

# Churches of St. Paul & St. Elizabeth

Pastor: Fr. Steve Hohman  
Sunday, April 18, 2021

## St. Paul Parish

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## Confessions:

### St. Paul

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday: 3:00- 4:00 PM

Every Sunday: Not at this time

### St. Elizabeth

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday: 3:00- 4:00 PM

Every Wednesday: 5:00-5:45 PM

## Baptisms

Those wishing to baptize their small children under the age of 7 should call the office to arrange for preparation classes. Ideally, you should call before the birth of the child. Baptisms will be held during regularly scheduled masses.

## Marriages

Anyone interested in being married must call the office and begin preparation for this no less than 6 months before the desired wedding date. It is common for preparation to take 9-12 months.

## Visits to the sick

If you know someone who is sick or homebound and needs someone to visit them, please contact the office, and we will arrange to have communion taken to them in their homes, nursing homes or the hospital. Visits to the sick are normally done on Sunday.

## Anointing of the sick

If there is someone who is sick and needs anointing, please call the office. If this is an emergency, call Fr. Steve at 784-1520.

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

**Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup> – Sunday, April 25<sup>th</sup>**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>St. Paul (outside)</b>	Hattie Whitfill +
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b>	<b>St. Paul</b>	Phillip Johnston +
	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	<b>St. Paul</b>	Parishioners
	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>St. Elizabeth/Livestream</b>	Robby Higdon +
<b>Monday</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>St. Paul (school only)</b>	Rebecca Miller +
	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>St. Paul (public)</b>	Clark/Tilford Family
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>	<b>St. Elizabeth</b>	NO MASS
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>St. Paul (school only)</b>	NO MASS
<b>Friday</b>	<b>11:30 a.m.</b>	<b>St. Paul</b>	NO MASS
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>St. Paul (inside)</b>	Danissa Lewis +
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b>	<b>St. Paul</b>	Parishioners
	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	<b>St. Paul</b>	Eugene &Georgetta Smith+
	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>St. Elizabeth/Livestream</b>	Bethany Skaggs +

## Prayer List:

Gary Baker, Carl Ball, Audrey Brangers, Glenn Braun, Doris Carby, Alicia

Casey, Bev Casey, Margaret Cecil, Linda Clark, Linda Stevenson Clark, Norbert Clark, Debbie Stone Clemons, Helen Rainey Clemons, Jeanetta Clemons, Mike & Brenda Cubbage, Roger Cubbage, Vickie Davis, Tucker Dawson, Chad Durbin, Tiffany Durbin, Angy Edwards, Evelyn Frakes, Frank Gawarecki, Cindy Getz, Carla Given, Regina Goodman, David Grant, Jeff Hack, Jim Hibbard, Wanda Higdon, Raymond Hill, Helen Hogan, Otis Larue, Ann/Richard Leonard, Patty Lindsey, Gary Logsdon, Lori Love, Jimmy Mattingly, Savanna Mercer, Ruth Meredith, Michael Miller, Sue Milliner, David Pawley, Gary Payne, Jessie Portman, Donna Probus, Phyllis Richardson, Roland Richardson, Michelle Robinson, Mary Sue Seward, Marsha Shewmaker, Mike Sims, David Skaggs, Heather Tucker, Stacy VanMetre, Diane Whobrey, Floyd Wilaby, Jeff Wilson, Jackie Zedalis

**For those who are serving in the military:** Isaac Clark, Ryan Clemons, Thomas Davis, Isaac DePoyster, Ben Foster Dan Harrison, Dan Leonard, Kurt Meredith, Jacob Milliner, Kevin Mudd, Corey Pierce, John Quick, Hayden Sosh, Ben Smith, Shelby Winchester

