

# Churches of St. Paul & St. Elizabeth

Pastor: Fr. Steve Hohman  
Sunday, March 12, 2023

## St. Paul Parish

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## Confessions

### St. Paul

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday: 4:00- 4:45PM

Every Sunday: 7:45-8:15 AM

### 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 270-662-1830.

Grayson County Catholic Outreach: 270-287-3776

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup> – Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup>

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	St. Paul	Carmon Milliner Family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	St. Paul	Parishioners
	10:30 a.m.	St. Elizabeth	Aileen & Stanley Higdon +
Monday	8:00 a.m.	St. Paul	Alan Drake +
Wednesday	6:00 p.m.	St. Elizabeth	Jesse Baker +
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	St. Paul	Vernessa Drake +
Friday	11:30 a.m.	St. Paul	Charles Adams +
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	St. Paul	Ann Portman&Regina Meredith+
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	St. Paul	Parishioners
	10:30 a.m.	St. Elizabeth	Richard Ragland +

## Prayer List:

Dennis Akers, Alexis Bibb, Rod & Earline Brady, Dennette Brown, Gerald Bruner, Mary Bryant, Aiden Calloway, Bev Casey, Susan Caswell, Debbie & Mike Clemons, Helen Rainey Clemons, Sharon Clemons, Brad Collins, Marty Cooper, Sallye Crace, Aileen Davenport, Tucker Dawson, Cora Mae Dennis, Medea Dennis, Sharon Drake, Chad Durbin, Tiffany Durbin, Delbert & Rose Durham, Gail Edwards, Nelson Galloway, Frank Gawarecki, Lisa Graas, Mateo Gregorio, Jeff Hack, Imogene Harrison, Wanda Higdon, Dennis Higdon, Beverly Hill, Carol Hill, Eve Jarboe, Lovellen Jones, Rose Mary Kenney, Chris Lampton, Travis Lampton, Otis Larue, Mike Leonard, Teresa Lynn, Dorris McGrew, Elizabeth Mattingly, Savanna Mercer, Anita Miller, Kathy Monroe, Lois Pack, Kayden Parker, John Morgan Pirtle, Sharon Portman, Anita Pulliam, Roland Richardson, Jason Roberts, Larry Roederer, Ellen Schraeder, Mike Sims, David Skaggs, Jennifer Smoot, Larry Spear, Jimmy Stinson, Mimi Stinson, Shelia Thomas, Tenley & Adley Ward, Carol Ward, Tiffany Webb, Barbara White, Mike & Joyce Whitfill, Floyd Wilaby, Ruth Ann Wolz  
**For those who are serving in the military:** Ryan Clemons, Isaac DePoyster, Matt Fischer, Ben Foster, Dan Harrison, Dereck Lorusso, Cody Penny, John Penny, Kyle Portman

### St. Paul

James Kingrey, Chairman  
Sharon Cooper-School  
Mike Foster-Youth/CCD  
Marc McGrew-Maintenance  
Richard Darst-Liturgy/Faith  
Tim Lampton-Outreach/Service  
Randall Drake-Social  
Jimmy Tilford-Secretary

### St. Elizabeth

Mary Ellen Wygant, Chair  
Julie Cox- Liturgy/Worship  
Wes Dixon- Art/Environment  
Dannie Harris- Building/Grounds  
Amanda Roberts- Outreach  
Trensia Skaggs- Youth  
Lindsey Smith- Secretary  
Adam Williams- Social

## Pastor's Corner

Third Sunday of Lent

March 12, 2023

### PASTOR'S CORNER #8

Will you elaborate on the 8 Beatitudes? What does each mean?

The Beatitudes of course were preached by Jesus in his Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5:3-12), also known as the "Sermon on the Plain" (Luke 6:20-26). Rather than going over each one, they are often more significant when taken as a whole. There are various themes that one can stress in looking at these. As I see it, the main focus on the Beatitudes, as well as the whole Sermon on the Mount, is that our faith, life and relationship with God goes BEYOND the Old Testament focus on rules, and looks into what we really want to get out of our faith. Right after the Beatitudes, in Matthew 5, Jesus contrasts Old Testament RULES with Christian CHARITY. So, for example, He states

- 1) "You have heard it said "don't kill", but I say to you "don't hate your brother".
- 2) "You have heard it said 'don't commit adultery', but I say to you "don't look at a woman with lust".
- 3) "You have heard it said "an eye for an eye", but I tell you "turn the other cheek."
- 4) "You have heard it said "love your neighbor and hate your enemy", but I say "love your enemy."

