

NEW PARISHIONERS

WELCOME! We are very happy to have you as new members of our Parish family at St. Elizabeth's. Forms for registration are available in the entry of church. Please fill out and return to the Parish Office. As your parish staff, we look forward to meeting you and your family and welcome your involvement in the parish. Please don't hesitate to introduce yourself at any convenient opportunity.

BAPTISM

Please contact the Parish Life Coordinator for scheduling Baptism. Parents are asked to participate in a Baptismal Preparation. These will be held through scheduled appointments. Please call the Parish Office to inform us when you will be attending.

MARRIAGE

Engaged couples who anticipate marriage are to contact the Parish Life Coordinator six months in advance of the anticipated wedding. The couple will use this time to participate in marriage preparation.

MINISTRY OF THE SICK

For emergencies, please call Sr. Rose anytime. Ministers of Care are available for Communion and visits to the sick. If you will be having surgery, we invite you to receive the Sacrament of the Sick after Mass on the Sunday before surgery.

BUILDING USE

PLEASE schedule meetings and facilities through the Parish Office. Thank you!

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Tuesdays, 12:00 Noon.

Please submit in writing by emailing, faxing, or dropping by the office. **Please send in marriage, baptism, & death announcements to the office if you would like them published in the bulletin.** This is very important to our parish family.

PRAYER CHAIN

A vital part of the spirituality of our church is the "Prayer Chain". This network is comprised of parishioners who pray for the concerns of our parish families and individuals. To request a prayer to be added to the chain or to join the chain, please contact Ardath Forgy at 823-1584 or Evelyn Peterson at 668-2396 or the parish office.

STEWARDS OF HOPE PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, confident in the presence among us of your Son, we, the people of the Salina Diocese, continue to expand on what our ancestors established through selfless love in building our faith communities.

As we go forward in hope, help us to give ourselves selflessly in love to our brothers and sisters and so strengthen the body of Christ. Help us, through your Holy Spirit, to grow in holiness and follow your will so that we can face the challenges before us with confidence. Help us to walk together, sharing each other's burdens and joys, so that we may leave a vibrant legacy of faith, hope and love for future generations. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

DID YOU KNOW..

The Knights of Columbus provide the entire budget of the National Family Planning offices of the U.S. and Canadian Bishops.

To find out more, please visit www.kofc.org or call your K of C Grand Knight, Charles Schroder (wife Terri) at 785-823-8903, schrods@cox.net or Financial Secretary, Kelly Streeter (wife Michele) at 785-825-1953, kelly_streeter@cox.net, or Field Agent, JJ O'Connor (wife Tammy) 785-668-2400 or 785-258-4087, james.o'connor@kofc.org.

NEXT MTG - DEC 11 AT 9:30 AM

MISSION MESSAGE

If you are baptized, you are a missionary. Please go to <http://salinadiocese.org/propagation-of-the-faith> and click on the arrow under "Family Mission" under Mission Lessons for this week's mission message.

DIOCESE HISTORY BOOK

A History of the Diocese of Salina books are now available to celebrate the 125th anniversary of the diocese. If you are interested in purchasing a book for \$35, please fill out an order form located in the back of church and then contact the parish office.

COLLECTION FOR RETIRED RELIGIOUS FUND

DEC 10-11

This national collection provides assistance for the care of elderly Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests. The Sisters of St. Agnes, the Capuchin Franciscans, and the Sisters of St. Joseph of Concordia who serve in our diocese benefit from this collection. Please see the inserted letter for more information.

