



# ST. ELIZABETH of the Trinity



**JANUARY 21, 2024**



## 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



He walked along a little farther and saw James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John. They too were in a boat mending their nets. Then he called them. So they left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed him. - Mk 1:19-20

There's a somewhat famous and silly scene from an 80's comedy "*Planes, Trains, and Automobiles*". John Candy and Steve Martin find themselves driving on a cold winter's night but in his tiredness and distraction, John Candy goes onto a highway through the *exit* ramp, therefore driving, unawares, into oncoming traffic. A kind couple driving on the other, correct side of the highway spend the next minute or so trying to warn them of the danger - "*You're going the wrong way!*" Candy and Martin deliver some great responses: "*How do they know which way we're going?*", "*They're crazy, probably drunk*". The friendly couple pleads to no avail and the two narrowly escape catastrophe.

Sometimes we need a change of perspective, especially when we're distracted or tired, to allow for a course correction in life as needed. But it's not always easy to hear the message even when it's for our own good.

There are some words that we can hear connected with our faith that can immediately put us on edge or alert. Today I think we have one such word and that is Christ's call for us to "repent." He says: "***Repent, and believe in the gospel.***" We hear the same call from the prophet Jonah in the first reading when God threatened the people of Nineveh if they did not repent.

What does it mean to repent? The Greek word used here is "*metanoia*" which not only includes being sorry for the evil we've done but it includes a total conversion of our mind and heart to God's will. Repentance is a process of conversion that requires patience and daily persistence but does bear fruit.

An analogy might be useful. I know a couple of people who had gained a lot of weight and had a surgery done that would shrink the size of their stomach helping them to lose weight. They reached a point where their doctors and loved ones helped them to see that their extra weight was killing them, something had to change. But Lap-band surgery wasn't enough, a whole lifestyle change was needed for them to achieve and maintain physical health.

Their view of eating and exercise had to change completely. Extra time must be taken to shop for healthier foods and to prepare better meals. A person might even make friends with people that share similar goals. Sometimes it will feel like there are constant temptations against this new way of a healthy life...it will feel like a battle. One's hobbies, friends, diet, rest, etc... all factor in to a physically healthy lifestyle. This same mindset of a lifestyle change is what Jesus calls us to morally and spiritually.

What is common to all saints - Simon, Andrew, James, Augustine, Mother Teresa, Carlo Acutis, and so forth, isn't that they never sinned after their initial conversion but that they kept refocusing on the Lord, every day. They followed Paul's warning: "***the time is running out... let those...buying as not owning, those using the world as not fully using it. For the world as we know it is passing away.***" The classic way of saying this is that we as Catholics are meant to be in the world but not of the world.

Conversion is a daily thing which is why we so often need to hear Christ's reminder at the beginning Mark's Gospel, at the beginning of a new year: "***Repent, and believe in the gospel.***"

God bless,

Fr. Mike





In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus says: "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." As disciples, we are called to continue God's work on earth. Taking care of God's poor is indeed living gospel values.

This month, through your gifts, the St. Vincent de Paul Society was able to assist families in need by providing food and rental assistance in addition to help with other bills. May God Bless You!

**Next Sunday!!!**



**St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Holy Name Society / Men's Club**

**Championship Sunday Party**

**Sunday, January 28, 2024**

**Doors open at 1:00 p.m. at the Auditorium.**

**Tables are \$250 (seat 10)**

**\$30 entry fee at the door for same day walk-ins.**

**Email [st.elizabethhns@gmail.com](mailto:st.elizabethhns@gmail.com) to reserve a table.**

# Totus Tuus: Save the Date!



We hope to have Totus Tuus return to St. Elizabeth of the Trinity this summer July 7th-12th This is a great summer opportunity full of fun and faith formation. Registration will start as soon as our date is confirmed. If you would like to be on a list to get registration information as soon as it is available please email [aguinn@archchicago.org](mailto:aguinn@archchicago.org)

If your family would like to help be a host family for two of the missionaries that week please contact Ashley Guinn in the parish office.



