

### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

**St. Elizabeth Parish:**  
Sunday: 10:45 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.

**St. Isidore Parish:**  
Vigil Mass: Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 8:45 a.m.

**Daily Eucharist this week:**  
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 9:00 a.m.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**  
St. Isidore  
Saturdays, 4:00—4:30 p.m.

*To ensure the safety of all children, we ask that parents accompany their children who go to the restrooms during Mass. The parish hall is used by the community at large and the doors are open during Mass. Thank you.*

#### CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH SUPPORT ST. ELIZABETH

Total Offertory Sunday 7/8/18	\$	2,542
Mailbacks for Week Ending 7/7/18:	\$	2,067
Total EFT for Week Ending 7/7/18:	\$	4,261
Total Parish Support for Week Ending 7/7/18:	\$	8,870
Total Parish Support since 7/1/18:	\$	13,447
Target Parish Support since 7/1/18:	\$	15,464
Over (Under) Target since 7/1/18:	\$	(2,017)

\*Preliminary target is \$726,000 for the year ended 6/30/2019

Thank you very much!

In the past few weeks, parishioners donated \$503 towards "Promoting the Gospels", going towards Communications and the Campaign for Human Development. These two organizations communicate the Gospel by promoting works of justice, education and the dignity of human life.

#### CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PARISH SUPPORT ST. ISIDORE

Total Offertory Last Sunday: 7/8/18:	\$	5,287
EFT for Week Ending 7/8/18:	\$	1,855
Total Parish Support for Week Ending 7/8/18:	\$	7,142
Actual Parish Support since 7/1/2018:	\$	10,924
Target Parish Support since 7/1/2018:	\$	9,776
Over (Under) Target since 7/1/2018:	\$	1,148
St. Vincent DePaul Collection	\$	57

Thank you very much!

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#### READINGS THIS SUNDAY— July 15 (Cycle B)

Amos 7:12-15; Eph 1:3-14; Mk 6:7-13

#### READINGS NEXT SUNDAY— July 22 (Cycle B)

Jer 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

## 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.*



### Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 15, 2018

*May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes  
of our hearts, that we may know what is the hope  
that belongs to our call.*



*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!*

As I complete my first full month here at the Apple Valley Catholic Community I first would like to thank the entire community for making me feel so welcomed this past month. Greeting me prior to or after Mass with a hand shake, a warm smile, a hello and of course with introducing yourselves has made me feel right at home already. It will take time to remember all your names, but I assure you each week I will try.

As a priest and as your Pastor I get the greatest joy in celebrating the Sacraments of our Catholic Church. In this first month I celebrated the Sacrament of the Eucharist, Baptism, Anointing of the Sick, Holy Matrimony and Reconciliation. During each celebration I felt the depth of this community's love for our Lord, love for each other and love of the community. As I reflect and write this letter I am reminded that as Disciples of Jesus Christ this community has wrapped itself around what Jesus said to his first 12 disciples, "Love one another as I have love you." (John 13:34). I can say without hesitation I feel that love in this community.

I had the opportunity this month as well to bless and send off a group of 15 young adults to Honduras. This group journeyed to Honduras to assist and help in any way they could to those in need. Along with this I also sent forth a blessing and well wishes to a group of 70+ teenagers and adults as they prepared to journey to Texas. I was so impressed with the number of teenagers in this community who volunteered a week of their summer vacation to help those in need.

I had the opportunity to meet with a group of young teenagers who will journey this month to Springfield to extend their help to those in need, as well as talk with Jim Flanagan about the group heading to New Jersey for their mission trip. All four groups opened my eyes to seeing how true discipleship works in this community.

It has been a busy first month for me, but one filled with immense joy. As I mentioned in my introduction before each Mass my first weekend here, I am excited to be here, to be with all of you on your spiritual journey and to journey, as a community of disciples of Jesus Christ, to grow in our discipleship together.

Be assured of my prayers for each of you and this community as a whole.

