

St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Parish

Diocese of Knoxville—September 6, 2026

Weekly Readings

**23rd Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

Ezekiel 33:7-9
Psalm 95:1-2, 6-9
Romans 13:8-10
Matthew 18:15-20

Monday

1 Corinthians 5:1-8
Luke 6:6-11

Tuesday

*Nativity of the
Blessed Virgin Mary*
Micah 5:1-4a
Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23

Wednesday

St. Peter Claver
1 Corinthians 7:25-31
Luke 6:20-26

Thursday

1 Corinthians 8:1b-7, 11-13
Luke 6:27-38

Friday

1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22b-27
Luke 6:39-42

Saturday

1 Corinthians 10:14-22
Luke 6:43-49

**24th Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

Sirach 27:30—28:7
Psalm 103:1-4, 9-12
Romans 14:7-9
Matthew 18:21-35

Mass Intentions September 6, 2026

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday—5pm—(English)

† Deceased members of
the Metz family

Saturday—7pm—(Spanish)

The people of the parish
Sunday—9am—(Incense)

† Deceased member of
the Bartus family

Monday, 8am—

Intentions of Regina Pine
and family

Tuesday, 8am—

† Cathy Champon

Wednesday, 12noon—

Intentions of Rebecca
and Dan Dougherty

Friday, 8am -

† Fr. Daniel Sinibaldi

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday—5pm-(English)

† Manny Bandarra

Saturday—7pm- (Spanish)

† Adriana Brito

Sunday—9am-

The people of the parish

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

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, George Bratton, and Marghi Quigley — 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

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



Nathanael
De Jesus Mendez
August 29, 2026

Lisa Palmieri would like to thank everyone who has been praying and continues to pray for her good health.



Office Closure—The parish office will be closed on Monday, September 7, in observance of the Labor Day holiday.

Bereavement—Ben Walters, son of David and Anne Walters, passed away last week. Please keep the family in your prayers.

Holy Hour—There is Holy Hour this Tuesday, September 8, at 6pm.

International Buy Your Priest A Beer Day—September 9.

Started by a blog called “The Catholic Gentleman” in 2013, it is a day to affirm our priests by taking him out for a beer, or it could be inviting him over to share dinner with your family. Be creative if you want, but give back to your priest somehow, and let him know that his ministry is making a difference. You could also offer a rosary or a Mass for him and his intentions (or better yet, more than one), and let him know that you are regularly praying for him. At the very least, express to him your gratitude, in person or via a note, for his faithful ministry and his answering God’s call to the priesthood.



Town Hall Meeting—Saturday, September 19, at 10am in the parish hall. The Parish Pastoral Council and Parish Finance Council will present current and future plans and strategies for our growing parish. We will look at our parish needs and positions. Overview of 2026 fiscal year and plans for fiscal 2027.



Save the Date—The annual Ladies Guild Craft and Bake Sale is around the corner! Mark your calendars for the weekend of October 10 & 11. Donated baked goods for the sale will be welcomed, so start planning your goodies now!

Need of a Spiritual Director? - Having a Catholic spiritual director helps you recognize God’s presence in your daily life, deepen your prayer life, and discern major life choices with accountability and wisdom. Spiritual Direction is not Confession nor Counseling. If you are looking for a Spiritual Director, Fr. Joe Austin is making himself available for it. If interested, please contact him by email at frjoeaustin@stelizabethsparish.com.

A message from Fr. Jesús

Do not forget that our picnic is today (Sunday) at 5:00pm. I will see you there! † Even though the office will be closed on Monday, September 7th, we are still having Mass at 8am. † I would like to give you an update on the security system. In previous bulletins I had informed you that we were expecting the company to install the system by the end of August. Last week, we received an email from the company wanting to schedule the installation for mid-September but there was a conflict with our own schedule. To keep the story short, we ended up scheduled the installation for October 19th. † Also, we have been performing some cleaning related maintenance to our facilities, and we are working on scheduling a rewaxing of the basement floor. Have a wonderful week!

Religious Education



Registration—Registration is in the final stages for Religious Education classes beginning on September 9th. Please pick up and fill out a registration form at the church exit or in the parish office this week prior to the start of classes.

IMPORTANT NOTE: There is a mandatory parent meeting on the first night of class in the basement of the church. All parents must bring their student(s) to the basement between 5:45 and 6 pm on Wed Sept 9th to review new drop off and pick up procedures and to receive the new 2026-27 Parent Handbook. For more information, contact Terese Ghio at 858-722-9388 or DREassistant@stelizabethsparish.com.

Youth Group

Register your children for Children's Faith Formation and Youth Ministry! Grades K-5 will meet in the classrooms, and Youth Ministry (grades 6-12) will meet in its classroom and in the basement! The first meeting is this Wednesday, September 9, from 6 to 7:15 pm. Parents are required to attend.

Find access to the registration form by scanning the QR code. (print and return it, or email). Contact Stephen Wang at (423) 302-0748 or YouthMinistry@stelizabethsparish.com for more information!



Cathedral Concert Series

Cathedral of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus 711 S. Northshore Dr., Knoxville—Friday, September 25, 8pm—The Cathedral Concert Series is honored to host Scruffy City Orchestra, under the direction of Dr. Ace Edwards, presenting an evening of beautiful and dramatic orchestral music thematically titled Nordisk Skjønhet (Nordic Beauty).

The concert will feature performances by Concerto Competition winners Eliana Kováčová, violin, and Jackson Sharp, cello, performing beloved concertos by Camille Saint-Saëns. The orchestra will also present Niels W. Gade’s Hamlet Overture and Johan Svendsen’s Symphony No. 2, showcasing the rich musical beauty and romantic spirit of Scandinavia.

Admission is free: seating is limited. (Doors open one hour before concert. Please respect the sacred space: no food/drink/gum.) For tickets go to <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/cathedral-concert-scruffy-city-orchestra-tickets-1999040511984>

2nd Collection

A second collection will be taken up the weekend of September 12/13 in support of the Diocese’s St. Mary’s Legacy Mobile Medical Clinic that visits 10 medically underserved rural areas of East TN monthly providing healthcare and telehealth to the poor and uninsured.. This “doctor on wheels” is run by a small staff and the help of over 100 volunteer physicians, nurses, and community members who donate their time and talent to this great ministry. To learn more, visit www.SMLCares.com. Please be generous in supporting this great medical ministry. Thank you.

Thank you for your generosity

In person

August 30, 2026

Regular—\$2,935.00 Building Fund—\$5.00
Designated Funds—\$284.00

Online Offertory

August—\$6,815.00