

# St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Parish

## Diocese of Knoxville—May 3, 2026

### Weekly Readings

#### 5th Sunday of Easter

Acts 6:1-7  
Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19  
1 Peter 2:4-9  
John 14:1-12

#### Monday

Acts 14:5-18  
John 14:21-26

#### Tuesday

Acts 14:19-28  
John 14:27-31a

#### Wednesday

Acts 15:1-6  
John 15:1-8

#### Thursday

Acts 15:7-21  
John 15:9-11

#### Friday

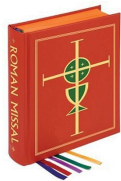
Acts 15:22-31  
John 15:12-17

#### Saturday

Acts 16:1-10  
John 15:18-21

#### 6th Sunday of Easter

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17  
Psalm 66:1-7, 16, 20  
1 Peter 3:15-18  
John 14:15-21



### Mass Intentions for May 3, 2026

#### 5th Sunday of Easter

**Saturday—5pm—(English)**  
Intentions of Laura Ciccone and Trayden Kamprath

**Saturday—7pm—(Spanish)**

† Evelia Valdez

**Sunday—9am—**

† Robert Talboys

**Monday, 8am—**

† Carlos E. Trejos Tapasco

**Tuesday, 8am—**

† John Tolejko

**Wednesday, 12noon—**

† Daniel Paul

#### 6th Sunday of Easter

**Saturday—5pm—(English)**

† Deceased of the Bartus family

**Saturday—7pm—(Spanish)**

† José Leon Jr.

**Sunday—9am—**

† Dylan Wade Snyder



### Pray for the Sick of Our Parish

Mary Carr  
Jim Cathelyn  
Cathy Champon  
Matthew Combs  
Joel Dean  
Roger Forbes  
Lynda Gamache  
Bob Kilby  
Chuck Muraski  
Leroy & Agnes Policky  
Margaret Vines

### Parish Business

**Administrative Assistant**—Mark Mancuso, [businessoffice@stelizabethsparish.com](mailto:businessoffice@stelizabethsparish.com)

**Parish Secretary/Bulletin**— Pandora Gage [secretary@stelizabethsparish.com](mailto:secretary@stelizabethsparish.com). Bulletin announcements must be submitted by 5pm each Tuesday.

**Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)** - Chair: Garrett Artz, Vice-Chair: Kathleen Grubb, Secretary: Steve Hummel, Members: Elsa Sneed, Esmeralda Lopez, and George Bratton— [ppc@stelizabethsparish.com](mailto:ppc@stelizabethsparish.com)

**Website/MyParish App**— [stelizabethsparish.org](http://stelizabethsparish.org)

**Online Giving**— Register at <https://stelizabethsparish.weshareonline.org/>

### Education and Sacraments

**Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)** - Inquiry into the Catholic faith— Contact Dcn. Mike Gray at 716-697-8246

**Sacraments**— For baptism, marriage and anointing of the sick, contact the office as soon as possible at 423-543-3412.

**Adult Bible Study—Bible Study** meets with Deacon Rich after Sunday Mass. Contact Dcn. Rich Carner at 423-930-6408.

**Emmaus Bible Study Group** meets after Sunday Mass, Contact Rachel Nagy at 423-270-4387

**Religious Education (RE)** - Meets Wednesdays from 6-7pm, Sept.-May, grades K-12. Contact Judy Holt at [DRE@stelizabethsparish.com](mailto:DRE@stelizabethsparish.com)

### Ministries and Organizations

**Abundant Life Women's Ministry**— 1:30pm on the second Monday of the month for fellowship, spiritual growth and social action.

[ALwomensministry@stelizabethsparish.com](mailto:ALwomensministry@stelizabethsparish.com)

**Aluminum Cans**— Collected in the bin behind the garage. Proceeds support the seminarians.

**Bereavement**— Contact Parish Office 423-543-3412

**Catholic Charities**— Family support services, confidential counseling and Appalachian Exchange. 423-328-7657 (302 Wesley St., Ste. 2, Johnson City) Pregnancy counseling, 877-990-4673

**Communion for Homebound and Nursing Homes**— Contact Parish Office 423-543-3412.

**Evangelization Team**— 2:30pm on the first Saturday of the month. Contact Thomas Mitalski at [tom.mitalski@gmail.com](mailto:tom.mitalski@gmail.com)

**Hospital Visits**— A family member must personally request a visit from Fr. Jesús due to the Privacy Act.

**Ladies Guild**— 10am-2pm Tuesdays in the Parish Hall for crafts. Contact Maureen Strickling at 423-542-8323

**Prayer Committee**— Contact Mary and Dan Putnam at 727-687-0045 or email [putnam3737@gmail.com](mailto:putnam3737@gmail.com).

**Music**— Chris Neal 423-268-1520 (Saturday 5pm); John Henkelman 321-501-0345 or [music@stelizabethsparish.com](mailto:music@stelizabethsparish.com) (Sunday 9am).

**Youth Group**— Contact Stephen Wang at 423-302-0748 or [youthministry@stelizabethsparish.com](mailto:youthministry@stelizabethsparish.com)

**Knights of Columbus**— 6pm on the first Tuesday of the month. Contact Grand Knight Thomas Mitalski at 910-381-6955

### Prayer

**Rosary**— 35 minutes before Mass.

**Adoration**— Every Thursday in the church 5:30pm-8:30pm.

### Newcomers Welcome to St. Elizabeth

Registration forms are in the vestibule or Parish Office, Please place your completed form in the collection basket or bring by the Parish Office.

