MISSION STATEMENT:
We are a people called by God to become the Body of Christ through Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist, forming the faith community of St. Elizabeth, belonging to the Diocese of Crookston and to the Universal Roman Catholic Church. Our mission is to have a living active faith, with Jesus as the center of our faith community, affirming love and a compassionate concern for each other and for our brothers and sisters all over the world.

STAFF:
Pastor: Fr. Augie Gothman
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Email: deacon@stlizdilworth.org
Parish Office: 218-287-2705
Website: www.stlizdilworth.org
Secretary/Bookkeeper: Karen Thom
Email: karen@stlizdilworth.org
R.E. Coordinator: Joyce Hajostek
Email: joyce@stlizdilworth.org
Custodian: Sherry Hoffman

Parish Office 9:00 AM-2:00 PM Mon. through Thurs.
Parish Office is closed Friday.
In an emergency call 218-760-6131 (Fr. Augie)
any time – day or night.
Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator: Cindy Hulst
(218- 281-7895 (24 hour confidential number)

NEW PARISHIONERS
Our warmest welcome to all who worship with us. We appreciate your participation. If you would like to join our parish community, please contact the parish office at 287-2705 or email Karen at karen@stlizdilworth.org.

Current parishioners -- if your address or phone number has changed, please notify the parish office at 287-2705. Thank you.

2019

TRUSTEES
Terry Thomason
Craig Larson

PARISH COUNCIL
David Eilertson
Karen Winter
Michael Leitkenberg
Kristin Ewen
Paul Swir
Patti Connell-Gilchrest

FINANCE COUNCIL
John Kuhn
Tony Reno
Dave Overbo
Craig Larson

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
AUGUST 4, 2019
**Mass Intentions for the Week**

**Sunday, August 4, 8:30 am-St. Elizabeth**
Given By: Kathy Hinz

**Sunday, August 4, 10:00 am-St. Andrew + Fr. Don Braukmann**
Given By: Randall & Dawn Chisholm

**Monday, August 5, 9:00 am-St. Elizabeth + Raphael Thomason**
Given By: LeRoy Babolian

**Tuesday, August 6, 9:00 am-St. Andrew + Jay & Marie Rassett**
Given By: John & Melanie Rassett

**Wednesday, August 7, 9:00 am-St. Elizabeth + Vicki Rupp**
Given By: Ken & Arlene Highness

**Thursday, August 8, 9:00 am-St. Andrew + Thomas Norberg**
Given By: The Gebess Family

**Sunday, August 11, 8:30 am-St. Elizabeth Parishioners**

**Sunday, August 11, 10:00 pm-St. Andrew Dwight Thompson Family**
Given By: Dwight & Phyllis Thompson

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**Bible Readings for this Week (August 5–August 11)**

**Mon:** Nm 11:4b-15 / Mt 14:13-21

**Tues:** Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 / 2 Pt 1:16-19 / Lk 9:28b-36

**Wed:** Nm 13:1-2,25—14:1-35 / Mt 15:21-28

**Thur:** Nm 20:1-13 / Mt 16:13-23

**Fri:** Dt 4:32-40 / Mt 16:24-28

**Sat:** 2 Cor 9:6-10 / Jn 12:24-26

**Sun:** Wis 18:6-9 / Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 / Lk 12:32-48

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**Our Love and Prayers go out to…**

Jeremy Myers (cousin to Rob Thom), Deacon Bill Beutler, Deacon Courtney Abel and for all those who struggle with illness and those who have asked for our prayers. “May you touch them and heal them, O Lord!”

If you or a loved one are hospitalized or homebound or would like to have a family member included in the prayers for the sick, call the parish office at 287-2705.

