St. Elizabeth Roman Gatholic Church

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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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"Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep." John 10:7



Tuesday, May 5: Weekday

9:00 a.m., Thanksgiving for Family & Benefactors by Sr. Alice Johnson Souls of Faustino & Prophetes Tumambo by Soccoro Tumambo

Wednesday, May 6: Saint François de Laval

9:00 a.m., Thanksgiving for EWTN by Sr. Alice Johnson

Thursday, May 7: Weekday

9:00 a.m., Intentions of the Blessed Mother by Sr. Alice Johnson

Friday, May 8: Blessed Catherine of St. Augustine

9:00 a.m., Intentions of the Holy Father by Sr. Alice Johnson

Saturday, May 9: Easter Vigil

4:30 p.m., Soul of Stewart Manley by Beth Manley & Family

Sunday, May 10: 5th Sunday of Easter

9:00 a.m., Blessings on Chris Myers & Joe Cazabon by Cecilia Bowie Soul of Celia Scissons by Marie Cyr & Margaret Scissons

Tuesday, May 12:Saints Nereus and Achilleus

9:00 a.m., Sanctification of Priests by Sr. Alice Johnson

Wed., May 13: Our Lady of Fatima

9:00 a.m., Soul of Nancy Normoyle by the Normoyle Family

Thurs., May 14: Saint Matthias

9:00 a.m., Blessings on Spiritual Motherhood of Priests by Sr. Alice Johnson

Friday, May 15: Weekday

9:00 a.m., Blessings on Sisters of Christian Community by Sr. Alice Johnson

Saturday, May 16: Saturday Vigil

4:30 p.m., Intentions of Gladys & Glennys by Sr. Alice Johnson For All Parishioners

Sunday, May 17: 6th Sunday of Easter

9:00 a.m., Soul of Freda Darwin by the Darwin Family

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, Hannah Joseph

Canadian Tire Money Count: \$265.98

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

PAP for May 1: \$4,744.00

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:

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,
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

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

Check Facebook for live feed of masses

www.stelizabethottawa.ca

In the Parish



Reflection from Fr. Martin: Every year, the 4th Sunday of Easter is celebrated as the Good Shepherd Sunday and Vocations Sunday. Each year, for the gospel reading, we hear one part of John 10. This

year being Year A, we listen to the first part of that chapter. We reflect on the pastoral love of God made visible in Jesus, as we also pray for vocations to priesthood; priests are the "pastors" or shepherds of the church.

In the gospel text of today, Jesus makes two or more of his "I AM" statements: "I am the Gate" (John 10:9) and "I am the Good Shepherd" (John 10:11). Let us reflect on these two themes.

I AM THE GATE: This seems a strange analogy. When you look at it in some detail you find a deeper meaning of what Jesus means. It is customary for animal herders, at the end of the day to gather their sheep in the pen - as we see among several pastoralist communities even today. The pen itself is often an open-air circular area enclosed by thorny branches. Usually it is a dirty and smelly place. It would have just one narrow entrance, which would be barricaded by wooden logs. When the shepherds bring the sheep to the pen at the end of the day, they would let the sheep in and they would return the logs at the "gate" and or two of them would sleep just outside the pen at the gate blocking the way. If wild animals or bandits came and tried to enter the pen, they would have to trample the shepherds at the gate to get it. This is a standard way of guarding the sheep at night.

Jesus borrows this term but takes it even a step further. He is not the guards at the Gate, but he is the Gate himself. This is an extraordinary thing; Jesus is not the only the guard but he is also the Way to the Community.

I AM THE GOOD SHEPHERD: The second assertion that he makes is that he is the Good Shepherd. Who is the Good Shepherd? What kind of shepherd can claim that he is the good one? A shepherd can go in front and attract the sheep and lead them on; or he can go at the back of the herd and shove them by beating them up and pushing them. He can either drive the sheep or draw them.

John 10:4 says, "when he has brought out all those that are his, he goes ahead of them and the sheep

follow him because they know his voice." Jesus the Good Shepherd draws us to himself through his Love. We hear his voice and we follow. In other words, he does not have to push and shove us to go to the truth which is Himself. He would hope that we follow him, but were we to decide otherwise, he would respect that. It is nice to be drawn to Him because this is what poor souls are longing for. If I follow him, it is good for me, because this is what will ultimately make me happy, where I will find the fullness of life. Because it is in him that we move and live and have a our full being.

Fr. Martin

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.

In The Archdiocese

Virtual National March for Life, May 10-14, 2020: The program will include high profile movies and interviews streamed online from May 10-12; a virtual candlelight vigil on Wednesday, May 13; online pro-life Masses and religious services on Thursday, May 14, and a live streamed "virtual" rally, with guests from Canada and around the world. A pro-life special is planned to be broadcast on May 14 on the Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN).

Free Theology of the Body Virtual Conference:
From noon May 8 until midnight May-10, see world-renown speakers like Christopher West, Sr. Helena Burns, fsp, Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC, Matt Fradd, Jason Evert, Jeff Cavins, Dr Bob Schuchts, and more.

Register at https://www.tobvirtualconference.com/?r done=1.

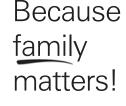
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