### Safe Environment Training

All adult volunteers in the parish are required to pass a criminal background check and to participate in the diocesan-required safe environment program (Catholic Mutual Group). To access CMGConnect for the training and to set up the background check, please go to <https://knoxville.cmgconnect.org/>

### Parish Life

**Funeral**— The funeral Mass for parishioner Theresa Zook will be on Monday, May 4, at 11am. Please keep her family in your prayers.

**Newly Baptized**— Two little ones were baptized last Saturday. Matteo Benedict Grubb, son of Matthew and Kathleen Grubb, and Salvador Martinez Vazquez, son of Luis Carlos Martinez Villalobos and Esmeralda Vazquez.



**First Communion**— Come celebrate Mass on Saturday, May 9, at 11am, when eight children from our parish will be receiving their First Holy Communion. Attending this Mass does not fulfill your Sunday obligation

**Mass LIVESTREAMED**— If you are unable to attend Mass in person because you are sick or homebound, you can now connect to it online as it's happening! Simply go to <https://www.youtube.com/@SeoHLiveStreaming>



**Lay Ministers Needed**— Our parish is in need of Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, Altar Servers, and Ushers— especially for the 5pm Saturday English Mass. Easy online Safe Environment Training as required by the Diocese would need to be completed by all adult volunteers at <https://knoxville.cmgconnect.org/>

Deacon Mike will be conducting instruction for Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers on Tuesday, May 12, at 7:15pm. Even if you have done these lay minister positions in other parishes, it is mandatory that you attend before you can be added to the schedule. Please attend on one of these dates if you are interested.



**Worshipping Together**— Please stop by the Ministry Fair to talk with our musicians and vocals. We have two graduating high school seniors and there is room for new students and congregation members to add their talents to our sound and enhance our worship. Ask for a tour of our refurbished loft to see how the music is created for each Mass.

Remember that your talent can be used in worship, without making a weekly commitment or ability to be in the loft. Stop by our tent to explore how this can be.

**Baby Bottles**— Don't forget to bring in your baby bottles that were handed out a couple of weeks ago. Only a little over half have been returned. These donations support Catholic Charities. Please return them even if empty and they are used over and over. Checks can be made out to Catholic Charities of East Tennessee.

**Knights of Columbus**— The Knights of Columbus will be meeting on Tuesday, May 5, at 6pm in the parish hall. All men are welcome.

**Abundant Life**— The Abundant Life Women's Ministry will be meeting on Monday, May 11, at 1:30pm in Deacon Rich's Bible Study room. All women are welcome!

### Religious Education

The last RE class of the school year is this Wednesday, May 6. There will be a hot dog family meal provided by the Knights of Columbus. Thanks for a great year!

### Job Opportunities

Join St. Mary's Catholic School family! They are accepting applications for a full-time math & science middle school teacher and a part-time Spanish middle school teacher for the 2026-2027 school year. For details go to <https://school.stmarysjc.org/employment-opportunities/> For more information or to apply, contact Becky Frye at [becky.frye@stmarysjc.org](mailto:becky.frye@stmarysjc.org).

### Education

There will be a free information session on a natural, faithful approach to family planning on Sunday, May 17 at 2:30 p.m., at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church (Ordinate of the Chair of Saint Peter) in Knoxville. Whether you are looking to monitor your hormonal health, achieve pregnancy, or space births naturally, the Creighton Model offers a path forward that honors the teachings of the Church. Learn how to navigate your fertility journey with confidence, clarity, and peace of mind.

Ashley Searle is a Catholic and Creighton FertilityCare Practitioner Intern serving the Knoxville area who is passionate about helping women understand their fertility and overall health. Inspired by her own experience with PMDD, she is dedicated to guiding women and couples through the Creighton Model with clarity, compassion, and confidence. She believes this approach empowers women with knowledge of their bodies while supporting long-term, holistic health. Spots are limited. Please RVSP to Ashley Searle at [ashley@stelizabethsfertility.com](mailto:ashley@stelizabethsfertility.com).

## 2nd Collection

A second collection will be taken on May 16/17 for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC) in its work of evangelization. Working to keep the Gospel message in the world, CCC provides Catholic content for radio, the Internet, television, and print publications. Fifty percent of the funds collected will also assist the Diocese of Knoxville's Communications Office in our local projects.

### A message from Fr. Jesús

First Communion is around the corner. We have the privilege to announce that we are having 8 receiving their First Communion this year. Please keep them in your prayers as they make the final preparations to receive Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament for the first time. † In the Catholic tradition, May is dedicated as the Month of Mary to honor the Blessed Virgin Mother of Jesus. This long-standing tradition combines the medieval concept of a "thirty-day devotion" to Mary with the celebration of new life and Spring, often featuring special devotions, rosaries, and the crowning of Mary statues. Please consider practicing one of these devotions during this month, whether it is praying the Rosary as a family or visiting Marian shrines in the area.

### Thank you for your generosity

#### In person

April 26, 2026

Regular—\$1,931.00 Building Fund—\$5.00

Designated Funds—\$1,051.96

