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

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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

Phone: 765-478-3242



Shepherd's Voice

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Today, we celebrate the Third Sunday of Advent, also known as Gaudete Sunday—a day of immense joy and rejoicing. The word "Gaudete" itself means "rejoice," and our celebration is inspired by St. Paul's exhortation in his First Letter to the Thessalonians: "Rejoice always." These words are not just a suggestion but a divine mandate—a reminder that God wills our happiness and joy.

St. Paul's words may seem paradoxical, especially in the face of adversity. Yet he spoke from experience, having endured ridicule, persecution, and martyrdom. So how could he rejoice always? He could do so because he knew that his future was secure, that every cross would eventually give way to resurrection, and that the Savior of the world had been born. With this conviction, he could face any challenge with hope and joy.

As we celebrate Gaudete Sunday, we are reminded that this same hope is available to us. We can rejoice because Jesus has been born to save us from our sins and lead us to new life. May this truth fill our hearts with joy, our lives with purpose, and our spirits with hope. Have a blessed week!

Your Servant in Christ

Fr. Michael

Announcements

- Advent Book Study this Tuesday, 6:00 p.m. at St. Elizabeth.
- 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!



Please remember in prayer from St. Elizabeth, Carol Krieg, and from St. Anne, Rose Cahue, sister of Fran Black, who passed away recently. Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.



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.





St. Anne & St. Elizabeth Parishioners.

A sincere thank you to all who were able to help with the Giving Tree at St. Elizabeth and Shop with a Cop/Fireman at St. Anne.

At St. Elizabeth we were able to give over 80 gifts and at St. Anne we were able to give \$1,062.00. Thank you!



Christmas Memorials



St. Anne and St. Elizabeth's are collecting Christmas Memorials. Memorials will be in the bulletin December 22.

If you would like to remember someone, (living or deceased) this Christmas, place your envelope in the collection.

TODAY is the last day.



Advent Day of Reflection TODAY, at St. Elizabeth of Hungary.

5:30 p.m. - Rosary 6:00 p.m. - Talk with Deacon Rick 6:45 p.m. - Benediction 7:00 p.m. - Refreshments

Daily Readings, Saint of Day

Sunday, 12/15 - Zep 3:14-18a, Phil 4:4-7, Lk 3:10-18

Monday, 12/16 - Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a, Mt 21:23-27

Tuesday, 12/17 - Gn 49:2, 8-10, Mt 1:1-17

Wednesday, 12/18 - Jer 23:5-8, Mt 1:18-25

Thursday, 12/19 - Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a, Lk 1:5-25

Friday, 12/20 - Is 7:10-14, Lk 1:26-38 Saturday, 12/21 - (St. Peter Canisius) Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a,

Lk 1:39-45

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! Next week after Mass there will be a training for the Christmas Masses. If you are unable to attend please contact Fr. Michael.



Help Needed for Bulletins

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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)

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.

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 post-marked 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.



Household 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.



If you are looking for some good Catholic content to watch this holiday season. Check out Formed. Below are just a couple of good ones for both adults and children! Just scan the QR code.









ST. ANNE

MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, 12/18 † Sarah Bonham Thursday, 12/19 for the ill Friday, 12/20 for Vocations

Sunday, 12/22 St. Anne & St. Elizabeth Churches

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

SUNDAY December 22 10:00 a.m.

CANTOR Patti Keesling
SERVER Patrick & Grace M.
LECTOR Anne Goble, Luke Mohr

EXTRAORDINARY Paulette Lees, MINISTERS OF Bill Huber

HOLY COMMUNION

HOSPITALITY Mike & Gloria

MINISTERS Davis
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Sunday Offerings

Capital Improv......\$485.00 **Rel. Retirement**.....\$758.00

Sunday Attendance: 149

ST. ELIZABETH

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, 12/17 † Robert Longnecker Saturday, 12/21 † Rhonda King

Sunday, 12/22 St. Elizabeth & St. Anne Churches

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

SATURDAY December 21 5:00 p.m.

SACRISTAN Joel & Debbie Magiera

LECTOR Joel Magiera

EMOHC Janice Schuette, Debbie Magiera

HOSPITALITY Andy Weiss, MINISTERS Wayne Hokey

SUNDAY December 22 8:00 a.m.

SACRISTAN Mary Ann Avery
LECTOR Teresa Glover
EMOHC Mary Ann Avery
HOSPITALITY Greg McCarty,
MINISTERS volunteer

Sunday Offerings

 12/08
 Collection
 \$2,089.00

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

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