So what Jesus is doing is saying that our morality does not just lie in following the letter of the law. He is saying what matters is the charity that is in our hearts, for this is a deeper element of our faith. I firmly believe that what Jesus was doing was essentially going beyond the Ten Commandments. The commandments are exterior rules, clear cut and easy both to understand and follow: "Don't kill, don't steal, don't lie". But following these to the letter does not make you a holy person.

No, Jesus here talks about what He wants us to BE, rather than simply a rule of what we are supposed to DO. They are also a message of comfort that contrasts what the world might say as opposed to the love that Jesus has for the downtrodden. So, where as the world says that it is the rich, the successful, the popular, those of high standing, etc that are looked up to. Jesus raises up the poor, the persecuted, the meek, the merciful, the pure, etc. This state of the soul is more important than simply following an outward set of rules.

One interesting thing is that Luke's version not only includes Jesus blessing for the poor, hungry, weeping, and persecuted, but it also contrasts it with curses for those who are rich, well-fed, popular and laughing. It is not so much that these people are evil, but that one should not hang their hat on what the world sees as important, because the blessings of the world are all domed to be temporary.

It is a talk that simply takes the Christian beyond simply "staying within the lines", but rather challenges us to reach out to look toward such virtues as poverty, humility, peacefulness and longsuffering, so as to truly be what the Lord wants us to be.

### ST. ELIZABETH LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS:

Collection: \$2,341.03  
Needed for Budget: \$1,442.00

Date: Sunday, March 19

Lector: Laura, Sheila

Euch. Ministers: Sherri, Edna, Patty

Collection Counters for March: Edna, Roberta

Servers: Wyatt Clemons, Raylan

Gifts: Charlie & Brenda Stinson

### ST. PAUL LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS:

Collection: \$3,557.00  
Needed for budget: \$2,423.00

Date: Saturday, March 18

Lector: Joan Butterworth; Jeff Burkhead

Euch Minister: Bobby, Zack, Barbara

Servers: Bailey P, Christian, Greyson

Gifts: Angie Whitworth Family

Date: Sunday, March 19

Lector: Erica Cockerel; Sharon Cooper

Eu Min: Keith, Randall, Dale

Servers: Alexis, Hailey, Brooklyn

Gifts: Josh & Carla Butler

Special Diocesan Collection This Weekend: Infirm Priests

Special Diocesan Collection Next Weekend: Catholic Relief Services

Social Concerns Collection Amount: \$186.00 at St. Elizabeth

### THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Sunday, March 12	DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME RCIA Trip to Gethsemane; leave from St. Elizabeth at noon Lent Holy Hour; St. Elizabeth; 4 PM – NO CONFESSIONS
Monday, March 13	Eucharistic Adoration; St. Elizabeth; 11 AM- 8 PM Eucharistic Adoration; St. Paul, Noon – 9:00 Extra Confession Time; St. Paul 4-5 PM
Wednesday, March 15	RCIA; St. Elizabeth, Noon
Thursday, March 16	Senior Lunch; St. Elizabeth, 11:30 PM RCIA; St. Paul, 5:30 PM Jail Ministry, both county jails
Friday, March 17	Fish Fry; K of C Hall, 5:00-7:00 PM Stations of the Cross; St. Elizabeth, 5:30 PM
Saturday, March 18	First Communion Retreat; St. Paul, 9 AM- 1 PM Reverse Raffle, Livestreamed 6-8 PM
Sunday, March 19	Fellowship Café Organizational Meeting; St. Elizabeth, after mass CCD; St. Elizabeth; after mass Community Reconciliation Service; St. Anthony, 2 PM

Lent Holy Hour; St. Paul, 4 PM – NO CONFESSIONS  
Youth Gathering; St. Paul, 5-7 PM

**FELLOWSHIP CAFÉ PEOPLE NEEDED:** There will be an organizational meeting after Mass on Sunday, March 19, after mass at St. Elizabeth. This will be for the purpose of making schedules for the future and aligning teams. They are also in need of more people to fill the teams. If you are willing to give a little extra of your time to help those in need, please talk to Donna White, or show up at this meeting.