### St. Paul

Myles Thomas- Chair

Sharon Cooper- Outreach/Service

Lynda Crawford- School

Charlie Drake- Social

James Kingrey-Liturgy and Faith

Tim Lampton- Maintenance

Mary Smith- Youth

Jim Winn-Finance

### St. Elizabeth

Roberta Adams- Chair

Allen Clemons- Art and Environment

Wes Dixon- Service and Outreach

Bennie Sims- Liturgy and Faith

Trensia Skaggs- School and CCD

Lindsey Smith- Secretary

Charlie Stinson- Building and Grounds

Adam Williams- Social Activities

# Pastor’s Corner

Third Sunday of Easter  
April 18, 2021

## ST PAUL SCHOOL- EXPANDING OUT OF CONTROL

I have probably already said too much about this, but I will say a bit more. Who would have ever thought that this would be happening. Our little school out in the country that once had all of 18 kids in it, is just exploding these days. This school which was, about 12 years ago, one vote away from closing, is now projected to be somewhere in the low 90’s in enrollment for this coming year. These are numbers not seen since somewhere around 1990, and for the first time in decades we will no longer be the “smallest school in the diocese” (though honestly I always kind of liked that distinction). The reality is that, for the second straight year, we will likely have to turn away prospective students (something that I really do not like to do). Fact is, this is something of a burden on our parishes finances. Some may not like this. But the reality is, lie a couple having more than three kids, every kid presents a burden, but every kid presents, even more so, a great blessing

To what do we attribute this growth? Some might say they are here because of the corona virus. Fact is, we have pretty much been in school the whole year, whereas the other local schools have not. That is good, and that has attracted people to our school this past year in ways they would not have otherwise done. But once they have stepped in the door, they have seen the good things going on, and pretty much ALL of them will be staying as a result. Some would say it is the work that our new principal, Chris Reed, has done. Certainly, he has brought so much new innovation, resources, contacts and academic success to our school, and we are blessed to have him.

Some might even say that I myself have made the school grow. People who say this have little idea what limited resources, ideas, talent and gifts I bring to the table, and my effect has been, at best, a propped-up façade. Some might also point to the fact that certain teachers and parents have brought their own talents and concern for making this a better school. There is certainly some truth in this, and I could list those parents and teachers, as well as volunteers, who have given so much to make what this school is.

But let us not pat ourselves on the back too much. The reality is that, if the new numbers at the school have done, and will do, anything good it is because we, as a community, as a faculty and as a church, have allowed the Lord in the door, and let Him do the incredible things that only He can do. It was the Lord who sent me here, and if I have had any positive effect, it is only in the fact that I have opened that door, a door that had often been locked to even Jesus himself, to allow Him to work. It is the Lord who saved this school from being closed, and the Lord who has sent Chris Reed and one faculty member after another to us, often despite the fact that this was not in their plans at all.

Thanks to the 4 parish council members who gave a yes vote to the school. Without you, the Lord would have had the door slammed in His face. But all that has happened is nothing short of a bunch of weak humans allowing Jesus Christ in to what we are doing. To Him be the glory and the credit. Now that we have grown, let us use it for His glory.

## ST. ELIZABETH LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS:

Collection: \$ 2,121.32  
Needed for budget: \$1,442.00

Date: Sunday, April 25  
Lector: Roberta Server: Alie  
Euch. Ministers: Allen

## ST. PAUL LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS:

Collection: \$3,413.00  
Needed for budget: \$2,423.00

<u>Date:</u> Saturday, April 24	<u>Date:</u> Sunday, April 25
<u>Lector:</u> Becky Lucas	<u>Lector:</u> Geneva Pawley (7:00); Aaron Glenn (8:30)
<u>Euch Ministers:</u> Barbara Tilford	<u>Eu Min:</u> Dale Darst (7:00); Emily Drake(8:30)
<u>Server:</u> Jarek Whitworth	<u>Server:</u> Corbin Geary (8:30)

Special Collection This Weekend: St. Paul School  
Special Diocesan Collection Next Weekend: Home Missions

Happy 36<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to Richard & Lori Darst on Tuesday, April 20<sup>th</sup>.  
Happy 77<sup>th</sup> Birthday to Joyce Whitfill on Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup>.

## THIS WEEK’S EVENTS

Sunday, April 18	Religious Articles Sale, after all weekend masses CCD and Children’s Church; St. Elizabeth
Monday, April 19	Eucharistic Adoration; St. Paul, Noon- 9:00 PM Parish Council; St. Elizabeth 6 PM ????
Wednesday, April 21	Food Pantry volunteers working; 1:00 PM Senior Meal delivery; St. Elizabeth, delivery at 4 PM St. Paul Ladies Group Outdoor Meeting; Parish Hall, 5:30 PM
Thursday, April 22	RCIA; St. Elizabeth; 4:30 PM
Friday, April 23	Pork Dinner; St. Paul, 4:30-6:30 PM

FR STEVE WILL BE GONE THIS WEEK. Fr will be gone from April 20-27 to visit with family. Our loyal secretaries will still be having the usual office hours, and Fr. Tony Shonis, a recently retired priest with the Diocese of Owensboro, will be filling in for weekend masses only. Because of the visiting priest, mass on Saturday, April 24 will be inside. Outdoor masses on Saturday will resume when Fr. Steve returns.

