



ST. ELIZABETH of the Trinity



SUNDAY, JULY 12, 2020

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



“The seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold.” - Mt 13:23

From the Pastor's Desk



There are quite a few updates for this weekend. Starting Monday, July 13th, we will be opening the church for the morning Mass which will be at 8:30am, Monday thru Friday. Our maintenance staff will be able to sanitize the pews afterwards although we will restrict the number of pews available to make it easier. If the usual post-Mass rosary group still gathers, the church could be cleaned after that. God knows we need the Eucharist especially now so please come as you are able and feel safe. Whenever I have the morning Mass I will still livestream it for those who cannot attend.

Our new associate pastor has been announced and will begin moving in on Monday as well! His name is Fr. Lukas Ouda, he normally goes by Fr. Lukas. He is originally from Kenya, taught high school there and has been an associate pastor in the Archdiocese of Chicago for five years. He comes to us from the combined parishes of St. Barbara and St. Theresa Chinese Mission now called St. Mother Theresa of Calcutta Parish, on the south side. We will have a bio and more on Fr. Lukas soon, but I just found out and wanted to share more good news with you. Please welcome him when you see him!

Fr. Griffiths has written a note in the bulletin for you as he departs as our resident. While he is nearing retirement, he will keep working at the Marriage Tribunal downtown and has left a forwarding address. Hopefully, as we are gradually able to offer more Masses, he will be free to come and help with Sunday Masses. Be sure to thank him for his years of dedicated service to the parish and wish him well.

Over the next six to eight weeks the future parish staff will gradually start working from this site. While not everything is finalized, I am pleased to say that we were able to hire people from each of the three merging parishes and that anyone not able to be hired is either retiring, has another job lined up or is vesting themselves full-time in finishing a degree. Like with the school, not every person could be hired back by all three parishes but it is good to know that they are landing on their feet. We will be posting parish staff bios in the near future as is being done for the schoolteachers. The parish website is being created and will be up soon.

Parking: the diagonal Moody parking should be patched this week and painted/striped the following week, or so I was told by the city. The best bid for the convent demolition was selected and we will move forward rather quickly with demolition. The timeline for the engineering draft to be accepted by the city for the paving of the lot may take longer. I am expecting that we may not have an actual parking lot until the spring, but I will keep you posted...

It's good to be reminded of why any of these updates matter. In the Gospel this week, Jesus tells the now famous parable of the sower. While our hearts may have been hardened to the Lord's Word or choked by distractions, these times and this process has humbled us all. May our hearts be softened to the Lord and each other that we may truly unite as a people and as Catholic disciples of Jesus Christ. Weeds can be pulled, soft dirt can be put down and hard earth can be broken up to make the ground fertile...so too with our hearts.

Your brother in Christ,

Fr. Mike





In today's Gospel, we hear the story of the sower and we know that "some seed fell on rich soil, and produced fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirty fold."

This week by putting a gift in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box or via Faith Direct, know that together they will produce fruit a hundred fold.

During these difficult times is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the St Elizabeth of the Trinity Rectory (773 763-8228) and leave a message for the St Vincent de Paul Society so that together we can bring peace to those who are hungry.

JULY MASS SCHEDULE

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

- the weekends of July 11/12, 18/19 and 25/26 - 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 throughout July 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

Prayer During A Health Crisis

Compassionate and Loving Father,

In the face of confusion and concern impart to us the calm of your presence.

In You allow us to find hope and healing.

Be with those who serve the sick and give them Your caring hands.

Be with those who lead and give them Your Spirit of wisdom.

Be with those who have fallen ill and give them Your comforting heart.

Wrap your arms around our world and hold us in your love.

Allow us at this time of trial to then serve as instruments of that love to all we meet.

We ask this in Your Name. Amen.

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Welcome to our Parish Family



Ava Dorene, child of
Kurt & Melissa (Zabel) Brelie



Evan Tran child of
Eric & Ngoc (Thanh Tran) Liwanag

Father Griffiths Leaving St. Tarcissus / St. Elizabeth

Since coming to St. Tarcissus in 2012 at the invitation of Fr. Solazzo, I have enjoyed the people of the parish and their devotion to family and faith.

As St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish is born, I am resuming my full-time assignment at the Archdiocesan Tribunal, where I can be reached at:

835 N. Rush Street, Chicago, 60611 (312 534-8226).

Thank you for your many kindnesses over these years, and I will keep you in my prayers.