**LENT YOUTH GATHERING NEXT SUNDAY:** There will be a youth event next Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> from 5-7 at St. Paul. All youth grades 6 and up are welcomed to join us for this. The topic for this will be

**EASTER EGG HUNT RETURNS AT ST. PAUL:** We will have an egg hunt the Sunday after Easter at St. Paul. Beginning Ash Wednesday, we will collect small, individually wrapped candy. Containers will be available at the doors.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

March 20	Parish Council Meeting; St. Elizabeth, 6 PM
March 21	Parish Council Meeting; St. Paul, 5:30 PM
March 24-25	Confirmation Retreat at Gasper River (confirmation kids only)
March 25	FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION (no extra masses)
March 26	Communal Penance Service; St. Joseph; 2 PM
April 5	Communal Penance Service; St. Elizabeth; 6:30 PM
April 9	Deadline for Jamaica Mission trip letters of intent
April 9	Easter Sunday

**NEW DIOCESAN PRAYER INITIATIVE: ACTS 2:42 GROUPS:** The Diocese of Owensboro, as part of the Eucharistic Revival, invites all of parishes to participate in Acts 2:42 Small Groups. This consists of small prayer groups, somewhat similar to Arise groups that we have done in the past, but with a focus on the Eucharist. Each session will be filled with prayer, faith Sharing, a Eucharistic reading and video reflection by Bishop, and group discussion. The first step of this is to find those willing to be small group hosts, which will be trained by the diocese to lead these groups. More will be said about this, but I ask you to prayerfully consider being a host for a small group. Those interested are asked to talk to Fr. Steve about this.

**JAMAICA MISSION TRIP, DO WE STILL HAVE ONE LEFT IN US?** We are going to get together one final Jamaica mission trip while Fr Steve is still here. If you have thought about this in the past, then this may be your final opportunity. Instead of picking a date for it now, we are going to figure out who all is interested, and have the group decide together

when the best time to go is. If you have any possibility that you might want to go, please turn in an interest form to the office, not later than April 9.

**SCHEDULE FOR HOLY WEEK:** The schedule for masses and other gatherings on Holy Week will be as follows:

April 2- Palm Sunday. Weekend mass times as usual  
April 4- Chrism mass at 6:30 at Owensboro, 6:30. Leaving from St. Elizabeth at 5:00  
April 5- Holy Thursday Mass; St. Elizabeth, 6:00  
(Eucharistic Exposition and 7 Churches trip follow this)  
April 6- Good Friday Service, St. Elizabeth, 3:00 PM (NOTE CHANGE)  
Good Friday Service, St. Paul 6:00 PM  
April 7- Easter Vigil Mass; St. Paul, 8:00 PM  
April 8- Easter Sunday, regular Sunday Mass Schedule  
(At a later time, we will publish times for other churches in the county)

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY DISPENSATION:** The Bishop has given a dispensation from abstaining from meat on St. Patrick's Day. He does say to do another act of penance if you choose to eat meat on this day.

**RCIA/ BIBLE STUDY THIS WEEK:** The topic will be The Catholic teaching on marriage. We will have class at noon on Wednesday, and 5:30 on Thursday. It will be the same class both night

**ST. PAUL CEMETERY MOWING:** We will be taking bids for the mowing/trimming of the cemetery. Please submit bids to the office by Monday, March 13<sup>th</sup>.

**CCD TEACHERS NEEDED FOR NEXT YEAR:** We are going to be looking for CCD teachers for next year at both churches. Would the Lord possibly be calling you to be one to help guide our youth, the future of our church. If you are one who is willing to give of yourself, regardless of what experience you may have, or not have, talk to us. We would be glad to look at the possibility of what you can do to help. Talk to Fr. Steve, or Gina Sims.

#### **SCHOOL NEWS:**

**Annual Reverse Raffle** will be on 3/18/23 from 6-8:00 pm. It will be livestreamed on Facebook again this year. ALL TICKETS HAVE BEEN SOLD. We will also have an auction, midway, during the raffle, and have lots of nice items for you to bid on during the livestream. Remember this is the backwards raffle, where you WANT your ticket to be drawn LAST! Grand prize is \$2,000. (Total of all prizes \$3,000)

**ST PAUL SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE, ALL INVITED:** On 3/20/23, St. Paul School is allowing interested prospective students to spend the day sitting in classes and activities throughout the day and meeting other students. The public schools do not have school that day, but St. Paul will be in school. Parents are also welcomed to come and meet with

teachers and see the school. We also have a 3–4-year-old preschool. All interested are asked to call the school beforehand, by calling at 242- 7483, texting to 662-1830, or email us at [angie.whitworth@stauleducation.org](mailto:angie.whitworth@stauleducation.org).