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If you are a visitor to St. Elizabeth's, we sincerely welcome you. Perhaps you live in the neighborhood or nearby area and decided to drop in, or you are visiting from another parish. Whatever the case, we are glad you are here to join us in worship of Jesus Christ our Lord. For more information about our parish, to register, or to ask a question, please visit our website at [stlizdilworth.org](http://stlizdilworth.org) or call our parish office.

## **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.

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## **PARISH SCHEDULE**

**MASS TIMES:** Sunday at **8:30 AM**

St. Elizabeth - Monday and Wednesday 9:00 AM

St. Andrew - Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 AM

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:**

Monday **9:30am-6:00pm**

**HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION:** See parish bulletin.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:**

Before Mass 7:45 - 8:15 am or by appointment

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:**

Call the parish office.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:**

Contact St. Elizabeth parish office at least six months prior to planned wedding date.

**FAITH FORMATION - RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:**

Schedule will be given to families.

**PASTORAL VISITATION:** If you desire a home visit, communion for the homebound, or the Sacrament of the sick, please call the office at 218-287-2705. We want to be a part of your life.

# 2026

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***PALM SUNDAY***  
***MARCH 29, 2026***

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**March 29, 2026 – Palm Sunday**

*"As they were marching out, they came upon a man of Cyrene, Simon by name; this man they pressed into service to carry his cross."* MATTHEW 27:32

The Lord calls us to love God and to love our neighbor. Every day we are presented with opportunities to love our neighbor and help him "carry his cross." These opportunities aren't usually big events, they are usually ordinary occurrences like helping someone carry their groceries or holding the door open for them. The key is putting the other person's needs before our own and not expecting anything in return.

***Our Love and Prayers go out to...***

We want to hold one another in prayer, especially all those who struggle with illness and those who have asked for our prayers. ***"May you touch them and heal them, O Lord!"***

**VICTIM ASSISTANCE** If you or someone you know has been the victim of sexual misconduct on the part of a priest, deacon, or individual representing the Diocese of Crookston, its parishes, or its schools, your first call should be to law enforcement. In addition, the diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator is available at (218) 281-7895 (24-hour confidential number).



**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

Sunday, March 29, 8:30am-St. Elizabeth + Thomas J Schwebach  
 Sunday, Mar 29, 10:30am-St. Andrew Parishioners  
 Monday, Mar 30, 9:00am-St. Elizabeth Poor Souls in Purgatory  
 Tuesday, Mar 31, 9:00am-St. Andrew For the Unborn  
 Wednesday, April 1, 9:00am-St. Elizabeth Prayers of St. Jude  
 Thursday, April 2, 7:00pm-St. Andrew + Alfred Mitchell  
 Friday, April 3, 7:00pm-St. Andrew Parishioners  
 Saturday, April 4, 8:30pm-St. Andrew + Mary Geeslin  
 Sunday, April 5, 8:30am-St. Elizabeth+ Albert & Gaudentia Mitchell  
 Sunday, April 5, 10:30am-St. Andrew Don Gilbertson

**Bible Readings for this Week (Mar 30 – April 5)**

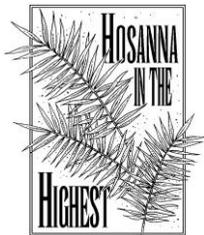
**Mon:** Is 42:1-7 / Jn 12:1-11  
**Tues:** Is 49:1-6 / Jn 13:21-33, 36-38  
**Wed:** Is 50:4-9a / Mt 26:14-25  
**Thur:** Ex 12:1-8, 11-14 / 1 Cor 11:23-26 / Jn 13:1-15  
**Fri:** Is 52:13—53:12 / Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9 / Jn 18:1—19:42  
**Sat:** Gn 1:1—2:2, Gn 22:1-18, Ex 14:15—15:1, Is 54:5-14, Is 55:1-11, Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4, Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28, Rom 6:3-11, Mt 28:1-10  
**Sun:** Acts 10:34a, 37-42 / Col 3:1-4 / Jn 20:1-9

**Liturgical Assignments for April 5**

Altar Servers.....Penny Hanson  
 .....Zoey Malvin  
 Ministers of Holy Communion.....Deacon  
 .....Ralph Mitchell, Julie Nash  
 Lectors..... Kathy Bresee, Paul Svir  
 Ushers.....Tony Reno, Mark Sloan  
 Giftbearers.....Frank & Lavonne Gross  
 Music.....Kevin / Ava

- ❖ **Mass Intentions** If you would like to have Masses said for deceased or living family members, please send your intentions to the parish office. Mass stipends are \$10 per Mass.
- ❖ **The Knights of Columbus** will be serving a Pancake Breakfast, Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>.

