St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Parish

Diocese of Knoxville—September 27, 2026

Weekly Readings

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ezekiel 18:25-28
Psalm 25:4-9
Philippians 2:1-11
Matthew 21:28-32

Monday
Job 1:6-22
Luke 9:46-50

Tuesday
St. Michael, St. Gabriel, & St. Raphael, Archangels
Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14
John 1:47-51

Wednesday
St. Jerome
Job 9:1-12, 14-16
Luke 9:57-62

Thursday
St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus
Job 19:21-27
Luke 10:1-12

Friday
The Holy Guardian Angels
Job 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5
Matthew 18:1-5, 10

Saturday
Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17
Luke 10:17-24

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isaiah 5:1-7
Psalm 80:9, 12-16. 19-20
Philippians 4:6-9
Matthew 21:33-43

Mass Intentions September 27, 2026

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday—5pm—(English)
† Rodolfo Guerrero
Saturday—7pm—(Spanish)
† José Leon Jr.
Sunday—9am—
† Arnold Simerly
Monday, 8am —
† Deceased members of the Bartus family
Tuesday, 8am—
Intentions of Susan & Harry Brooks
Wednesday, 12noon—
Intentions of Laura Ciccone
Friday, 8am -
† Johnny Bivens

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday—5pm-(English) -
(Incense) -
The people of the parish
Saturday—7pm- (Spanish)
† Los Bebés Jimenez
Sunday—9am-
† Deceased members of the Gurdak & Messina families

Pray for the Sick of Our Parish

Jim Cathelyn
Matthew Combs
Joel Dean
Roger Forbes
Lynda Gamache
Laura Gurdak
Bob Kilby
Chuck Muraski
Angela Nieland
Lisa Palmieri
Leroy & Agnes Policky
Jim Stapleton
Patti Vermillion
Margaret Vines

Thank you for your generosity

In person
September 20, 2026
Regular—$3,882.00 Building Fund—$250.00
Designated Funds—$670.00



Parish Business

Business Manager—Kara McGee, 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, George Bratton, and Marghi Quigley— 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 Terese Ghio at DREassistant@stelizabethsparish.com

Ministries and Organizations

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

Ladies Guild—The Ladies Guild annual sale will be held on Saturday, October 10, 9am-1pm. The sale will also be open after Mass on Saturday, October 10, and Sunday, October 11. All money earned from the sale is used to purchase items needed for the altar. We have a lot of new items this year. Come early, get some Christmas shopping done, visit with us & each other, and HAVE FUN!

The Ladies Guild is requesting donations of baked goods for our annual sale. Please bring baked items to the church on Friday, October 9, between 9am-1pm. We need your support and appreciate anything you donate!

Incense Next Saturday — Incense will be used at the 5pm Mass next Saturday, October 3.

Faith and Fellowship—The Faith and Fellowship ministry will be holding their monthly meeting next Saturday, October 3, at 3pm in the parish hall. Parishioners are encouraged to attend and be a part of this wonderful ministry. Come see how you can participate. For more information, please contact Thomas Mitalski at 910-381-6955 or Carolyn Hathaway at 423-483-2999.

Food and Fellowship—There will be food and fellowship after all Masses next weekend, October 3/4, in the parish hall. Please bring a homemade or store-bought item to share, and spend a few minutes chatting with your fellow parishioners.

Adoration—Come spend some time in the presence of our Lord. Adoration is every Thursday from 5:30-8:30pm. Sign up sheets for an hour commitment are on the bulletin board on the office level.

Save the Date—Our second Newcomer Pancake Breakfast hosted by our Knights of Columbus will be held Saturday, October 24, from 9-10:30am in the parish hall. More details to come in next weekend's bulletin.

A Message from Fr. Jesús

I would like to thank you for your support and generosity toward our parish ministries and projects. Our goal is to provide what you and your family need to grow in holiness and closeness to the Lord. † I hope you are enjoying your free subscription to Formed.org. In this bulletin you will find some instructions to get registered and log in. If you need assistance with it, contact our parish office. † The Blessed Sacrament is exposed every Thursday from 5:30pm to 8:30pm. Prayfully consider spending some time in the quiet of the church to give thanksgiving for your blessings, to pray for your own needs or for the needs of others. To be able to be before the Lord in the Monstrance is priceless.

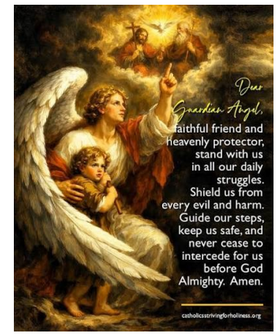
Rosary Rally—Please attend the 15th annual Rosary Rally at 12noon on Saturday, October 10, at the Elizabethton Veterans War Memorial, downtown Elizabethton at E. Elk Ave. and Armed Forces Dr. This is our public prayer to ask God and Our Lady to save our nation from todays chaos, immorality, and social upheaval. To also pray for the armed forces, for our sick, and our church. Parking is available in a lot adjacent to the memorial. The Rosary will begin when the city noon siren sounds.

Just a Friendly Reminder—Regarding aluminum cans collected by the Knights to support our seminarians: Accepted: ONLY aluminum beverage cans and aluminum pet food cans, bagged separately, at this site. PLEASE! DO NOT LEAVE ANYTHING ELSE. NO STEEL CANS, NO PLASTIC, NO SCRAP METAL, NO GARBAGE. Thank you for your support.

New App/Website—There is a new Catholic app that we can all access and enjoy—for free! It's called Formed, and it's very easy to sign up.

1. Go to https://formed.org/signup
2. Type in your e-mail address
3. When prompted for which parish, type the zip code of 37683—it will bring up St. Anthony of Padua. This is what you want.
4. Follow instructions to set a password
5. Download the "Formed Catholic" app on your phone.

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2nd Collection

Collection for Diocesan Deacon Formation Program. Please be generous in supporting our Diocesan Deacon Formation Program on October 11. Our diocese is greatly blessed with over 100 deacons, 24 of whom were ordained in 2022. Your donation will assist not only with the ongoing formation and development of our deacons now serving in the diocese, but will also help with funding the instruction of the 13 men who began their five-year process of formation in 2022 and will be ordained, God willing, in 2027. Deacons are ordained to the service of the Bishop, his priests, and the people of God. They are a bridge between the sanctuary and the world in which they live. They bring the altar to the neighborhood and bring the needs of the neighborhood to the altar. They teach and help organize charitable resources within the parish and diocese. They bring the Gospel and the gift of themselves to the soup kitchens, the food banks, prisons, hospitals and wherever else a need exists as well as to the parish they are assigned to. Thank you for your support and generosity.
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