

**ST. ELIZABETH  
CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
*Diocese of Knoxville*

**Mass intentions  
for the week  
of March 15, 2020**

**Third Sunday of Lent**

**Saturday, 5 p.m. —**  
† deceased of Tummers family  
*By: Jos & Thea Tummers*

**Sunday, 9 a.m. —**  
† Debbie Cooper  
*By: Mary Carr*

**Monday — No Mass**

**Tuesday — No Mass**

**Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. —**  
† Marilyn Barker  
*By: Richard Barker*

*St. Joseph*  
**Thursday, 10 a.m. —**  
† Naomi Bartus  
*By: George & Thea Bratton*

**Friday, 10 a.m. —**

**Fourth Sunday of Lent**

**Saturday, 5 p.m. —**  
† William Carden  
*By: Rosemarie Carden*

**Sunday, 9 a.m. —**  
† Richard A. Hiles  
*By: Catherine Hiles*

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Exodus 17:3-7  
Psalm 95:1-2, 6-9  
Romans 5:1-2, 5-8  
John 4:5-42



**The Water I Shall Give  
Will Become A Spring  
Of Living Water  
Welling Up To  
Eternal Life**

**LIVING WATER**

Eskimos have many different words for snow, describing different kinds of snow. A similar diversity of words for water is true of people of the Middle Eastern desert. Today, Jesus speaks of "living water" — literally "flowing" water as opposed to water that accumulates in pools or wells. Standing water can become stagnant and less desirable in taste than water flowing from a spring or river. The Samaritan woman offers to draw water from the well, but Jesus offers her the living variety. Apparently he is referring to the water of Baptism, which allows the baptized to become sources of life themselves.

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**Weekly readings**

**Monday**

2 Kings 5:1-15b  
Luke 4:24-30

**Tuesday**

Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10  
Hebrews 10:4-10  
Luke 1:26-38

**Wednesday**

Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9  
Matthew 5:17-19

**Thursday**

Jeremiah 7:23-28  
Luke 11:14-23

**Friday**

Hosea 14:2-10  
Mark 12:28-34

**Saturday**

Hosea 6:1-6  
Luke 18:9-14

**Sunday**

1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7,  
10-13a  
Psalm 23:1-6  
Ephesians 5:8-14  
John 9:1-41

**Thanks  
for your support  
and generosity**

Offertory Collection for  
March 8, 2020

Regular, \$3,688.54  
Tornado victims, \$3,131.82  
Development, \$148  
Backpack Buddies, \$113

**Lay ministers for March 21/22**

**Altar servers**

Sat. — Daniel Grubb, Timothy Grubb, Leo Grubb  
Sun. — Joshua Gouge, Natalie Schneider, Haile Sexton

**Commentators/Readers**

Sat. — G. Lemons, S. Hummel, D. Olson  
Sun. — R. Barker, S. Mock, J. Potter

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

Sat. —  
Sun. —

**Ushers**

Sat. — M. Hupko  
Sun. — J. Tolejko, L. Policky

**Gift Bearers**

Knights  
Bienaime

**Saintly Wisdom**

“Men go abroad to wonder  
at the heights of mountains,  
at the huge waves of the sea,  
at the long courses of the rivers,  
at the vast compass of the ocean,  
at the circular motions of the stars,  
and they pass by themselves  
without wondering.”  
— *St. Augustine* —

**Parish Life**

**Potluck Supper** — A potluck supper celebrating St. Patrick's Day will begin at 5 p.m. Sunday (this weekend). The parish will provide the bread and drinks. Parishioners are invited to bring a favorite dish to share. Dave Olson will provide live Irish music. Plan to attend!



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**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.

**Stations of the Cross (and Soup Supper)** — Come pray the Way of the Cross at 6:45 p.m. Fridays during Lent in the church.

Also, join in the free soup supper at 6 p.m. on Fridays (preceding the Stations of the Cross). Please sign up for the supper in the vestibule to help with a head count.



**Flu and Virus Reminders** — Due to the unpredictability of the coronavirus, COVID-19, the diocese has mandated (indefinitely) that we continue to refrain...from holding hands during the Our Father, from giving each other a physical Sign of Peace and from receiving the Blood of Christ from the cup. In addition, holy water will not be available at the church entrances. We are also reminded to stay home from Mass if we experience any flu-like symptoms.

**Bereavement Emails** — An email system keeps interested parishioners informed about the deaths of parishioners and last-minute parish news (like the recent collection for tornado victims). To be included in the email list or to change an old email address, please send an email to coleenschneider@gmail.com. Emails are sent as a blind carbon copy, so addresses are protected.

**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!

**Social Action**

**40 Cans for Lent** — The Knights of Columbus are conducting their annual “40 Cans of Food for Lent” canned food drive. Families are invited to donate at least one item of non-perishable food per day during Lent through Easter Sunday, April 12. The food will be used to support Assistance and Resources Ministry (ARM).