***PALM SUNDAY  
 MARCH 29, 2026***



### Today's Gospel Reading

**Look! It's Him!!!** Up on tiptoes, necks arched for a better view, we press forward in the crowd today to see our Savior, the humble King of peace as He enters the city gates. Suddenly through waving palms His flickering image becomes piercingly clear. This divine mortal, this Jesus, is almost near enough to touch. Hearts stirred with longing to close even this small separation, our voices break out in welcoming song. Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is He who has come!



*This is one week in which we should not short-change God. He has given his life for us, so that we can live forever. We should observe this as a different kind of week, a truly HOLY week. We should participate in all of the reenactments of Jesus' last days before his death. If we spend time with him now, we can be certain that he will be there when we need him.*

**Reconciliation** Lent is a time to be reconciled with God and one another. So often we carry around hurts and grudges and we never let them go. *St. Elizabeth's Lenten Reconciliation times:*

Every Sunday morning before Mass (8:15am)  
Monday and Wednesday before Mass (8:30am)  
Time: 12:00pm – 2:00pm **Saturday, March 28th**  
Holy Week: **Tuesday, March 31** 5:30-7:30pm



Chrism Mass 2026  
**Monday, March 30**  
6:30 p.m.

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception



### HOLY WEEK MASS SCHEDULE

#### Holy Thursday

April 2  
7:00 pm  
Mass of the Lord's Supper

#### Good Friday

April 3  
7:00 pm

#### Vigil Mass

April 4  
8:30 pm

#### Easter Sunday Mass

April 5  
8:30 am St. Elizabeth  
10:30am St. Andrew

**All Masses will be celebrated at St. Andrew's and  
livestreamed on Facebook**

### April Wedding Anniversaries

Kevin & Barb Coyle	April 19
Kevin & Kim Heazlett	April 22
Todd & Janice Larson	April 16
Larry & Connie Ochsner	April 30
Jeff & Joanne Poehls	April 9
Robert & Pamela Sand	April 19
Heather & Bill Speer	April 9
Barry & Brenda Steen	April 22
Craig & Laurie Stuart	April 23
Jeff & Michelle Swenson	April 20
Jeremy & Brenda Wyland	April 28

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**April Birthdays**

Please join us in extending birthday greetings this month to: William Eckes 4/2; Peyton Backes 4/3; Katelin Houska 4/3; Rebecca Norris 4/3; Judy Hoover 4/4; Skylar Lamblez 4/4; Dale Ullrich 4/5; Tom Lenertz 4/6; Taylor Reichel 4/7; Susan Zimmer 4/8; John Kuhn 4/9; Pamela Sand 4/9; Yvonne Aker 4/10; Connie Oschner 4/10; Darren Tucker 4/10; Shane Haugen 4/11; Ken Highness 4/11; Sydney Wyland 4/11; Dennis Bresee 4/12; Jackson Paulson 4/13; Kim Duenow 4/14; Brenda Zimmer 4/14; Jacob Ness 4/15; Logan Stock 4/15; April Leiran 4/16; Rick Young 4/16; Mary Becker 4/18; Philip Herkenhoff 4/18; Shannon Rieder 4/21; Josslyn Nelson 4/23; Carissa Cox 4/24; Sofia Reno 4/24; Jessica Malvin 4/24; Kelly Duenow 4/25; Xavier Lamblez 4/25; Noah Needham 4/25; Elizabeth Norberg 4/26; Owen Siggerud 4/26; Deon Walton 4/26; Sam Jones 4/27; Mark Jund 4/27; Siri Swenson 4/27; Ryan Siggerud 4/28; Laurie Stuart 4/28; Justin Thompson 4/28; Tylan Grimley 4/29; Steve Hirschert 4/29; Thompson Larson 4/29; George Brantner 4/30;

**APRIL SEPO GROUP**

**ST. ELIZABETH'S PARISH ORGANIZATION (SEPO)**

The following is a list of members that are on the SEPO list for April. Chairpersons are Mary Jane Langseth and Shirley Belka.

