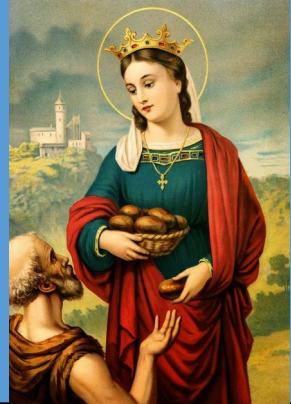


CATHOLIC PARISHES OF ST. PAUL AND ST ELIZABETH



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This Week: Sunday, March 22nd : Fifth Sunday of Lent



Annunciation of the Lord: On March 25th the Church celebrates the feast of the annunciation of the Lord. This feast recalls the historical event of the Angel Gabriel appearing to the Virgin Mary, as found in Luke 1:26–38. Though Christmas commemorates the birth of Christ, the Annunciation commemorates the Incarnation within the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Most certainly, this solemnity is also a Marian celebration. We celebrate the Virgin Mary's perfect "Yes" to the plan of the Father. We celebrate her humility, obedience, docility, and especially her motherhood of God and man. This solemnity is also a celebration of the Father in Heaven because it reveals the beginning of the pinnacle of His perfect plan of salvation. Let us seek the intercession of our Blessed heavenly mother that we may imitate her "Yes" to the will of the Father in Heaven, so that we can continue to bring forth His divine Son in our soul, so that He will continue to be made manifest to the world through us. Most glorious and ever-virgin Mary, when the Archangel Gabriel appeared to you to announce the coming of God within your virginal womb, you inquired with humility how this could be. The Archangel spoke further, and you assented to this divine mystery with all your heart. Please pray for us, that we may always consent to the will of God in our life so that your divine Son may also be conceived in our soul to continue His saving work of redemption. Mother Mary, pray for us. Jesus, I trust in You.

Lenten Communal Pen- ance Service

**Saint Elizabeth: Sunday March
29th at 3.30 pm**

**Saint Paul: Sunday March 30th
at 5 PM.**

Prayer List: Emila Adkins, Connie Allen, Betty Baker, Denette Brown, Glenn Campbell, Carol Carter, Sharon Clemons, Norman & Hettie Conder, Dale & Donna Darst, Teresa Elmore, Crystal Frazee, Frank & Catherine Gawarecki, Helen Gawarecki, Erica Gibson, Lisa Graas, Jeff Hack, Ralph Haycraft, Dennis Higdon, Pat Higdon, Nancy Hill, Roz Hill, Mary Jackey, Gibson Jagers, Jr & Eve Jarboe, Donald Kennedy, Ron Kennedy, Chris Lampton, Travis Lampton, Mike & Pat Leonard, Dianna Lush, Teresa Lynn, Bernice McCombs, Mary McDermott, Savanna Mercer, Lucas Meredith, Delois Miller, Joe Ed Milliner, Timmy Milliner, Irv & Coreen Moore, Zachary Nelson, Mary Norris, Lois Pack, James Paris, Taylor Pharis, Eric Portman, Sharon Portman, Sharon Roberts, Bobby & Michelle Robinson Family, Belinda Roof, James Ryan, Karen Smallwood Sackstedar, Gene Schafer, Dan Scholl, Ellen Schraeder, Mark Seabolt, Mary Sue Seward, Michelle Shaffer, Ann Skaggs, David Skaggs, Iris Smith, Linda Steinhoffer, Mimi Stinson, Misty Thomas, Shelia Thomas, Bud Underwood, Jon Usher, Jerry Wheatley, Byron Whitworth, Brian Wilson, Norma Jean Witten, Bill Wortham, Ellen Johnson, mother of Sandy Clemons

For Those Serving In The Military: Ben Foster, Dan Harrison, Dan Leonard, Shelby Gregorio, Phillip Sims



Alexander the Great once found his philosopher friend Diogenes standing in a field, looking intently at a large pile of bones. Asked what he was doing, the old man turned to Alexander and replied, “I am searching for the bones of your father Philip, but I cannot distinguish them from the bones of the slaves.” — Alexander got the point: everyone is equal in death. From the greatest to the least, from the most beautiful to the most ordinary, death is the universal equalizer

LITURGICAL MINISTERS—St. Paul

Date: Saturday, March 28th

Lectors: Luke Milliner; Joan Butterworth
Eu Min: Angie Whitworth; Barbara Tilford
Servers: Grayson; Bailey
Gifts: John & Julie Penny

Date: Sunday, March 29th

Lectors: Teresa Lush; Myles Thomas
Eu Min: Richard Darst; Yvonne DePoyster
Servers: Eli, Maveric, Alli
Gifts: Doug & Mary Smith

Mass Intentions for the week March 23-29

Monday	No Mass		
Tuesday	8:00 am	St. Paul	Gary Meredith +
Wednesday	6:00pm	St. Eliz	Raymond Hill +
Thursday	8:00 am	St. Paul	Floyd Milliner +
Friday	Noon	St. Paul	Jerry & Renee Barr
Saturday	5:00 pm	St. Paul	Hubert& Edna Clark+
Sunday	8:30 am	St. Paul	Clark/Stinson Family
Sunday	10:30 am	St. Eliz	Parishioners

LITURGICAL MINISTERS –St. Elizabeth

Date: Sunday, March 29th

Lectors: Ron; Rich
Eu Min: Carol & Edna
Servers: Wyatt, Owen, Vivian
Gifts: Volunteer

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE AT ST. ELIZABETH

Mar 15 Collection: \$ 1,614.00
Needed for Budget each week: \$2,050.00
 Under /Over this week : **-\$436.00**
 Budget for the whole year : \$106,000
Under/ Over from July 1st: **-\$11,574.58**