Julia Rose child of  
Leonard & Elizabeth  
(Eck) Arquilla

Peter Alexander child of  
Alexander & Teresa  
(Eck) Gardunio

# January Teen Mass

**January 28th at 5:00 pm**

with prayer time accompanied with music and Confessions starting at 4:40 and followed by games and pizza until 8:00 pm

**All** are welcome to join us for prayer and Mass  
**Teens in grades 7-12** are welcome to join us in the gym, after mass for some food and fellowship.

If you have questions or are a teen who would like to help lector or alter serve at the Mass please contact Ashley Guinn in the Parish Office or at [aguinn@archchicago.org](mailto:aguinn@archchicago.org)



## SICK LIST

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Amy Grudzinski—Bernadette Bannach—Patricia Newell—Guzman family—Angela Ross—  
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Elise Fernandez—Emery Tanski—Cary Muldoon-Pauly—Sr. Kelly Masdat MSHT—Darlene Russo—  
Constance Anderson—Dolores Nano—Roberto Druca—Steve Hovde—Helzing Aguilar—  
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Paul Konietzny—Kathy Burns—Joan Harriss—Daniel Fraczkowski—Jackie Fortier—  
Charles Jacobucci—Nancy Wesclitz—Ciara Czajkowski—Donna J. Kolinski—Richard Muench—  
Frank Delia—Steve Miller—Raffaella Mucerino—Sandie Douglas—Hector Magnanoo  
*(Call the rectory office to have your name - added or removed)*

# SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

## Support the Collection for the Church in Latin America

Christ calls his disciples to love God and to love our neighbor. We Catholics can show love for our neighbors by performing corporal works of mercy, which include feeding those who are hungry, giving shelter to those who are homeless, and visiting prisoners.

For more than 50 years, the US bishops' program to aid the Church in Latin America has helped the Church carry out its pastoral mission of mercy among those with both spiritual and material needs across Latin America and the Caribbean.

In Mexico's Diocese of Iztapalapa, much of the population lives below the poverty line and has trouble meeting basic needs. The crime rate is high. Offenders who complete their jail sentences face rejection and isolation and risk reoffending upon their return to society. With grant support from the Collection for the Church in Latin America, the diocese created the Cristo Redentor evangelization center, where persons released from prison can receive job search help, group therapy, spiritual direction, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. And they can participate in recreational activities such as theater, games, and music, all at no charge.

In Venezuela, economic hardship and political turmoil have caused food shortages and a migration wave that has left behind vulnerable people, such as seniors. Without adequate resources, the elderly are particularly vulnerable to health problems, malnutrition, and homelessness. The Diocese of Carúpano, with help from the Collection for the Church in Latin America, established a social dining room at its Casa de la Caridad Santa Ana, where it provides nutritious lunches and spiritual and medical care to 100 people every day. The diocese also delivers bags of food and supplies to an additional 80 people every week.

These works of mercy are made possible through the generosity of Catholics in the United States to the Collection for the Church in Latin America.

For more information about the Collection for the Church in Latin America, visit [www.usccb.org/latin-america](http://www.usccb.org/latin-america).

### 2022 CLA Financials

#### Expenses

- Grants and Donations: **79.98%**
- Program Costs: **7.26%**
- Allocations—Internal Grants: **6.93%**
- Promotions and Fundraising Expenses: **4.52%**
- Administrative Expenses: **1.30%**

**Total Expenses: \$6,517,768**



Total Number of Grants Approved: 251

Total Amount Approved: \$6,583,605

- General Pastoral\*: **55.46%**
- Formation of Clergy and Religious, and Vocations: **22.85%**
- Emergency Disaster Funds: **21.19%**
- Child Protection: **0.50%**



\*includes evangelization, religious education, family and other pastoral ministries



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Please consult an attorney and financial advisor when drafting your will or trust. For sample bequest language, please contact: *Marguerite Q. Zappa, Planned Giving Officer, Archdiocese of Chicago at 312.848.3068 or [mzappa@archchicago.org](mailto:mzappa@archchicago.org)*.



St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Presents

# CASINO NIGHT

A Night to Remember

Join us for an evening of gaming, hors d'oeuvres, open bar, DJ, raffles, cash prizes, and in-person only auction items.



