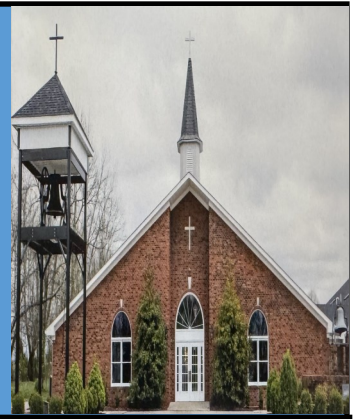


CATHOLIC PARISHES OF ST. PAUL AND ST ELIZABETH



Our Vision: To Glorify God through our worship and service and to be a place of hospitality and welcoming to everyone.

This Week: 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time: Sunday January 26th 2025



This Sunday's Bulletin Cover depicts the baptism of Jenna Ellis Hays, daughter of Mason and Jessica Hays (Members of St. Elizabeth) this past Sunday. Congratulations to the parents.

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Prayer List: Betty Baker, Joyce Bell, James Beville, Rod & Earline Brady, Dennette Brown, Glenn Campbell, Sharon Clemons, Tammy Cook, Pat Cowen, Larry Darst, Eileen Davenport, Eden Felty, Noah Felty, Crystal Franklin, Keith Garrett, Frank Gawarecki, Helen Gawarecki, Erica Gibson, Tracy Gilbert, Gladys Given, Lisa Graas, David Grant, Joyce Green, Mateo Gregario, Ralph Haycraft, Heidi Hickerson, Carol Hill, Leslie Hook, Eve Jarboe, Louellen Jones, Mike & Pat Leonard, Nellie Mattingly, Savanna Mercer, Cory Milliner, Timmy C Milliner, John & Sue Mudd, Megan Mudd, Zachary Nelson, Lois Pack, James W Ray, Chris Reed, Belinda Roof, James Ryan, Ed Seigwald, Ellen Shrader, Hilary Skaggs, Iris Smith, Larry Spear, Jackie Stagg, Linda Steinhoffer, Mimi Stinson, Ellen Thomas, Shelia Thomas, John Thurman, Bud Underwood, John Usher, Tiffany Webb, Bob Williams, Jeff “Tinker” Wilson, Lisa York,

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



STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE AT ST. PAUL

Collection: \$ 1,498.00
 Needed for budget: \$2,423.00
 Under over this week -925.00

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE AT ST. ELIZABETH

Collection: \$ 1,397.00
 Needed for Budget: \$1,442.00
 Under over this week -45.00

LITURGICAL MINISTERS AT ST. PAUL

Date: Saturday, February 1

Lectors: Jeff Burkhead; Joan Butterworth
Eu Min: Bobby, Zack, Barbara
Servers: Colton, Jaden
Gifts: Jerry & Evelyn Sims

Date: Sunday, February 2

Lectors: Sharon Cooper; Amanda Decker
Eu Min: Richard, Yvonne
Servers: Lilly, Cannon, Layton
Gifts: Luke & Stacey VanMetre

Mass Intentions for the week Jan 27– Feb 2

Monday	No Mass	
Tuesday	8:00 am	St. Paul Richard Witten
Wednesday	6:10 pm	St. Eliz Sue Sims +
Thursday	8:00 am	St. Paul Brady/Bergeron Fam
Friday	12:00 pm	St. Paul Communion Serv.
Saturday	5:00 pm	St. Paul Aaron Gawarecki +
Sunday	8:00 am	St. Paul Parishioners
Sunday	10:30 am	St. Eliz Jack Meuller +

LITURGICAL MINISTERS AT ST. ELIZABETH

Date: Sunday, February 2

Lectors: Kerry, Victoria
Eu Min: Allen, Pat
Servers: Alie, Zoey
Gifts: Trensia & Garry Skaggs

Parish Council Members St. Paul

Jimmy Tilford—Chair
 Melanie Crawford— Secretary
 Mike Foster: St. Paul School
 Richard Darst— Youth / CCD
 Terry Jagers— Social Activities
 Mark McGrew— Maintenance
 Ruth Ann Thomas— Outreach/Service
 Bobby Robinson— Liturgy and Worship

Parish Council Members St. Elizabeth

Mary Ellen Wygant—Chair
 Laura Baxter— Secretary
 Blake Aubrey— Social Activities
 Julie Cox— Liturgy and Worship
 Shiela Harris— Youth
 Mason Hayes— Building and Grounds
 Donna White: Art and Environment



Jesus the Liberator: This Sunday’s Gospel, presenting Jesus’ “inaugural address” in the synagogue of Nazareth in which he outlines a theology of total liberation, marks a great moment in Jesus’ ministry. The Scripture readings for today focus our attention on the importance and liberating power of the Word of God as “sacramental,” making God present in our midst. The readings challenge us to listen to the Word, accept it into our hearts, then put it into practice as we live out our lives, thus liberating ourselves and others from all types of bondages. Jesus in the Gospel says that he is One sent “to bring glad tidings to the poor, liberation to captives, recovery of sight to the blind and freedom for the oppressed”—Jesus’ mission is still to give liberation to everyone who will listen to his “Good News,” accept it and put it into practice. Let us be open to the words of the Lord that come from scripture, from homilies, from our personal readings and most importantly words that come from our loved ones. God uses different people and circumstances to convey to us His message.