Catholic Relief Collection—\$190

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE AT ST. PAUL

Mar 15 Collection: \$ 2,970.00
Needed for Budget each week: \$ 3,380.00
 Under/ Over this week : **-\$410.00**
 Budget for the whole year : \$176,000
Under/ Over from July 1st: **-\$3,691.37**

Catholic Relief Collection—\$303

Pastors' CORNER



Jesus wept: In this Sunday's Gospel we have the shortest sentence in the whole Bible and that is Jesus wept. In this story we contemplate a very moving scene, Jesus wept over the death of Lazarus. He had a great human heart, full of love and tendering indifferent with the sufferings of those who suffer Jesus really cares. If Jesus wept for his friend Lazarus, we can say

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shows to us that he

that we are more than friends to Jesus. Through Baptism, we have become God's children in Christ. We are His brothers and sisters and He loves us perhaps more than He loved Lazarus. The physical death of his friend moved Jesus to tears, but what will he not feel over the spiritual death of a sinner who has brought about his eternal condemnation burying himself in the dark tomb of his sins and pride? St Augustine once said that Christ wept to teach men to weep. We also should weep, but for our sins, to help us return to the life of grace through conversion and repentance for God's Glory and for the good of our soul. Lazarus' resurrection is a proof of God's divinity and also a sign of our future resurrection. If we live and die in Christ, we will return to life. We shall hear Jesus' voice calling us by our name as he told Lazarus: Lazarus, come out!' Jesus also calls each one of us by our name: Come out! Come out and believe in me, trust in me, abandon the life and works of the flesh and of sin which do not really make you happy, but begin again to live in Spirit for whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.



Charlie Chaplin: Once Charlie Chaplin told a joke in the audience and everyone roared in laughter. After a couple of minutes, he told them the same joke and only a few of them smiled. When he told the same joke for the third time no one laughed anymore. Then Charlie smiles and said. "You can't laugh at the same joke over and over. So why are you always crying about the same problem?" Too much Worrying won't solve our problems, it'll just waste our time

and energy.



From Where: A man was surprised to read the announcement of his own death in the obituary column of the local newspaper. Ringing up his close friend, he enquired, "Did you see the announcement of my death in the paper this morning?" "Yes," was the frightened answer in a shivering voice. "But where are you speaking from? Heaven or Hell?"

Fr. Suneesh Mathew :Have a Blessed week

THE WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday, March 24	Eucharistic Adoration; St. Paul, 11:30 AM—6:00 PM
Wednesday, March 25	Stations of the Cross; St. Elizabeth, 5:30 PM Anointing of the Sick; St. Elizabeth, 6:00 PM Mass
Friday, March 27	Anointing of the Sick; St. Paul, Noon Mass Fish Fry; St. Paul, 4:30—7:00 PM Stations of the Cross; St. Paul, 5:00 PM Penance Service; St. Joseph, 6:00 PM
Saturday, March 28	Reverse Raffle; Facebook Live, 6:30—8:30 PM
Sunday, March 29	PALM SUNDAY CCD; St. Elizabeth Penance Service; St. Elizabeth, 3:30 PM Penance Service; St. Paul, 5:00 PM

St. Paul School News:

- **Fish Fry Fridays** – St. Paul School in conjunction with the Knights of Columbus. Meals will be \$12 each and will be dine in or carry out, from 4:30-7 pm CST. We look forward to seeing you there!
 - **Fish Fry 3/13/26** – We sold 365 meals! Thanks to all who volunteered, donated desserts and all who purchased fish meals! We have more fryers and the issues have been sorted out to have no wait, or a lot shorter wait time to get the meals. We cleared a profit of \$2,660.71 on our fourth meal. **Congratulations** to Paloma Culver on winning the 50/50 drawing! We will have a 50/50 drawing each week we have fish fries.
 - **Reverse Raffle – 3/28/26** – We still have a few tickets available for Reverse Raffle drawing, they are \$50 each and grand prize for the last name drawn is \$2,500. We will have door prizes, and auction items available throughout the night! This will be streaming online on the St. Paul Leitchfield, KY Facebook page. Contact Angie at 270-287-3311 to purchase a ticket before they are sold out. Only 150 total will be sold.
 - **Next SCRIP/RaiseRight Order 3/30/26** - Please have orders and payment submitted to school by 10 am. Download the RaiseRight app on your smartphone and sign up for an account and us Join Code: 65A8LE6B27247. This will allow you to place your order online through the app and can choose to pay coordinator directly and send payment into school. Due by 3/30/26 at 10 am.
 - **Pork Lunches will return on 4/24/26 and 5/8/26.**
 - **Golf Scramble is scheduled for Shady Hollow on 5/23/26.**
- Yard Sale – June 4, 5, 6**

Three friends were discussing death and one of them asked: “What would you like people to say about you at your wake service while your dead body in the coffin is visible to everyone?” The first of the friends said: “I would like them to say, ‘He was a great humanitarian who cared about his community.’” The second said: “He was a great husband and father who was an example for many to follow.” The third friend said, “I would like them to say, ‘Look, he’s moving in the coffin!’”



St. Elizabeth

Birthdays:

March 23—Charles Brangers

Anniversaries: None This Week

St. Paul

Birthdays:

March 25—Raymond Darst

March 26—Lucas Butler; Anna Darst
Pat Darst

Anniversaries:

None This Week

RESURRECTION FAIR INFO

Please see the tables at St. Paul for donation needs for the fair. It will be held Sunday, April 19 after Mass. No candy please.

Grace Marriage offers couples a relaxed, monthly space to reconnect, strengthen their marriage, and enjoy uninterrupted conversation—no pressure to share. Meets the third Tuesday each month at St. Elizabeth Parish Hall. Our first meet up is April 21st at 6pm.

For further information please contact St. Paul Office—

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