WEBSITE SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE

- ◆ In the weeks ahead, our parish representative from Solution, Inc., will be setting up the advertising for our website for the year.
- ◆ Please consider participating in this effort since the revenue from the ads is what makes the website possible at no cost to the parish.
- ◆ It's a great way to get your name in front of the families in the parish. Advertisements may be purchased for a business, family memorial, or you can sponsor an ad supporting Catholic Charities, Knights of Columbus, Vocations, etc.
- ◆ Please give these ideas some thought. We need and appreciate your help! If you are interested or just curious as to prices and want more information, please contact 785-246-5424 or Sponsorship@SolutioSoftware.com

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

December 10th & 11th, 2011

SATURDAY, 5:15 PM	SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	SUNDAY, 10:30 AM
<p>LITURGICAL ASSISTANT: Frances Hockensmith</p> <p>LECTORS: Sheila Marcotte Martha Marcotte</p> <p>CANTORS: Ray Tucker</p> <p>ORGANIST: Deb Scheef</p> <p>ALTAR SERVERS: Noah Bradley Avery Bradley</p> <p>GIFT BEARERS: Volunteers</p> <p>E.M.E.'s: Pat Ernzen, Sr. Rose Walters, Mindy & Crystal Stegman, Bill & Frances Hockensmith, Kim & Gene Peppersack</p> <p>GREETERS/USHERS: Julie & Gillian Falcon, Carma & Dan Gentry, Bob Pientka</p> <p>DILLONS CARDS: None</p>	<p>LITURGICAL ASSISTANT: Karen Taylor</p> <p>LECTORS: Richard Zajac Mary Lee Beckman</p> <p>CANTORS: Teresa Hernandez</p> <p>ORGANIST: None</p> <p>ALTAR SERVERS: Ethan Zajac Sarah Zajac</p> <p>GIFT BEARERS: Volunteers</p> <p>E.M.E.'s: Jerry & Pat Kinnaird, Rick Showalter, Karen Taylor, Twila Landauer</p> <p>GREETERS/USHERS: Mark & Rebecca, Colette, Kathleen, & Emily Greene</p> <p>DILLONS CARDS: None</p>	<p>LITURGICAL ASSISTANT: Richard Doll</p> <p>LECTORS: Luci Larson Libby Charvat</p> <p>CANTORS: Teresa Hernandez</p> <p>ORGANIST: None</p> <p>ALTAR SERVERS: Jordan Weems Tyler Weems</p> <p>GIFT BEARERS: Volunteers</p> <p>E.M.E.'s: Richard Doll, Carol Ahlvs, Geoff & Valerie Andrews, Margie Blaske, David & Carlene Stueve, Vince Klenda</p> <p>GREETERS/USHERS: John & Mary Quinley, Dan & Jane Sellers, Beth Shearer</p> <p>DILLONS CARDS: None</p> <p>CHILDREN'S LITURGY: None</p> <p>MONEY COUNTERS: Kenny Waldman, Ed & Kathy Dinkel</p>

NOTES TO LITURGICAL MINISTERS

When serving in the Liturgical service, PLEASE report to the Liturgical Assistant so they know YOU are present. If YOU are unable to fulfill your scheduled ministry assignment for a particular date or time, PLEASE find your replacement and then contact the church office with the information. Thank you!

USHERS & GREETERS: PLEASE clean out bulletins, etc. from the pews after each Mass. Thank you!

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: IF YOU are scheduled as a EME for the first time, PLEASE call Sr. Rose for training. PLEASE clean out the cups after each Mass.



July 1, 2011 - June 30, 2012

AVERAGE MONTHLY BUDGET	\$46,500.00
Last Week's Collection:	\$ 7,103.03
Previous Week's Collection:	\$ 5,676.06
November Totals:	\$ 30,452.96

Interest & Debt Reduction / mth: \$ 7,500.00

Church Principal Debt:	\$1,052,113.19
Cemetery Principal Debt:	\$ 25,875.20

Thank you for your stewardship of treasure. Pray that everyone embraces the stewardship way of life. What have you that you have not received? And if you have received, do you return the first and best to the Lord?



ST. ELIZABETH'S STEWARDSHIP

“Every one of us has something we can do to help others. It doesn't matter how rich or how poor we are, how smart, educated or famous we might be. Each of us has been given at least one gift that we can use on behalf of the rest of humanity.”

