

Saint Elizabeth Parish

350 Reedsdale Road, Milton, MA 02186

www.stelizabethmilton.org

Parish Mission Statement

The mission of the Parish of Saint Elizabeth is to give witness to the Kingdom of God on earth, to support one another, and to strive for a deeper relationship with God.

As a community of faith, we welcome all to participate in living out the Gospel message of Our Lord, Jesus Christ.

We pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit to serve better the Lord and one another.



Pastoral Staff

Rev. Aidan J. Walsh
Rev. Robert Clark, S.S.C.
Sr. Mary K. Walsh, C.S.J.

Ms. Clare Joyce
Donna Mitchell
Mary Shea DiCenzo
Susan Tuzzo
Dr. George Ashur
John Connolly
Barbara Lydon

Pastor
Priest in Residence
Director of Religious Education
Coordinator for Grades K-6
Coordinator for Grades 7-10
Religious Education Assistant
Business Manager
Administrative Assistant
Director of Music
Facilities Manager
Receptionist

Schedule of Masses

Sunday Masses:

Saturday: 4:00 and 7:00 pm
Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am

Daily Mass: Monday—Friday, 9:00 am

Telephone Numbers

Rectory (617) 696-6688
Religious Education (617) 698-5763
Fax (617) 698-4864

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9:30 am to 4:00 pm

Sacraments

Baptisms:

First Sunday of the month, 1:00 pm
Parental instruction required.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday: 3:0—3:45 pm
Anytime by appointment

Eucharist Ministry to the Sick:

Please call the Parish Office to receive the Eucharist at home.

R.C.I.A.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
Sister Mary K. Walsh, C.S.J.
617-698-5763

Marriage:

Please call the rectory at least 6 months before the wedding date.

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, March 28, 2010

MASS INTENTIONS

Prayers are requested for the people of our parish, for those who are hospitalized, for our deceased relatives and friends, and for the following intentions:

Saturday, March 27

4:00 pm Catherine & Cornelius Driscoll
Anniversary Mass

7:00 pm Walter Phinney-1st Anniversary Mass

Sunday, March 28

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

7:30 am 9:30 am 11:30 am

Monday, March 29

9:00 am Thomas P. McSharry, Sr.
17th Anniversary Mass

Tuesday, March 30

9:00 am Special Intention Mass
for Health & Healing

Wednesday, March 31

9:00 am Walter Phinney-Memorial Mass

Holy Thursday, April 1

7:30 pm Liturgy of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday, April 2

7:30 Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday, April 3

7:30 pm Easter Vigil Liturgy

Easter Sunday, April 4

7:30 9:30 11:30

Please pray for the **recently deceased**:
Rita V. Nagy

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion



"When they reached the place called
The Skull, they crucified him."

Luke 23:33



The Sanctuary Lamp is given this month
in loving memory of
Walter Phinney from Arlene & family

Altar Breads and Wine are given this month
in loving memory of
Robert & Rosemary Ahern from their family

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

Our Lenten journey of prayer, fasting and works of charity brings us to conversion of mind and heart as we gather to celebrate Palm Sunday.

Today we wave our Palm branches with all Christians throughout the world as we celebrate our Lord's joyful entry into Jerusalem. We welcome Jesus as our Messiah and King and sing "*Hosanna*" as we celebrate the beginning of Holy Week recalling the Pascal Mystery of Christ's passion, death and resurrection.



As we walk with Christ through Holy Week, we unite ourselves with his suffering and death. I invite all the members of our parish family to gather on Wednesday evening to listen to *Lenten Reflections* by Father David Nicgorski. This time together will help us to prepare ourselves for the Sacred Triduum: Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday.

Best wishes and Prayers,

Fr. Aidan

Parish Stewardship

Weekend of March 20-21

Offertory \$8,115

Easter Flowers \$3,205

The **Easter Collection** supports the retirement, medical care, and financial needs of priests of the Archdiocese of Boston. We ask that you give generously on behalf of the priests that have devoted their lives to faithfully serve God and the good work of the Archdiocese of Boston. On behalf of all of our priests, thank you for your generosity.

As always, we thank you for your generosity, particularly during these difficult economic times. The offertory is our primary means of meeting parish weekly operational expenses.

Electronic Giving—If you are interested in this program, please take a form at the entrance of the church, visit our website www.stelizabethmilton.org or call the parish office.

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, March 28, 2010

The Catholic Appeal

Cardinal Sean sends his thanks to everyone from St. Elizabeth Parish who responded to his request for participation in the 2010 Catholic Appeal during Catholic Appeal Weekend. If you have not yet made your gift, please consider making a pledge this weekend. You can pick up information packets with pledge forms at the doors of the church. For more information, please call 617-779-3700 or visit www.BostonCatholicAppeal.com. The Catholic Appeal provides funding for over 60 ministries in our Archdiocese. *Every gift matters.*

Fasting—Good Friday is a day of fasting. Only one full meal is allowed, and two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed.

