



THE VOICE

Holy Week and Easter at St. Elisabeth's

The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

- April 14 8:00 AM Eucharist in the Chapel
- 10:00 AM Eucharist & Palm Procession
- Reading of Luke's Passion



Maundy Thursday

- April 18 6:30 PM Agape Supper in the Guild Room (*dress is casual*)
- Following Supper is
- the stripping of the Altar in the Church

Good Friday

- April 19 7:30 PM Good Friday Observance in the Church

Holy Saturday

- April 20 10:00 to 11:00 AM Sacrament of Reconciliation in the Chapel

The Feast of the Resurrection: Easter Day

- April 21 8:00 AM Eucharist in the Chapel
- 10:00 AM Festive Eucharist in the Church
- Refreshments and Egg Hunt follow the 10:00 AM Service*

The Warden's Corner

As I write my first reflection as Warden, I am looking at the March and April calendar with great anticipation and just a bit of awe at how much we offer. When John and I first arrived at St. Elisabeth's in 1979 with our three young children, we could not have imagined the breadth of ministries in this parish and the spiritual depth that sustains our congregation today.



A lot has transpired since the Tuohys first walked into St. Elisabeth's. Elizabeth, Michael and Stephen are now adults, living in Wyoming, Virginia and California, and we have three granddaughters, Violet, Alexandra, and Margo. John and I are still living in the same house in Glencoe and are even more active at St. Elisabeth's since we've "officially retired" - John from his law practice and I from my work as a management consultant with non-profits and as a consultant with the Episcopal Church and the National Council of Churches in lifelong theological education and in advocacy on behalf of children and their families.

St. Elisabeth's has grown in many ways during our time here and feels like an extension of our family. Even as longtime members retire or move to other cities, new families and individuals of all ages continue to join this community and add their own special touches. As new relationships and friendships develop, our ties to old friends continue

and we rejoice when they return for a visit. Our doors are now painted bright red; we fly a rainbow flag, and our welcome of all is genuine and life giving, as is our moving out into new spaces and learning to appreciate and respect both differences and commonalities among our neighbors. Our worship is amazingly rich, made more so by the input that all our members provide as we envision new ways to connect it to our daily lives.

Happily, our ministry and participation in this parish support my lifelong passions for social justice and overcoming poverty and racism and I am always amazed with the many ways my St. Elisabeth's experiences connect with my long commitment to working to make highest quality early childhood education and support available to our nation's most vulnerable children and their parents.

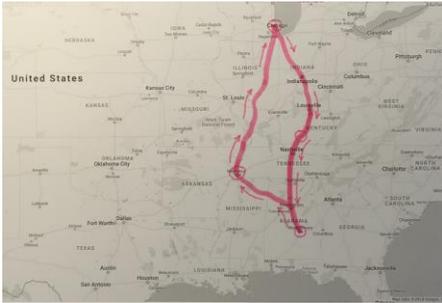
John and I love being part of this special parish community and I look forward to serving with Rich and the vestry as a Warden. It gives me great joy to be part of a community whose mission now is to "share an adventurous spirit and a commitment to radiate God's love within and beyond our red doors."

--Anne Tuohy

Did you know?

The minutes from the vestry meetings are posted in public on the bulletin board on the right, just inside the South Avenue doors. Financial reports for the church are posted there too. Check it out sometime.

Prayers for Pilgrims



On April 5-7, a small group of St. Elisabeth's pilgrims will be on their journey to Montgomery, Alabama to visit the new (one-year-old) memorial to victims of lynching in the American South during the years leading up to 1950. Many others of you are also trying a pilgrimage of some kind this Lent to somewhere else: an historic church in Chicago, a holy site in Europe, a shrine in Wisconsin, a cemetery. If you're anything like me, you don't know what to expect. So all we can do is to go with open hearts and open minds, with open ears to hear how God might be speaking to us.

Here's an adapted prayer for pilgrims from the Episcopal Diocese of Bethlehem (Pennsylvania):

God of Journeys, as you led and nourished your ancient people through the wilderness, give pilgrims courage to seek the forms and styles of life and ministry you have prepared for us. Give them courage to leave familiar things and their comfort zone. Guide their footsteps, open their eyes to new experiences, open their ears to hear you speaking, that they may become the people you would have them to be. We ask this in the name of Jesus, who travels always with us. Amen.

---Daphne Cody+

Sunday Forums in April

From 11:20 AM to 12 NOON in the Living Room.
Each week is designed for drop-ins.

