St. Elizabeth Parish

October 25, 2009
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Elizabeth Church
Main at 75th Street • Kansas City, MO 64114
Web site: stekc.org

Parish Staff
Rev. Terry Bruce, Pastor .......................................................... ext. 3403
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Deacon Mike McLean, Pastoral Minister
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Sunday Masses
Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 7:30, 10:00 am

Weekday Masses
Monday—Friday 7:00 am
Wednesdays 8:30 am (September - May)
Tuesday & Thursday 11:30 am

Reconciliation
Individual Confessions
Saturday: 3:00 – 4:00 pm
Seasonal Communal Penance Services

Parish Office Hours
Monday–Friday: 9:00 am – 4:30 pm (And by appointment)
Office Phone ................................................................. 523-2405
Rectory ................................................................. 523-2155
Office Fax ......................................................... 444-9858
School Office .................................................... 523-7100
School Fax ..................................................... 523-2566

Our Mission Statement
St. Elizabeth Catholic Parish answers the call of God to further
His Kingdom on earth through celebrating the sacred Liturgy and in
building community through service.
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

All parishioners are welcome to join us and support those who are actively seeking a better understanding of the Catholic Faith. The topic this week is **Catholic Sacraments - Doors to the Sacred**. We meet in Seton Hall Tuesday, October 27, 7:30—9:00 pm.

New to St. Elizabeth Parish?

**Register on November 19**

We invite all those interested in joining St. Elizabeth parish to join us Thursday, November at 6:30 pm in the Parish Ministry Center (northeast corner of Main and 75th Streets). The registration form is quick and we’ll be happy to answer any questions you may have. You must be a registered parishioner for sacramental preparation. To sign up for this session call Sandi Lombardino at the parish office, 816.523.2405.

Preparation for Infant Baptism

Our next Baptismal Preparation session will be **Thursday, November 19 ~ 7:30 to 8:45 pm** in the Parish Ministry Center. If you are a registered parishioner and wish to attend this session call Sandi at 816.523.2405.

Friendship Club

Our Fall Festival Bake Sale and Boutique is Sunday, November 8th following 10:00 am Mass in Seton Hall during Coffee and Donuts. We will also be selling raffle tickets for a king-size quilt. The drawing will take place on Saturday, December 5 as we help the Knights of Columbus host an evening of watching the final “Big-12” championship football game in Seton Hall. For both events we are in need of help to prepare baked-goods. Also we are taking donations of small “nearly new items.” Please consider donating to help us make this a great event!. If you can help, please contact Joanie McLaughlin at 816.361.0913.

Alan Ames Healing Mass at St. Elizabeth’s

Wednesday, November 4  7pm

Come to this grace-filled evening beginning at 7pm in Church. This is a conversion story and healing service you won’t want to miss! Alan Ames is an internationally known evangelist graced with the gift of healing, a close union with Jesus in His passion and a mystical prayer life he has shared globally the past 15 years. Mass celebrated by Fr. Terry Bruce+ conversion story by Alan Ames + Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament + Healing Service + Benediction . Call the parish office for more information.

Priesthood involves a lifelong willingness to imitate Jesus as the suffering servant of God.

Homily Focus Group

What it is: St. Elizabeth parishioners meet for an hour and reflect on the Sunday Readings in the current liturgical cycle. This is done by looking at how the Scriptures apply to concrete situations in our lives and in the world. Reflections will assist the priest to prepare a homily that is suited to the needs of the community. In addition to this, the exercise will help one to grow in deeper appreciation of Scripture and prepare one to better hear the readings proclaimed at Mass. Several parishioners have already been involved in this and have enjoyed it very much. I myself have found it very helpful and enriching to my own spiritual life.

When it is: There are several dates I have set aside for the remainder of the year. The meetings will be from 7 pm to 8 pm on the following days.

- **Wednesday, October 28**
  - Readings for All Saints - Year B
- **Thursday, November 5**
  - Readings for the 32 Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B
- **Wednesday November 11**
  - Readings for the 33 Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B
- **Tuesday, November 17**
  - Readings for Christ the King - Year B
- **Thursday, December 3**
  - Second Sunday in Advent - Year C
- **Wednesday, December 9**
  - Third Sunday in Advent - Year C
- **Wednesday, December 16**
  - Fourth Sunday in Advent - Year C

Where it is: In the PMC conference room.

I hope to have approximately 7 people at each meeting. You can sign up for as many or as few as you would like. First come first serve.

Please call me at 816.300.0755 or email me at fr.christian.malewski@gmail.com to reserve a spot or for any questions.