<b>Belka</b>	Shirley	<b>Ogdahl</b>	Heather & Chad
<b>Langseth</b>	Mary Jane	<b>Owings</b>	Dave & Karen
<b>Mueller</b>	Shane & Breanna	<b>Paulson</b>	Jamie & Nathan
<b>Nash</b>	James & Julie	<b>Poehls</b>	Jeff & Joanne
<b>Needham</b>	Jonathan & Maggie	<b>Purser</b>	Melissa & Nate
<b>Nelson</b>	Bob & Vicki	<b>Reichel</b>	Bob & Diane
<b>Nelson</b>	Dalea & Mary Kay	<b>Reno</b>	Tony & Julie
<b>Nelson</b>	Riley & Jasmine	<b>Retterath</b>	Donna
<b>Ness</b>	Jacob & Hailey	<b>Ricard</b>	Gerald & Carla
<b>Norberg</b>	Brian & Mary	<b>Rieder</b>	Pat & Shannon

**Save the Date**

**First Holy Communion**  
 May 3, 2026 / 8:30am  
**Senior Sunday**  
 May 17, 2026

**OUT OF PARISH NEWS**

**News from Knights of Columbus Council #4463:**

The \$100 KC Calendar Raffle winner is Olivia Gonzales, March 22, 2026. Congratulations!

**40 Days for Life closing Ceremony:** a celebration of all the things God accomplished with our prayers and fasting including our baby saved story. Please bring a donation of a baby item for the Women's care center. Featured speaker: **Bishop Cozzens, March 29<sup>th</sup> 1:30-2:30 in front of the abortion clinic 302 Highway 75 N, Moorhead**

**The Way of the Cross for abortion victims.** Through His Holy Passion, Our Lord united Himself with all the victims of suffering in this life. On Good Friday we remember all the suffering of the victims of abortion—the children lost, the mothers wounded, the communities blighted—so we ask you to join us in a solemn, ecumenical prayer service: **April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 11:00 am in front of the abortion clinic 302 Highway 75 N, Moorhead**



**PALM SUNDAY**  
**MARCH 29, 2026**



## **Subject: An Update Regarding the Spring 2026 Spaghetti Dinner**

Dear Parishioners of St. Elizabeth's,

The St. Elizabeth's Dilworth Italian Community's Spaghetti Dinner has been a cornerstone of our parish history. Since 1939, when Fr. J.B. Gans first suggested bringing the meal to St. Elizabeth's, it has been a beautiful way for us to celebrate our identity, our community, and our faith.

Because of how deeply we cherish this tradition, it is difficult to announce that **we will not be holding a Spaghetti Dinner this Spring of 2026.**

I want to be very clear: **this does not mean we will never have another dinner. We would absolutely love to host a Fall dinner this October!** However, this pause is necessary right now for a very specific reason regarding our volunteer leadership:

### **1. A Need for New Leadership**

Six months ago, in October, our dedicated Spaghetti Dinner committee informed parish leadership and the parish at large that they would not be able to continue organizing the event and that others needed to step forward to take the helm. That has not yet happened.

We owe an unpayable debt of gratitude to volunteers like our long-time co-chairs, Michelle Swenson and Beth McManus, who along with Julie and Chuck Breid, Kevin Gross and many others stepped forward over 25 years ago to save the dinner and have served faithfully ever since. We also rely heavily on our early-morning meatball crew and the dozens who spend their Fridays making gallons of sauce. Out of respect for their immense dedication, we must simply thank them and honor their need to step down and rest. **Because a new leadership team has not yet emerged to take their place,** we simply cannot execute a Spring dinner at this time.

If you or a group of parishioners feel called to step up and form a new leadership team to bring the Spaghetti Dinner back for the Fall of 2026, please contact any member of the committee listed above. If you need their contact information, you may contact the parish office. We would love to see this tradition continue. But it can only do so under new leadership!

### **2. Focusing on the *New Life Planning for Mission Process***

As God would have it, this pause aligns with Bishop Cozzens' call for every parish within the diocese to engage in an intensive **Planning for Mission** process this spring. We know it takes roughly 180 volunteers of all ages to make our Spaghetti Dinner a success.

I am asking you. Yes, you, every single, living member in the parish—to dedicate his or her time and energy to our upcoming **All-Parish Planning Session on Saturday, May 2nd.**

### **3. Economic Realities**

As we look toward to the future of the dinner, a new leadership team will also help us evaluate the monetary return on our communal efforts, especially as the costs of beef, pork, and sauce ingredients continue to impact the dinner's net (overall) profit.

In the meantime, I ask that you please take the time and energy you would have spent rolling meatballs or serving tables this Spring and redirect it toward praying for and then attending the **Planning for Mission Session on Saturday, May 2nd, from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM.** Your presence there is the most important contribution you can make to the future St. Elizabeth's right now.

