

OUR PARISHES:

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

St. Elizabeth Parish:
 Vigil Mass: Saturday 5 p.m.
 Sunday 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

St. Isidore Parish:
 Vigil Mass: Saturday 5 p.m.
 Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Daily Eucharist this week:

St. Isidore—9:00 a.m., Thursday.
 St. Elizabeth—9:15 a.m., Wednesday & Friday.

For current information check the parish website or call the parish telephone number.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
 Saturday, 4:00-4:30 p.m. (both parishes)

READINGS THIS SUNDAY— August 7 (Cycle C)

Wis 18:6-9; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 12:32-48

READINGS NEXT SUNDAY—August 14 (Cycle C)

Jer 38 4-6, 8-10; Heb 19:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

**CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH SUPPORT
 ST. ELIZABETH**

Total Offertory Last Sunday: 7/31/16:	\$ 4,853
Mail backs for Week Ending 7/30/16:	\$ 987
EFT for Week Ending 7/30/16:	\$ 711
Total Parish Support for Week Ending 7/30/16:	\$ 6,551
Total Parish Support since 7/1/2016:	\$ 67,945
Target Parish Support since 7/1/2016:	\$ 68,506
Over (Under) Target since 7/1/2016:	\$ (561)

St. Elizabeth parishioners donated \$583 last week to Catholic Relief Services to: help a hungry child eat, a war-torn nation build peace and a refugee make a new life. Thanks for your help to those in need.

OUR COLLABORATIVE STAFF:

Pastor: Rev. Walter J. Woods, STD
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 St. Isidore Business Manager:**
 Robin Ulichney
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Pastoral Associate/Collab. Dir. Pastoral Ministries:
 Diahne Goodwin (diahneg@applevalleycatholic.org), (978) 263-4305 ext.13, (adult formation, pastoral care, RCIA, pastoral ministries)

Pastoral Associate: Steve Ryan
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Administrative Assistant: Janice Howes
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Coordinator Of Young Family Ministries:
 Carmen Giombetti
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 (Baptism - Grades K-4, First Eucharist)

Liturgical Coordinator: Mary Ryan
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 Timothy Duff - 978-287-3015

**CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH SUPPORT
 ST. ISIDORE**

Total Offertory Last Sunday 7/31/16:	\$ 1,789
Total EFT for Week Ending 7/31/16:	\$ 1,586
Total Parish Support for Week Ending 7/31/16:	\$ 3,375
Total Parish Support since 7/1/16:	\$ 19,534
Target Parish Support since 7/1/16:	\$ 23,000
Over (Under) Target since 7/1/16:	\$ (3,465)

St. Vincent DePaul Collection: \$ 37

Thank you for your generosity.

*St. Isidore Parish, Stow
 St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish, Acton & Boxborough*

Celebrating God's love in Jesus Christ. Going forth to share it with all.



Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 7, 2016

*Stay awake and be ready!
 For you do not know on what day the Son of Man will come.*



**A warm welcome to our visitors.
 We are glad to have you among us!**

**If you are new to the parish, please let us know so that we can
 welcome you personally!**

The parish is the presence of the Church in a given territory, an environment for hearing God's word, for growth in the Christian life, for dialogue, proclamation, charitable outreach, worship and celebration. In all its activities the parish encourages and trains its members to be evangelizers. It is a community of communities, a sanctuary where the thirsty come to drink in the midst of their journey, and a center of constant missionary outreach (Pope Francis, *Joy of the Gospel*, 28).

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Our newly-approved pastoral plan marks a turning point for our collaborative, one that involves far more than this document conveys. This important moment in the life of our two parishes presents temptations and opportunities, challenges and graces. What this means and how we ought to respond will be the subject of a major talk to parishioners that Fr. Walter will give on Wednesday, Sept. 14, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. in St. Isidore Church. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us. Further details are available online via the home pages of each parish.