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**AUGUST 4, 2019**

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“Stewardship Opens the Door of Faith to a Lifelong Journey”

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**Mass Attendance July 28 – 128**

**Liturgical Assignments for August 11**

Altar Servers................................. …Wes Hoover
.............................................Owen Hoover

Ministers of Holy Communion.........Deacon Tom
..............................................Craig & Mary Jo Larson, Ralph Mitchell
.............................................Ian Nash, Tyler Nash, Julie Nash

Greeters ................................... Darren & Becky Bentow
Lectors ...............................Hayden Eilertson, Vern Kuhn
Ushers..............................Chuck Breid, Erik Jones
Giftbearers...............................Tony & Julie Reno

**St Elizabeth Online Contributions**

1. Visit [www.stlizdilworth.org](http://www.stlizdilworth.org)
2. Scroll down to “Donate Online – click”
3. Click on “Create Online Profile” and use email address to start process.
4. Enter email address and hit “continue”
5. Enter personal information
6. Once profile is created click on “Add Transaction”
7. Determine donation and donation frequency
8. Set up account on where donation is to be made from such as checking or savings and click on “Process”. Don’t forget to click “I’m not a robot” and follow instructions.
TODAY’S GOSPEL READING

The story of the "Rich Fool" is more than a lesson about acquiring more and more wealth. Certainly, that is the theme that triggers the lesson and drives the story to its conclusion. But it’s actually the farmer’s decision to locate himself spiritually and physically right where he chooses, that proves to be his undoing. The parable addresses an important question, Where am I going with my life? Am I clambering up the corporate ladder? Am I desperately driving toward a better, more exclusive neighborhood? Or am I seeking to do what God desires me to do with my life? Now before we all flinch away from this God OR comfort moral, notice there is no demand here for the man to sell his possessions or dispose of his barns. Rather, it is the “I will make a place for myself” attitude that comes into question. If that remains our attitude about life, about spirituality, about God, then we, too, may discover that some time soon, God will move us to a new location and we will not be ready for our goal in life: live for Christ and helping others to live for Him.

During the summer months we may find ourselves away from St Elizabeth’s while traveling or spending time at the lake. Please find a church nearby and take an hour on Sunday to spend with God and the faith community. There are many fine churches in our area and throughout the country that will welcome you and your family. Don’t take a vacation from God.

HELLO!

I am your envelope reminder angel. While you are enjoying the summer sun activity, don’t forget your church at home. Your help will still be needed to meet current expenses. Please remember to use your envelopes during the summer and mail them to the parish at PO Box 307, Dilworth, MN 56529. Thank you!

Thanks to the parishioners who are so faithfully serving in ministries at Mass during the summer months when so many are gone. We are grateful for all those who do so much for our parish. Enjoy these beautiful summer days!

At St. Elizabeth’s we have the greatest need to fill one time slot for Eucharistic Adoration, Mondays 3:00 to 4:00 pm. You will find this is a beautiful hour spent in prayer with our Lord. To reserve that hour, call Karen at the Parish Office, 287-2705, or Judy Hoover 701-219-4279

MASS TIMES FOR THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY:

Thursday, August 15th
St. Elizabeth / August 14 @ 6:30pm
Other Masses available: August 15th
St. Francis / 7:00 am & 7:00 pm
St. Joseph’s / 8:00 am & 5:30 pm
St. Andrew’s / 7:00 pm

AUGUST WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

Ruth & Merlyn Albertson – August 17, 1979
Dan & Lorna Arel – August 11, 1973
Mark & Jane Bjerk – August 12, 1978
Lowell & Beverly Brown – August 28, 1965
Darwin & Mary Cihak – August 21, 1982
Brian & Trini Cyr – August 10, 1991
Mark & Susie Ecklund – August 8, 1981
Jeremy & Tara Johnson – August 26, 2013
James & Gerri Jones – August 1, 1987
Mark & Trina Kragnes – August 7, 1992
John & Renee Kuhn – August 26, 1989
Vern & Ann Kuhn – August 25, 1962
David & April Leiran – August 26, 2006
Robert & Jeannette Lopez – August 1, 1981
Dale & Mary Kay Nelson – August 22, 1987
Nate & Melissa Purser – August 16, 2008
Jim & Patti Seidler – August 18, 2006
Gordon & Brenda Sowl – August 31, 1990
Leslie & LaDonna Tuton – August 31, 1968