With Gratitude and Blessings,
Father John Griffiths

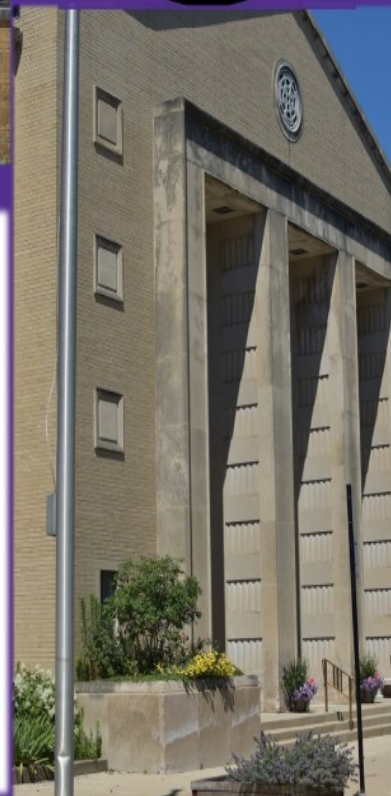
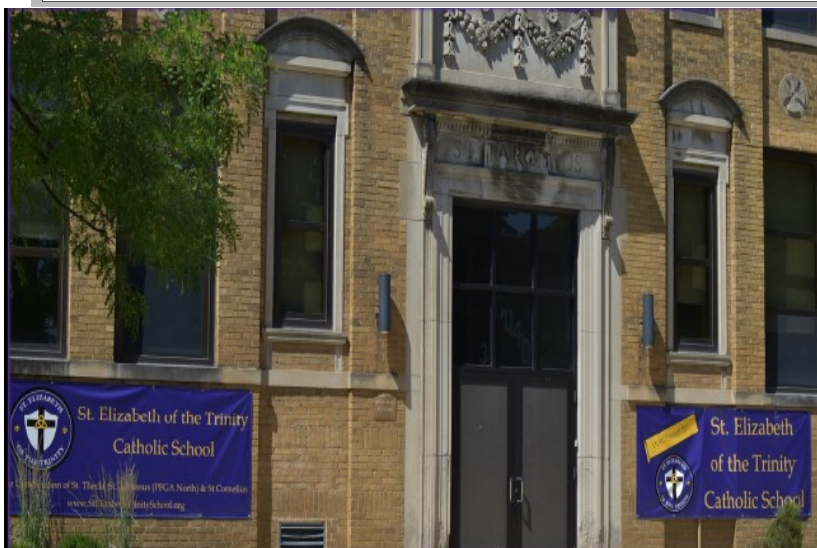
READINGS FOR MASS

Since we do not have the hymnals available and people can not follow the Readings as they are being proclaimed, some have asked where they might find them.

All daily and weekend Readings are available through the calendar on the right side of the homepage of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops - www.usccb.org



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A Prayer to the Holy Trinity by St. Elizabeth of the Trinity



O my God, Trinity whom I adore, help me to become utterly forgetful of myself so that I may establish myself in you, as changeless and calm as though my soul were already in eternity. Let nothing disturb my peace nor draw me forth from you, O my unchanging God, but at every moment may I penetrate more deeply into the depths of your mystery. Give peace to my soul; make it your heaven, your cherished dwelling-place and the place of your repose. Let me never leave you there alone, but keep me there, wholly attentive, wholly alert in my faith, wholly adoring and fully given up to your creative action.

O my beloved Christ, crucified for love, I long to be the bride of your heart. I long to cover you with glory, to love you even unto death! Yet I sense my powerlessness and beg you to clothe me with yourself. Identify my soul with all the movements of your soul, submerge me, overwhelm me, substitute yourself for me, so that my life may become a reflection of your life. Come into me as Adorer, as Redeemer and as Saviour.

O Eternal Word, utterance of my God, I want to spend my life listening to you, to become totally teachable so that I might learn all from you. Through all darkness, all emptiness, all powerlessness, I want to keep my eyes fixed on you and to remain under your great light. O my Beloved Star, so fascinate me that I may never be able to leave your radiance.

O Consuming Fire, Spirit of Love, overshadow me so that the Word may be, as it were incarnate again in my soul. May I be for him a new humanity in which he can renew all his mystery.

And you, O Father, bend down towards your poor little creature. Cover her with your shadow, see in her only your beloved son in who you are well pleased.

O my "Three", my All, my Beatitude, infinite Solitude, Immensity in which I lose myself, I surrender myself to you as your prey. Immerse yourself in me so that I may be immersed in you until I go to contemplate in your light the abyss of your splendor!

Saint Thomas Aquinas defined “spiritual communion” as “an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Holy Sacrament and a loving embrace as though we had already received Him. Saint Teresa of Avila wrote: “When you cannot receive Communion and cannot attend Mass, you can make a spiritual communion, which is a most beneficial practice; by it the love of God will be greatly impressed on you.”

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish Prayer

O God,
Trinity whom we adore,
may we be emptied of self-seeking.
Fill us with your love.

Guide us with Your wisdom
so that we might learn from You:
to be humble,
to be patient,
to be forgiving,
to be understanding,
to work towards peace,
and to speak the truth in love.

Help us,
Holy Trinity,
to embrace Your will gratefully.
May a deep faith in You be enkindled in our hearts,
so that we can be Your light to the world.