-Author Unknown

THIS WEEK INTENTIONS

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

#769 IN THE WORSHIP BOOK

Saturday, Dec 3rd

5:15 pm Mass Special Intention

Sunday, Dec 4th

8:30 am Mass Special Intention

10:30 am Mass For the Parish

Monday, Dec 5th

No Mass

Tuesday, Dec 6th

7:50 am Morning Prayer

8:00 am Mass +Carol Eck

Wednesday, Dec 7th

7:50 am Morning Prayer

8:00 am Mass +Gary LeSage

Thursday, Dec 8th

7:50 am Morning Prayer

8:00 am Mass +Merrill Scott

Friday, Dec 9th

7:50 am Morning Prayer

8:00 am Mass Special Intention

Saturday, Dec 10th

5:15 pm Mass +George Oborny

Sunday, Dec 11th

8:30 am Mass For the Parish

10:30 am Mass +Elsie Wessel

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday Dec 4th

6:30 pm Junior High Religious Ed

Monday Dec 5th

6:15 pm Choir Practice

Tuesday Dec 6th

8:40 am Shepherds of Christ Prayer Group

7:00 pm Bible Study

Wednesday Dec 7th

6:35 & 7:55 pm Parking Lot: Brian Kinnaird

6:45 pm Relig Education Grades 1-6

Thursday Dec 8th - Feast of the Immaculate

Conception - Holy Day of Obligation

8:00 am Mass

9:00 am Sojourners Christmas Gathering

Noon Mass

5:30 pm Mass

6:30-8:00 pm St. E's Women's Group Cookie Exchange

Sunday Dec 11th

After 8:30 Mass Coffee & Donuts to benefit Relig Ed

1:00-4:00 pm **PARISH PRAYER RETREAT**

Monday Dec 12th

6:15 pm Choir Practice

Tuesday Dec 13th

8:40 am Shepherds of Christ Prayer Group

7:00 pm Bible Study

AROUND THE PARISH

ST. ELIZABETH PARISH

PRAYER RETREAT

DEC 11, 1 PM - 4 PM

Please consider participating in the parish prayer retreat. Please RSVP to the Parish office by Dec 8th, if you plan to attend. In the Christian tradition, the season of Advent has always been a time of quiet waiting for the coming of Jesus. This quiet time is meant for prayer and reflection. St. Elizabeth's is providing this opportunity by having Donna Erpelding, Spiritual Director, lead us into this space. It is our desire through the Stewards of Hope, that you will take time for this spiritual renewal.

BLOOD MOBILE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers needed to assist Terri Schroder, RN, with paperwork related to the parish sponsored Blood Mobile. Approximately 10 hours every 2 months. Please call Terri if interested 823-8903 or 819-2352. The next Blood Mobile is **December 29th.**

CHRISTMAS CHOIR PRACTICE

Monday nights at 6:15 pm. High School and adults are welcome. If you have any questions, please contact Cheryl Konzem at 823-2847.

2ND GRADE CHRISTMAS STORE

The 2nd Grade Christmas Store will be open after every Mass during Advent. Most items under \$5. All proceeds go towards the First Communion sets for our 18 students.

BIRTHRIGHT CHRISTMAS TREE

Please take a tag from the tree and bring the item back to the tree **UNWRAPPED** by **Dec 23.** Children's clothing may be new or used in good condition. Items benefit the girls, women, & babies throughout the year.

PICK UP PICTURES

All parishioners who did not order pictures are asked to pick up their free 8x10 at the back of church. Those that ordered pictures will be sent to their homes. Anyone who can not locate their packet in the back of church is asked to please call the parish office.

DILLONS CARDS FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Remember to reload your St. Elizabeth's Dillons Cards to do your holiday meal shopping and fuel purchases! Anyone interested in purchasing Dillons Cards to use as gifts for the Holidays, please come by the parish office. It's not too early to get this off your list!

MORE AROUND THE PARISH

FAITHFUL FAMILIES ROSARY

The Mother's Rosary sponsored by Faithful Families, a tri-parish mother's ministry, is the 1st Monday of each month - **Dec 5th at 7 pm at St. E's.**

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Dec 8, Feast of the Immaculate Conception is a Holy Day of Obligation - Masses will be celebrated at 8 am, Noon, and 5:30 pm.