April 7: Women's Leadership: From the Bible to the Future. Rev. Eileen will present a brief overview of women's leadership in the church from Biblical models through suppression of women's power to the reclamation of ordained ministries now and in the future. Although we will cover a lot of years, the hope is to engage people in conversation about the changes we have experienced and continue to see in the evolution of women's leadership in the Episcopal church. This presentation is also being offered at Church of the Ascension in Chicago, where they have just, this year, begun the exploration of incorporating ordained women into the liturgical life of the church. Eileen is very interested in hearing the perspectives of faithful people with radically different experiences of women's leadership. Please come, listen, and join the conversation about this still important issue for the Episcopal Church.



April 14 & April 21: No Forums (Palm Sunday and Easter)

April 28: After making sure to enjoy some Misericordia Candy Days candy during Coffee Hour, join the rector in the Living Room for some time to reflect on the sermon from that day. All ages welcome.

Thank you from Family Promise

Dear St. Elisabeth's Partners,

On Sunday morning, February 24, we sent three families off to their next congregation after a happy and successful week of hosting. Many thanks to everyone from St. Elisabeth's who support our partnership in Family Promise through providing meals, offering fellowship, staying overnight and other behind-the-scenes ministries. For those who provided hands on this past week: Hall Healy, Daphne Cody, Susan and Mimi Newcomb, Robert Fischer, Anne and John Tuohy, and Carla Arnell and family, we hope you enjoyed our three adult plus ten younger guests as we did. What lovely families! It's a privilege to be a small part of their journeys to independence. We are grateful for our partnership with you and look forward to working together again. Our next hosting week is May 19-26 and we hope to see you then. Peace to you.

--Julia Joehl and Kathy Gander, coordinators for Family Promise ministry at St. Augustine's in Wilmette

Soup Kitchen



*These Soup Kitchen volunteers buttered
100 slices of bread*

Make note of our next date: Thursday, May 9.
Hope to see you then.

On March 14, we served some 65 diners at the First United Methodist Church in Evanston - a significantly lower turnout than usual: cause? We never know in advance how many to expect, but nonetheless plan for 100. This time the diners in attendance got to take home lots of leftover food! Thanks to the many volunteers: Anne Tuohy (preparation of vegetarian gumbo); Carla Arnell, Libby Hinds and Stephanie Mackiewicz (sack lunch preparation); Daphne and Jason Cody, Susan Chadd, Anne Tuohy, Cody Cook, Carolyn, Cole and Isabel Passen, Carrie, Brody and Milli Mygatt, Rod Zimmerman, and Tamara Kissoon [a Northwestern student who appeared unexpectedly](dinner preparation and serving). Thanks to all!

--John Tuohy and Chuck Chadd

2019 Plant Sale Orders Due April 7

Our annual spring plant sale is underway. You can pick up brochures at church either in the pews or on the sideboard in the guildhall. Each brochure set has a bright pink order form with details about ordering.

Plants will be delivered to the church and ready for pick-up from 10:30 AM – 1:00 PM on Saturday May 4.



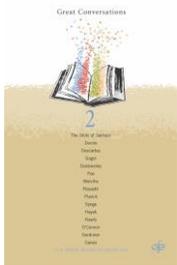
For more information, contact Sherry Schellenbach, 847-835-0634, sheys0634@yahoo.com

Associate for Spiritual Wellness

St. Elisabeth's is blessed to have on our staff our Associate for Spiritual Wellness. Elizabeth Clemmitt offers one-on-one monthly sessions for people who would like some time to focus on some aspect of their spiritual life: joy, grief, confusion, vocation, transition, or discernment about where God is leading. For more information, or to try a sample session with Elizabeth, please contact her at elizabeth.clemmitt@gmail.com.



St. Elisabeth's Book Group



The St. E. Book Group will discuss Christina Rossetti's long poem, *Goblin Market* on April 9 in the parish living room. The group meets at 10:00 AM. The fourth daughter of a distinguished literary family, her father was the poet Gabriele Rossetti. Christina chose to remain unmarried but, unlike Emily Dickinson, was not reclusive. After caring for her ailing father throughout the 1850s, she assisted prostitutes learn professions as part of her volunteer services as a social worker during the 60's. *Goblin Market*, although considered a fairy tale, is not for children. It explores themes of irrationality, sex and love. The poem is a selection in the Great Books Foundation's anthology, **Great Conversations 2**. A loaner copy is available in the office. If you are interested in discussing the compelling ideas that great literature explores, considering joining the discussion. Questions? Contact Joyce Newcomb at 847-234-6532 or grandnewks@aol.com.