Flu season isn't over yet. Have you been vaccinated against H1N1? Primary Physician Mary Lou Ashur, MD, of Milton Hospital will offer free H1N1 vaccinations for those of you 18 and older today, Sunday, from 8:30 am to 11:30 am in Fr. Curley Hall.



If you would like to make a donation for *Easter Flowers* in memory of a loved one, please pick up a Flower Offering envelope at the entrances of the Church and drop it in the offertory basket. Thank you!

ALTAR SERVER PRACTICE



Altar Servers scheduled for Holy Thursday and Good Friday will meet on Wednesday, March 31 from 5 – 6:00 pm.

Altar Servers scheduled for Holy Saturday will meet on Thursday, April 1 from 4:00 – 5:00 pm

Both practices will be in the Church with Fr. Doran. Please make every effort to attend this important meeting.



HOLY WEEK & EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES

DAILY MASS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday at 9:00 am

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

“The Light is On For You”

Wednesday, 6:30—8:00 pm

Adoration, Sacrament of Reconciliation and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament

HOLY THURSDAY

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:30 pm

Visits to the Blessed Sacrament

until 10:00 pm

GOOD FRIDAY

Stations of the Cross at 4:00 pm

Meager Meal served after the

Stations of the Cross

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at 7:30 pm

HOLY SATURDAY

Confessions 11:00 am—Noon

Easter Vigil Liturgy at 7:30 pm

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES

7:30 am 9:30 am 11:30 am

Please participate in as many of these beautiful services as possible.

The William T. Fidler School of Religion
Sister Mary K. Walsh, C.S.J., Director
Ms. Clare Joyce, Coordinator for Grades 7-10
617-698-5763

IMPORTANT DATES

Any Catechist or Parish Volunteer who has not yet been trained in the VIRTUS, Protecting God's Children program is encouraged to monitor the following website to find and attend a training session of his/her convenience: www.bostoncatholic.org. Click onto: Protecting Children, Related Offices & Services—Child Advocacy, Training Schedule.

2010—2011 Religious Education Registration packets are due back to the Religious Education Office by Wednesday, April 7th.



"Please plan ahead for Religious Education."

April 5th (Monday) Confirmation Practice for candidates and Sponsors to be held during an extended class time from 7:45—9:00 pm.



Week of April 5th—2010 Operation Rice Bowl contributions will be collected during all Religious Education classes. Thank you for your generosity.

April 9th (Friday) Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred by the Most Reverend Robert F. Hennessey at 7:00 pm. Candidates and their sponsors need to be in Fr. Curly Hall by 6:10 pm.

Let us remember in a special way, our Service Men and Women and their families:



Sgt Kristen M. LaLond, Mark O'Callaghan, PFC William Coughlin, Sgt. Billy Torney, SPC Dave Wall, Jeff Marrier, Sgt. Nicholas O. Polce, Daniel Burke, John Peters, Pvt. Tom Ryan, Spc. Sean Norris, Christopher Collins, Nat'l Guard, Pvt. Ryan Lorelike, SSgt James O'Donoghue, Tim Finch, Air Force, SSG Gordon "Chip" Hunt, Pvt. Sean M. Foley and Capt. Richard King., PFC Daniel Farquharson and Lt. Mark Wise and SRA Timothy Allen, Sgt. Tommy Latham, US Army, P.F.C James Palmer, US Army Rangers and Sgt. Sean Hinds, US Marines. *Please call the Parish office if you would like to add a name to our list.*

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If Jesus destroyed sin, why is sin still with us?

A.

Peter Long owned a large and successful business. When his son wanted to work for his father, Peter gave him a job, working in maintenance. He started him at the bottom so that he would better appreciate what it takes to run a business well. More importantly, Peter wanted his son to understand the whole business, and contribute to it, not just cash in on his father's success. They would both rejoice in a job well done.

We are children of God, heirs of the Father's business, which is life. The struggle is between good and evil and the greatest weapon of evil is death. It is final, the end of hope and all possibility of change. Jesus must destroy death so that life, eternal life, might be possible. That is why Jesus dies; to take on sin's weapon and destroy it by his resurrection. It was not to satisfy God's sense of justice, but to meet sin on its own terms and defeat it. If sin triumphs in the death of Jesus, it is only for a moment. The final word will yet be spoken.

Since we are heirs and coworkers with God, ours is the struggle with the remnants of evil, its last desperate attempt to overcome good. Like Jesus, we are about the Father's business in our daily life, carrying the message of salvation to everyone. We are strengthened in our struggle and come to realize the great gift with which we are graced. It is our hope that one day we will rejoice with the Father in a job well done!



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The Milton Catholic Collaborative will conduct a Bereavement Workshop at St. Mary's of the Hill for (6) Tuesday evenings beginning April 20—May 25th. Sessions are from 6:00 - 7:30 pm. Harry Feldmann, Pastoral Associate will be the facilitator.