# Churches of St. Paul & St. Elizabeth

Pastor: Fr. Steve Hohman Sunday, March 24, 2024

#### St. Paul Parish

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## St. Elizabeth of Hungary

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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

# **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.

# 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.

## St. Elizabeth

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday: 3:00- 4:00 PM Every Wednesday: 5:00-5:45 PM

# **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.

# 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 23<sup>rd</sup> – Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup>

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	St. Paul	Ann & Regina Whitfill +
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	St. Paul	Clark/Stinson Family
	10:30 a.m.	St. Elizabeth	Parishioners
Monday	8:00 a.m.	St. Paul	Leslie Barryman
Wednesday	6:00 p.m.	St. Elizabeth	William Smith +
Thursday	6:00 p.m	St. Paul	Eileen Burns Wells +
Friday	3:00 p.m.	St. Elizabeth	GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE
	6:00 p.m.	St. Paul	GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE
Saturday	8:00 p.m.	St. Elizabeth	RCIA Class
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	St. Paul	Parishioners
	10:30 a.m.	St. Elizabeth	Kyle Jackey +
	12:00 noon	St. Elizabeth (Spanish)	David Pawley +

**Prayer List**: Betty Baker, Charlie Brangers, Dennette Brown, Glen Campbell, Georgia Carter, Anna

Jean & Dale Clark, Rita Clark, Mike & Debbie Clemons, Sharon Clemons, Temperance Clemons, Eileen Davenport, Chad Durbin, Tiffany Durbin, Nelson Galloway, Frank Gawarecki, Lisa Graas, David Grant, Mateo Gregorio, Loyd Haven, Heidi Hickerson, Wanda Higdon, Mary Huffman, Eve Jarboe, Mary Jackie, Louellen Jones, Johnny Ladasz, Chris Lampton, Travis Lampton, Otis Larue, Mike & Pat Leonard, Daisie Lizotte, Teresa Lynn, Lana McGee, Kellie & Baby McKee, Christine Mandy, Savanna Mercer, Zachary Nelson, Lois Pack, Kenny Pierce, Mary Pierce, Sharon Portman, Belinda Roof, James Ryan, Beverly Schmidt, Ellen Schroeder, Wayne Scobee, Iris Smith, Mary Rose Sott, Larry Spear, Linda Steinhoffer, Brenda Stinson, Mimi Stinson, Tiffany Webb, Floyd Wilaby, Bill Wortham, Miss Lonnie and all the residents of Mary Help of Christians Home in Jamaica

**For those who are serving in the military:** Ryan Clemons, Isaac DePoyster, Matt Fischer, Ben Foster, Dan Harrison, Dereck Lorusso, Kali Milliner, Cody Penny, John Penny, Kyle Portman, Peyton Spears

St. Paul St. Elizabeth

Jimmy Tilford- Chair

Melanie Crawford – Secretary
Richard Darst- Youth/CCD
Mike Foster- St. Paul School
Terry Jaggers- Social Activities

Mary Ellen Wygant- Chair
Laura Baxter- Secretary
Blake Aubrey-Social Activities
Julie Cox- Liturgy and Worship
Sheila Harris- Youth

Mark McGrew- Maintenance Mason Hayes- Building and Grounds

Bobby Robinson – Liturgy & Faith Amanda Roberts - Outreach

Ruth Ann Thomas-Outreach/Service Donna White- Art and Environment

## Pastor's Corner

Palm Sunday March 24, 2024

#### HOLY WEEK: A TIME OF SPIRITUAL OVERLOAD, IN A GOOD WAY

I really do hope that you, and your family, and all people, will take part in as much of the Holy Week celebrations that you can. Of course, there are the ones that pretty much everyone really ought to do:

Palm Sunday mass
Good Friday service
Holy Thursday mass
Easter vigil/morning mass

Sacrament of reconciliation

But then there are also those other things that are not so much requirements, but that are just really good things to do to heighten your Easter experience. Things like

Stations of the Cross Lent holy hours

Chrism mass Divine Mercy chaplet/holy hour

Holy Thursday seven churches (or at least doing some exposition that night)

I guess I just all see this as very special this year, since this will be the last Easter celebration that I will be celebrating this with you all. I just want to take this all in, to enjoy the highs and lows, the reverence, the ritual, the tradition, and most of all, the celebration of what Jesus Christ did for us in dying and rising, for our salvation. If you have not done any of these before, see to it that you take the opportunity.