--Joyce Newcomb

St. E's Supports Misericordia Candy Days on April 28



If it's Spring time in Chicago, it's the Annual Candy Days Fundraiser for Misericordia where Sarah Cline lives. Sarah is twin sister to Polly Baur, doting aunt to Duke and Rocky Baur and member of our St. E's congregation. Misericordia is a non-profit organization that supports more than 600 children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. St. Elisabeth's has been wonderful supporter and we'll be collecting Sunday, April 28 at Coffee Hour. Thank you again for all your support!



Rocky Baur with his Aunt Sarah.

--The Baur family



On Sunday, March 10, St. Elisabeth's honored Nancy Wittleder (pictured above in the very center of the crowd) upon the occasion of her retirement from nearly 60 years on the Altar Guild. During Coffee Hour, Nancy was presented with a cake while many parishioners made speeches about her leadership, and not only in the sacristy. One poetic tribute reminded everyone that Nancy served as the first woman ever to serve as warden! Several people mentioned Nancy's role in their lives as a spiritual mentor too. Congratulations, Nancy, and thank you.

Vestry School: Bishop's Selfie, March 9

This year's Vestry Retreat included a Friday evening at St. Elisabeth's, where we used the time for a meal, prayers, scripture study, and a re-engagement with our Big Hairy Audacious Goal (BHAG) which is to be the center on the North Shore for interfaith and intercultural understanding. Pictured below was the Saturday portion of our 2019 Vestry Retreat. The Evanston Deanery combined vestries and invited our bishop and his staff to offer some teaching on money, mission, and governance. Pictured here is Bishop Lee's selfie, taken March 9, at Techny Retreat Center. You might spot some St. E people in the crowd - look for most of us halfway back on the right!



Save the date!
 Our Parish Picnic will be on
 Sunday, May 26!
 More information will be coming soon.

Boy Scout Troop #28 Spaghetti Supper



*Troop #28 at St. E's Coffee Hour
on Scout Sunday, February 10, 2019.*

The Boy Scout Troop #28 Annual Spaghetti Dinner will be on **Monday, April 8** from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM at Glencoe Union Church. This is one of the Troop's largest annual fundraisers, with a portion of proceeds going to local charities, including the New Trier Food Pantry. Adult tickets are \$12 each, student tickets are \$10 and take-out tickets are \$12. At the door, adult tickets are \$15 and student tickets are \$12.

Pastoral Note

Our sympathies to Barbara Hermansen and her family on the death of her mother Lois Hermansen, who died in Helena, Montana in March.

Thank you to little church mice:



- Cliff Schwandner, for repairing the grandfather clock in the Guild Room
- Hall Healy, for seeing to the repair of the silver serving tray in the Living Room
- Glenna Foley, for restitching the green chasuble vestments
- Jason Cody, for re-gluing the pulpit crucifix

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Easter Flowers & Music

I would like to contribute to:

\$ _____ EASTER FLOWERS &/or \$ _____ MUSIC FUND

Given by: _____

- In Memory of: _____
- In Thanksgiving for: _____
- In Honor of: _____
- No specific intention

Please Note: Please print legibly. Easter is on April 21, 2019. To ensure you are listed in the bulletin, return this form with your donation check to the church office no later than **Sunday, April 7**. Please write "Easter Flowers & Music" in the memo line of your check. Thank you.

Saint Elisabeth's Calendar

Regular Weekly Schedule

Sundays

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
9:45 AM Catechesis for age 3 – Grade 6
9:45 AM Nursery care available (first floor)
10:00 AM Holy Eucharist (Church)
11:00 AM Coffee Hour
11:20 AM Education for All

Mondays

8:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous

Tuesdays

7:30-8:30 AM Hometown Coffee Office Hour
8:30-9:30 AM Lectionary Study
7:30 PM Boy Scout Troop #28

Special Events

Friday, April 5 to Sunday April 7

Lenten Pilgrimage

Sunday, April 7

Plant Sale orders and Payment Due

Monday, April 8

Boy Scout Troop #28 Spaghetti Supper

Tuesday, April 9

10:00 AM St. E. Book Group

Wednesday, April 10

Vestry Meeting (7:15 PM)

Sunday, April 14

Confirmation Class (4:00 PM)

Sunday May 19 to Sunday, May 26

Family Promise Week

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