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
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AUGUST BIRTHDAYS
Please join us in extending birthday greetings this month to:
Corey Aas 8/1; Rodrigo Garza 8/1; Casey Hoover 8/2; MacKinzie Molstre 8/2; William Norris 8/2; John Hajostek 8/3; Regeanna Garza 8/4; Kyle Johnson 8/5; Alyssa Kadrie 8/5; Judy Kraft 8/5; Kim Young 8/5; Jason Cihak 8/6; LeAnn Gifford 8/6; Kristian Milz 8/6; Tiffany Siggerud 8/6; Christopher Goblirsch 8/7; Kayla Abele 8/8; Bobby Reichel 8/8; Alexis Riniker 8/8; Carmen Wang 8/9; Donna Chloupek 8/10; Brady Dykema 8/10; Aria Garrett 8/10; Connie Rucinski 8/10; Tami Allrich 8/11; David Eilertson 8/11; Craig Miller 8/11; Lorita Nelson 8/11; Donna Retterath 8/11; Nicholas Kerr 8/12; Christine Grimley 8/13; Hannah Kohler 8/13; Dave Overbo 8/13; Dave Retterath 8/14; Kip Vossler 8/14; Joel Schaefer 8/15; Peyton Schwehr 8/15; Bradyn Steen 8/15; Kelsey Larson 8/16; Jerome Sullivan 8/16; Kaylie Breid 8/17; Greg Johnson 8/17; Stacey Lentz 8/18; Gail Lorenzen 8/18; Dawson Sperr 8/18; Arianna Johnson 8/19; John Fiandaca 8/19; Theresa Kadrie 8/20; Jeremy Johnson 8/22; Robert Reed 8/22; Tanner Schwehr 8/22; Nicole Kohler 8/23; Brady Bjerke 8/24; Craig Larson 8/24; Ian Nash 8/24; Leah Riniker 8/24; Jedre Cyr 8/25; Jacob Osbjornson 8/25; Anthony Spiesz 8/25; Quincy Cox 8/26; Scott Ewen 8/27; Larry Fuder 8/27; Bud Johnson 8/27; Nicholas Nelson 8/27; Sarah Spiesz 8/27; Ryan Kaste 8/28; Jack Seidler 8/28; Tammy Sperr 8/28; George Belka 8/29; Mary Larson 8/29; Jamie Lenhart 8/29; Pedro Alonzo 8/30; Jeremy Dahl 8/30; Bailey Overbo 8/30; Romayne Rishel 8/30; Mark Wosick 8/30; Maren Ecklund 8/31; Tara Johnson 8/31

AUGUST SEPO GROUP
ST. ELIZABETH’S PARISH ORGANIZATION (SEPO)
The following is a list of SEPO members for the month of August.

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Children’s Choir:
Dave Eilertson & Karen Thom have offered to work with the Children’s Choir on Sundays. This would be an opportunity for students in grades 3-8 to share their musical talent through practice and leading the singing at Sunday Liturgy on a regular basis, once a month. Please encourage your children to participate in this choir.
Details to follow!

Fall Mass Schedule – 9:00 AM
Beginning Sunday, Sept. 8

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
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Religious Education / Faith Formation Corner

CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD will begin September 8th. It is offered during Mass for preschoolers through 2nd grade and is a way for children to better understand the readings of the Sunday liturgy. Children’s Liturgy of the Word is NOT a replacement for religious education class; rather it is a component of the Sunday liturgy offered to children. We currently have 7 leaders; if you would be willing to donate your time and talent to this important ministry please contact Joyce at the Parish Office 218-287-2705 or send an email to joyce@stlizdilworth.org.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT - All volunteers who work with the children, youth, or vulnerable adults of St. Elizabeth’s Parish must comply with the Diocesan Safe Environment policy. To become certified, or to recertify, please go to the Diocese of Crookston website, select the Safe Environment tab; a drop down menu will appear. Click on the Certification link, and choose either the NEW Employee or Volunteer Tab, or RETURNING Employee or Volunteer Tab. You may also use the following link: https://www.crookston.org/secertification. Please take the opportunity to complete your certification as soon as possible. Thank you!

FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION for the 2019-2020 school year is now open with classes beginning mid-September. Faith Formation classes are offered for our children and youth; four years old through 11th grade. Please register online at www.stlizdilworth.org, using the Faith Formation tab, or look for a hard-copy of the registration form on the table at the entrance to the church. Thank you for choosing to make the faith formation of your children a priority! ALL families should complete a registration form for the 2019-2020 calendar year; this is our way of ensuring that we have the most current, up-to-date information at our fingertips in case of an emergency rather than logging into a computer and accessing a data base.

OUT OF PARISH NEWS

News from Knights of Columbus Council #4463:
Congratulations to Don Nicklay, our $100 winner for the July 31st drawing of the KC Calendar Raffle!

Night to Unite!
Free Community Picnic
Tuesday, August 6th
5:00pm-7:00pm
Whistle Stop Park
Games, Prizes, Food and more!

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JOB OPENING – CRE: Opening for a Coordinator of Religious Education and Youth Ministry for the Parish of St Francis de Sales Catholic Church. Our Parish is comprised of 500+ families in north Moorhead. Applicant must be a practicing Catholic and in good standing within the Church. Required computer skills in Microsoft Office Suite, and Parish Sacramental software recommended. Previous experience in Religious Education and program management, including recruiting volunteers and event planning is a must. Please send letter of application to: Fr. Raul Perez-Cobo, Pastor; 601 15th Avenue North, Moorhead, MN 56560.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Formation Course
Holy Spirit Church of Fargo will be hosting a Formation Course for Adults in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. This method of Catechesis is a Montessori (hands-on) approach to the religious formation of children. Adults interested in growing closer to God while serving 3 to 6 year-old children are encouraged to attend. “Part 1” of the course will be August 7-13, 2019. See the bulletin board for more information. Contact kalene.jaeger@gmail.com or learn more under the Faith Formation tab at holyspiritchurchfargo.com.

The Farmers Market is open
Stop by and see what local vendors have to offer
Located at: 1st Avenue NW & County Road 9
Dates: Thursdays (July - September)
Time: 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM

CHALK THE SCHOOL BLOCK: All St. Joseph’s School Alumni are invited to the front of St. Joseph School on Monday, September 2nd from 5:00—7:00 p.m. to welcome in the new school year and students while reminiscing! Bring your whole family for an evening of reconnecting with your former classmates, while doing something special to welcome in the next generation of St. Joseph’s students. Join us as we fill the sidewalks around our school with welcoming messages and positive images. This will take place the night before the 2019-2020 school year begins so it is an exciting time to connect the past with the present and share the excitement with those students who will be walking in the doors the following morning. We will provide the chalk and light refreshments, you bring your family and friends. This is an alumni event for ALL former students of St. Joseph’s School. Whether you just graduated last year, or were the first class to walk through the halls of our building, we hope to see you there!

St. Joseph’s Cemetery Association
If cremation is in your burial plans, St. Joseph’s Cemetery has two columbaria, which are beautiful structures that holds urns of cremains. Within each columbarium there are single and double niches. The columbaria are located in the original cemetery near the south entrance. A single niche sells for $1,250 and a double niche sells for $1,525. These prices include the name plaque for the niche. The very limited single spaces available for burial plots in the old cemetery sell for $600 each. Plots in the new cemetery on the east side are $500 each or $250 for infant lots. Contact Rob Thom at (701) 566-2605 for additional information or to purchase a niche or plot.
August 15th Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Photo: Basilica of the Dormition — the place where the Blessed Mother “fell asleep in the Lord” (Jerusalem)

