

St. Elizabeth Roman Catholic Church

REV. FR. MARTIN NDYANABO, PAROCHIAL ADMINISTRATOR

REV. MR. FRED JARDINE, PERMANENT DEACON

St. Elizabeth Parish is a faith-filled community, built on the example of hospitality shown by St. Elizabeth herself. We welcome and celebrate people from all walks of life, and we strive to learn from Sacred Scripture, our Catholic tradition, the Sacraments, and one another.

We are committed to nurturing the spiritual, physical, and emotional well-being of all we encounter. Above all, we spread the joy and love of Christ's Gospel of life in our Parish, neighborhood, and to all nations.



SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

Sunday including Children's Liturgy: 10:30 a.m.

Hungarian Mass: 12:00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays: 3:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. or by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Please call parish office at 613-725-2242.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday - Friday: 9:00 a.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - 8:30 a.m.

Holy Rosary - 8:30 a.m.

First Fridays: Anointing of the Sick at Daily Mass

WEDDINGS

To be arranged 6 months in advance.

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*“The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:
‘Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight!’”
Luke 3:4*

*Mass  for the
Intentions Week*

Tuesday, December 11: Saint Damasus I

9:00 a.m., Soul of Dora McGrath by Mary McGrath

**Wednesday, December 12: Our Lady of Guadalupe,
Patron of the Americas**

9:00 a.m., Soul of Guy Bowie
by the Prayer Shawl Ministry
Birthday Blessings on Luciano Conti
by Sr. Alice Johnson

Thursday, December 13: Saint Lucy

9:00 a.m., Birthday Blessings on Tamra Tyler
by the Normoyle Family

In Honor of St. Lucy by Yolanda Londero

Friday, December 14: Saint John of the Cross

9:00 a.m., Healing for Nancy Normoyle
by the Normoyle Family

Saturday, December 15: Saturday Vigil

4:30 p.m., Soul of Guy Bowie by Gladys & Glennys

Sunday, December 16: 3rd Sunday of Advent

9:00 a.m., Spiritual Motherhood of Priests
by Sr. Alice Johnson
10:30 a.m., Deceased Members of the
McPartland Family by Paul & Marlene Pignat
Intentions of Our Lady of Perpetual Help
and Thanksgiving on our Wedding Anniversary
by Roland & Christine Albert

Sick in Our Parish

We pray for all those who have died, especially
Stephen Raffay, and for all those who mourn them.
**We pray for the sick of our Parish and for all those
who care for them, especially for:**

Tereza Adam, Elina Anker, Gerti Chapman,
Emiliana Cabuga, Tony Dean, Tristan Denis,
Lynn Dobson, Elza Feher, Ildiko Fejes,
Eileen Frattini, Johanne Gagnon, Jodi Graham,
Raymond Joly Sr., Gordon Kane,
Norina Lachance, Rick Lachance, Mario LaValle,
Marlyn McAndrew, Dave McPhee,
Jean-Marie Meilleur, Gerald Normoyle,
Nancy Normoyle, Stella Normoyle,
Margaret Doherty, Angel O'Reilly, Greg Patacairk,
Myra Anne Powell, Emily Rozsa, Pat Redmond,
David Simpson, Flo Sully, Bob Tait, Lamomba Tito,
Susan White, Sylvia Zito

Ministers of the Liturgy

Dec. 15 4:30 p.m.
Commentator Joe Legari
Lector Gigi Legari
Ciborium Diane O'Gorman
Dec. 16 9:00 a.m.
Commentator D'Arcy MacEachern
Lector Lidia Zito
Ciborium Cecilia Bowie
Dec. 16 10:30 a.m.
Commentator Sue Taylor
Lector John Mroz
Ciborium Margaret King

St. Elizabeth Parish Altar Servers



4:30 p.m. Victor Dell'acqua,
Caterina Dell'acqua, Micheline Lane,
Austin Malham
9:00 a.m. Lu Htoo
10:30 a.m. Joseph Uwayezu,
Rodrigue Uwumukiza, Imena Ame,
Omo Eke, Jyuan Almario

Canadian Tire Money Count: \$225.33

**Thank you for supporting the work and ministry
of St. Elizabeth Parish:**

Sunday Collection from December 1: \$2,364.90
PAP for December: \$3,475.00
Poor Fund: \$10.00
Maintenance Fund: \$299.00

Bequests and Wills

In your kindness, please remember St. Elizabeth Parish
in your bequests and wills. If anyone wishes to make
such a bequest in their will, the following clause may
be included or added to a will or added by codicil: *“I
give, devise and bequeath the sum of \$... to St.
Elizabeth Church, Ottawa, to be used in the
administration of the pastoral activities of the parish.”*

