# St. Elizabeth Roman Gatholic 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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"And remember, I am with you always to the end of the age." Matthew 28:20



### Tuesday, May 26: Saint Philip Neri

9:00 a.m., Souls in Purgatory by Sr. Alice Johnson

# Wednesday, May 27: Saint Augustine of Canterbury

9:00 a.m., Blessings on Olive & Theresa Hunt by Ester Da Silva

## Thursday, May 28: Weekday

5:00 p.m., Blessings on Patrona, Rosie, Rema & Remmy by Ester Da Silva

### Friday, May 29: Saint Paul VI

9:00 a.m., Soul of Felix Gomis Pinto by Ester Da Silva

### Saturday, May 30: Saturday Vigil

4:30 p.m., Soul of Jean Lamboreaux by Sylvia Hammill Wisdom for those who Govern Us by Sr. Alice Johnson

### Sunday, May 31: Pentecost Sunday

9:00 a.m., Blessings on Canada & those affected by Coronavirus by Terry Normoyle

### Síck in Our Parish

We pray for all those who have died, especially Mary Jardine mother of Deacon Fred Jardine & Leo Rathier, father of Louise Rathier, 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, Sarah Bowie,
Gerti Chapman, Emiliana Cabuga, Jeff Carroll.
Tony Dean, Rosa Delascio, Tristan Denis,
Lynn Dobson, Margaret Doherty, Elza Feher,
Eileen Frattini, Johanne Gagnon, Stan Gervais,
Jodi Graham, Raymond Joly Sr., Gordon Kane,
Allan Kelly, Norina Lachance, Rick Lachance,
Marlyn McAndrew, Gerald Normoyle,
Stella Normoyle, Greg Patacairk, Myra Anne Powell,
Emily Rozsa, Pat Redmond, David Simpson,
Flo Sully, Bob Tait, Lamomba Tito,
Susan White, Sylvia Zito

## St. Elizabeth Parish Altar Servers



4:30 p.m. Paul Obinna, Treasure Agazuma, Emmanuel Agazuma 9:00 a.m. Bridgid Oghenetano, Claire Omamuzo, Odilia Ogbondu 10:30 a.m. Joseph Uwayezu, Rodrigue Uwumukiza, Jyuan Almario, Mary Chukwu, Imena Ame, Emmanuella Chukwu, Stephanie Chukwu

**Canadian Tire Money Count: \$263.23** 

### **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."

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

PAP for May 1: \$4,744.00 Regular Sunday Collection, May 6: \$ \$2,420.00 Total Offering for Maintenance Fund: \$50.00 Total Offering for Poor Fund: \$255.00

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.

### Parish Events This Week

Check Facebook for live feed of masses.



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# In the Parish



Fr. Martin's Reflection for Ascension Sunday, May 24: Seeking redress for injustice is a human need: when we perceive that we are unjustly treated we want justice to be restored. There are

mainly two ways in which we desire justice. One: by wanting revenge on the unjust aggressor; that is, by harming or wanting to harm the unjust aggressor we feel consoled, and our status restored. Though the Hebrew Scriptures see this means of seeking justice to be right, the teachings of Jesus totally rule this out. The second way that we seek justice is by appealing to a higher authority – even God – to defend us and prove us righteous. This is often referred to as the vindication of the just; that is, without necessarily causing harm to the unjust aggressor, the integrity of the victim is restored.

# He made him sit on the right hand in heaven (Eph 1:20)

When Jesus was hanging on the cross, the Father seemed silent. Jesus himself questions the silence of God as he prays Psalm 22: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? The words of my groaning do nothing to save me....I am a worm, less than human, scorn of mankind, contempt of the people; all who see me jeer at me, they sneer and wag their heads, 'He trusted himself to Yahweh, let Yahweh set him free! Let him deliver him, as he took such delight in him.'

Jesus does not pray for revenge. He forgives his enemies. At the same time, he recalls 'the saving justice' (Ps 22:31) of God and calls on his Father to defend him. Apparently, there was silence. Jesus was buried. There was silence still. But suddenly, in His time, God vindicated him by raising him up from the dead. This thought emerges very powerfully right from the first sermon of Peter after the Pentecost: "This man, who was put into your power by the deliberate intention and foreknowledge of God, you took and had crucified and killed by men outside the Law. But God raised him to life, freeing him from the pangs of Hades..." (Acts 2:23-24). And this is reiterated once again in the feast of today. In the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of today, St Paul tells us (Eph 1:17-23): "the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, [has exercised extraordinary power] in Christ,

the power which he exercised in raising him from the dead and enthroning him at his right hand, in heaven, far above every principality, ruling force, power or sovereignty, or any other name that can be named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet...."

The feast of the Ascension of the Lord assures us of the power of the God who vindicates the just (while not being vindictive towards the unjust), at least in two ways. First, the same God who defended His Son will also defend us in His own time. Secondly, that image of Jesus being lifted up (Acts 1:1-11) not only fully restores Christ to his divine status, it also consoles us that from that vantage point above, Jesus Christ continues to defend us with his overenveloping presence.

# "And know that I am with you always" (Mt 28:20)

As a young priest, I talked to my Spiritual Director at how sometimes I got dry when I went for long hours of prayers like meditation or adoration. He gave me this verse that said "and know that I am with you always "(Mt 28:20), or words to this effect. I still use them when I don't know what else to say. These words that we heard in the gospel text of today were the parting words of Jesus, as Matthew has it. In fact, the Gospel of Matthew ends with these words. These words of promise are uttered by Jesus in the context of the mountain that alludes to his Ascension. Let us keep with that hope: that He will be with us always. Till the end of Time.

### Fr. Martin

Request for Donation: Would you please consider making a donation towards our campaign of acquiring a professional camera that we shall use for our live streaming of Mass via social media. St. Elizabeth has been live streaming all our Masses using a phone which tends have glitches sometimes. We hope to get a modest camera that will stream through a computer and will produce better quality sound and pictures. Having this gadget will help us to serve you better. Thank you

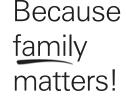




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