

# *St. Elizabeth Roman Catholic Church*

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**Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**

## THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

*"The shepherds went with haste to Bethlehem and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them."*

Luke 2:16

### Mass for the Week

**Tuesday, January 3: The Most Holy Name**

**of Jesus**

9:00 a.m., No Daily Mass

**Wednesday, January 4: Weekday**

9:00 a.m., No Daily Mass

**Thursday, January 5: Weekday**

9:00 a.m., No Daily Mass

**Friday, January 6: Weekday**

9:00 a.m., No Daily Mass

**Saturday, January 7: Eve of the**

**Solemnity of Mary**

4:30 p.m., For All Parishioners

**Sunday, January 8: Mary, Holy Mother of God**

10:00 a.m., For All Parishioners

### Sick in Our Parish

We pray for all those who have died,  
and all those who mourn them.

**We pray for the sick of our Parish and for all  
those who care for them, especially for:**

Ashleen, Tereza Adam, Elina Anker, Mike Borosch,  
Sarah Bowie, Gerti Chapman, Emiliana Cabuga,  
Howard Campbell, Jeff Carroll, Rosa Delascio,  
Tristan Denis, Lynn Dobson, Margaret Doherty,  
Pat Dooley, Johanne Gagnon, Jane,  
Raymond Joly Sr., Allan Kelly, Norina Lachance,  
Rick Lachance, Marilyn McAndrew, Monique,  
Gerald Normoyle, Greg Patacairk, Pat Redmond,  
Margaret Scissons, David Simpson, Bob Tait,  
Lamomba Tito, Johanna Tobin, Susan White,  
Jan Wright, Sylvia Zito



### Christmas Season Schedule

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

**Jan. 1, 2023: 10:00 a.m., Solemnity of Mary Mass**

**Jan. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6th- No Daily Mass**

### St. Elizabeth Parish Altar Servers



**4:30 p.m.** Paul Obinna, Treasure

Agazuma, Emmanuel Agazuma

**9:00 a.m.** Brigid Ogbundu,

Claire Ogbundu, Odilia Ogbundu

**10:30 a.m.** Joseph Uwayezu,

Rodrigue Uwumukiza,

Jyuan Almario, Mary Chukwu,

Imena Ame, Emmanuella Chukwu,

Stephanie Chukwu

**Canadian Tire Money Count:\$20.80**

**Thank you for supporting St. Elizabeth Parish.**

Regular Sunday Collection

Sunday December 11, 18:

\$10,346.15

which includes a generous donation of \$7,800.00  
from two parishioners.

Maintenance Fund: \$225.00

Poor Fund: \$332.00

### Parish Events This Week

**Thursday:** Seniors Gathering, 12:00 p.m.

**Sunday:** Live stream of mass at 10:30 a.m.

### 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."*

**Sign Up For Pre-Authorized Debit:** We are now able to offer our parishioners the chance to sign up for pre-authorized debit payments to donate during these difficult times for individual churches. If you would like to know more about this service please contact the parish office.

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## In the Parish



### Fr. Martin's New Year Message 2023:

My brothers and sisters,  
The Lord is Good; All the Time. These last few years have shown us the

goodness of the Lord. We have gone through situations we never imagined possible. But by God's Grace it looks like we are coming back to the period of normalcy, after years of stress and upheavals. We pray that the New Year may bring better tidings to all.

Let us make each day of 2023 a day of giving thanks for the many blessings that surround us, and which we so easily take for granted. Pope Francis in his first letter to us all, proposes that the gospel of Jesus Christ is the source of Joy. As we seek to build a world where all relationships are based on respect, justice, and kindness we need joy and hope. Hope is that unquenchable pilot light that burns steadily no matter how stormy the conditions.

The pandemic era has taught one lesson, namely, that no matter how careful we are, Jesus Christ is the Lord of The Storms. He takes us through them by giving us the wisdom and power to endure. In the years to come we shall look back and realize that when we needed our Lord, he was there to save us. There are things that have not returned to normal yet but we hope that at some point we shall totally conquer our fears and be able to regain control of our lives. No situation should seriously and permanently affect the way we worship. Each one of us will work hard to bring this situation to a complete end and a new day shall begin.

As we look forward to the challenges of the New Year we are comforted by the fact that the Lord will never abandon us. Let us continue to trust in the Lord. I thank you for your support. This was my first point of call since I came to Canada in 2018 and I continuously count my blessings for being amongst you as your servant. St. Elizabeth is wonderful community full of supportive people. It is this characteristic that will continue to sustain our community and to make it grow in grace.

May each of us share hope with all whom we encounter, and remind them of God's love that endures forever. We are our brother's keeper and our sister's keeper. I wish you the best in this Christmastide and blessings for the New Year 2023.

*Father Martin Ndyanabo*

**Thank you to St. Elizabeth Parishioners:** To all who helped make the fundraising initiatives of the Ladies Auxiliary Bake Sale and Cookie/Square sale this month a great success. Your support through providing baked goods or ordering trays of goodies were vital to the success of this endeavour. Thank you for your continued support of the parish.

**2023 Church Envelopes:** Are ready for pick up at the entrance doors of the church. If you are new to the church and would like to have a set of envelopes, please call the parish office at 613.725.2242. The church also has the option of doing a Pre-Authorized Payment plan which can be initiated by the parish office.

**2023 Faith Calendars:** 2023 Faith Calendars are available at the entrance doors of the church. The cost of the calendars are \$5.00 each.

**Seniors Gathering:** Looking for an afternoon out, then join the Seniors card group for an afternoon of non-competitive Euchre, other card games, fun and socializing .

A light snack is served and we meet every **Thursday from 12:00 - 4:00 p.m.** in the Church basement.

**Ladies Auxiliary Coffee Sunday/Bake Sale:** There will be no bake sale in January. The Ladies are taking a much deserved rest after a very successful Christmas Bazaar and Cookie and Square sale.

## In the Archdiocese

**Ottawa School of Theology & Spirituality Winter Semester 2023:** Moved to an online format for winter 2023. The two 5- week sessions will run Jan. 9 – Feb. 6, and Feb. 13 – Mar. 20. Please check the website for course descriptions: [www.osts.ca](http://www.osts.ca).

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