

St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Church

A Mission Church of the Cathedral Basilica of the Immaculate Conception

Third Sunday of Easter

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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,

This Sunday, I ask you to prayerfully consider supporting the Archbishop's Catholic Appeal. Your donation will support Catholic Schools, Priestly Formation, and Catholic Charities, among more than 40 education, charitable and pastoral activities. As members of our Church, our mission is to serve our neighbors with hope, healing, and comfort.

Don't miss your chance to see the archbishop's message about being "Rooted in Christ, Spreading His message, and Sharing His fruit" for the 2023 Archbishop's Catholic Appeal. To watch the video and donate, go to archden.org/givetoday. Your gift helps others grow in their relationship with Christ and helps support our parish. Make your gift today!

On Thursday, we had a guest speaker at our formation series for college students. Nicole Cavey, Founder and CEO of The Avi Project came to talk to our students. In her own words "At 19, during my freshman year of college, I found myself pregnant. Insurmountable feelings of fear of the future consumed me. This wasn't part of my plan. I was lucky, I was loved and supported. This should ALWAYS be the case for every woman in this situation. This is why God has placed on my heart and has been preparing me for over 30 years to love and support expectant college students like myself and give hope for a bright future."

The Avi Project empowers expectant students to choose life and their education by providing all the resources they need. Check out their wonderful mission at www.theaviproject.com.

May our Lady of Guadalupe keep you all under her mantle.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Richard, MC

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Gospel Reflection Corner

By Fr. Richard Castro Huergo, MC

The disciples, on their way to Emmaus, were downcast and depressed. Their faith was wavering after the passion and death of Jesus. They felt as if Jesus had failed and wasn't all they hoped to be.

In those circumstances, "Jesus himself drew near and walked with them." Indeed, whenever we are in desolation, we often feel as if our faith is being attacked. We don't feel God's presence or love, we get discouraged, and it seems God has abandoned us. Nevertheless, it is precisely at that very moment when Jesus "draws near" and "walks with us."

We are never alone. But especially when we are suffering, the Lord draws near even if we don't feel him near. St. Ignatius of Loyola teaches that we need to remember that we have sufficient grace whenever we are in desolation. That means Jesus himself is strengthening us.

While the feeling of grace often abandons us in times of desolation, the Lord never does. Indeed we always have what St. Ignatius calls "sufficient grace" to fight against temptation and desolation. By sufficient grace, St. Ignatius distinguishes this grace from the one we can "feel." But that doesn't mean "sufficient grace" is small or powerless. It is a grace always more than powerful enough to conquer any temptation our enemy could throw our way.

But "their eyes were prevented from recognizing him." While Jesus draws near during suffering, the problem is that we don't feel his presence. This is why St. Ignatius also suggests that we insist in prayer and meditation. Prayer of petition, asking the Lord to come to our aid. And meditation, reflection on God's goodness, his presence, and how he has aided us in the past.

It has always seemed to me very comical in

today's Gospel how Jesus plays dumb, asking them, "What sort of things?" It makes me smile thinking that Jesus, true God and true man, who knows all things, will be asking this question.

Even though he does know everything, Jesus does not get bored of conversing with us. He wants us to tell him whatever is going on in our hearts. He wants us even to tell him about our frustration and anxiety.

Sometimes, we might think telling God what is happening to us is ridiculous since he already knows it. However, Sacred Scripture says, "My delights were with the sons of men." Yes, Jesus delights in listening to us, even when all we do is complain.

At times Jesus might reprehend us, "Oh, how foolish you are! How slow of heart to believe!" But he will always "open the scriptures to us." Jesus will always challenge us in prayer to become a better version of ourselves, get out of our selfishness, and love more freely. But most of all, he will always reveal his love and mercy to us.

Finally, the disciples asked him, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening, and the day is almost over." And Jesus "was made known to them in the breaking of bread."

Christ stays with us in many ways. He remains in his Church that takes care of us. In the sacraments that give us grace. In the indwelling of the Holy Spirit in us through grace. But his most powerful presence is in the breaking of bread, the Eucharist. His real presence in the Sacrament of the Altar is unique. In transubstantiation, Jesus makes himself really and truly present with his body, blood, soul, and divinity under the sacred species. Let us beg from our Lord in the Eucharist the grace of spiritual joy.

Easter in Pictures



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 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 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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For more information, email Johanna: jburke@catholicsports.net

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

April 23, 30

May 7, 14

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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