“Finally the Immaculate Virgin, preserved free from all stain of original sin, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken up body and soul into heavenly glory, and exalted by the Lord as Queen over all things, so that she might be the more fully conformed to her Son, the Lord of lords and conqueror of sin and death.” The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin is a singular participation in her Son’s Resurrection and an anticipation of the resurrection of other Christians: ‘In giving birth you kept your virginity; in your Dormition you did not leave the world, O Mother of God, but were joined to the source of Life. You conceived the living God and, by your prayers, will deliver our souls from death’. (Byzantine Liturgy, Troparion, Feast of the Dormition) Catechism of the Catholic Church #966

Already in the second century, the account of the bodily ascent of the Most Holy Virgin Mary to Heaven is found in the works of St.Melito, Bishop of Sardis (†180). In the fourth century, St Epiphanius of Cyprus refers to the tradition about the “Falling Asleep” of the Mother of God. In the fifth century, St. Juvenal, Patriarch of Jerusalem, told the Empress St. Pulcheria: “Although there is no account of the circumstances of Her death in Holy Scripture, we know about them from the most ancient and credible Tradition.”

This feast originated in Jerusalem before the fifth century as the “Falling-Asleep (Dormition) of the Mother of God” on August 15. During the next century the solemnity of the Dormition of Mary spread throughout the East. It was adopted in Rome in the mid-seventh century and was renamed the “Assumption” in the next century. It celebrates Mary’s passing over, body and soul, from this world into the glory of her risen Son.

Accounts have been preserved, that in the early fifth century a larger Byzantine basilica known as “Hagia Sion” was erected in place of the earliest church—built atop the underground church of the Dormition of the Most Holy Mother of God, and that from its high bell-tower could be seen the dome of the Church of the Resurrection of the Lord (Church of the Holy Sepulcher). Traces of this church are no longer to be seen as it was destroyed during the Persian invasion of 614. In the 12th century a new church was built by the crusaders, and called “Santa Maria in Monte Sion.” However, when the crusaders were defeated in 1187, it, too, was demolished. When at the end of the 19th century German Catholics undertook to acquire the plot of land on Mount Zion, it was still a field of rubble. The present Basilica of the Dormition and Benedictine Dormition Abbey were built beginning in 1898 and dedicated in 1910.
# Liturgical Schedule

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Dear People of Saint Elizabeth’s:

A couple of weeks ago the Finance Council, and the trustees and I met to review the parish’s annual financial report, of which a summary you will find on the back of this sheet. I am happy to be able to share the good news with you. If what you find is unclear or raises questions--please contact me directly, or Deacon Tom Cerar (who was appointed by Bishop Hoeppner to assume pastoral leadership when Fr. Pat Sullivan was away), or Karen Thom (our parish secretary and bookkeeper), or Finance Council Members John Kuhn or Tony Reno, or our parish trustees Craig Larson and Terry Thomason. They will be able to answer your questions, or direct you to someone who will.

I was telling them that when I was in the first few years of ordination, I was blest to be able to live at the Saint Joseph rectory with Fr. Joe Kieselbach—who was pastor here at Saint Elizabeth. I remember being more than a little envious of him being at such an amazing parish. I thought to myself, “What an amazing community, set just on the edge of Fargo-Moorhead, and yet with a small town atmosphere. What a solid foundation of faith those good people of Dilworth have worked so hard to create and to maintain. That area is just about ready to explode with growth in housing and new businesses. How exciting it would be to be able to share in that growth and be able to share the sheer goodness and beauty of our Catholic faith! The church itself is right across from the school--what partnerships and community goodwill are ready to be built.” Imagine my joy and surprise that about 20 years later I am now here as the pastor myself!

The things I saw from afar years ago are all still true--and many of the possibilities I saw then have come to be. I am honored, as your-still-brand-new pastor to report on the great work you continue to do as the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church here in Dilworth and the larger area.