Thank you for your understanding, your continuous generosity, and for all the ways you serve our parish family.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. August L. Gothman

Pastor

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We are quickly approaching the most sacred, most earth-shattering, and most glorious days of the entire year: the Sacred Triduum. The Liturgy of Holy Thursday evening, Good Friday evening, and Holy Saturday evening are one great set of rites focused on the Paschal mystery of Jesus.

If there is ever a time to clear your schedules, silence your phones, and run to the church, it is now. These liturgies—Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil—are not just a historical reenactment. They are the very wellspring of our salvation. If you are wondering why we place such intense focus on these days, listen to the profound words of St. John Chrysostom:

"We call the week great, not because it has a greater number of hours... So why do we call this week great? Because in it many ineffable good things come our way: in it protracted war is concluded, death is eliminated, curses are lifted, the devil's tyranny is relaxed... the reconciliation of God and man is achieved, heaven is made accessible, human beings are brought to resemble angels... Since the Lord in this week has regaled us with such great goods, how are we not obliged to demonstrate our reverence and regard as far as we can?"

This is the week the cosmos was forever changed! To miss these liturgies is to miss the invitation to be utterly transformed. As Pope Francis so beautifully put it, we are called to change our mindset entirely:

"Living Holy Week means entering ever more deeply into the logic of God, into the logic of the Cross, which is not primarily that of suffering and death, but rather that of love and of the gift of self which brings life."

When we gather for the Triduum, we step out of the darkness of the world and into that blinding logic of love. Reflecting on the sheer power of the Easter Vigil, Pope Benedict XVI reminds us of what is truly happening:

"In the impenetrable gloom of death Christ came like light – the night became as bright as day and the darkness became as light... He has opened the door to a new life, one that no longer knows illness and death. He has taken mankind up into God himself."

Brothers and sisters, do not let these holy days pass you by. I invite you—I urge you, I beg you—to join us for the Sacred Triduum. Come and experience the Mass of the Lord's Supper, the veneration of the wood of the Cross, and the blazing fire of the Resurrection. Come and let the Lord transform your heart.

I look forward to walking this holy path with you.

In Christ,  
Fr. Augie

Mass of the Lord's Supper – 7:00pm – April 2 – St. Andrew's  
Good Friday – 7:00pm – April 3 – St. Andrew's  
Holy Saturday – 8:30pm – April 4 – St. Andrew's

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 9:00am Mass  RE Classes	2 Holy Thursday St. Andrew's 7:00pm	3 Good Friday St. Andrew's 7:00pm	4 Holy Saturday St. Andrew's 8:30pm
5 Easter Sunday DSE 8:30am	6 9:00am Mass  Adoration 9:30am - 6:00 pm  Finance Council Meeting 6:00pm	7	8 9:00am MASS  RE Classes Final Class	9	10	11
12 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter DSE 8:30am  RE Classes Last day of classes  KC Pancake Breakfast	13 9:00am Mass  Adoration 9:30am - 6:00 pm	14	15 9:00am Mass	16	17	18
19 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter DSE 8:30am	20 9:00am Mass  Adoration 9:30am - 6:00 pm	21	22 9:00am Mass	23	24	25
26 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter DSE 8:30am  Special Collection Catholic Home Missions	27 9:00am Mass  Adoration 9:30am - 6:00 pm	28	29 9:00am Mass	30		

## Liturgical Schedule April 2026

	4/5/2026	4/12/2026	4/19/2026	4/26/2026
<b>READERS</b>	Kathy Bresee	Michelle Swenson	Julie Nash	Paul Svir
	Paul Svir	Frank Gross	Mike Leichtenberg	Julie Reno
<b>OFFERTORY GIFTS</b>	Frank & Lavonne Gross	Thomas & Kaylie Hanson	Jared & Casey Hoover	Erik & Amanda Jones
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</b>	Deacon	Deacon	Deacon	Deacon
	Ralph Mitchell	Julie Reno	Greg Schmitz	Michelle Swenson
	Julie Nash	Tony Reno	Lisa Schmitz	Kathy Bresee
<b>USHERS</b>	Tony Reno	Mike Leichtenberg	Paul Svir	Erik Jones
	Mark Sloan	Erik Jones	Mark Sloan	Chuck Breid
<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>	Penny Hanson	Jackson Paulson	Regeanna Garza	Penny Hanson
	Zoey Malvin	Easton Paulson	Charlie Brantner	Ruby Hoover
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