



Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 20, 2019

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church

**ATTENTION READERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** You should have received an email requesting that you update your availability for the next scheduling period – November 1, 2019 – January 15, 2020. Please do so by October 28<sup>th</sup>. If you have any problems, Elizabeth will be happy to enter your availability for you.

**Today is WORLD MISSION SUNDAY** Through your prayers and financial support you can directly benefit the mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin American and Europe where priests, religious and lay leaders serve some of the poorest of the poor. Envelopes for World Mission Sunday are in the pews. Thank YOU!

**JOIN THE CHOIR FOR ST. NICK FESTIVAL, ADVENT & CHRISTMAS**

Choir Practice begins on

October 29<sup>th</sup> – December 17<sup>th</sup> - Tuesdays from 6:45 – 8:15 pm

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| St. Nick Practice | Tuesday, November 19 | 7:30 |
| St. Nick Practice | Tuesday, November 26 | 7:30 |
| St. Nick Practice | Tuesday, December 3  | 6:45 |



**“UNDIES & SOCKS!!** As part of St. Elizabeth’s continuing outreach to the homeless, we will once again be collecting NEW men’s underwear and socks next weekend (October 27<sup>th</sup>). We also will be collecting umbrellas, although they don’t need to be new – just in good working order! If you would prefer to make a financial donation, please make sure your check says “homeless clothing drive” on the memo line. Thank you for your continuing support of this ministry.

Jesus sets before us a parable sketched from life. A persistent widow importunes an uncooperative judge until she obtains satisfaction.

From this account, let us not conclude that the way to pray to God is to bore him to death or to drive him crazy. Only the Gentiles imagine that they will succeed in getting an answer by dint of words (Matt 6:7)

This gospel demonstrates in a remarkable way the danger of interpreting parables as allegory. In an allegory, every element has another dimension of meaning. A parable works as a whole to make a single point or to raise a disturbing question. In this parable it would be a mistake to equate God with the judge. It would be even more of a mistake to equate the woman's obstinate pleading with a superstitious attempt to pry an answer from God.

Jesus' parable is set under the heading of persevering prayer. It calls Christians to unceasing vigilance. Prayer is less an act which forces God's hand, but much more one which opens us to the always available gifts of God.

**CONGRATULATIONS to Matias Vincent** from Troop 150 on completing his Eagle Scout Project with the help of his fellow scouts and scout leaders. They did excellent work on landscaping the front of the Church.

**OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH!** Join Catholics nationwide in celebrating throughout October. Learn more about upholding the sanctity of every human life at [respectlifeprogram.org/respect-life-month](http://respectlifeprogram.org/respect-life-month).

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## SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.  
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday: 8:30 a.m.

Reconciliation: Saturday at 3:00 p.m.  
Baptism and Anointing of the Sick: Please call the parish office.  
Marriage: Six months' notice required.



## HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND – October 27th :

9:00 AM – Colleen & Jim Connolly

11:00 AM – Tim & Traci Shields

Please come early. If you cannot fulfill your assignment, please make sure you find a substitute. Thank you!

Collections Last Weekend: \$4757.00. Thank you for your generosity !

## LITURGICAL READINGS

Sunday: *Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time.* Exodus 17:8-13/ Psalm 121/  
2 Timothy 3:14-4:2/ Luke 18:1-8.  
Monday: Romans 4:20-25/ Luke 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/ Luke 12:13-21.  
Tuesday: Romans 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/ Psalm 40/ Luke 12:35-38.  
Wed: Romans 6:12-18/ Psalm 124/ Luke 12: 39-48.  
Thursday: Romans 6: 19-23/ Psalm 1/ Luke 12:49-53.  
Friday: Romans 7:18-25a/ Psalm 119/ Luke 12:54-59.  
Saturday: Romans 8:1-11/ Psalm 24/ Luke 13:1-9.  
Next Sun: *Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time.* Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18/ Psalm 34/  
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18/ Luke 18:9-14.