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**WHEN:** Sunday, January 28, 2024  
**TIME:** 10am - 12pm  
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**CATHOLIC  
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**Step-by-Step Walk Through the Mass  
Do This in Remembrance of Me, Part 24:  
The Homily  
By FR. LUKE SPANNAGEL**



After hearing God's Word to us in the Scriptures and especially the life and words of Jesus in the Gospel, next comes an opportunity to reflect more deeply on those words in the **homily**. As the Diocese of Peoria teaches, after the Gospel, we move into the "Second Half" of the Liturgy of the Word, which "consists of the homily, the Profession of Faith and the Prayers of the Faithful. These three 'moments' in the liturgy act as a bridge between the Liturgies of the Word and Eucharist" (*A Study of the Mass*, p. 9).

### **The Root of the Term**

What is the homily exactly? "*Homily*" comes from a Greek word that means "explanation." The purpose of the "homily is to break open the Scriptures and lead us in a deeper understanding of the mysteries we celebrate" (*A Study of the Mass*, p. 9). From the glossary of our *Catechism*, the homily is "[p]reaching by an ordained minister to explain the Scriptures proclaimed in the liturgy and to exhort the people to accept them as the Word of God" (CCC, p. 882). According to the *New Catholic Encyclopedia*, "a homily is a more or less brief, instructive discourse on a passage of Scripture wherein the spiritual lesson of the Scriptural text is made clear... It is generally to be instructive, informal, and intelligent" (p. 271). Some might say that is a tall order!

Who can give the homily? As the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* states, "The Homily should ordinarily be given by the Priest Celebrant himself or be entrusted by him to a concelebrating Priest, or from time to time and, if appropriate, to the Deacon, but never to a lay person. In particular cases and for a just cause, the Homily may even be given by a Bishop or a Priest who is present at the celebration but cannot concelebrate" (GIRM, 66). The reason that only a Bishop, priest, or deacon gives the homily in the liturgy is directly tied to the proclamation of the Gospel. One of the gifts a man receives at ordination is a particular grace for the special purpose of preaching and teaching the Gospel. Although the wording is slightly different now, I recall very clearly the part of the diaconate ordination rite where the Bishop handed me the Book of the Gospels and said, "Receive the Gospel of Christ, whose herald you now are. Believe what you read, teach what you believe, and practice what you teach." Every now and then when preparing the homily, I will think of these words which remind me that I have been chosen for this ministry. I will read through the Scriptures and recall for myself that Jesus has asked me to share these truths with God's people, hopefully to help them understand more fully, grow in faith, and live more consistently in his love.

### **A Link Between the Liturgies**

The *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* teaches, "The Homily is part of the Liturgy... for it is necessary for the nurturing of the Christian life. It should be an explanation of some aspect of the readings from Sacred Scripture or of another text from the [prayers of the Mass] and should take into account both the mystery being celebrated and the particular needs of the listeners" (GIRM, 65). So, while the homily may most commonly be about the readings used in the Mass, it would be appropriate for the preacher to also reflect on one of the prayers of the Mass. I somewhat regularly will refer to phrases in the Prefaces before the Eucharistic Prayer, especially on special Feast Days when those prayers are specific to the celebration.

Do we always have the homily? As the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* says, there should be a homily at every Sunday and Holy Day Mass when there is a congregation. It is recommended on other days, especially on the weekdays of Advent, Lent, and the Easter Season, as well as on other "festive days and occasions" when more people are joining for the celebration (GIRM, 66). Next time, we will look more into the homily and how it helps serve as a link between the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist.





Watch St. Elizabeth of the Trinity 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass live on You Tube - search for St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish channel.

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 2024**

5:00 PM — Don Love

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, 2024**

7:30 AM — for our parishioners  
 9:00 AM — for our parishioners  
 11:00 AM — for our parishioners  
 12:00 PM - 12:45 PM — CONFESSION  
 1:00 PM — (Spanish) Cesar Hernandez Marin, Cirilo Pacheco

**MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 2024**

8:30 AM — for the legal protection of unborn children

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2024**

8:30 AM — Conrad Deane  
 11:00 - 6:00 PM - Adoration / Benediction at 6:00  
 5:30 - 6:00 PM - CONFESSION  
 6:30 PM — John & Katherine Misiuda, Vicki Placzek

