

ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH

Mass intentions for April 18, 2021 Third Sunday of Easter

Saturday, 5 p.m.—

† Marilyn Shanks
By: Laura Barnett

Sunday, 8:30 a.m.—

† Vilma Martin
By: Ric & Norma Martin

9:30 a.m.—

People of the parish

Wednesday, noon —

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Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19—The author of life was put to death, but God raised him from the dead. Repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away.

Psalms 4:2, 4, 7-9—Let your face shine on us.

1 John 2:1-5a—If anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ. The way we may be sure that we know him is to keep his commandments. Whoever keeps his word, the love of God is truly in him.

Luke 24:35-48—Two disciples recalled how Jesus was made known to them in the breaking of the bread. Then Jesus stood in their midst, showing them his flesh and bones and asking for something to eat. After eating baked fish, Jesus told them that his life and death fulfilled the law of Moses, the prophets and psalms. Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, telling them “you are witnesses of these things.”



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Dispensation

Catholics living in the diocese are not obligated to attend Sunday Mass until further notice. While not required, participating in Mass online is encouraged.



BAKED FISH

Luke tells us that Jesus asked his disciples, "Have you anything to eat?" This may seem like a strange request since Jesus' risen body is obviously very different from that of other human bodies. (He can walk through walls.) It may simply be that Jesus wants to show them and us that he is not a ghost, a dream or a hallucination. You can dream that someone is eating food, but when you wake up the food will still be there, quite unlike the baked fish Jesus ate right in front of them!

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Weekly readings

Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19
Psalm 4:2, 4, 7-9
1 John 2:1-5a
Luke 24:35-48

Monday

Acts 6:8-15
John 6:22-29

Tuesday

Acts 7:51—8:1a
John 6:30-35

Wednesday

Acts 8:1b-8
John 6:35-40

Thursday

Acts 8:26-40
John 6:44-51

Friday

Acts 9:1-20
John 6:52-59

Saturday

Act 9:31-42
John 6:60-69

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:8-12
Psalm 118:1, 8-9,
21-23, 26, 28, 29
1 John 3:1-2
John 10:11-18

Why anoint with holy oils?

Anointing has been around since ancient times. It cleanses (as before and after a bath), limbers (athletes and wrestlers) and soothes (bruises and wounds). In biblical times, kings, priests and prophets were anointed with consecratory oil in preparation for their special roles.

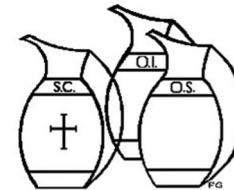
Jesus also was chosen for a special role. In fact, the name “Christ” means “anointed of the Lord.”

Jesus fulfilled the prophecy in Isaiah: “The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bring up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

Anointing with oil in the sacraments reminds us of God’s saving action in our lives. Consecration with oil symbolizes God’s blessing and being chosen by God for a special role.

The oils used for the sacraments are blessed each year during Holy Week at the Chrism Mass. They include:

- **Sacred Chrism** (SC or “*Sacrum Chrisma*”), a mixture of oil and balsam, indicates a sharing in Christ’s royal and prophetic priesthood. It is used for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Orders and the dedication of churches.
- **Oil of Catechumens** (OS or “*Oleum Sanctorum*”) is blessed for use in Baptism, to strengthen the baptized to renounce sin and the devil.
- **Oil of the Sick** (OI or “*Oleum Infirmorum*”) is blessed for use in the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, so that those sick in mind or body may have the strength to bear suffering, resist evil and obtain the forgiveness of sins.



Saintly Wisdom

“If you believe what you like in the gospels, and reject what you don’t like, it is not the gospel you believe, but yourself.”

— St. Augustine —

Parish Life

Confirmation — Congratulations to the four students who were confirmed this weekend (Saturday) at St. Elizabeth. They include Elisha Hoyt, Azucena Mendez, Ivan Romero and Thomas Zamora. Congratulations!



New Parishioners — Are you a new parishioner? If you are, we welcome you and ask that you fill out a registration form, which can be found in the vestibule. Forms can be returned in the weekend collection. Thank you!

Parish & Diocesan Websites — Websites for St. Elizabeth and the Diocese of Knoxville can be accessed at the following sites:

- St. Elizabeth — stelizabethsparish.org
- Diocese of Knoxville — dioknox.org
- *East Tennessee Catholic* (the diocesan newspaper) — etcatholic.org

Catholic Charities

Race for Kids — Catholic Charities of East Tennessee is sponsoring a virtual 5-kilometer race and family walk this Sunday (April 18) through Wednesday, April 28. For the virtual 5K and family walk, runners and walkers can run where they want, when they want (treadmill, nature trail, etc.). The race supports CCETN’s children’s emergency center and the C.H.A.P. program. (Columbus Home Assisting Parents or C.H.A.P. is a home-based parent-support service for families with life stressors that impact parenting abilities.) For more information, go to www.ccetn.org/RaceForKids

