find the tuition rates and fees for the upcoming year as well as information regarding registration. I encourage you to register as soon as possible and take advantage of the early bird discount that runs through August 31st.

We need a volunteer to help during the week with some religious ed program administrative tasks as well as a volunteer to assist in the religious ed program office on class days. If you are interested, please contact me at the parish office.

I very much look forward to meeting all of you in the coming weeks and months.

Let's pray for each other-and for the children of St. Elizabeth of the Trinity!

Faithfully yours,

Kathleen Driscoll Director of Children's Faith Formation

2020-2021 Tuition and Fees

<u>Tuition</u> 1st Child=\$200 Early Bird Tuition Discount for 1st child: \$175 if registered by August 31st.

Addition Siblings=\$75 per child

Sacrament Preparation Fees First Holy Communion=\$75 Confirmation=\$100

RELIGIOUS ED FAQs

Q. When will classes be held?

A. Religious education classes for students in 1st-8th grades will meet on Sundays from 10:00am-11:15am in the school building. Students and their families are encouraged to attend the 9am Mass prior to class.

- Q. When do religious ed classes begin?
- A. Classes will begin Sunday, September 20th.
- Q. When will registration begin?

A. Registration forms can also be found on the parish website or at the parish office. Registration forms will be sent to families who were in religious ed last year at St. Cornelius, St. Tarcissus and St. Thecla. Class assignments and the religious ed program calendar will be provided in August.

Q. With the current pandemic, will religious education classes meet face-to face?

A. Yes, students and teachers will be gathering for in person instruction beginning September 20th. In consultation with medical experts, the Archdiocese of Chicago has set forth a comprehensive reopening plan that follows the guidance of federal and state authorities. All students and catechists will be required to wear masks.

Q: What happens if there is a COVID-19 surge in greater Chicago and the state imposes more restrictions on schools?

A: If a COVID-19 surge occurs, we will work closely with state officials to determine whether we can continue face-to-face instruction (even on an alternate schedule). If necessary, we will return to at-home virtual instruction.





Hearing this Gospel, we can trust that God knows our love and good deeds, and that He will mercifully gather us into His kingdom. This week, please say a special prayer each day for those who are poor and forgotten in our parish.

During these difficult times is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the St Elizabeth of the Trinity Rectory office and leave a message for the St Vincent de Paul Society so that together we can bring peace to those who are hungry.



Mass Intentions for the Week

Watch St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Masses every day live on You Tube at 8:30 a.m. look for Fr. Mike Grisolano Broadcasts or watch at any time on parish website

SATURDAY, JULY 18, 2020

5:00 PM— Caitlin Cashman, Gilski & Ryjewski families, Rema Escobar (birthday)

SUNDAY, JULY 19, 2020

9:00 AM—(also livestreamed) Eileen & Jack Owen, Don Quinn, Maria Szemiot, Maryjo Pelley, Sheila Kerry (1st anniversary)

MONDAY, JULY 20, 2020

8:30 AM— Theresa C. Cichetti (4th anniversary)

TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2020

8:30 AM— for our parishioners

11:00 - 2:00 PM—church open for private prayer

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 2020

8:30 AM— for those on our memorial trees

THURSDAY, JULY 23, 2020

8:30 AM— for those on our memorial boards

FRIDAY, JULY 24, 2020

8:30 AM— for those in our prayer garden

SATURDAY, JULY 25, 2020

8:30 AM— (livestreamed only)

3:30 - 4:30—CONFESSION

5:00 PM— Dennis Gates, Gilski & Ryjewski families

SUNDAY, JULY 26, 2020

9:00 AM—(also livestreamed) Eileen & Jack Owen, Don Quinn, Tom McManus, Sarah & Joseph McGurk, Rosalie Abbinanti, Louis Gonsalves Presider Schedule - July 25 & 26

5:00 pm — Fr. McCarthy 9:00 am — Fr. Grisolano

DISPENSATION

Cardinal Cupich has continued the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass until further notice.

REST IN PEACE

Richard Zahn

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	16 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	St. Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr
Tuesday:	St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and
	Doctor of the Church
Wednesday:	St. Mary Magdalene
Thursday:	St. Bridget, Religious
Friday:	St. Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest
Saturday:	St. James, Apostle
Next Sunday:	17 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
©LPi	

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday:	Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15- 16 [5a]/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30
Monday:	Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 [23b]/Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday:	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8 [8a]/Mt 12:46-50
Wednesday:	Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3- 4, 5-6, 8-9 [2]/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Thursday:	Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Ps 36:6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11 [10a]/Mt 13:10-17
Friday:	Jer 3:14-17/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 [cf. 10d]/Mt 13:18-23
Saturday:	2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4 -5, 6 [5]/Mt 20:20-28
Next Sunday:	1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130 [97a]/Rom 8:28-30/ Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

ST. ELIZABETH OF THE TRINITY PARISH

6020 West Ardmore Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60646



PARISH STAFF

Pastor Rev. Michael Grisolano frmikeg@sttars.org, Ext 216

Associate Pastor Rev. Lukas Ouda

Pastor Emeritus Rev. Daniel P. McCarthy

Permanent Deacon Deacon Gregory Bzdon

Director of Parish Operations Mrs. Kathy Collins

Director of Children's Faith Formation Ms. Kathleen Driscoll

Pastoral Minister/ Office Manager/Bulletin Editor Mr. Jim Madura

Music Mr. Mark Wozniczka Mr. Michael Hawes

Adult Faith Formation Director Ms. Cathy Crino

Bookkeeper Ms. Donna Kay dkay@archchicago.org

School Principal Dr. Kristine Hillmann

Youth Activity Coordinator Mr. Mike Wuich

Rectory: 773-763-8228 **Fax:** 773-774-8461 **School:** 773-763-7080

SERVICES:

Weekend Mass Schedule: Saturday: 5:00 pm & Sunday: 9:00 am Daily Mass Schedule: Monday through Friday : 8:30 a.m. Confession: Saturday: 3:30 to 4:30 pm Private Prayer Tuesdays: 11:00 am to 2 pm

Rectory Hours—Monday - Friday: 9:00—5:00

Baptism:

Please contact Deacon Greg to make arrangements. gbzdon@sttars.org

Becoming a Catholic:

Would you like to learn more about what it means to be a Catholic? The church calls this process *The Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)*. It is a small group forum where interested people learn more about initiation and membership in the Catholic Church. Please call the parish office for more information.

Marriage:

Must be arranged six months prior to the ceremony. Please contact a priest to make arrangements.

Religious Education for Public School Students: Contact Kathleen Driscoll for more information.<u>st.tars_rep@yahoo.com</u>

Parish Registration: New parishioners are asked to register at the Rectory. Forms are also available on our website.

Communion Visits: Ministers of Care bring communions to those in need, contact Dorothy Weidman through the rectory, or one of the priests to make arrangements.

High School Youth Group: Contact Mr. Mike Wuich HEELSFINL4@AOL.COM

Bulletin Deadline: 12 Noon on Fridays (9 days prior to bulletin date)

"It seems to me that I have found my heaven on earth, because my heaven is You, my God, and You are in my soul. You in me, and I in You – may this be my motto." St. Eligabeth of the Trinity

BE A GIFT OF LOVE AND COMPASSION FOR ONE ANOTHER.

1 Cer

ST. MARY MACKILLOP