

**ST. ELIZABETH
CATHOLIC CHURCH**
Diocese of Knoxville

**Mass intentions
for Aug. 18, 2024**

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, 5 p.m. — (English)
† Michael Maloney
By: Joan Koelbel

Saturday, 7 p.m. — (Spanish)
† José Nuñez
By: Victor & Rosalba Granados

Sunday, 9 a.m. —
† Paul Gurdak
By: Knights of Columbus

Monday, 8 a.m. —
† deceased of Bartus family
By: George & Thea Bratton

Tuesday, 8 a.m. —
Joslyn family
By: Fr. Jesús

Wednesday, noon —
† Pura Mercado
By: Ronald & Vivian Clark

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, 5 p.m. — (English)
People of the parish

Saturday, 7 p.m. — (Spanish)
Priest's intention

Sunday, 9 a.m. —
† Nancy Simpson Olinger
By: Fran & Rodney Robey



HIS FLESH TO EAT?

Jesus has been teaching about what he calls "The Bread of Life." The church teaches that he is referring to Holy Communion — the bread and wine that become his body and blood. The audience does not have this insight and imagines the unthinkable: Jesus is calling for people to consume his flesh. This sparks a wave of argument and disgust. How would we react without knowing the church teaching? Would we have revulsion at the thought? How do we view communion? Has it become a mechanical action for us?

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Weekly readings

**20th Sunday
in Ordinary Time**
Proverbs 9:1-6
Psalm 34:2-7
Ephesians 5:15-20
John 6:51-58

Monday
Ezekiel 24:15-23
Matthew 19:16-22

Tuesday
St. Bernard
Ezekiel 28:1-10
Matthew 19:23-30

Wednesday
St. Pius X
Ezekiel 34:1-11
Matthew 20:1-16

Thursday
*Queenship
of Blessed Virgin Mary*
Ezekiel 36:23-28
Matthew 22:1-14

Friday
Ezekiel 37:1-14
Matthew 22:34-40

Saturday
St. Bartholomew
Revelation 21:9b-14
John 1:45-51

**21st Sunday
in Ordinary Time**
Joshua 24:1-2a,
15-17, 18b
Psalm 34:2-3, 16-21
Ephesians 5:21-32
John 6:60-69

**In person
Aug. 11, 2024**

Thanks for your support

Regular, \$1,680
Area needy, \$465

Building fund, \$1,008
Catholic schools, \$40

Lay ministers for August 24/25

Altar servers

Sat. —
Sun. — Timothy Grubb, Leo Grubb

Commentators

Sat. — Steve Hummel
Sun. — Richard Barker

Readers

Sat. — Steve Hummel, Cathy Champon
Sun. — Matt Grubb, Cheryl White

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

Sat. — Michael Gray Jr., Diane McKinna
Sun. — Nick Schicker, Mike Snow

Ushers

Sat. — George Bratton, J.J. Regan
Sun. — Tim Eilers, Tom Manning

Gift Bearers

Sat. — Ushers
Sun. — Taylor family

Saintly Wisdom

"The Eucharist is the bread that gives strength...
It is at once the most eloquent proof of His love
and the most powerful means
of fostering His love in us."
— *St. Damien of Molokai* —

Parish Life

Abundant Life Women's Group Meets

Wednesday — Abundant Life Women's Ministry will meet at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday for fellowship, spiritual growth and social action. If you have any questions, please feel free to email them at ALwomensministry@stelizabethsparish.com

Parish Picnic — The annual parish picnic will be in the evening of Sunday, Sept. 8, at the Riverside Pavilion in the park behind the Elizabethton River Riders ballpark. The parish will provide hot dogs, hamburgers and the fixings, and drinks. Plan to come!

Congratulations — Congratulations to Yasmin Mendez, who celebrated her quinceañera last weekend. She is the daughter of Candido and Maria Mendez.

Bereavement — Pura Mercado, mother of Vivian Clark, and Susan and Carol Mercado, died in early July in the Philippines. Please keep the family in your prayers.

Free Bibles — The church library has free bibles (and other books) available in the bookcase near the Knights of Columbus room on the ground floor.

New Parishioners — If you are a new parishioner, please fill out a registration form found in the vestibule and return in the collection basket. Thank you!

Social Action

Winter Clothing and Diaper Drive — Catholic Charities of East Tennessee requests boys' fall and winter clothing (up to size 18 months) and baby diapers (size newborn). The Knights of Columbus are collecting these items on the ground floor of the education building.

Aluminum Can Bin — The Knights of Columbus remind parishioners to deposit aluminum cans in the bin behind the rectory garage. Money raised from the can collection benefits the seminarian the Knights are sponsoring.



Education and Formation

RCIA — Any adult who would like to learn more about Catholicism may participate in St. Elizabeth's RCIA (Right of Christian Initiation of Adults) program. Classes will begin meeting after Labor Day. For more information, email secretary@stelizabethsparish.com.

Pray for the Sick of Our Parish:

Manny Bandarra	Lynda Gamache
Thea Bratton	Chuck Muraski
Mary Carr	Jim Stapleton
Jim Cathelyn	Jimmy Townsend
Cathy Champon	Margaret Vines
Joel Dean	Tina Wachs
Lilo Duncan	Ed & Linda Yarwood