Job Club News

The Job club has discontinued monthly meetings due to small attendance. Instead give Doug Kinney 816.822.9297 a call if you are newly displaced and need some advice about the job hunting process. The Job Club page on St. Elizabeth’s website www.stekc.org, will continue with links to career websites and resources.
Priesthood Sunday

Join in on this special day, Priesthood Sunday, to pray for our priests, and praise God for their generosity. Make your appreciation for your parish priests known. A simple note, a smile or a phone call to assure them of your loving care and gratitude for their presence in the life of our church will go a long way to serve the greater good of our wonderful and growing Catholic Church.

Youth Ministry Events

Sunday, November 1, 7 pm at St. Peter’s: Youth Group; “Proclaiming the Word in Our Lives.”

Wednesday, November 4, 7 pm at St. Peter’s Confirmation Prep; “Outward Signs: Jesus in the Sacraments.”

Sunday, November 8, 7 pm at St. Elizabeth’s PMC: NCYC Pilgrimage—“Seeing With Open Eyes.”

Tuesday, November 10, 7:30 pm at St. Peter’s Theology of the Body—“Created for Love.”

Sunday, November 15, 7 pm at St. Elizabeth’s PMC: Tim 4:12—Youth led meeting.

Tuesday, November 24, 7:30 pm at St. Elizabeth’s PMC: Theology of the Body. - “Love Defined.”

Contact Margaret Haik at the Parish Ministry Center, 816.523.2405.

Hospitality in Time of Need

Thanks to all who help with this wonderful ministry that serves those in need. Thanks to our October volunteers. What a great job you all did this month.

The names of the volunteers for the month of November are:

**FOOD COORDINATOR:**
Teresa Medina, Claudia Ramirez

**FOOD PREPARERS:**
Kathy Hoferer, Lorene Faulconer, Kathy Glynn, Beverly Campbell, Mary Beth McLain, Liz Muleski, Ann Marie Decker, Anna Ritz, Cindy Wallace.

If you are going to be out of town or unavailable please notify Sandi, 816.523.2405, in the parish office.

Our Parishioners and Loved Ones in the Military

We remember in our prayers the following loved ones of our parish family who serve in the military:

Zach Thomas, nephew of John & Rose Robarge; Robert Sowders, son of Jackie Sowders; Jacob P. Hardman, cousin of Manion Kuhns; Tony Mischler, son of Lynn & David Kelly; Vincent C. Orlando, grandson of Louis & Betty Weber; Joe Sweat, nephew of Mary Sweat; Jeff and Joe Clairmont, nephews of Louis Clairmont; Major Ted Houdek, Godfather of Robert Allmon; Nicholas Arnold, cousin of the Antoinette Ishmael family; Jason Kurtenbach, grandson of Anne Kurtenbach; Stephen Sparks, grandson of Mary Ann Sparks; Colonel Robert Schmitt, son of Teresa Kirschbaum; Major Phillip Stauffacher, brother of Peter Stauffacher; Sam Lord, son of Terry and Kathy Lord; Captain J. P. Rauch, grandson of Betty Livers; John Kelly, son of Joe Kelly; Christopher Ryffe, nephew of Mary Jo and David Ryffe.

Halloween Costumes for Operation Breakthrough

Are you wondering what to do with your Halloween costumes after Halloween is over? We are having our first Halloween Costume drive! The costumes will be donated to Operation Breakthrough to be stored and reused next year. We are happy to have all sizes of complete costumes, partial costumes, and accessories. Please bag your costumes and drop off at the PMC Nov. 2nd or 3rd. Contact Maggie Smardo with questions, 816.333.8019. Thanks!

Help our School Look its Best

Main School Campus & ECC
Cleaning for Accreditation Visit
Saturday, October 24 - 9—11 am or 1—3 pm
Sunday, October 25 - 1—3 pm
Please lend a hand to help with these important projects. Pick a day and time that work for you—any help is greatly appreciated! Contact Mary Beth Compton 816.822.2025, via Pass-A-Note, or marybethandmark@yahoo.com to volunteer or any questions.

