

OUR PARISHES:

St. Elizabeth of Hungary
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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., Wednesday.
 St. Elizabeth—9:15 a.m., Thursday & 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 14 (Cycle C)

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

READINGS NEXT SUNDAY—August 21 (Cycle C)

Is 66:18-21; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30

**CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH SUPPORT
 ST. ELIZABETH**

Total Offertory Last Sunday: 8/7/16:	\$ 4,336
Mail backs for Week Ending 8/6/16:	\$ 362
EFT for Week Ending 8/6/16:	\$ 4,652
Total Parish Support for Week Ending 8/6/16:	\$ 9,350
Total Parish Support since 7/1/2016:	\$ 77,295
Target Parish Support since 7/1/2016:	\$ 77,618
Over (Under) Target since 7/1/2016:	\$ (323)

As two sets of special collection envelopes come in, over the last two weeks combined, parishioners donated \$1,530 for Catholic Relief Services and \$583 for Parish Sharing.
 Thank you for your generosity to both needs.

OUR COLLABORATIVE STAFF:

Pastor: Rev. Walter J. Woods, STD
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Parochial Vicar: Rev. Paul Sughrue
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Deacon: Charles A. Cornell
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**Personal Assistant to the Pastor/
 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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Business Manager: John Morris
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Collaborative Director of Music: Andrea Goodrich
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Coordinator of Youth Ministries: Jim Flanagan
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 (High school ministry, Confirmation)

Director of Faith Formation: Barbara Dane
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 (Faith Formation for Grades 5-8 and GIFT)

Coordinator Of Young Family Ministries:
 Carmen Giombetti
 (carmen@applevalleycatholic.org), (978) 263-4305 ext. 17
 (Baptism - Grades K-4, First Eucharist)

Liturgical Coordinator: Mary Ryan
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Catholic Chaplain - Emerson Hospital
 Timothy Duff - 978-287-3015

**CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH SUPPORT
 ST. ISIDORE**

Total Offertory Last Sunday 8/7/16:	\$ 2,463
Total EFT for Week Ending 8/7/16:	\$ 1,983
Total Parish Support for Week Ending 8/7/16:	\$ 4,446
Total Parish Support since 7/1/16:	\$ 23,980
Target Parish Support since 7/1/16:	\$ 27,600
Over (Under) Target since 7/1/16:	\$ (3,619)
St. Vincent DePaul Collection:	\$ 55.50

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.



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 14, 2016

*"I have come to set the earth on fire,
 and how I wish it were already blazing!"*



**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).

ST. ELIZABETH BAPTISM THIS WEEKEND

This weekend we welcome Caroline Faith Falcucci daughter of Brian Falcucci and Jacqueline Barclay Falcucci in the sacrament of Baptism.



Please join us in keeping her in prayer as well as her parents and godparents as they continue to nurture her in a life of faith.

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.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

St. Isidore:

Saturday, August 13, 5 p.m.
For All The People of Our Collaborative

Sunday, August 14, 9:30 a.m.
David Jodka, Memorial Mass

St. Elizabeth:

Thursday, August 18, 9:15 a.m.
Patricia Fallon, Memorial Mass

Friday, August 19, 9:15 a.m.
Margita & Peter Janicova

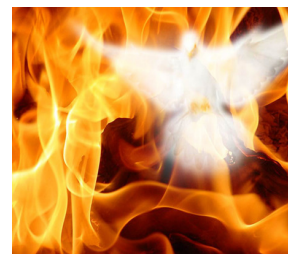
Prayers for the Deported:
Maureen Dunphy

Weekday Mass change for this week:

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

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 lucretia.yaghjian@comcast.net.



YOUTH MINISTRY UPCOMING EVENTS

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.

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)

ST. ELIZABETH & ST. ISIDORE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Our parishes St. Vincent de Paul Conference assists needy persons in our community by providing food vouchers, household goods, or other necessary help. The local Conference has been able to carry out its work of person-to-person charitable assistance only because of your generous support and it is more grateful for it. You can continue to help by placing your donations in the SVDP Offering box at the rear of the church, or sending them to the parish office.

CURSILLO—ARCHDIOCESE OF BOSTON

The Archdiocesan Cursillo Movement is offering two Cursillo weekend's this fall at The Campion Center, Weston, MA.

- Women's Cursillo from Thursday evening, October 20 through Sunday afternoon, October 23.
- Men's Cursillo from Thursday evening, December 1 through Sunday afternoon December 4.

Cursillo is a short course in Christianity, which offers the participants a vibrant experience of the Christian Life and a method for living as an active member of the Church.. For information and registration, please call the Office of Worship and Spiritual Life, (<http://www.bostoncursillo.org/>), at 617-779-3640 or email them at spiritual_development@rcab.org. You may also talk to Diahne Goodwin if you have questions.

35TH ANNUAL LAWN PARTY TO BENEFIT SEMINARIANS

Pope St. John XXIII National Seminary in Weston is hosting its 35th Annual Lawn Party on Wednesday, September 28, at 6:00 p.m., on the grounds of the seminary. This premiere fundraising event is hosted this year by Bishop Robert Reed. The evening will include a reception and dinner with music. Located on Route 30 in Weston, the seminary prepares second career candidates, men over the age of 30, for priesthood. The proceeds from the Lawn Party help to keep tuition costs affordable. For ticket information, please call the Pope St. John XXIII Development Office at 781-899-5500, or visit their website www.psjs.edu/lawn-party.