Catholic Community of

St. Anne & St. Elizabeth of Hungary

St. Anne Catholic Church
"A Beacon of Hope and Inspiration"
New Castle | Henry County | Founded 1873

St. Elizabeth Of Hungary Catholic Church "A Pioneer Parish of Eastern Indiana" Cambridge City | Wayne County | Founded 1852

Mailing Address: 102 N. 19th Street, New Castle, IN 47362

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Worship Schedule

Weekday Holy Mass

Tuesday: 5:30 p.m. - St. Elizabeth Wednesday: 5:30 p.m. - St. Anne Thursday: 8:00 a.m. - St. Anne Friday: 8:00 a.m. - St. Anne

Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus First Fridays at St. Anne

Confession and Holy Hour: 11:00 a.m. Holy Mass and Devotion: 12:00 p.m.

Lord's Day Holy Mass

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. - St. Elizabeth Sunday: 8:00 a.m. - St. Elizabeth 10:00 a.m. - St. Anne

Confessions and Holy Hour

Tuesday - 4:30-5:15 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Wednesday - 4:30-5:15 at St. Anne

Also available by appointment

Sacraments

Marriage - Call the Parish Office to make an appointment at least 9 months in advance.

Baptism - Call 1 month in advance.

Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life, contact: Fr. Michael, 765-529-0933

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St. Elizabeth: Mon., 8:30 - 11:00

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Shepherd's Voice

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Merry Christmas!

As we celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ, we mark the beginning of the Jubilee Year, a historic moment in the Catholic Church. This special year, from December 24, 2024, to January 6, 2026, invites us to spiritual renewal, healing, and reconciliation.

In today's world, we are surrounded by uncertainty and adversity. We face challenges like economic instability, social injustice, and personal struggles that can leave us feeling lost and alone. However, as followers of Christ, we are not called to be overwhelmed by these challenges. Instead, we are called to be beacons of hope in the midst of darkness.

As we gather around the manger, celebrating the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ, let us reflect on the profound hope He brings. His birth represents the fulfillment of God's promise to bring redemption and salvation to humanity. Through Jesus, we are offered a new beginning, a fresh start, and a chance to experience the transformative power of God's love.

Through our lives, may we proclaim the message of hope that Jesus brings. May our words and actions say: "Hope in the Lord! Hold firm, take heart and hope in the Lord!" (Ps 27:14).

Wishing you a blessed and hope-filled Christmas!

Your Servant in Christ.

Fr. Michael

Announcements

- Parish Office is Closed, from December 23, 2024 to January 3, 2025. If you have an emergency during this time, please reach out to Fr. Michael through the office phone.
- Reminder: There is no Religious Ed classes next Sunday.
- Help the hungry, please bring your donations to church and place them in the parish center at St. Elizabeth and in the narthex at St. Anne. Thank you!



We will be without our Live Stream until our new sound system is installed at St. Anne. This will take several weeks. Thank you all for your understanding.



Keep in touch with us via email or text!

If you have not yet signed up for **Flocknote**, you can scan the QR Code to get started, there are still flyers in church with step by step instructions.



2025 Collection Envelopes

2025 collection envelopes are now available. St. Anne parishioners can pick theirs up in the Narthex of church. St. Elizabeth can pick theirs up in the Parish Hall. They are arranged in alphabetical order. Please let the office know if you do not see your box or if you would like a box issued to you.



Attention ALL St. Anne altar servers! **Today** after Mass there will be a training for the Christmas Masses. If you are unable to attend please contact Fr. Michael.

Thank You

A heartfelt thank you to Karen Sweet and everyone who generously donated, participated, and made our Advent Book Study a meaningful and enriching experience!

We're also grateful to all who attended the Advent Day of Reflection, where hearts were nourished and spirits were lifted. May the blessings and insights from this special day continue to guide us throughout the year.

Daily Readings, Saint of Day

Sunday, 12/22 - Mi 5:1-4a, Heb 10:5-10, Lk 1:39-45

Monday, 12/23 - (St. John of Kanty) Mal 3:1-4, 23-24, Lk 1:57-66

Tuesday, 12/24 - 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16, Lk 1:67-79

Vigil Mass - Is 62:1-5, Acts 13:16-17, 22-25, Mt 1:1-25

Mass During the Night - Is 9:1-6, Ti 2:11-14, Lk 2:1-14

Wednesday, 12/25 - (The Nativity of the Lord)

Mass at Dawn - Is 62:11-12, Ti 3:4-7, Lk 2:15-20

Mass During the Day - Is 52:7-10, Heb 1:1-6, Jn 1:1-18 Thursday, 12/26 - (St. Stephen) Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59, Mt 10:17-22

Friday, **12/27** - (St. John) 1 Jn 1:1-4, Jn 20:1a and 2-8

Saturday, 12/28 - (The Holy Innocents) 1 Jn 1:5—2:2, Mt 2:13-18

Thank You

A heartfelt thanks to Jose and Renee Guerrero for generously arranging for the bilingual Mass, music, and providing dinner after Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass! We are so grateful to everyone who joined us to celebrate this special feast day.



Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve Masses

December 24 - 4:00 p.m. St. Anne (Vigil Mass)

7:00 p.m. **St. Elizabeth** (Mass During the Night)

Christmas Day Masses

December 25 - 8:00 a.m. St. Elizabeth (Mass at Dawn)

10:00 a.m. **St. Anne** (Mass During the Day)



Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

January 1, is a Holy Day of Obligation for Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God.

Mass Schedule

Vigil Mass at St. Elizabeth, December 31 - 5:30 p.m.

Mass at St. Anne, January 1 - 10:00 a.m.

End of Year Giving

If you are giving a year-end gift to the parish, your donation needs to be dropped in the collection by Sunday, Dec. 29, or mailed and postmarked by Dec. 31, 2024. If you are writing a check, it must also be dated no later than Dec. 31, 2024.

If you are 70 1/2 or older, you may want to consider a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) gift from your retirement account. For ages 73 and older, your QCD counts toward your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD). You may roll over from your IRA to charity without paying any federal income tax on your gift. Call the parish office soon for more information.

Welcome Visitors and New Parishioners!

We are glad that you took the time to join us for Mass. If you are new to the parish, we extend a special welcome to you and hope that you will find your spiritual home here. Please introduce yourself to Father Michael after Mass or call the office to register as parishioners.



Help Needed for Bulletins

Our combined parish bulletin is a wonderful source of communication and updates for both parishes. Consider advertising your business or invite local businesses to advertise in our bulletin!

Ad Details

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- 2. *Starting Price*: \$300/Block (color)
- 3. *Weekly, staring January for the year

For questions and details, please contact Fr. Michael or our Business Manager, Patty Hughes.



Mousehold Information

Has your household information changed this year? We have received return mailings recently for insufficient addresses. Please contact the parish office for address, phone and email changes. We will be sending out end-of-the year information and want to make sure you receive needed information. Thank you!

Wass Intentions

Mass Intentions are being accepted at both St. Anne and St. Elizabeth parishes for 2025. If you would like to request a Mass for a loved one, please pick up an intention envelope located at the entrance of either parish. Fill out the envelope with your intention and return it either in the collection plate or to the parish office. Suggested offering is \$10 each intention. This is a beautiful way to offer prayers and support for your loved ones.

ST. ANNE

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, 12/24 St. Anne & St. Elizabeth Churches

Wednesday, 12/25
Thursday, 12/26
First 12/27

Thursday, 12/26

For Vocations

Friday, 12/27 For Peace Sunday, 12/29 † Sarah Bonham

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

SUNDAY December 29 10:00 a.m.

Guerrero

CANTOR Pat Cronk

SERVER Myriah H., Kenlee B. LECTOR John Hawrot, Cassie Bowers

EXTRAORDINARY Jose & Renee

MINISTERS OF

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MINISTERS

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Sunday Offerings

 12/15
 Collection
 \$2,823.00

 Loose
 \$92.00

 Direct Deposit
 \$1,332.00

 Total
 \$4,247.00

Christmas......\$1,500.00 **Rel. Retirement**.....\$25.00

Sunday Attendance: 151

ST. ELIZABETH

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 12/22 † Laura Bean Tuesday, 12/24 † Helen Longnecker

Wednesday, 12/25 St. Elizabeth & St. Anne Church

Saturday, 12/28 Family of Baron Blakely

Sunday, 12/29 St. Elizabeth & St. Anne Churches

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

5:00 p.m.

SATURDAY
SACRISTAN
Dan Sweet
LECTOR
Paul Weiss
EMOHC
HOSPITALITY
MINISTERS
December 28
Dan Sweet
Dan Sweet
Dan Sweet
Sweet

SUNDAY December 29 8:00 a.m.

SACRISTAN Darrell & Sherry Rankin

LECTOR Carol Rueth
EMOHC Julie Walther
HOSPITALITY Brian Klein,
WINISTERS volunteer

Sunday Offerings

Saturday Attendance: 99 **Sunday Attendance:** 79

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Birthright of Wayne County, 303 S. 6th St., Richmond, IN 47374-765-962-7439

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