I say this especially regarding the visit to seven churches, and/or Holy Thursday exposition. Yes, this is indeed a late night, and way past most of your bed times (though not mine). But this is a reflection of the true event of what Jesus did in keeping vigil in the garden. He asked his apostles (who themselves were asleep because it was past THEIR bed time) "could you not keep watch with me for one hour. Whether you keep this hour here at St. Paul church, as the Eucharist is exposed on Holy Thursday night, or go to seven churches with us, this is a special moment. On the night of the Last Supper, while all of the Jews were celebrating with food, wine and family, Jesus was in the garden, quietly praying, in a very solemn event. Likewise, on Holy Thursday night, while the rest of the world is going about their business as usual, take this one night to sit in prayer, with Jesus himself in the Blessed Sacrament, to take that alone time with Jesus.

#### AND MOST OF ALL, OBSERVE THE TIME IN THE TOMB

Further, take as much time in silent prayer between the Good Friday service and the celebration of Easter itself (whether that be the vigil or the morning mass). Note that the Good Friday fast is to be carried through Holy Saturday as well. Note that we do no communal celebrations during this time, no group prayer of any kind, and the tabernacle is empty as well.

This reflects that fact that at this time Jesus was in the tomb, and the 11 apostles had scattered, all by themselves. It is that time when there was a silent darkness over the whole world- the absence of hope, and of God. Take time to pray silently, perhaps in the empty church. Perhaps take time to pray the stations of the cross. Observe the sadness, which makes the celebration of Easter all the more come alive.

ST. ELIZABETH LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS: Collection: \$821.00 Needed for Budget: \$1,442.00

**<u>Date</u>**: Sunday, March 31

**<u>Lector</u>**: Grant; Patty <u>Servers</u>: Lucy Smith, Alie, Zoey

**Euch. Ministers**: Donna, Edna, Mary **Gifts**: **Collection Counters for March**: Edna, Roberta

#### ST. PAUL LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS:

Collection: \$2,986.00 Needed for budget: \$2,423.00

**<u>Date</u>**: Sunday, March 31

Lector:Lector:Sharon Cooper; Emily DrakeEu Min:Eu Min:Randall, Keith, JacobServers:Servers:Bailey, Tanner, Colton

Gifts: Gifts:

**Special Collection This Weekend**: School Building at St. Paul

**Special Diocesan Collection Good Friday**: Holy Land **Special Diocesan Collection Next Weekend**: Seminary

#### THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Friday, March 29

Sunday, March 24 Communal Penance Service; St. Joseph; 2:00 PM

Lent Vespers; St. Elizabeth; 4:30 PM

Monday, March 25 School Board Meeting; St. Paul, 4:30 PM

Tuesday, March 26 CHRISM MASS; Owensboro Sportscenter; 6:30 PM

Wednesday, March 27 Communal Penance Service; St. Elizabeth; after 6:00 PM Mass

Thursday, March 28 Extra Reconciliation time; St. Paul, 4- 5 PM

HOLY THURSDAY MASS at St. Paul 6:00 PM

\*\*remember to bring Rice Bowls\*\*
Visit to Seven Churches; after mass

Eucharistic Exposition; 7:30 PM- Midnight; St. Paul GOOD FRIDAY service at St. Elizabeth; 3:00 PM

GOOD FRIDAY service at St. Paul, 6:00 PM

Saturday, March 30 Extra Reconciliation Time; 11:00 AM- Noon

EASTER VIGIL Mass at St. Elizabeth; 8:00 PM

Sunday, March 31 EASTER SUNDAY; masses at usual times

Easter Mass in Spanish; St. Elizabeth; Noon

**SIGN UP SHEET FOR HOLY THURSDAY ADORATION**: Will be in both churches this weekend, please sign up for a slot 7:30 PM – Midnight.

**ST. PAUL EASTER EGG HUNT**: The Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup> after 8:30 AM Mass. We have 1000 eggs and are in need of individually wrapped candy for the eggs, baskets are available in church. Rain date April 14<sup>th</sup>. This goes all of the way up to high school.