Parish Events This Week

Wednesday: Christian Meditation, 9:45 a.m.
Wednesday: Notre Dame H.S. Mass, 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday: Prayer Shawl Ministry, 12:15 p.m.
Wednesday: Parish Penance Service, 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday: Beginner's Yoga, 6:30 p.m.
Thursday: Bible Study, 10:00 a.m. or 6:30 p.m.
Thursday: Seniors Gathering, 12:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Thursday: Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

In the Parish

Bible Study

The Gospel According to Luke

Thursday, December 13 & 20
at 10:00 a.m. or 6:30 p.m.

The Ladies Auxiliary Christmas Hamper Appeal:

The Ladies Auxiliary in cooperation with the Caldwell Family Centre are once again filling four Christmas hampers for four single people. The Christmas Angel Tree is now set up for parishioners to take a tag off the tree and help fill the hampers. Non-perishables can be dropped off anytime. Please bring all perishables on **Sunday, December 16th**. The baskets will be distributed the week of December 17th.



Christmas Season Schedule

Advent Penance Service

Wednesday, December 12, 6:30 p.m.

Christmas Eve Masses

* 7:00 p.m., Family Mass

* 10:00 p.m., Hungarian Community (Bilingual)

Christmas Day Mass

* 10:30 a.m., Family Mass

* 12:00 p.m., Hungarian Community (Bilingual)

Dec. 27, 28, - Daily Mass, 9:00 a.m.

Dec. 29, 30, - Regular Sunday Weekend
Schedule

New Year's Masses

Dec. 31: 4:30 p.m., Eve of the Solemnity of Mary

Jan. 1, 2018: 10:30 a.m., Solemnity of Mary Mass

12:00 p.m. Hungarian Community (Bilingual)

Jan. 2, 3, 4, - No Daily Mass



Archbishop's Advent Message:

Advent, the season preparing us for Christmas, begins today. Two questions come to my mind. Is it possible for you to prepare spiritually

to celebrate Christmas in our hectic and consumeristic climate? Can you create some interior space to welcome the Christ-child or will your heart and mind be overfull like the inn at Bethlehem in the original Nativity of our Lord? The word "Advent" has a Latin root that means "coming." The pre-Christmas season of Advent is a time of preparation to celebrate the first coming of Jesus Christ

at Christmas: "the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth." (John 1.14) Soon, a joyful feast will mark the reality that heaven came to earth that first Christmas. Until then, some traditional practices can help you get ready to celebrate. In the church at Mass during Advent, the priests and deacons wear purple vestments for three of the four Sundays. There are also three purple candles in the traditional Advent wreaths that decorate the sanctuaries of parish churches and many family tables. Purple is a penitential colour, expressing sorrow and contrition for sins. As beneficial today as it has been for centuries, Catholics have celebrated the sacrament of reconciliation (also known as Confession or the sacrament of penance) in the four weeks before Christmas. In addition, parishes often engage a speaker to give an Advent Retreat to help parishioners anticipate Christmas. Daily reflections and readings from the Scriptures are available in print and online to focus your prayer direction at home on the meaning of the season. Some families use Advent prayer booklets at dinnertime to guide their prayers as they light one of the candles of their Advent wreath. Parents with little ones often purchase an Advent Calendar, on which the children can take turns opening a window each day to reveal a faith-enriching picture or message. The Christmas nativity scene or crèche, promoted by Saint Francis of Assisi hundreds of years ago, is a popular devotion. Some cherished crèches have been in families for generations. One practice has the figures of the three Magi (or wise men) processing across the living room, each day moved a little closer to the stable and crib containing Christ! These and other practices remind us of the miracle of Christmas: God so loved the world that He sent us His only Son, like us in every way but sin, to bring us back into the intimacy of God's loving embrace. It is possible to get caught up in the round of parties, decorating the house, buying the perfect present, sending cards or ecards, and the general busyness of the weeks before December 25. Consequently, we can forget that for Christians, "Jesus is the reason for the season." This Advent, I encourage you to adopt more attentively some traditional practices. It could be a little focused prayer on the meaning of Christmas, a few moments each day spent with the crèche, an Advent wreath on the dinner table with four candles and a moment of prayer, penitential preparation ending with the sacrament of reconciliation, or a special donation to support the poor in our community. You will be blessed if you make a little space in your crowded life to welcome the Christ-child into your heart and home.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

✠ Terrence Prendergast,
S.J. Archbishop of Ottawa



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