

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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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

*Simon Peter answered, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."
Matthew 16:16*

Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, August 25: Saint Louis
/Saint Joseph Calasanz

9:00 a.m., Blessings on Sr. Alice Johnson
by Terry Normoyle

Wednesday, August 26: Weekday

9:00 a.m., In Thanksgiving by Don & Chris Graham

Thursday, August 27: Saint Monica

9:00 a.m., Blessings on Bonnie McLaughlin
& family by Terry Normoyle

Friday, August 28: Saint Augustine

9:00 a.m., Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, August 29: Saturday Vigil

4:30 p.m., Soul of Leo Rathier by Beth Manley
For All Parishioners

Sunday, August 30: 22nd Sunday
in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m., Birthday Blessings on Rosa Frias
by Sr. Alice Johnson

Blessings on Fr. Martin by Terry Normoyle

10:30 a.m., Soul of Nestor Trinidad

by Lorie & Jun Fernandez

Soul of John Masson by the Pignat Family

Sick in Our Parish

We pray for all those who have died,
especially **Bonnie McDermid,**
relative of Bonnie & Lionel McLaughlin
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,
- Jodi Graham, Raymond Joly Sr., Gordon Kane,
- Allan Kelly, Norina Lachance, Rick Lachance,
- Marlyn McAndrew, Baby Miles, 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: \$264.33

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

Regular Sunday Collection - August 10: \$ 2,784.10

August 17: \$1,288.25

Poor Fund: \$414.50

Maintenance Fund: \$330.00

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."*

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.

***The Word Among Us is available for the
month of September. Cost of the missalette
is \$4.00.***

Parish Events This Week

Wednesday: Vespers with Deacon Fred, 4:15 p.m.

Saturday: Mass, 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: Mass, 9:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Check Facebook for live feed of the masses.

In the Parish



Reflection from Fr. Martin:

We Christians may feel proud that even non-Christians refer to Jesus as a great man. Looking at it at a deeper level, we may realize that this expression does not reflect our own experience of Jesus.

Who is Jesus for you? Is he merely a great man? The gospel text of today once again invites us to reflect on this question. Let us explore three possible implications of this event described in the gospel narration of today, and in so doing we might understand what it could mean for us today.

Possible Significance for Jesus: Increasing self-knowledge. We humans come to realize who we are in our interaction with other people. Direct verbal feedback is one way we learn about ourselves from others. From his baptism up until his resurrection, there were several high points on Jesus' journey of self-discovery: the temptations, the encounter with the Canaanite woman (the gospel reading of last Sunday), the transfiguration, the agony in the garden. Surely, the incident of Caesarea Philippi is one such milestone. However, Peter's statement: "You are the Christ, *the Son of the living God*", is one step too far! Christ, that is the Messiah, was not expected to be the Son of the God – having the same nature with God. (Interestingly, in Mk and Lk the 2nd part of Peter's statement does not feature!) Did this surprise Jesus himself?

Significance for the Apostles: To know and love him more intimately. The event described in the gospel of today was also an invitation to the disciples to deepen and personalize their own understanding of Jesus. It is also an invitation to you and me. Archbishop Oscar Romero of El Salvador is reported to have said: "Christianity is not a collection of truths to be believed or laws to be obeyed. Rather, Christianity is a person. Christianity is Christ." This intimate and personal knowing of Jesus is not merely an intellectual or rational activity, but an experience that is mediated by the Spirit of God Himself: "Simon son of Jonah... it was no human agency that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven" (Mt 16:17).

Significance for Peter: To follow him more closely. The location for the event described in the gospel text of today is Caesarea Philippi. The non-Jewish location would have been selected by Jesus just for the sake of seclusion. And the mountainous setting could also suggest a location for an encounter between God and Humans. Interestingly, Caesarea Philippi was also known for a temple dedicated to the Greek god Pan, who was the god of shepherds. This geographical context reminds us of John 21:15-19, which could be considered the Johannine parallel to the synoptic

version of the gospel reading of today (Mt 16:13-20; Mk 8:27-30; Lk 9:18-21). In John, Jesus wants to be sure of Peter's love and not just his understanding of Jesus as the 'Son of God'. Built on this personal relationship with Jesus, Peter's own leadership would consist in shepherding.

Today, Jesus invites us to love him as the Son of God – even enabled by the Spirit – and be shepherds to each other.

**Blessings,
Fr. Martin**

In The Archdiocese

Friday Pro-life Mass: At Madonna Della Risurrezione, 1621 Fisher Ave., every Friday, 9:00 a.m., to pray for life and especially the protection of unborn children. Plenty of parking at the back of the church. The Masses will be held in English.

Executive Committee of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops: released a Message entitled They Still Bring Forth Fruit in Old Age: A Lesson on Caring in the midst of the COVID-19 Pandemic. This timely Message serves as an occasion for the Bishops of Canada to acknowledge the most serious difficulties faced by many vulnerable persons across the country during the pandemic, with particular concerns raised for the elderly in our communities.

Are you wanting to live a life of purpose and desire to become a Saint: Serving as a missionary with NET Canada is a way for you to learn how to listen to God's voice and receive the faith, and human, formation you need in order to thrive in life. It is also an opportunity to grow your music skills, share your faith with others and kick start the life of purpose you desire to live. If you are interested in volunteering for a mission year with NET Canada, or know of someone who would be a great candidate, request an application and apply today at: netcanada.ca/apply.





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