

**ST. ELIZABETH  
OF HUNGARY**  
*Diocese of Knoxville*

**Mass intentions  
for Mar. 16, 2025**

**2nd Sunday of Lent**  
**Saturday, 5 p.m.** — (English)  
† Gurdak & Messina families  
By: Laura Gurdak & family

**Saturday, 7 p.m.** — (Spanish)  
Presider's Intention

**Sunday, 9 a.m.** —  
Presider's intention

**Monday, 8 a.m.** —  
**Communion Servive**

**Tuesday, 8 a.m.** —  
**Communion Service**

**Wednesday, Noon** —  
**Communion Service**

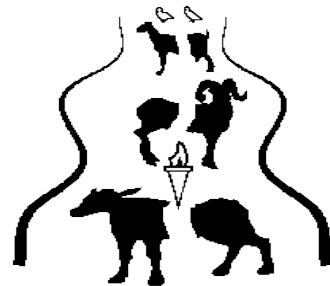
**3rd Sunday of Lent**  
**Saturday, 5 p.m.** — (English)  
People of the parish

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

**Sunday, 9 a.m.** —  
Presider's intention

**Thank you for your  
generosity.**

**In person**—Mar. 9  
Regular — \$10,253.45  
Building Fund — \$745.00  
Pastor's Discretion — \$1,000.00  
Church in Central &  
Eastern Europe — \$455.00  
Black & Indian Missions — \$470.00  
Easter Flowers — \$5.00



**A Flaming Torch  
Passed Between  
Those Pieces**

**ABRAHAM'S SACRI-  
FICE**

God has called Abraham to leave his home and begin a thousand-mile journey to Egypt. The patriarch responds favorably, so the Lord makes a Covenant or pact of friendship with him. The agreement is literally signed in blood in an ancient ritual. When two people wanted to make an accord they would divide a group of animals and walk between the carcasses. This made a blood bond between the individuals in the agreement. Abraham makes such an arrangement. He enters into a spell--a deep darkness--and has a vision of God. The Lord appears as a flaming brazier and moves between the sacrifices. The antiquity of this ceremony befits the time of the patriarchs, just after the second millennium B.C.

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**Weekly readings**

**2nd Sunday of Lent**  
Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18  
Psalm 27:1, 7-9, 13-14  
Philippians 3:17—4:1  
Luke 9:28b-36

**Monday**  
Daniel 9:4b-10  
Luke 6:36-38

**Tuesday**  
Isaiah 1:10, 16-20  
Matthew 23:1-12

**Wednesday**  
*St. Joseph*  
2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16  
Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a

**Thursday**  
Jeremiah 17:5-10  
Luke 16:19-31

**Friday**  
Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a  
Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46

**Saturday**  
Micah 7:14-15, 18-20  
Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

**3rd Sunday of Lent**  
Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15  
Psalm 103:1-4, 6-8, 11  
1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12  
Luke 13:1-9

**Lay ministers for Mar. 22/23**

**Altar servers**

Sat. — Timothy, Leo & Finnian Grubb  
Sun. — Carl Johnson, Joshua Gouge

**Commentators**

Sat. — Steve Hummel  
Sun. — Tom Manning

**Readers**

Sat. — Rick Kortze, Mercedes Burke  
Sun. — Cheryl White, Thomas Mitalski

**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist**

Sat. — Angela Nieland, Matt Grubb  
Sun. — Pandora Gage, Mike Snow

**Ushers**

Sat. — George Bratton, Bob Gamache  
Sun. — Richard Barker, Jimmy Townsend

**LENT**  
Pray + Fast + Give

**Lenten Penance Service**—Service will be held on Tuesday, April 1, at 6pm.


**Soup Suppers**—Every Friday during Lent. Supper begins at 5pm followed by Stations of the Cross at 6pm. There is no charge. If you plan to attend, please sign the sign-up sheet in the vestibule so food prep can be planned. All are welcome.

**Lenten Food Drive**—The Knights of Columbus Council 10743 continue their annual Lenten drive through Easter. Donated food must be non-perishable and all cash donations will be given to Assistance and Resource Ministries (ARM).

The Council continues to support Catholic Charities of East Tennessee. Donations of baby items (formula, diapers, wipes, clothing, blankets, etc) and cash are always appreciated.

If you are giving a cash/check donation, please put it in an envelope and mark it either ARM or CC of ET. Checks should be made out to Council 10743 KofC and indicate either ARM or CC of ET on the memo line.

**Parish Life**

**St. Patrick's Day Parish Potluck**—The Ladies Guild will be hosting this Sunday, Mar. 16, at 5pm in the basement. Bring a favorite dish to share! Dave Olson will be singing Irish songs. 

**Abundant Life**—The Abundant Life Ministry will be meeting this Wednesday, March 19, at 6pm All women are welcome.

**Youth Group**

**Alive In You (AIY)**—is a week-long mission trip conference to Knoxville for rising 8th graders or older (including college students & adult chaperones). Dates are June 17-22, 2025. For more info, contact Vicki Johnson at 859-802-9710 or youthministry@stelizabethsparish.com. **Deadline for sign-up is Sun., Mar. 30.**

**Jubilee 2025**

**Jubilee Prayer**—Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you, our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

**Pray for the Sick of Our Parish:**

Manny Bandarra	Lynda Gamache
Thea Bratton	Chuck Muraski
Mary Carr	Leroy & Agnes Policky
Jim Cathelyn	Jim Stapleton
Joel Dean	Jimmy Townsend
Lilo Duncan	Margaret Vines
Mercedes Fernandez	Linda Yarwood