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2024**

8:30 AM — Beverly Herbig

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 2024**

8:30 AM — Juvantino Gonzalez (55th anniversary)  
 6:30 PM — CONFESSION (bilingual)

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 2024**

8:30 AM — Paula Meister, Charles Boyd, Peter Eck

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 2024**

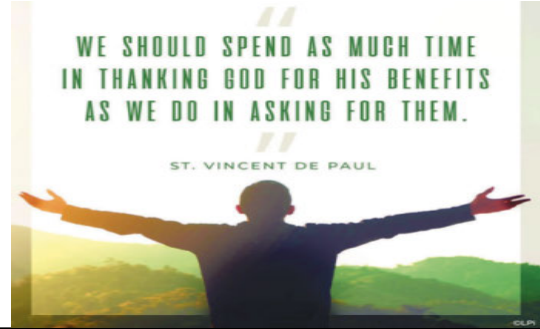
8:30 AM — for the homebound of the parish  
 3:30 - 4:30 PM—CONFESSION  
 5:00 PM — Don Love Jr.

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2024**

7:30 AM — Zofia Kalemba  
 9:00 AM — Kathleen Joyce  
 11:00 AM — for our parishioners  
 12:00 PM - 12:45 PM — CONFESSION  
 1:00 PM — (Spanish) Cesar Hernandez Marin, Cirilo Pacheco, Diana Caldderon  
 5:00 PM — (Teen Mass)

**Presider Schedule - January 27 & 28**

5:00 p.m.—Fr. Grisolano / piano  
 7:30 a.m. —Fr. Grisolano / organ  
 9:00 a.m. —Fr. Grisolano / piano / parish choir  
 11:00 a.m.—Fr. McCarthy / organ  
 1:00 p.m.—(Spanish) Bp. Bartosic  
 5:00 p.m.—(Teen Mass) Fr. McCarthy / Guitar Ensemble



Juanita Smith  
 Kathleen Smith  
 Filomena Melone

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Monday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children  
 Tuesday: St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin  
 Wednesday: St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
 Thursday: The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle  
 Friday: Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops  
 Saturday: St. Angela Merici, Virgin  
 Next Sunday: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Celebrate Catholic Schools Week

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**THIS WEEK'S READINGS**

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (4a)/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20  
 Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30  
 Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Mk 3:31-35  
 Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20  
 Thursday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18  
 Friday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10/Mk 4:26-34  
 Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41  
 Next Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 (8)/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28



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## SERVICES

### Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. & Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. (English) and 1:00 p.m. (Spanish)

### Daily Mass Schedule:

Monday through Saturday: 8:30 a.m., Tuesday: 6:30 p.m. and First Thursday: 7:00 p.m. (Spanish)

### Rosary:

Prayed daily immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass

Church is open daily for private prayer until 5:00 p.m.

### Confession:

Tuesday: 5:30 to 6:00 p.m., Thursday: 6:30 to 7:00 p.m. (bilingual)  
Saturday: 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., Sunday: 12:00 to 12:45 p.m.

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday: 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (Benediction at 6:00 p.m.)

Last Thursday from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (Benediction at 7:50 p.m.)

Rectory (Parish Office): Monday - Friday - 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

### Baptism:

Please contact Deacon Greg Bzdon to make arrangements:

[gbzdon@archchicago.org](mailto:gbzdon@archchicago.org)

### Becoming a Catholic:

Would you like to learn more about what it means to be a Catholic? The Church calls this process *The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)*. It is a small group forum where interested people learn more about initiation and membership in the Catholic Church. Please call the parish office for more information.

### Marriage:

Must be arranged six months prior to the ceremony. Please contact a priest to make arrangements.

**Religious Education for Public Grade School Students:** Contact Peggy Bradley for more information.

**Parish Registration:** New parishioners are asked to register at the Rectory.

Forms are also available on our website under the Our Parish tab or in the rear of church.

**Communion Visits:** Ministers of Care bring Communion to the homebound. Contact Tony Lupinski through the parish office to make arrangements.

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**Bulletin Deadline:** Noon on Fridays (9 days prior to bulletin date)

*"It seems to me that I have found my  
heaven on earth,  
because my heaven is You,  
my God,  
and You are in my soul.  
You in me,  
and I in You – may this be my motto."  
St. Elizabeth of the Trinity*