

## ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH

Mass intentions  
for Jan. 16, 2022  
*Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**Saturday, 5 p.m. —**  
† Marsha Hupko  
By: Mike Hupko

**Sunday, 9 a.m. —**  
† Richard Saporito  
By: Fran & Rodney Robey

**Wednesday, noon —**  
† Grace O'Brien  
By: Barker family

**Saturday, 5 p.m. —**  
† Alice Gurdak  
By: Paul & Laura Gurdak

**Sunday, 9 a.m. —**  
† Cheryl Gucwa Kaiser  
By: Jeanie Walker

### Synod Survey

Pope Francis wants your input on the topic of "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission." Please complete the Diocese of Knoxville synod survey found at:

[synodsurvey.org](http://synodsurvey.org)

All, including non-Catholics, are encouraged to complete the anonymous survey. (Be sure to hit the "submit" button when finished.) Thank you to all who have already participated!



### Thanks for your support and generosity

#### In-person Offertory

Jan. 9, 2022

Regular, \$2,495      Catholic Schools, \$300  
Carr scholarship, \$70      Development, \$137  
Backpack Buddies, \$29.30      Needy, \$50

#### Online Offertory

December 2021, \$4,035



### YOUR BUILDER SHALL MARRY YOU

The prophets often spoke of Jerusalem as if it were a woman. When Isaiah wrote the words we hear today, the city was in ruins, its temple and walls shattered. Isaiah predicts future glory for the city, but he is speaking of more than structures of stone. He is telling the people of Jerusalem — and all believers — that God (the builder and creator) will MARRY them. This suggests a future intimacy with God's faithful that goes beyond a mere creator and creature relationship. God will bond with us in a relationship like that of human marriage.

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### Weekly readings

**Second Sunday  
in Ordinary Time**  
Isaiah 62:1-5  
Psalm 96:1-3, 7-10  
1 Corinthians  
12:4-11  
John 2:1-11

**Monday**  
*St. Anthony*  
1 Samuel 15:16-23  
Mark 2:18-22

**Tuesday**  
1 Samuel 16:1-13  
Mark 2:23-28

**Wednesday**  
1 Samuel 17:32-33,  
37, 40-51  
Mark 3:1-6

**Thursday**  
1 Samuel 18:6-9;  
19:1-7  
Mark 3:7-12

**Friday**  
*St. Agnes*  
1 Samuel 24:3-21  
Mark 3:13-19

**Saturday**  
2 Samuel 1:1-4,  
11-12, 19, 23-27  
Mark 3:20-21

**Third Sunday  
in Ordinary Time**  
Nehemiah 8:2-4a,  
5-6, 8-10  
Psalm 19:8-10, 15  
1 Corinthians  
12:12-30  
Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

### Lay ministers for Jan. 15/16

#### Altar servers

Sat. —  
Sun. — Issac Bienaime, Carl Johnson

#### Commentators/Readers

Sat. — B. Gamache  
Sun. — R. Barker, J. Potter, I. Whitehead

#### Ushers

Sat. — M. Hupko, J. Regan  
Sun. — R. Barker, J. Townsend

### Lay ministers for Jan. 22/23

#### Altar servers

Sat. —  
Sun. — Carl Johnson, Joshua Gouge

#### Commentators/Readers

Sat. — S. Hummel  
Sun. — J. Tolejko, S. Batchelder, G. Johnson

#### Ushers

Sat. — J. Regan, G. Bratton  
Sun. — G. Bratton, J. Tolejko

### Saintly Wisdom

"Faith in action is love,  
and love in action is service.  
By transforming that faith  
into living acts of love,  
we put ourselves  
in contact with God Himself,  
with Jesus our Lord."  
— *St. Teresa of Calcutta* —

### Parish Life

**Book Giveaway** — Religious books are available in a free giveaway at St. Elizabeth this weekend. The books, some of them duplicates of books in the church library, can be found in the classroom across the hall from the church office in the education building. Take a few minutes after Mass to see the books and pick out a few to take home with you.

**Right-to-Life Rosary** — The St. Elizabeth youth group is sponsoring a Right-to-Life Rosary at 5 p.m. next Sunday, Jan. 23. All are invited to participate.

**Lectors** — Anyone who would like to read at one of the weekend Masses may volunteer by emailing [coleenschneider@gmail.com](mailto:coleenschneider@gmail.com)



**Charity Donation Letter** — If you would like a letter for your tax return summarizing your 2021 donations to St. Elizabeth, please drop a note in the weekend collection with your name and the words "tax letter" on it.

**Online Giving for St. Elizabeth** — To give online to St. Elizabeth Church, please register at:

<http://stelizabethsparish.weshareonline.org/>

Your envelope number will be linked with your online giving information.

**If You Are Sick** — During the flu season, we are reminded to stay home from Mass if we experience any flu-like symptoms. If attending Mass with a cough or sneezing, please consider wearing a mask to protect others at Mass. Thank you.

**Address Changes** — If you have a new address, phone number or email address, please text updates to 202-6387 or send them to [coleenschneider@gmail.com](mailto:coleenschneider@gmail.com)

**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.

### Special Intentions

**Prayer for Christian Unity** — The week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins Tuesday (Jan 18).

**Right of Life** — Next Saturday is the 49th anniversary of the Supreme Court decision, *Roe vs. Wade*. All U.S. dioceses are asked to observe this day as a day of prayer for the legal protection of unborn children.

