

St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Parish

Diocese of Knoxville—August 2, 2026

Weekly Readings

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Monday

Jeremiah 28:1-17
Matthew 14:22-36

Tuesday

St. John Vianney
Jeremiah 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22
Matthew 14:22-36

Wednesday

Jeremiah 31:1-7
Matthew 15:21-28

Thursday

The Transfiguration
of the Lord
Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14
Matthew 17:1-9

Friday

Nahum 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7
Matthew 16:24-28

Saturday

St. Dominic
Habakkuk 1:12—2:4
Matthew 17:14-20

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a
Psalm 85:9-14
Romans 9:1-5
Matthew 14:22-33

Mass Intentions August 2, 2026

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

Monday, 8am—

† Mary Carr

Tuesday, 8am—

Intentions of Jimmy Routh

Wednesday, 12noon—

Intentions of Jared Gage

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday—5pm-(English)

† Deceased of the Gurdak
& Messina families

Saturday—7pm- (Spanish)

† Evelia Valdez

Sunday—9am-

The people of the parish

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/](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 Terese Ghio at DREassistant@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/](https://knoxville.cmgconnect.org/)

Parish Life



Save the Date— Our annual Parish Picnic is scheduled for Sunday, September 6, from 5-8pm. The location will be Kiwani's Park in the Don Tetrick Pavillion. Make plans now for food, fun, and fellowship.

Knights of Columbus— The Knights of Columbus will be meeting this Tuesday, August 4, at 6pm in the parish hall. Contact Thomas Mitalski at 910-381-6955 for more information.

Worshipping Together— The 9am Mass is in need of someone to be the backup Livestream tech to start and stop the streaming when the primary tech is out of town. Also needed is someone to help with sound level monitoring/adjusting during Mass. Please inquire in the loft after Mass if you have talents in these areas.

The church has a hearing assist system available at all masses. If this system is something that could help you worship more effectively, please let the ushers know, providing your name and contact info so we can get the headset to you as you arrive for Mass.

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 DREassistant@stelizabethsparish.com

A message from Fr. Jesús

Our little ones will soon be going back to school, and the family dynamics will need to be adjusted again. I will pray that that adjustment be smooth, so everybody focuses on their commitments and responsibilities. † Our Religious Education program and Youth Group will start on September 8th, soon we will be asking the parents of our little ones and teens to fill out the registration forms, so we make sure we have enough materials and books for everyone. We are still looking for catechists and catechist assistants. If you are interested, please contact Terese Ghio. Her contact information is in our bulletin. † In previous bulletins I had announced that our security system was going to be installed by the end of July or beginning of August. We got a word from the company letting us know that they are behind schedule, so we are now expecting the system to be installed by the end of August.

Parish Volunteer and Job Opportunities



Parish Job
Hiring— Business Manager, 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.

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.

Thank you for your generosity

**In person
July 26, 2026**

Regular—\$2,043.00

Designated Funds—\$1,050.00