I’d like to direct your attention to a couple of areas at the top of the Financial Summary: First, take a look at the table at the top of the page. One thing you may notice is that ‘Adult Envelope’ giving was less than the prior year--I would be surprised honestly, had that not been the case. Remember St. Paul’s words to the Church at Corinth: “As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ...that there may be no division in the body, but that the parts may have the same concern for one another. [For] if one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it.” (1 Cor. 10:12, 25-26).

Despite the suffering your faithfulness (and generosity to God) is edifying. I asked about the Building Fund figures-seeing they were lower; I was told that even though you fulfilled your pledges to the capital campaign years ago, many continue to give regularly and generously. Your faith is thrilling to me--and makes me want to join the success! I pledge to you and the Lord $3600 to the Building Fund in the next 3 years, in addition to my regular stewardship.

I became convinced and spiritually convicted about sacrificial giving during my years at Sacred Heart in East Grand Forks--they were just beginning a program of electronic giving. When I was appointed pastor here, one of the first things I asked Deacon Tom about was electronic giving. He said I could sign up right on our website http://www.stlizdilworth.org/ Click the link just below the Mission Statement that says ‘Donate online-click’ you can do this once, or you can choose recurring--and set up your regular giving.

I promised to limit myself to one page, so I must close. You will hear about some upcoming maintenance work on the brickwork on the belltower, and some concrete work to keep our sidewalks in repair. Know that I pray for you, each and all, every day. Know I, the staff, and Finance Council are happy to answer any questions. May God continue to bless our parish.

In Christ,
Fr. Augie Gothman
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### Financial Summary

**July 2018 – June 2019**

**INCOME**

- Adult Envelope Collection $113,467.00
- Building Fund $19,034.00
- Loose Plate Collection $6,379.09
- Children Envelope Collection $39.86
- Spaghetti Dinner Profit $18,873.98
- St. Andrew Church/Hawley Subsidy $26,515.50
- Spaghetti Dinner Raffle $8,037.41
- Other Revenues (Special Donations, Funerals, Rental Income, All others not listed) $32,410.75
- Special Parish Collections (Christmas, Christian Service, Easter, Flowers, Holy Days) $15,413.31

**TOTAL INCOME** $240,170.90

**EXPENSES**

- Salary & Benefits (Salaries, Diocese Priest Retirement, Travel) $50,570.81
- Religious Education Exp (Salaries, Supplies, Textbooks) $24,155.22
- Parish Administrative Exp (Includes Diocesan Assessment) $19,808.69
- Church Facilities Exp (Fixed elevator/insurance, Honeywell Thermostats) $24,494.09
- RE Facilities Exp $14,365.48
- Other Education Exp (Includes OND newspaper) $9,324.54
- Christian Service Exp (Emergency assistance, Guadalupe) $5,138.09
- Worship Exp $6,695.45
- Rectory Facilities Exp $2,722.50
- Fundraising Exp $200.00
- Other Expenses $33,856.40

**SUBTOTAL EXPENSES** $191,331.27

**TOTAL EXPENSES** $225,648.87

**NET PROFIT/(LOSS)** $14,522.03

**BUILDING LOAN**

- Amount of Loan (Original Loan Date 11-10-2011) $455,000.00
- Monthly Payments $2,859.80
- Balance on Loan (As of June 2019) $200,709.39
S THE MOTHER OF GOD, Mary was preserved by God from all sin and the effects of sin in her Immaculate Conception. One of the most profound effects of original sin is the death and corruption of the body. Because Mary was preserved from the effects of sin, when her earthly life was finished, she was assumed body and soul into Heaven.

In the book of Revelation, St. John has a vision of a woman in Heaven who is “clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars” (Rv 12:1). The Church has always identified this woman as Mary. Because of her unique role in God’s plan of salvation, she has also been given the singular participation in the Resurrection of Christ. Mary’s Assumption into Heaven is also an anticipation of the Resurrection of the body that all Christians will share in at the Last Judgment. Her bodily assumption is a pledge of the glory Christ will give to the Church when he will raise our bodies back from the grave.

