

# St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Church

*A Mission Church of the Cathedral Basilica of the Immaculate Conception*

## Easter Sunday

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### Mass Times

Monday to Friday: 12:15 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM

### Confession Times

Monday to Friday: 11:40 AM – 12:10 PM

### Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays and Thursdays: 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

### Office Hours

Monday to Friday: 10 AM – 3:00 PM

### Spiritual Direction for College Students



<https://calendly.com/fatherrichard/spiritual-direction>

Dear brothers and sisters,

Happy Easter! It is finally Easter Sunday, and we are ready to get the reward for our work during Lent. After joining in the suffering of Christ, we now want to participate in the rejoicing of his glorious Resurrection.

We had a very blessed Holy Week at St. Elizabeth's. Our first event was the Chrism Mass on Tuesday at the Cathedral. Several of our parishioners, students, and missionaries were able to attend. Archbishop Aquila drew from the readings in Isaiah to explain what an encounter with Jesus Christ really means. It was very compelling. You can hear it at on his podcast: [https://www.ivoox.com/en/chrism-mass-2023-audios-mp3\\_rf\\_105913227\\_1.html](https://www.ivoox.com/en/chrism-mass-2023-audios-mp3_rf_105913227_1.html).

On Thursday, we had the Mass of the Last Supper at St. Elizabeth's. We had a good number of people join us for the ceremony. I washed the feet of 12 young men to promote vocations to the Priesthood. We also had the Holy Oils, blessed on Tuesday, presented at the beginning of Mass by three of our students: Hannah, Celia, and Sandra. They did a great job!

Finally, on Friday, we prayed the Stations of the Cross outside. It was a beautiful time of prayer we shared with about 30 people. After that, we had the Celebration of the Passion and the Adoration of the Cross. We were blessed in all of the ceremonies with the assistance of Deacon Charles.

At the time of writing this, we are getting ready for the Easter Vigil, the holiest of all nights. I am very excited about it.

May our Lady of Guadalupe intercede for us before the Risen Lord that he grant us a share in the joy of the Resurrection.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Richard, MC

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# Gospel Reflection Corner

By Fr. Richard Castro Huergo, MC

In the book of the Spiritual Exercises, St. Ignatius of Loyola places as one of the first meditations on the Resurrection the visit of our Lord to his most Holy Mother.

While this has a scriptural basis, it is not explicitly said in Scripture that this happened. St. Ignatius tells us that Scripture presupposes that we have reason. It makes logical sense that Jesus appeared to Mary. But let us mention a couple of reasons for this.

First, Jesus is a good son and perfectly fulfills all commandments. That includes the fourth commandment of honoring mother and father. Therefore, it was expedient for Jesus to visit his Mother.

Secondly, Mary was the closest person to Jesus during the Passion. She suffered like no one else. Suffering is proportionate to love, and Mary loved Jesus the most. Therefore, just as Mary shared in the Passion as no one else, it was fitting she should share in the Resurrection in the same way.

Thirdly, we see in the Gospel that the office of the Risen Lord is to console and encourage the disciples. Mary was in great need of consolation after how she accompanied Jesus.

For these reasons and others, when Jesus returned from Abraham's bosom, our Lord ran to the upper room where the Blessed Virgin awaited the Resurrection.

With great respect and devotion, let us contemplate this scene. As we have done other times, let us try to picture it now. The upper room is the same room as the Last Supper and where the disciples received the Holy Spirit in Pentecost. It is on the second floor of a building located in Mount Sion. It is a place of beautiful memories for Mary. Let's try to imagine how big the room is, how it is decorated, what color the walls are,

what color the curtains are, and so on.

After that, we want to focus on Mary. Let's quickly remember all that Mary has experienced in the last three days, especially the hours of the crucifixion and receiving the dead body of Jesus from the Cross. The heart of Mary is an ocean of sadness. But let us not get confused; she suffered like no one else but stayed firm in faith and hope.

Such was the state of Mary's heart when Jesus appeared to her. According to St. Teresa of Avila, Jesus had to hold his Mother for a long time until she returned to her senses; such was the sorrow she was carrying from the Passion.

It is hard to imagine the torrent of joy that the Risen Jesus transmitted right there, in an instant, to the heart of Mary. A joy proportionated to the sorrow that she had experienced.

St. Ignatius tells us to imagine how friends often console their friends in distress. Let us bring to mind a time when we were in deep grief and someone consoled us really well. Now, let us go into the heart of Mary and multiply what we felt by a billion – with this we are just scratching the surface.

To end our contemplation, let's recall the words of the Regina Caeli.

V. Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia.

R. For He whom you did merit to bear, alleluia.

V. Has risen, as he said, alleluia.

R. Pray for us to God, alleluia.

V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.

R. For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.

Let us congratulate Mary with this beautiful hymn and ask her intercession so we can also experience the joy and the consolation of the Risen Lord.

# Holy Week at St. E's



## Campus Outreach

### Sports

Mondays: 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

### Free Lunch & Talk

Thursdays 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM  
(St. Elizabeth's)

### Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays and Thursdays 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
(St. Elizabeth's)

## Announcements

**Liturgical Ministries** - Volunteer opportunities for greeters, lectors, altar servers and Eucharistic ministers. Sign up here: <https://www.stelizabethdenver.org/ministries>. If you wish to volunteer for substitute cantor contact Fr. Richard.

**Prayers of the Faithful** - If you have someone you would like prayers for, let Lisa know at [lisa@stelizabethdenver.org](mailto:lisa@stelizabethdenver.org) and we will include the intention in the Prayers of the Faithful for the upcoming Sunday.

**Altar Linens** - Volunteers needed for weekly washing of Altar Linens. This is one of those "behind the scenes" ministries that allow for an intimate encounter with Jesus. If interested, please contact Fr Richard.

**Sandwich Line** - Monday and Tuesday crews can still use some help 9am - 12pm. We are in great need of men's shoes and boots - new or used.

**Safety Associate Weekend Paid Position Open** - Maintains safe and sanitary conditions on our Sandwich Line. 9am - 12pm Saturday and 10am - 12pm Sunday. Contact [hr@stelizabethdenver.org](mailto:hr@stelizabethdenver.org) if interested.



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CATHEDRAL YOUNG ADULT ACTIVITIES

Calling All Young Adults (18-30's)

**SWINGIN' SUNDAYS**  
Swing Lessons and Dance Time  
*Knights of Columbus Hall at Grant Street and 16th Avenue*  
September 11, October 2, November 6, December 4,  
January 8, February 5, and May 7  
8 - 9:30 pm

**A PINT WITH THE PRIESTS**  
Casual Conversation with the Cathedral Clergy  
*Cathedral Basement Hall, enter off Logan Street*  
September 18, November 20, January 22, and April 16  
8 - 9:30 pm

**FATHER SAM'S PUB TRIVIA**  
Team Trivia Challenge for Prizes  
*Cathedral Basement Hall, enter off Logan Street*  
October 16, December 18, February 19, and May 21  
8 - 9:30 pm

**LENTEN BIBLE STUDY**  
Delving Deeper into God's Word  
*Cathedral Basement Hall, enter off Logan Street*  
February 26, March 5, March 12, March 19, March 26, and April 2  
8 - 9:30 pm

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## Bible Study

### “Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life”

This study looks at Jesus—who he is, what he is really like, what he taught, and what he did for our salvation.

**Every Sunday after Mass**  
starting the First Sunday of Lent

This is a 10-week Bible Study. It will start the first Sunday of Lent. We will take a break for Easter Sunday.

We hope this activity can be a means to deepen our faith while also getting to know each other better and be an opportunity for fellowship.



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