ST. PAUL LADIES GROUP: The Ladies Group will meet, weather permitting, outside under the porch at the Parish Hall on Wednesday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:30 PM. We will be having Pie & Prayers, pie will be furnished.

**NEW MASS TIME ON MONDAY MORNING:** Because of a shift in coronavirus protocol, we cannot, for the rest of the school year, allow the public to be at either Monday or Thursday morning masses. To compensate for this, we will be offering mass on Monday at 9 AM also, for the public. This is an experimental trial. If there is interest in this, we will continue this until the end of school year.

**PARISH COUNCIL NOMINATIONS:** At the entrance of church (both churches) we will have a box to put nominations for Parish council. Half of our parish council people will be stepping down as of July, and we will need four more people from each parish. We ask you to prayerfully consider who would be a good candidate for this position. Elections will be in May. You may nominate yourself or someone else.

**YARD SALE COMING UP IN JUNE:** On June 4 and 5, St. Paul will once again be having It's yard sale. We take pretty much anything, except old TV's. Those who are doing Spring cleaning might want to start saving up your things to throw away.

**SALE OF RELIGIOUS ARTICLES COMING UP:** On the weekends of April 10/11 and April 17/18, there will a sale of religious articles (rosaries, crosses, metals, etc.) after all masses, as we have done in the past. This is a fundraiser for St. Paul School, and will be done just in time for First Communion and Confirmation.

**CHANGE IN CCD SCHEDULE AT ST. PAUL:** On the CCD schedule, it originally said that there would be an Easter egg hunt on Sunday the 18<sup>th</sup>. Unfortunately, due to present restrictions, we will not be able to do this hunt. Instead, we will simply resume with regular CCD class on the 18<sup>th</sup>. The last day of classes, at both churches, will be May 2. We apologize for the inconvenience.

**FIRST COMMUNION COMING UP:** First Communion will be celebrated on Sunday, May 9, at the 8:30 AM mass at St. Paul, and at the 10:30 Mass at St. Elizabeth. Each child will receive first communion in their own parish. We encourage (not as a mandate, but as request) people who do not have a child or connection among the first communion children to go to another mass besides the 8:30 mass at St. Paul, so as to not overload the attendance at these masses.

**FIRST RECONCILIATION:** We will be having first reconciliation for children from both churches on Sunday, May 2, at St. Paul Church, at 1:30 PM.

**CONFIRMATION:** Confirmation will be held this year as a joint St. Paul/St. Elizabeth mass, at the request of Bishop Medley. This will be held at a special time at 12:30 PM, at St. Elizabeth Church. Let us pray for all of our young people who are preparing for this sacrament.

**POSITIONS OPENING AT ST PAUL:** We have openings next year for a grade school teacher, as well as a bus driver with a CDL. We ask you to pray that the Lord will once again bring the right person to us, as He always has. Anyone interested is asked to talk to Fr. Steve or the school office.

**DOES ANYONE NEED HELP?** At St. Elizabeth, we would like to reach out to those who you may know who may need jobs of one kind or another done at their house. If you know of anyone who could use some help, whether it be small repairs, errands run, things cleaned out, etc., let us know and we will get a group together to help them out on it. If you would like to be one who would like to be part of the group that helps out, let us know that as well

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

May 1	Confirmation Retreat; St. Elizabeth, 9 AM
May 2	CCD and children's Church; St. Elizabeth
May 2	First Reconciliation; St. Paul 1:30 PM (both churches together)
May 8	Knights Mother's Day Rosary at the Square 10:00 AM
May 9	First Communion; St. Paul at 8:30 and St. Elizabeth at 10:30
May 13	St. Paul School Orchestra Concert; St. Elizabeth; 6:00
May 16	Confirmation; St. Elizabeth (both churches together), St. Elizabeth 12:30 PM
May 21	Last day of School
May 22	Knights of Columbus Benefit Presentation; St. Paul, 6:00 PM
June 4-5	School yard sale; St. Elizabeth

**COUNTY NEWS:**

**Knights of Columbus Mother's Day Rosary:** There will be a rosary held at the square in Leitchfield on Saturday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM.

“Grant me, O Lord my God, a mind to know you, a heart to seek you, wisdom to find you, conduct pleasing to you, faithful perseverance in waiting for you, and a hope of finally embracing you. Amen.”  
– Thomas Aquinas