Away to India: I will be leaving for my annual vacation from the 27th of January to the 27th of February. I am excited about this trip as on the way to India first I will be traveling to visit my cousins in New Zealand. I have never been to New Zealand, and I am excited. I will reach in India by the 10th of February and will stay with my parents till the 26th of February. During my stay in India, I will be celebrating the first Holy Communion of my niece Alona (my brother’s daughter) and my nephew Kevin (my sister’s son) on the 16th of February, the 18th birthday of my niece Helen which will fall on the 18th of February and the wedding of my cousin on the 20th. Please keep me in your prayers. I have 4 siblings and 13 nieces and nephews and I will be able to be with three of my siblings and 10 of my nieces and nephews as one of my sisters lives in England and her three kids and I wouldn’t be able to see them in India this time. Please keep me in your prayers.

I’ve been looking for these for 3 years: A door-to-door salesman from a publishing house asked a lady if she owned a copy of the Bible. “**I certainly do!**” she replied with some pride. To his next question, did she read it regularly, she responded, “**Oh, yes!**” and sent her little daughter to get the Bible from the table drawer. As she showed it to the man, her spectacles fell from between the pages. Without thinking, she exclaimed, “**Oh, here are my glasses! I’ve been looking for these for 3 years!**”

God’s Many Blessings: Fr. Suneesh Mathew

Knights of Columbus Mardi Gras Celebration

Food and Fellowship
 Saturday, February 22, 6:30 PM
 St. Elizabeth Parish Hall
 No Charge
 Donations Welcome



This week ahead

Sunday January 26
CCD at St. Elizabeth, after Mass

Tuesday January 28:
Adoration at St. Paul 11:30AM – 6:00 PM

Wedding Anniversaries—St. Paul

None this week

Wedding Anniversaries—St. Elizabeth

Jan 30—Kerry & Victoria White (37 years)

For Baptism, Confession, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick . Please contact Fr. Suneesh Mathew at 270 231 5525

ST. PAUL SCHOOL NEWS

We still have some St. Paul Comet blankets available. They are 50" x 60" and are \$30.

Does St. Paul School sell RADA products? Yes, we do! We have an ongoing fundraiser with them online. Just type in this link and it should take you directly to the site to order. All proceeds go to St. Paul School. <https://radafundraising.com?rfsn=7019568.6fbc0b8>

Next SCRIP gift card order is 2/3/25, .Please have your orders in by Monday, 1/6 at 10 am. You can place your order on the sheets we have available in church, or online through your smartphone. **You can download the RaiseRight app on your smartphone and use the enrollment code: 65A8LE6B27247 to join our school group.** You will see every card available for purchase. You can pay online through the app, or choose pay coordinator directly and send payment to school.

Pork Dinner on 2/7/25. Reserve your meals by calling or texting your order to 270-287-3311.

Boston Butt Sale 2/22/25. More details to follow next week.

Trivia Night 3/1/25. If you would like to sponsor or play, we will have more details coming soon.

ST. PAUL OFFICE HOURS

Due to the bulletin processing schedule, Amy's work days will be Tuesday and Wednesday.



The Sunday school children had all been photographed with pastor sitting in their center. The pastor was trying to persuade the children to buy a copy of the group photo. "Just think how nice it will be to look at it when you are all grown up and say, 'There's Jennifer; she's a lawyer,' or 'That's Michael; he's a doctor.' A small voice at the back of the room rang out, "And there's our pastor; he's dead."

St. Paul Birthdays

January 29—Peter Meredith

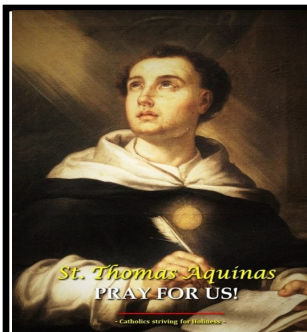
January 30—Scott Milliner

February 1—Brett Byrd



St. Elizabeth Birthdays

January 30—Adam Smith



Among the greatest intellectuals in the history of the Church, Saint Thomas rises far above the rest. Thomas was born in a grand castle in central Italy near the town of Aquino in 1225. Saint Thomas was not only brilliant, he was also a man of deep faith, who loved God, never stopped contemplating the truths of faith, and courageously introduced new methods by which God became better known and understood. His life of prayer produced a wellspring of supernatural truth that was then organized by his intellect and articulated in ways never seen before. Thomas' humility and sincerity come through in a story told by one early biographer who relates that as Brother Thomas was praying one morning before the crucifix, he anxiously implored the Lord as to whether or not his writings were correct. Jesus spoke to him saying, "You have written well of Me, Thomas, what shall be your reward?" Thomas replied, "Nothing but You, Lord." As we celebrate the feast of this saint on the 28th of January we seek his intercession.