Boy Scout Wreath Sale

The St. Elizabeth Boy Scout Troop 150 is celebrating its 80th year and our scouts are raising funds for a high adventure trip to the mountains of Colorado or the Boundary Waters of Minnesota. Please stop by after Mass this weekend and order your holiday greenery from one of the St. Elizabeth scouts at the Church entrances. The greenery will be delivered to your home prior to Thanksgiving. Your support is very much appreciated.
Readings for the Week of October 18, 2009

Sunday: Is 53:10-11/Heb 4:14-16/ 
Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45 
Monday: Rom 4:20-25/Lk 12:13-21 
Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/Lk 12:35-38 
Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18/Lk 12:39-48 
Thursday: Rom 6:19-23/Lk 12:49-53 
Friday: Rom 7:18-25a/Lk 12:54-59 
Saturday: Rom 8:1-11/Lk 13:1-9 
Next Sunday: Jer 31:7-9/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52

Liturgical Ministers — Oct. 31/Nov. 1, 2009

4:30 pm
Servers: JP Decker, Shannon McAuliffe, Andrew Craig
Lectors: Norma Hagerty, Teresa Schwartze
EME: Lorene Faulconer, Toni Walters, Sonya Salazar, Julie Tapko, Mark Tapko

7:30 am
Server: Kathy Ronan-O'Toole
Lectors: Mike Gabhart, Kathy Ronan-O'Toole
EME: Sue Rhodes, Loretto Hayes, Bob Johnston, Bun Murphy, Kris Zondca

10:00 am
Servers: Matthew Murphy, Maureen Whitaker, Derek Lester
Lectors: Sam Knopik, Becky Beck
EME: Sherry Roschitz, Beth Cressey, Phil Murphy, Peter Stauffacher, Steve Sears, Mary Sears, Jeff Blasi

Weekday Servers:
October 19-23
Kathy Ronan-O'Toole
November 2-6
Weekday Servers: 
Rachel Beck, Ellie Stingley

Vocations Cross Exchange
October 18—Scott and Kathleen O’Laughlin
October 25—Chris and Shelly Casper

Please Pray for all the Sick:
Please call back to let us know when your loved one is out of harm’s way...816.523.2405.

Bernadine Hiebl, Judith Mayanja, Jana Moynihan, Paul Lark, Virginia Haake, Lois G., Mary K., Susan H., Doris Schworer, Regina Steinbacher, Maria Metz, Steve O’Halloran, Pete Egan, Fairy Palmer, Kathleen Cassidy, Liam Mcgilleycuddy, Marilyn, Kathleen Matthews, Clarence Wiedel, Mary Jo and David Ryffle, Anne Quinlin, Jacque Curry, Lucas Nedelco, Marc Saviano, Donna Dilks, Ernie Hastings, Dolph and Kathee Schaefer, John and Virginia Baska and Ann Ruisinger

Please Pray for our Hospitalized:
Kaiya Delgado
Please pray for those who have died and the consolation of their families:
Virginia Nauman, Alicia Brock
Did You Hear That?

In our church, sudden, loud or percussive sounds can be very startling, especially during quiet moments at Mass. Have you noticed this when children are returning from Children’s Liturgy of the Word at 10a Mass, or when a baby is crying, or when from your pew, you can hear a conversation taking place in the 75th St. vestibule? The choir loft is not a sound barrier—sounds travel over the loft into the church. If you must leave Mass, please be advised that voices and sounds in the vestibule are audible throughout the church.

A Celebration of Hope

SAVE THE DATE-Saturday, November 7,2009 we invite you to join us at Celebration of Hope at the Downtown Marriott. Formerly called Savor the Flavors, this evening will be a joyous event for the friends and supporters of Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph. Just as important as the celebration, the proceeds of the evening will benefit the many programs that provide strategic assistance to families struggling to reach financial stability. To sponsor, volunteer or RSVP contact Moira Healy at mhel@cccharities.com. Visit catholiccharities-kcsj.org for more details.

BISHOP’S ANNUAL APPEAL

Faith Moves Mountains

(Matthew 17:21)

Last weekend during all Masses you heard an audio presentation in support of the Bishop’s Annual Appeal. Please take time this week to consider how your support of the programs and ministries can transform lives and build our faith through your sacrificial gifts. Every gift, regardless of size, builds the fabric of our parishes, schools, and ministries upon which so many of our members depend. “Faith Moves Mountains” (Matthew 17:21) when one realizes that together we are greater than any one of us separately.

In these difficult economic times, it might be easy to ignore our responsibility to the poor, the sick, the elderly, the disabled and those in crisis. However, the Bishop’s Annual Appeal calls those of us who have the capacity to help by making an even greater sacrifice than ever before. “Faith Moves Mountains” (Matthew 17:21) challenges all of us to make a meaningful pledge this week to help meet our diocesan and parish goals. Please consider increasing your gift this year to meet the special needs of our time.