We ask this in the name of the Father
and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.



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 11, 2020

5:00 PM— PUBLIC MASS

Stanley R. Erie, Mary Jo Pelley, Leslie Clark, Gilski & Ryjewski families, Margaret Rodden Wydra (14th anniversary) Irene Chmielowski

SUNDAY, JULY 12, 2020

9:00 AM—PUBLIC MASS *(also livestreamed)*

Alexander Kolinski (birthday), Walter Dyjak (birthday), Helen Kolinski, Jo & Ed Sanborn, Anna, Joseph, Estelle & Rose Dyjak, K. Yoneko Nakanishi, Eileen & Jack Owen, Don Quinn, living and deceased members of the Holy Name Society, Maria Szemiot, Vilma Pangonione, Milka Stanojevich

MONDAY, JULY 13, 2020

8:30 AM— for our parishioners

TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2020

8:30 AM— Pat & Katie Beirne

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

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15, 2020

8:30 AM— for the homebound of the parish

THURSDAY, JULY 16, 2020

8:30 AM— for those in our prayer garden

FRIDAY, JULY 17, 2020

8:30 AM— Albie Reinke

SATURDAY, JULY 18, 2020

8:30 AM— (livestreamed only) Pauline Haas

3:30 - 4:30—CONFESSION

5:00 PM— PUBLIC MASS

Caitlin Cashman, Gilski & Ryjewski families

SUNDAY, JULY 19, 2020

9:00 AM—PUBLIC MASS *(also livestreamed)*

Eileen & Jack Owen, Don Quinn, Maria Szemiot, Maryjo Pelley, Sheila Kerry (1st anniversary)

Presider Schedule - July 18 & 19

5:00 pm — Fr. Grisolano

9:00 am — Fr. McCarthy

DISPENSATION

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



Darren Makowski

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Henry

Tuesday: St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

Wednesday: St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Thursday: Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Saturday: St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest

Next Sunday: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14 [Lk 8:8]/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Monday: Is 1:10-17/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 [23b]/Mt 10:34—11:1

Tuesday: Is 7:1-9/Ps 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8 [cf. 9d]/Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Ps 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15 [14a]/Mt 11:25-27

Thursday: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Ps 102:13-14ab and 15, 16-18, 19-21 [20b]/Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Is 38:10, 11, 12abcd, 16 [cf. 17b]/Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: Mi 2:1-5/Ps 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14 [12b]/Mt 12:14-21

Next 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



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The
things that
we love
tell us what
we are.

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

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Lighter Side

Bored Meeting

After a long, dry sermon, the pastor announced that he wished to meet with the church board following the close of the service.

The first man to arrive and greet the minister was a total stranger.

“You misunderstood,” the priest said. “This is a meeting of board members.”

“I know,” said the man, “but if there is anyone here more bored than I am, I’d like to meet him.”

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GOSPEL MEDITATION ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

July 12, 2020—
15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Using the best seeds doesn't always guarantee the best plants. An older Italian gentleman straight from Italy gave me these amazing tomato seeds that he claimed produced the best tomatoes ever grown. Without doubt, the fruit he shared with me was a testament to that fact. These tomatoes were amazing! I couldn't wait until the next growing season to plant these seeds and harvest my own tomatoes. The whole experiment ended up a failure. I did everything the gentleman said, but my fruit didn't even come close. What happened? At first I was perplexed, then some years later the light dawned. The problem wasn't the seeds, it was the soil!

You cannot sow seeds in any old place and in a haphazard way and expect them to be at their best. It doesn't work that way. Planting the seeds is the easiest part. Preparing the soil is the challenge. Tilling, mulching, enriching, and building up the nutrients are all required for good fruit. Then after the seeds are planted, more care is required in order to maintain that healthy, nutrient rich environment for those seeds to sprout, grow, and flourish. God happily sows the seeds of his Word. What do we do with them?

If we expect to be a passive bystander and have good fruit magically grow, we are mistaken. Bearing the good fruit of God's Word requires preparation and work. We have to cultivate the soil of our lives so that those seeds can find a proper home. This one thing alone takes a great deal of patience, time, and effort. What kind of preparation have we put into our lives so that we can be a recipient of God's seed? It takes a great deal of soul-searching and ego-checking to properly prepare. God is the ever faithful and persistent sower. If the seeds do not bear fruit the first time, God will come back time and time again, giving it another try.

If we have created a suitable bed for sowing, then once the seed is sown, we must properly maintain them. What is our maintenance plan for the seeds of God's Word? We need not only a source for water but a watering schedule. We need to weed, aerate the soil, nurture the young plants, protect them, and provide proper nutrients. What does our spiritual maintenance plan look like? If we have done all things well, imagine what the seeds of God's Word could produce in us!



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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

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 Larry Cubalchini for more information. st.tars_rep@yahoo.com

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

Forms are

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. Elizabeth of the Trinity***