

## ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH

**Mass intentions  
for Nov. 14, 2021  
33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time**

**Saturday, 5 p.m. —**

† Joe O'Brien  
By: Barker family

**Sunday, 9 a.m. —**

† Charles & Mary Anna Stroble  
By: Leonard & Irene Whitehead

**Wednesday, noon —**

† deceased of Bartus family  
By: George & Thea Bratton

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**Daniel 12:1-3** — Daniel heard the word of the Lord: During a time of unsurpassed distress, some people shall escape. Some of the dead shall live forever while others will be in everlasting horror. "But the wise shall shine brightly...and those who lead the many to justice shall be like the stars forever."

**Psalms 16:5, 8-11** — You are my inheritance, O Lord.

**Hebrews 10:11-14, 18** — By one offering, Jesus has made perfect forever those who are being consecrated.

**Mark 13:24-32** — Jesus told the apostles of the last days: The sun will be darkened,

**Of that day or  
hour ... only  
the Father  
knows.**

When these things happen, know that he is near, but of that day or hour, no one knows, only the Father.

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Daniel 12:1-3  
Psalm 16:5, 8-11  
Hebrews  
10:11-14, 18  
Mark 13:24-32



### MICHAEL THE GREAT PRINCE

During November, the Church asks us to think about the ultimate fate of our lives — "last things" that include hell, purgatory and heaven. In particular, we are asked to think about the Last Judgment. In odd-numbered years we read from the last book of the bible, Revelation. This year we turn to the book of Daniel which has a similar section. The prophet has a vision of heaven and the court of God. The archangel Michael is the commander of God's angel army. This passage is the oldest description of the resurrection of the dead. Prior to this, the Old Testament did not teach of such a rising.

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## Weekly readings

**Monday**

1 Maccabees 1:10-15,  
41-43, 54-57, 62-63  
Luke 18:35-43

**Tuesday**

2 Maccabees 6:18-31  
Luke 19:1-10

**Wednesday**

St. Elizabeth  
of Hungary  
2 Maccabees  
7:1, 20-31  
Luke 19:11-28

**Thursday**

1 Maccabees 2:15-29  
Luke 19:41-44

**Friday**

1 Maccabees 4:36-37,  
52-59  
Luke 19:45-48

**Saturday**

1 Maccabees 6:1-13  
Luke 20:27-40

**Our Lord  
Jesus Christ,  
King of the Universe**

Daniel 7:13-14  
Psalm 93:1-2, 5  
Revelation 1:5-8  
John 18:33b-37

**Thanks  
for your support  
and generosity**

**In-person Offertory  
Nov. 7, 2021**

Regular, \$3,967.75  
Development, \$20  
Backpack Buddies,  
\$113

Catholic schools, \$300

## Four Last Things

The Catholic Church teaches that the "four last things" refer to death, judgment, heaven and hell.

1. In **death**, the immortal soul separates from the body and lives on, but it will be reunited with the body during the resurrection of the dead at the end of time.
2. **Judgment** comes in two forms — particular judgment (immediately after death) and the last judgment (after the resurrection of all the dead). After death, we appear before Christ, "so that each one may receive good or evil, according to what he has done in the body." (2 Corinthians 5:10) That means heaven (sometimes by way of purgatory) or hell. At the last judgment, Christ will come in his glory to separate all people — "those who have done good, to the resurrection of life and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of judgment." (John 5:29)
3. **Heaven** is a state of eternal happiness, peace and mutual communion. It is perfect union with God — the fulfillment of the deepest of human longings.
4. **Hell** is not so much physical punishment as it is eternal separation from God. God predestines no one to go to hell and does not want "any to perish, but all to come to repentance." (2 Peter 3:9) However, we cannot be united with God unless we freely choose to love him.

At the end of time, both humanity and the world will be transformed. Then the just will reign with Christ for ever, glorified in body and soul.

The world will be restored to its original state, free from decay, to share in the glorification of the risen Jesus Christ as "new heavens and new earth." (2 Peter 3:13)



—From *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

## Saintly Wisdom

"Don't spend your energies on things that generate worry, anxiety and anguish.

Only one thing is necessary:  
Lift up your spirit, and love God."

— St. Padre Pio —

## Parish Life

**Drive for Intellectually Disabled** — The Knights of Columbus will collect money next weekend to assist intellectually disabled students in special education classes in Elizabethton and Carter County. Due to COVID, the Elizabethton Walmart is not allowing solicitations in front of their store (in what would normally be the Tootsie Roll drive), so this year's drive is at church only (with no Tootsie Rolls). Please consider donating.

**Thank You** — The Knights thank parishioners for their generous donations to the Pregnancy Help Center. Donations included more than 2,000 diapers and baby wipes as well as baby clothing, blankets, bottles, pacifiers and books. In addition, monetary donations of \$575 were collected. Your donations are greatly appreciated!

**Music for 10:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass** — Anyone who would like to participate in the music for the 10:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass may contact Jeanie Walker at 502-4226. Rehearsals will begin after Thanksgiving.

## Social Action

**Angel Tree** — "Angels" will be available next weekend for the annual Angel Tree, which benefits underprivileged children at Harold McCormick School. Gifts will be distributed through the Elizabethton school system before the Christmas holidays, so the deadline for bringing in gifts is Sunday, Dec. 5.

**Advent Food Drive** — The Knights of Columbus will be conducting their annual Advent Food Drive from the first weekend of Advent (Nov. 27-28) through Christmas. Nonperishable food (no glass, please) will be collected for ARM (Assistance Resources Ministry) in Elizabethton.