NEW COLLABORATIVE MASS SCHEDULE (Effective October 1, 2016)

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
9 a.m. at St. Isidore
9:15 a.m. at St. Elizabeth

Saturday
4 p.m. at St. Elizabeth
5 p.m. at St. Isidore

Sunday
9 a.m. at St. Isidore
10:30 a.m. at St. Elizabeth
5 p.m. at St. Elizabeth

Note: We will continue to follow the present schedule until Oct. 1, including the summer schedule at St. Isidore.

THIS WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION

This week's second collection is for Catholic Relief Services. This collection supports emergency relief, human development, and peace initiatives in countries around the world. The funds from this Collection provide food to the hungry, services for victims of human trafficking, support to displaced refugees, and show Christ's love and respect to all people. The collection funds the ministries of six Catholic Church organizations. For more information, please visit www.usccb.org/crscollection.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

St. Isidore:

Saturday, August 6, 5 p.m.
For All The People of Our Collaborative

Sunday, August 7, 9:30 a.m.
Jeremy Gullette, Memorial Mass

St. Elizabeth:

Wednesday, August 10, 9:15 a.m.
Milo, Julia & Delores Marcis, Memorial Mass

Weekday Mass change for this week:

Daily Mass this week at St. Elizabeth on
Wednesday & Friday 9:15 a.m.
and at St. Isidore on Thursday 9:00 a.m..

YOUTH MINISTRY UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, August 7
"Whatever" Night" 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, August 11, 6:30 a.m.
Trip to Martha's Vineyard

Tuesday, August 16, 9:00 a.m.
Six Flags New England

Sunday, August 28, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Back to School Cook-Out

ALL High School Youth Welcome!

Contact Jim Flanagan with questions.
978 263-4305 x23 or jim@applevalleycatholic.org,
or on Apple Valley Catholic Youth
Ministry Facebook page.

SUNDAY COFFEE & COMMUNITY AT ST. ISIDORE THIS WEEKEND

Please join us on the front lawn for
coffee and donuts after the 9:30 a.m.
Mass.



INTERESTED IN SPIRITUAL DIRECTION?

Lucretia Yaghjian, a St. Elizabeth of Hungary parishioner, is offering to provide spiritual direction to two people during the coming school year. She envisions this as a shared journey of spiritual companionship, grounded in mutuality and with an accent on listening, guiding, and supporting. She makes this offer as part of her participation in the Spiritual Direction Training Program at St. Anthony's Shrine and Ministry Center, Boston. To respond or for further information, please email her at lucretia.yoghjian@comcast.net.

ST. ELIZABETH

Hearing Loop Receivers are available for those who wish to listen through the Hearing Loop. Please see Mary Ryan before Mass, if you would like to try one.



HAVE YOU HEARD!

The Audio-Visual Ministry Team of St. Elizabeth supports the mission of our parish by ensuring that every parishioner can clearly hear the spoken word. Before each Mass a team member makes sure the audio system and microphones are functioning well. During Mass he/she sits in a pew and uses a smartphone application to adjust volume levels.

We need 12-14 parishioners (teens and adults) who have some technology skills (or an interest in this type of technology) and are willing to be trained to serve about once a month in a rotating schedule.

For more information contact
David Sacra (dsacra@verizon.net) or
Mary Ryan (mgr@applevalleycatholic.org)

AN INVITATION FOR SILVER AND GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY COUPLES

Cardinal Sean invites all couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2016 to participate in the Silver and Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross on September 25th at 11:30. The celebration will include a renewal of vows. Family members and friends are welcome to attend. For more information and to register, please visit bostoncatholic.org/WeddingAnniversaryMass.

Those who register by September 2 will be included in the printed list of anniversary couples. A formal invitation and more information will be mailed to each registered couple in September.

ST. ELIZABETH PRAYER LINE

Are you looking for a way to give back? Do you have 10-15 minutes a week to pray? We have an email prayer line that generates a few emails per week requesting prayer. It is amazingly comforting to know that a group of people are praying for you. We would love for you to join us! And, if you need a prayer, you can use the same email. We only use first names, or no name, to protect your privacy. Please email Cathy Griffin at cathleengriffin@comcast.net.