Yours in Christ,  
Fr. Jeff

**RESOURCES FOR DISCIPLESHIP & FAITH FORMATION  
Registration Open!**



**Welcome!** Whether you have participated in our discipleship and faith formation programs in prior years, or are new to our parish community, we extend a warm welcome to you as we begin this year's journey in faith. Father Jeff, our staff, and our parish ministry teams are eager to accompany and support each of you to grow as disciples and joyfully live out the mission of Jesus Christ! All registered households should have received a copy of the information and registration brochure in the mail. You also may download a copy of the form from each parish website. Online registration and payment in one step is also available at this link: <https://avcc.wufoo.com/forms/zmc9q10wr5cni/> (also on the websites).



**JOIN POPE FRANCIS  
In Praying for Priests During July**

Each year, the Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. This month's focus is for Priests and their pastoral ministry. Pope Francis offers the following prayer:

“That priests, who experience fatigue and loneliness in their pastoral work, may find help and comfort in their intimacy with the Lord and in their friendship with their brother priests.”

Thank you for your prayers for priests worldwide and especially for Fr. Jeff as he continues to adjust to his new role as pastor of the collaborative! To see monthly list and learn more about this go to: <http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/prayers-and-devotions/the-popes-monthly-intention.cfm>



We are sending 11 participants to Springfield from July 16 to July 20. Please pray for them and the people they will be serving.

*Dear Father,  
Empower these people to be your hands and feet. By their actions and words, make them witnesses of your great love and your passion to all they meet. Please protect them, teach them and support them as they take this journey. Fill them with the Holy Spirit as they faithfully and joyfully minister to the people in Springfield. Amen.*

**THE APPLE VALLEY CATHOLIC COLLABORATIVE PRESENTS-  
SHIPWRECKED: RESCUED BY JESUS!**

**Come be a castaway with us for a week of faith, fun and friendship!**

**When:** Monday-Friday, August 13-17, 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

**Where:** St. Elizabeth of Hungary Church and Parish Center

Plus: VBS Praise and Worship Celebration and Ice Cream Social, Thursday, August 16, 6:30 p.m., St. Isidore's Church

Cost: \$35.00 per child (\$90 family maximum) - includes 5 days of VBS, snacks, ice cream social and t-shirt (Financial assistance is available to anyone for whom this is a hardship. Please contact VBS Directors.)

Register: Sign up your children (age 4 by September 1 and up to entering 6th grade) - Registration forms will be available and credit card payments can be processed onsite!

Volunteer: Youth entering 7th grade and up to adults - we need you to be Crew Leaders and more! Find out how you can be involved.

Learn More: Talk to your "Shipwrecked" Leadership Team and hear more about VBS.

Questions?? Contact Lisa Lapinski and Sarah Burianek, VBS Co-Directors  
[applevalleyvbs@gmail.com](mailto:applevalleyvbs@gmail.com).

**MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK:**

**St. Isidore:**  
Saturday, July 14, 5:00 p.m.  
Edward Sheehan, Memorial Mass

Sunday, July 15, 8:45  
Victor Saganey, Memorial Mass

Monday, July 16, 9:00 a.m.  
Carmen Bernales, Memorial Mass

Wednesday, July 18, 9:00 a.m.  
Rick Connelly, Memorial Mass

**YOUTH MINISTRY EVENTS**

(open to incoming Freshman to Graduating Seniors)

**Just5Days- Springfield Mission Trip**  
July 16 to July 20

**CHWC - New Jersey Mission Trip**  
July 22 to July 28

**Whitewater Rafting**  
Thursday, August 2

**Teen Alpha**  
August 5 to August 9

**Vacation Bible School - Leaders Needed**  
August 13 to August 17

**Gloucester Beach Day**  
Wednesday, August 15

**Teen Leadership Committee Retreat**  
Sunday, September 2

**Back to School BBQ**  
Sunday, September 2

Additional information on events can be found on Facebook group page: Apple Valley Catholic Youth Ministry or e-mail [jim@applevalleycatholic.org](mailto:jim@applevalleycatholic.org), 978 263-4305 x23.