

ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH

Diocese of Knoxville

Mass intentions for the week of Dec. 9, 2018

Second Sunday of Advent

Saturday 5 p.m. —

† deceased of Tummers family
By: *Jos & Thea Tummers*

Sunday, 9 a.m. —

† Grace Davis
By: *Mary Carr*

Monday, 10 a.m. —

† Victims of abortion
By: *Lisa Palmieri*

Tuesday — No Mass

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Wednesday —
Communion service

St. Lucy

Thursday, 10 a.m. —

† Alton Halfmann
By: *Kent & Coleen Schneider*

St. John of the Cross

Friday — No Mass

Third Sunday of Advent

Saturday 5 p.m. —

† Irene Cruz
By: *Jim & Mary Stapleton*

Sunday, 9 a.m. —

† James Mulhern
By: *Mary Carr*

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Baruch 5:1-9
Psalm 126:1-6
Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11
Luke 3:1-6



HEROD THE TETRARCH

Luke dates the start of John the Baptist's ministry by setting it in the 15th year of the reign of Emperor Augustus: 29 AD. He notes that Herod Antipas, son of Herod the Great, was "tetrarch" of Galilee. The word is related to "monarch" which means "one ruler." A tetrarch is a quarter ruler. After the death of Herod the Great, Rome decided to divide up the kingdom of Israel so that no one person would hold all of the power. Herod Antipas is the king most frequently mentioned in the gospels. He later arrested John the Baptist and sentenced him to death.

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Weekly readings

Monday

Isaiah 35:1-10
Luke 5:17-26

Tuesday

Isaiah 40:1-11
Matthew 18:12-14

Wednesday

Zechariah 2:14-17
Luke 1:26-38

Thursday

Isaiah 41:13-20
Matthew 11:11-15

Friday

Isaiah 48:17-19
Matthew 11:16-19

Saturday

Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11
Matthew 17:10-13

Sunday

Zephaniah 3:14-18a
Isaiah 12:2-6
Philippians 4:4-7
Luke 3:10-18

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Offertory Collection for
Dec. 2, 2018

Regular, \$4,269.80
Backpack Buddies,
\$102.30
Needy, \$1,269

Lay ministers for Dec. 15/16

Altar servers

Sat. —

Sun. — Allison Jordan, Timothy Grubb, Colyn Carter

Commentators/Readers

Sat. — J. Stapleton, D. Alexander, J. Kilby

Sun. — R. Barker, S. Batchelder, J. Potter

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Sat. — M. Strickling, T. Bratton

Sun. — M. Carr, L. Shell

Ushers

Sat. — M. Hupko

Sun. — J. Tolejko, L. Policky

Gift Bearers

Mock

Saintly Wisdom

"Walk with your feet on earth,
but in your heart be in heaven."

—*St. John Bosco* —

Parish Life

Penance Service on Monday — The Advent penance service for St. Elizabeth is scheduled for 7 p.m. Monday. Several priests will be available for confessions. If Elizabethton schools are closed Monday because of weather, the penance service will be cancelled.

Music Practice for 10:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass — Practice for music for the 10:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass will be this weekend, at 3 p.m. Sunday.

Christmas Mass Schedule — St. Elizabeth's Christmas Masses will be at these times:

- 4 p.m. Monday, Dec. 24 (children's Mass)
- 10:30 p.m. Dec. 24 (music starts at 10 p.m.)
- 9 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 25

Christmas Flowers — Next Sunday is the deadline for turning in Christmas flower envelopes for those people who would like to remember a loved one. Please be sure to note for each name if it is a memorial or an "in honor of" request. Thank you.

Christmas Eve Children's Mass Practice Next Sunday — Children who plan to be in the play at the Christmas Eve children's Mass are to meet after Mass on Sunday, Dec. 23, for a short practice. For more information, contact Coleen Schneider at coleenschneider@gmail.com or 926-6306.

Advent Books — The bible reading referred to each day in the Advent reflection books is the gospel reading for the day, which can be found in the newly launched myParish app under "readings."

myParish App — To install the myParish app on a smart phone, text *App* to 88202 or download it from the App Store or Google Play. After the program has been opened, select *St. Elizabeth*.

'Keep Christ in Christmas' Magnets — The Knights of Columbus are selling "Keep Christ in Christmas" magnets after the weekend Masses. The funds raised will be used for charity programs. The cost is \$5.

Inclement Weather — If the Elizabethton school system cancels classes, then daily Mass will not be celebrated that day. Parishioners are encouraged to stay home when road conditions or temperatures make traveling dangerous.

Social Action

Angel Tree Gifts Due Now — This weekend (Sunday) is the deadline for bringing in angel tree gifts, which will be distributed through the Elizabethton school system before the holidays. Leave the gifts in the basement or in the education building, but please do NOT leave gifts outside.



Food Drive through Next Weekend — The Knights of Columbus are conducting a food drive through next weekend. Nonperishable food (no glass, please) may be placed in the collection box in the vestibule. The food collected will be given to ARM (Assistance and Resource Ministries).