SOJOURNERS

The Christmas gathering will be **Thurs, Dec 8th, 9 am** in the parish hall. Evangeline Jilka and Mary Roesner are hosts. A light breakfast will be served. Bring one dozen cookies if you wish to participate in the cookie exchange. Gifts will be wrapped for the adopted needy family and then delivered to the family. If you wish to donate money for the needy family or help shop for gifts and groceries please call Mary Lee Beckman 825-9234 by Dec 2nd.

CHRISTMAS COOKIE/GOODIE EXCHANGE

St. Elizabeth's Women's Group will be hosting a "Christmas Cookie/Goodie Exchange" on **Dec 8, from 6:30 pm - 8 pm.** You may drop off your goodies prior to the 5:30 pm Mass and the ladies will set up the exchange, light snacks and beverage. Remember to bring something to tote them in. Invite a friend!!

COFFEE & DONUTS

Dec 11, after 8:30 Mass

You are invited to enjoy coffee, juice, donuts, & fellowship after 8:30 Mass on **Sun, Dec 11th.** Proceeds will benefit the St. Elizabeth's Religious Education program.



ADOPTED FAMILY CHRISTMAS TREE

St. Elizabeth's Women's Group has adopted a family from Catholic Charities. We need our parish family to help contribute to a bright Christmas for this family. A single mom is raising seven children ages 5 to 15 yrs with no child support. She asks nothing for herself, only for her children. Please take a tag or even two tags off the Stocking tree at the back of the church and return a wrapped gift with the tag attached by the weekend of **Dec 17-18.** Catholic Charities will deliver your gifts the week before Christmas. Contact Libby Charvat at 823-2450 with questions.

SEW-N-SEW

Next meeting will be **Saturday, Dec 17th, 9-Noon.** All meetings are scheduled the 3rd Sat of each month. If you sew, crochet, knit, craft, quilt, embroidery, or needle point come and enjoy!

AROUND THE CITY

SOUP SUPPER & PIE SALE

SH Cathedral Council of Catholic Women Annual Soup Supper & Pie Sale will be on **Sat, Dec 10th, 4:30 pm - 7 pm** in the SH Cathedral Hall of Bishops. Serving Chicken Noodle & Chili, relishes, pie & drinks. Adults - \$6, Children 3-10 yrs - \$3, younger kids eat free. Whole pies available.

K OF C CHRISTMAS PARTY

Children and their families from the 3 Salina parishes are invited to attend the annual K of C Christmas party, hosted by Council 8196, on **Sun, Dec 11**, in the St. Mary's parish hall. The festivities will begin with a social hour at 5 pm, dinner at 6 pm. There will be activities and treats for the kids and a visit from a very special guest.

NATIONAL NIGHT OF PRAYER FOR LIFE

On Dec 8, The National Night of Prayer for Life, uniting the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and the Feast of St. Juan Diego, will be at St. Mary's Church 9pm -Midnight. Everyone is welcome to come & pray at your convenience.

HOSPICE MEMORY TREE EVENT

Fundraiser runs until **Dec 16.** You can memorialize a loved one by having their name inscribed on a hand blown glass Angel ornament tipped with 22k gold for only \$35 or by making a financial gift in their name. To make donations or purchase an ornament call 825-1717 for information. Then, join in on **Tues, Dec 20th**, anytime between 3 pm to 6 pm for memory time. You will be able to remove the Angel from the tree and place the Angel on your tree.

AROUND THE AREA

ROAD TO ROME RAFFLE

Be the Miracle - Final Days to Buy Road to Rome Raffle Tickets! Buy a Road to Rome Raffle ticket and you could win the grand prize: roundtrip airfare for 6 to Rome, Italy and a one-week stay at the exclusive Navona Gardens' Papal Suite located in the heart of the Eternal City. Proceeds benefit the lives and ministries of the Capuchin friars of Mid-America who dedicate their lives to serving people from all walks of life, especially the poor and forgotten. Tickets are \$50 each and can be purchased online at www.roadtoromeraffle.com or by calling 303-433-0296. Last day to buy tickets is Dec 8th; drawing will take place on Dec 9th. Tickets are limited.