Though this doctrine is part of Sacred Tradition and can be found in the writings of early Church Fathers, it was officially proclaimed as a dogma only in 1950. Pope Pius XII, with the support of bishops from nearly every diocese in the world, proclaimed that “The Immaculate Virgin, preserved free from all stain of original sin, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken up body and soul into Heavenly glory, and exalted by the Lord as Queen over all things” (CCC 966).

In the feast of the Assumption, we look on Mary who is “the beginning and the pattern of the Church in its perfection” (The Roman Missal, Preface of the Assumption). We are given hope, and our faith in the Resurrection is strengthened, because Mary enjoys the fullness of glory by already being united body and soul in Heaven.

Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours for the Feast of the Assumption

Eternal Word, you chose Mary as the uncorrupted ark of your dwelling place,
– free us from the corruption of sin.
Response: May your mother intercede for us, Lord.

King of kings, you lifted up your mother, body and soul, into Heaven,
– help us fix our thoughts on things above.
Response: May your mother intercede for us, Lord.

Lord of Heaven and earth, you crowned Mary and set her at your right hand as queen,
– make us worthy to share this glory.
Response: May your mother intercede for us, Lord.

(CCC 966)

1 Lumen Gentium 59; cf. Pius XII, Manifestissimus Deus (1950) from Denzinger-Schönmetzer, Enchiridion Symbolorum, definitionum et declarationum de rebus fidei et morum 3903 (1965); cf. Revelation 19:16
HE ROLE OF MARY in Christ’s work of salvation takes us back to the story of the fall of Adam and Eve at the beginning of creation. In a very important passage in Scripture called the Protoevangelium (the first gospel), God announces the coming of the Messiah, the battle that will take place between the Woman and the serpent, and his eventual defeat at the hands of her Son: “The Lord God said to the serpent,… ‘I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed: he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel.’” (Gn 3:14-15). The Church has always understood that Christ, the new Adam, “born of a woman” (Gal 4:4) fulfilled this prophecy.

In the New Testament, St. Paul is the first to reflect on the relationship between the first Adam and the new Adam: “For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive” (1 Cor 15:21-22). The comparison continues: “The first man Adam became a living being; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit…. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from Heaven” (1 Cor 15:45, 47). What Adam bound up through his disobedience, the new Adam loosened through his obedience: “For as by one man’s disobedience many were made sinners, so by one man’s obedience many will be made righteous” (Rom 5:19).

Through reflecting upon these Scriptures and others like them, the early Church began to see in Mary the image of the “new Eve.” Already in the second century, the parallel between Eve and Mary is well understood. St. Irenaeus, a bishop and theologian from this century, explains: “Just as [Eve] … having become disobedient, was made the cause of death for herself and for the whole human race; so also Mary … being obedient, was made the cause of salvation for herself and for the whole human race … Thus, the knot of Eve’s disobedience was loosed by the obedience of Mary. For what the virgin Eve had bound in unbelief, Mary loosed through faith” (Against Heresies). In the fourth century, the bishop of Milan, Italy, St. Ambrose, whose fiery sermons brought St. Augustine into the Church, asserts that while Eve is called mother of the human race, Mary is called “Mother of salvation.” And to sum up let us not forget the frequent claim of St. Jerome, the celebrated Doctor of Scripture: “Death through Eve, life through Mary” (CCC 494). All this illustrates the importance of Mary’s role in Christ’s redemption.

Her role as “new Eve” expresses not only her relationship to Christ but also to us. Her work in our salvation, though secondary to the primacy of Christ, is nonetheless a part of God’s design and so necessary and powerful. The Church understands this, and so from ancient times has commended all Christians to her care and intercession.

Let us acknowledge Mary’s role in salvation as the “new Eve” and join our voices in the words of the ancient prayer: “We fly to thy patronage, O holy Mother of God, despise not our petitions in our needs, but deliver us from all dangers. O ever glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen” (Prayer entitled Under Thy Protection, from 250 AD). (CCC 411, 494, 504-505)

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