

St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Parish

Diocese of Knoxville—July 26, 2026

Weekly Readings

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
1 Kings 3:5, 7-12
Psalm 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130
Romans 8:28-30
Matthew 13:44-52

Monday
Jeremiah 13:1-11
Matthew 13:31-35

Tuesday
Jeremiah 14:17-22
Matthew 13:36-43

Wednesday
St. Martha, St. Mary & St. Lazarus
Jeremiah 15:10, 16-21
John 11:19-27

Thursday
Jeremiah 18:1-6
Matthew 13:47-53

Friday
St. Ignatius of Loyola
Jeremiah 26:1-9
Matthew 14:1-12

Saturday
St. Alphonsus Liguori
Jeremiah 26:11-16, 24
Matthew 20:20-28

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isaiah 55:1-3
Psalm 145:8-9, 15-18
Romans 8:35, 37-39
Matthew 14:13-21



Mass Intentions for July 26, 2026

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday—5pm—(English)
The people of the parish
Saturday—7pm—(Spanish)
† José Leon Jr.
Sunday—9am—
† Elizabeth Hathaway
Monday, 8am—
† Mary Carr
Tuesday, 8am—
† Patricia Pisano
Wednesday, 12noon—
† Manny Bandarra

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday—5pm-(English)
† Deceased of the Bartus family
Saturday—7pm- (Spanish) (Incense)
The people of the parish
Sunday—9am-
Intentions of Dan Dougherty

Pray for the Sick of Our Parish

Jim Cathelyn
Matthew Combs
Joel Dean
Roger Forbes
Lynda Gamache
Bob Kilby
Chuck Muraski
Leroy & Agnes Policky
Jim Stapleton
Donna Townsend
Margaret Vines

Parish Business

Administrative Assistant—Mark Mancuso, businessoffice@stelizabethsparish.com
Parish Secretary/Bulletin— Pandora Gage 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
Website/MyParish App— 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

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
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 Fr Jesús through the Parish Office 423-543-3412.
Faith and Fellowship—3pm on the first Saturday of the month. Contact Thomas Mitalski at 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.
Music—Chris Neal 423-268-1520 (Saturday 5pm); John Henkelman 321-501-0345 or music@stelizabethsparish.com (Sunday 9am).
Youth Group—Contact Stephen Wang at 423-302-0748 or 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

Adult Education—The last session of the Character Study of the Apostles will be this Thursday, July 30, at 6pm in room 202 on the office level. We will learn about Simon the Zealot. All are welcome! For information, contact Jan Balota at 386-586-8097.

Worshipping Together—Please join the 9am Sunday Music Ministry in expressing our thanks to Josie Johnson for her many years of serving the parish with her voice, electric bass, and now her string bass. She will be leaving for college next month, finishing her ministry efforts with us. We are all so very thankful that she has shared her talents with us in Sunday worship. We pray for success in her college efforts.



Food and Fellowship—There will be food and fellowship after all Masses next weekend, August 1/2, in the parish hall. Please bring a homemade or store-bought item to share, and spend a few minutes chatting with your fellow parishioners.

Faith and Fellowship—The Faith and Fellowship Ministry will be holding their monthly meeting next Saturday, August 1, at 3pm. For more information, contact Thomas Mitalski at tom.mitalski@gmail.com. All are welcome!

Thank you—St. Elizabeth would like to extend our thanks to Recruiting Results LLC for sponsoring our bulletin this year.

!!Attention!! - Please be aware that we will not contact you by telephone, email, or text message to request money, financial information, passwords, or any other personal information.

If you receive any suspicious calls, emails, or text messages claiming to be from the parish, Deacon Rich, Deacon Mike, Father Joe or Father Jesus please do not respond or click on any links. Instead, contact the parish office immediately so we can advise you and record the incident.

Religious Education



!!URGENT!! - St. Elizabeth's Religious Education Program is looking for catechists and assistants for the 2026-2027 school year. Please prayerfully consider this very important ministry in our parish. We need volunteers for all grade levels as we would like to have two adults in each room. You may not feel qualified, but remember this: God doesn't always call the qualified, but He qualifies the called. Please contact the parish office or send an email to DRE@stelizabethsparish.com

2nd Collection

A second collection will be taken the weekend of August 8/9 for Diocesan Catholic School Tuition support. The Catholic schools in our diocese provide spiritual and intellectual growth for nearly 3,600 students in our two high schools and eight elementary schools. During these pandemic years, our Catholic schools outshined all other public and private schools, meeting all the associated challenges while ensuring the quality of our children's education remained the same. Over the past five years, the need for supplemental tuition support has more than doubled. With your help, additional children will experience the spiritual and academic advantages of a Catholic school education. Please be generous.

Parish Volunteer and Job Opportunities



Parish Job

Hiring—Administrative Assistant, part-time position. The Business Manager serves as a staff resource in support of the pastor, fulfilling parish administrative needs in finance, buildings & grounds and operations. The Business Manager, in conjunction with the Pastor, will coordinate all the parish operations and provide administrative support to other church staff and members of the parish as assigned by the Priest. The Business Manager must understand the parish mission and administer parish business operations accordingly. The position will function as a liaison between the parishioners, diocese, vendors and community. If you are interested on the position, please email Fr. Jesús Guerrero at frjesusguerrero@stelizabethsparish.com

New Ministry—We are seeking a volunteer to help form and oversee a Health and Wellness Ministry for our parish. Basic qualifications include knowledge, skill or experience in health care, first aid, fitness or nutrition. The ministry will oversee our parish's need for first aid equipment and supplies, arrange for volunteer first aid training and communicate health related information to parishioners. If you feel called to support our parish community's well-being, please contact the parish office to learn more.

Volunteers Needed

- * Volunteers needed to identify available grants and other outside funding sources for our parish. Volunteers will lead the effort to identify opportunities, complete the application process and coordinate with the ministries and parish office.
 - * Volunteers needed to assist with occasional simple maintenance items throughout our facility. Cleaning, organizing, light bulb replacement, simple repairs, painting and other miscellaneous items that come up from time to time.
- Please contact the parish office for further information on how you can help.

St. Vincent De Paul—One of our greatest privileges is to be vessels for the demonstration of Christ's love within our community. Here, at St. Elizabeth's we are inviting you to volunteer with us in our mission to develop The Society of St. Vincent de Paul. This ministry will allow St. Elizabeth to help meet some of the immediate needs of our community members. Our goal is not open a food pantry at St. Elizabeth but to help those in need with utility and medical bills. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Sharon Roberts at 301-751-0269 or email shroberts164@gmail.com.

A message from Fr. Jesús

As I mentioned last weekend, Fr. Jim Riehle, some members of his Youth Group and chaperones were here in Elizabethton for the week doing some volunteer work with the Appalachian Service Project. While here, they attended daily Mass at St. Elizabeth, Fr. Jim officiated every day. I am grateful that Fr. Jim was able to celebrate daily Masses not only for his group but for our community as well as both of us, Fr. Joe and I, were out of town. We hosted Fr. Jim in our rectory. † Soon we will be opening registrations for our Religious Education Program and Youth Group. † I hope you are enjoying these last summer weeks.

Thank you for your generosity

In person
July 19, 2026

Regular—\$3,228.00 Building Fund—\$325.00
Designated Funds—\$300.00