**ST ELIZABETH ALSO HAS AN EASTER EGG HUNT**: There will be an Easter egg hunt also at St. Elizabeth on April 7, following the 10:30 AM mass. There will also be sandwiches and other food for adults and kids at this. All families are welcome

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

April 7 Easter Egg Hunt; both churches, after Sunday mass

April 7 Divine Mercy Holy Hour; St. Augustine; 3:00 PM (Confessions at 2 PM)

April 13-14 Youth Lock in; St Paul, begins at 8 PM

April 14 Next CCD at St. Elizabeth

April 19 Pork Lunch; delivered to businesses, etc., 11 AM- 1 PM

April 20 First Communion Retreat; St. Elizabeth; 9 AM

April 29-May 1 Parish Mission, various churches

May 19 First Communion; both Sunday masses

<u>COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION SERVICES PLANNED:</u> Please take advantage of these opportunities to go to the sacrament of Reconciliation. Fr. Sinoj and Fr. Brandon will be at each of these. Especially for those who have not been to this sacrament in a while, this is a great opportunity. Reconciliation services are at the following times:

Sunday, March 24 St. Joseph 2:00 PM

Wednesday, March 27 St. Elizabeth 6:00 PM (mass and afterward)

**DIVINE MERCY NOVENA**: Starting on Good Friday, we are asking all our parishioners to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Pamphlets will be handed out to all who need them. We will pray the chaplet 10 minutes before each mass from March 29-April 7. We also ask you to pray this each day, either as an individual or as a family. This is preferably done at 3 PM, but may be done any time that you are able. Pray that the Lord may have mercy on us and on the whole world.

**DIVINE MERCY HOUR:** We will once again have our special holy hour on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 7, at Saint Augustine Catholic Church. This will include the opportunity for Reconciliation from 2pm-4pm. The Holy Hour itself will begin at 3:00 PM, and will include the Divine Mercy Chaplet and devotions for Divine Mercy, with Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, and much singing. Join us for the deeply prayerful event.

**BRING IN PALMS**: Please feel free to bring in your old palms and leave them in the vestibule of either church BEFORE Easter Sunday.

**RICE BOWLS**: The Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowls are available in church and will be collected on Holy Thursday.

**VOCATIONAL COME AND SEE WEEKENDS**: Fr. Daniel Dillard, vocational director for the diocese, is sponsoring a Come and see event April 11-14 for high school Juniors through college sophomores and April 25-28 for College juniors and older. It will be held at St. Meinrad Seminary. He will need about two weeks notice to be certain there is room at the seminary, so the deadline for the visit to the college seminary is quickly approaching. If you or someone that you know is interested, please talk to Fr. Steve soon.

<u>VISITING SEVEN CHURCHES ON HOLY THURSDAY</u>: We will once again be visiting 7 churches for Eucharistic Adoration after mass on Holy Thursday. This is a both fun and prayerful opportunity to honor our Lord. We will be carpooling after mass. We will likely return around 12:30 AM (yes, it is a late night). For more information, talk to Gina Sims or Fr. Steve

**YOUTH LOCK IN; REGISTRATION NEEDED**: We will be having our youth lock-in beginning at 8 PM on Saturday, April 13, and ending at 6:00 AM on Sunday, April 14. This is available to all youth grades 6-12. Those interested MUST SIGN UP BY Monday, April 8. We will also need help from a couple of parents to be there through the night, as well as some parents to bring in food for the night. Any parents who would like to help, please let Fr. Steve know. Also, youth who are going must have a lock-in agreement signed by both they and a parent by April 8

**YOUTH MINISTER STILL BEING SOUGHT- STIPEND AVAILABLE**: We continue to search for a person to replace Fr. Steve as youth minister. There will be a \$4000 stipend available for anyone who will take this job. This may be taken by one person or split between two. For more information, see Fr. Steve

#### **SCHOOL NEWS:**

Next SCRIP/RaiseRight order is 3/25/24. We need the order and payment turned in by 10:00 am to Mrs. Butterworth.

<u>Pork Lunch is on 4/19/24</u>. You can put this date on your calendar if you would like to order lunches.

<u>Car Show Trophies</u> – please continue to leave cans by the fence at the bus garage to help offset Car Show trophy costs! This will be our 20<sup>th</sup> annual car show!

**Mother/Son Fiesta Night** is 4/27/24.

<u>Golf Scramble</u> is scheduled for 5/11/24 at Shady Hollow again this year. More details to follow in the upcoming months.

ST PAUL SCHOOL TAKING REGISTRATION: Have you considered a Catholic education for your children? St. Paul School has a solid faith-based education for children grade PK-8. Tuition is quite reasonable, and there are parish subsidies for those who are members of the local Catholic churches. St. Paul is taking registrations for next year. You may feel free to come and set up an appointment to see the school, inside or outside of school hours. Take time to pray if the Lord calls you to give your children a Catholic education. For more information, call the school at 242-7483